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2020 VISION: ECONOMIC FORECAST FOR METRO DENVER

As we set our sights on 2020, is our vision crystal clear or clouded by contradictory information? Slower growth in China and other key trading partners, tariffs and trade disputes, and political uncertainty in many parts of the globe mean a high degree of uncertainty in the national economic outlook. But current economic data reveals a situation of continued expansion at a slower pace. What should business leaders and consumers believe, and how should they plan and budget for the coming year?

This presentation will help to bring economic conditions into focus as we discuss current and projected growth trends at the national, state, and seven-county Metro Denver level. The presentation features employment and industry trends, population growth and consumer activity, and the residential and commercial real estate markets.