Peel's Economic Bulletin - 2022



Macroeconomic Environment

- Heightened geopolitical and economic uncertainty
- Elevated risk of an economic downturn
- Higher inflation
- Shift to a higher interest rate environment

Higher Inflation Driven by Higher Food, Shelter and Gasoline Prices

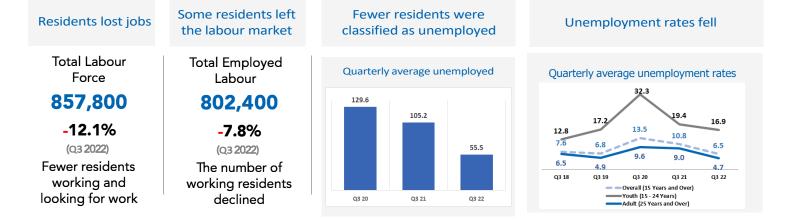


IMPLICATION: Higher inflation and rising interest rates have increased unaffordability risks for many residents and have elevated low-income, housing and food security risks in Peel.

The Rise in Interest Rates Slowed Residential Resale Activities in Peel in 2022



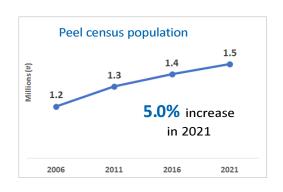
PEEL: Shift to Less Positive Labour Market Changes in Q3 2022



IMPLICATION: Less positive labour market changes in a high inflation environment will exaggerate unaffordibility challenges for many already vulnerable residents in Peel

Peel Continues to Grow in a Changing Economic Environment

Growth While Maintaining Key Strategic Advantages



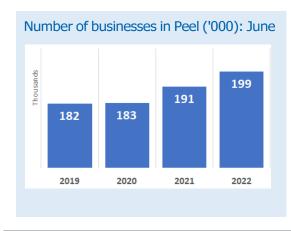
Proportion of immigrants in Peel's population: **51.8%** in 2

Peel's population remain the youngest in the GTA. Avg. age: **35** years in 2021

Peel's household income is **higherthan** national and provincial averages in 2020

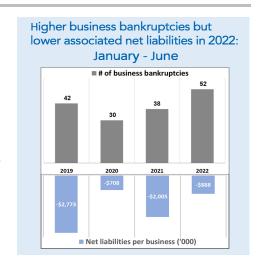


Positive Changes in Peel's Business Sector



198,529 +4.0% Total business establishments in June 2022

+4.0% +1.7% +1.2% Small Medium Large



Construction in Peel Benefited From Past Historic Low Interest Rates

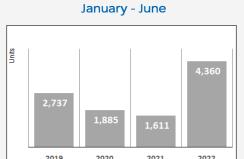


+77.5%



Highest Jan-June number of housing starts since 2005 in 2022.

+170.6%

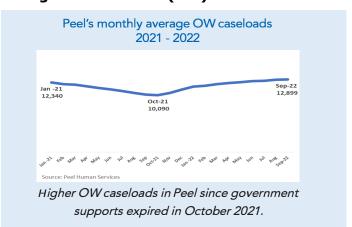


Unit number of housing starts in Peel

IMPLICATION: Short-term risk, challenges and uncertainties have intensified but Peel's long-term growth prospects remain positive.

Challenges Remain

Rising Ontario Works (OW) caseloads in Peel



Significant Housing Unaffordability

Estimated years of saving for a down payment for a residential resale unit in Peel:

Average Peel household: 28 years

Minimum wage income household: 53 years

IMPLICATION: The demand for many social services including those provided by the Region of Peel is likely to increase.