# Good Life Game Changer

2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



# Nebraska At A Crossroads

Beyond our advantages of culture, land, water and location –

We must now compete for people, workforce, innovation, and technology-based careers.

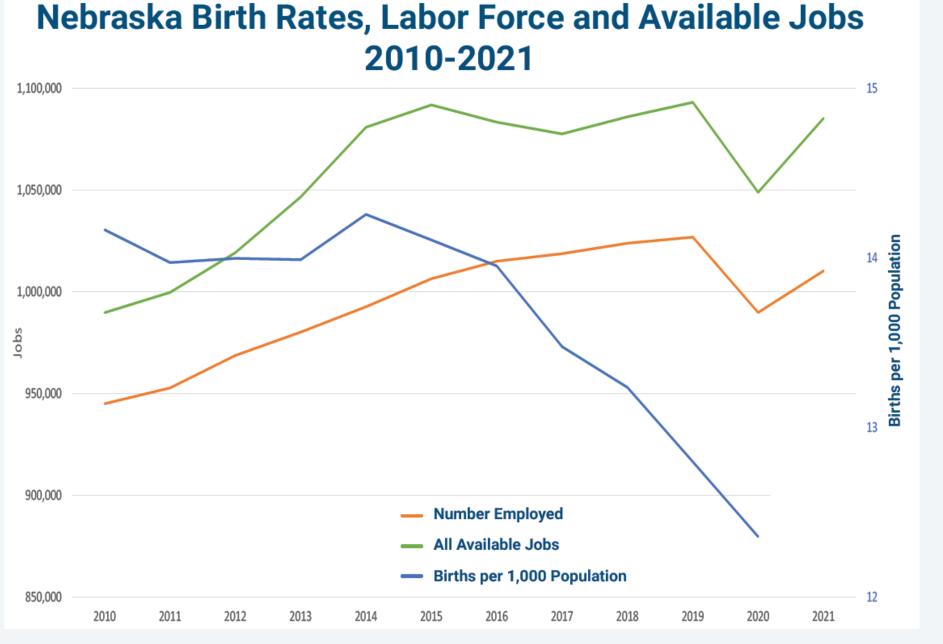
### **KEY INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- Marketing Nebraska
- Strategic investments in successful workforce & innovation programs
- Filling infrastructure gaps
- Community vitality
- Tax modernization

#### **Blueprint Nebraska Report (2019)**

- #36 STEM Graduates
- #35 New Entrepreneurs
- #29 Venture Capital Deployment
- #39 Attracting Young Talent
- #33 Net Migration





<u>Birth Rates:</u> UNO Center for Public Affairs Research

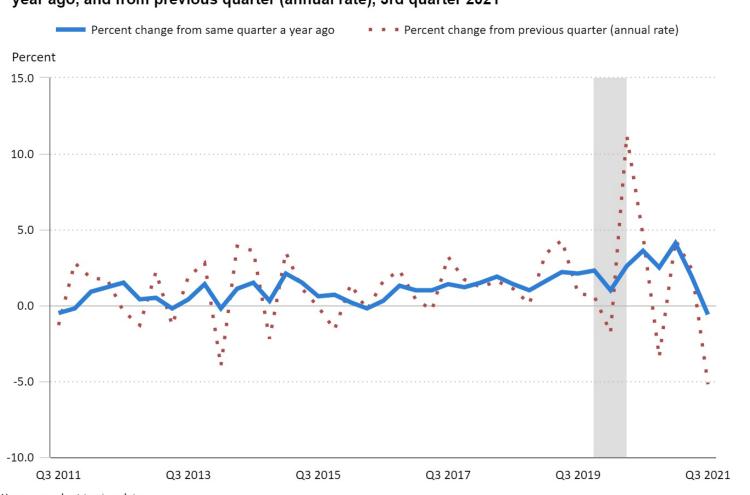
Labor Force: U.S. Federal Reserve

Average Available
Jobs: Nebraska
Department of
Labor



### **Labor Productivity**

Labor productivity (output per hour), nonfarm business, percent change from same quarter a year ago, and from previous quarter (annual rate), 3rd quarter 2021



Hover over chart to view data.

Note: Shaded area represents recession, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.





## 2022 Good Life Game Changer Priorities

### **Solve Workforce**

- 5X internship support
- Expand apprenticeships & workforce training
- Aggressively market the Good Life
- Legal immigration reform

## Redefine Infrastructure

- Bolster community Industrial, commercial site development plans
- Empower private investment
- Close the gap on mega-site development

### **Drive Innovation**

- One-time modernization & technology grants
- Scale Business Innovation Act to build Silicon Prairie reputation

### **Empower Communities**

- Local housing centers of excellence
- Childcare grants, employer incentives and subsidy extension
- STARWARS & recreation

### Modernize Our Tax System

- Growth-based
- Match 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy
- Lower tax burden over all
- Exempt business inputs





## Good Life Game Changer Proposal Partners

NEBRASKA ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION

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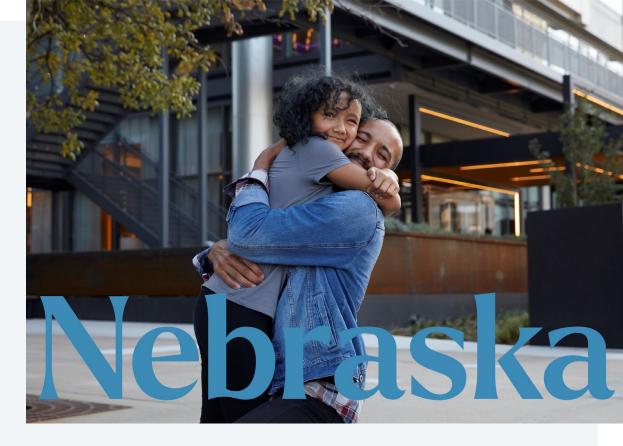






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**Questions?** 





The Good Life Is Calling.

