

# Gov. Evers Radio Address: Celebrating state's continued economic recovery, bounce back from COVID-19

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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today delivered the Democratic Radio Address celebrating Wisconsin's continued economy recovery and bounce back from the COVID-19 pandemic as the Legislative Fiscal Bureau announced [revenue projections](#) for the state that are more than \$4.4 billion higher than previously estimated. This news comes as Wisconsin continues to be a national leader in getting available shots in arms and the state's unemployment rate has returned to pre-pandemic levels and remains well below the national rate. More on this announcement is available [here](#).

*Hello, Wisconsin! Governor Tony Evers here, and I'm excited to share some great news with you today.*

*Our work trusting science, listening to public health experts, and working to fight this pandemic has paid off—we're among the best in the country for getting vaccine shots in arms and one of the lowest unemployment rates that has nearly returned to pre-pandemic levels, and our new economic revenue projections released this week are \$4.4 billion more than had been estimated earlier this year.*

*Folks, we are bouncing back and better from this pandemic, which is great news for our state's continued economic success. So great in fact, that I am proud to say we are going to lift the requirements for agency lapses.*

*During the pandemic, our agencies made tough decisions to cut where they could to put our state in the best fiscal position to recover from this pandemic.*

*With this news this week, we're returning that funding to the places it can be put to work to serve the people of our state. Including returning more than \$50 million to our UW System and technical colleges and nearly \$25 million for services at the Department of Children and Families.*

*I'm proud of the work we've done to respond to COVID-19 and put our economy in the best position to recover, but there's more work to do.*

*With \$4.4 billion more in Wisconsin's pocket, there's no excuse for choosing not to fully invest in our kids and our schools, expand broadband, support our small businesses, and ensure our state bounces back and better than we were before this pandemic hit.*

*No excuses, no politics. Let's get this done. Thank you.*