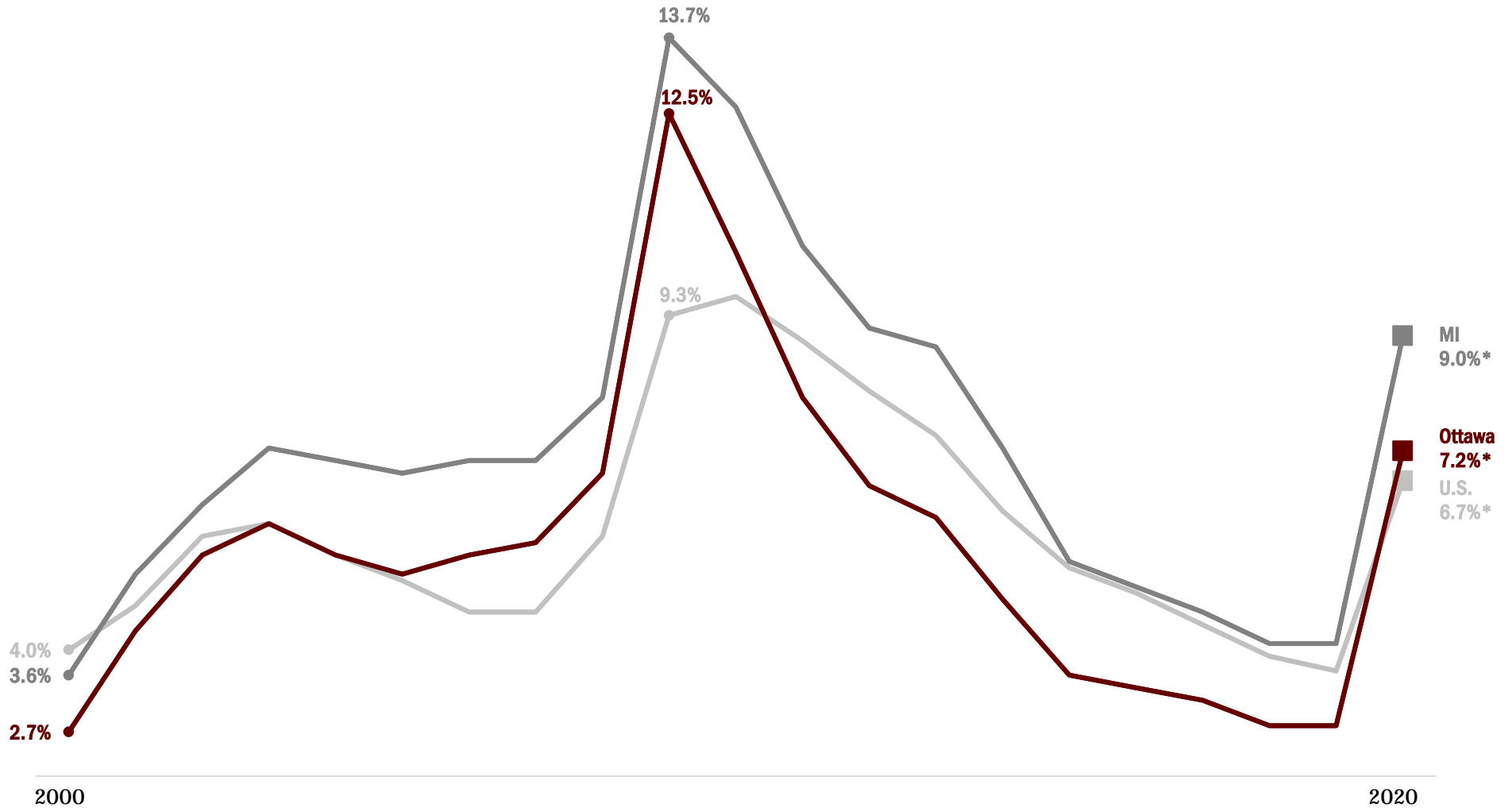


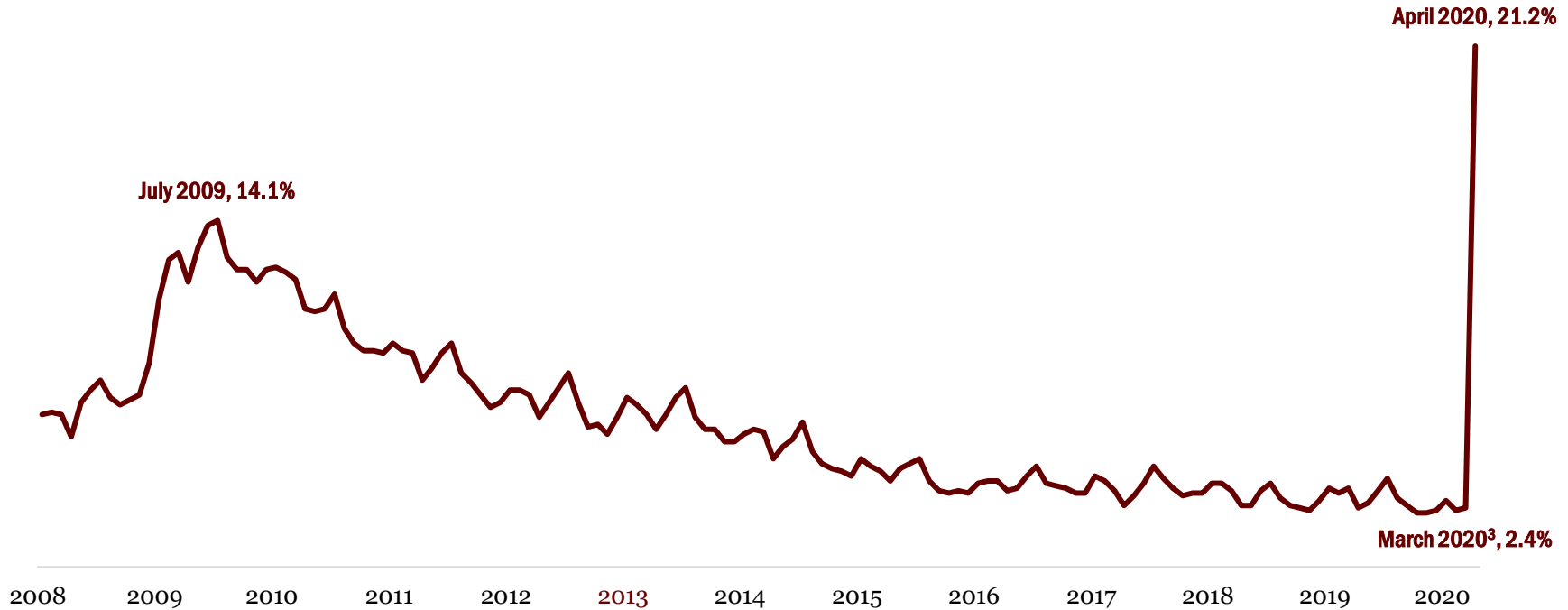
## Annual Unemployment Rates for Ottawa County, Michigan, and the United States (2000-2020)



\* The annual average for 2020 is based on 4 months of data.

Source: Michigan Labor Market Information (Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget)

**The Ottawa County unemployment rate reached its highest monthly rate - 21.2% - since this data was first collected.<sup>1</sup> The unemployment rate has increased by over 7 percentage points since the most recent peak in July 2009.<sup>2</sup>**



Source: Michigan Labor Market Information (Michigan Department of Technology, Management and Budget) Employment and Employment Statistics-LAUS

1. LAUS data was first collected in 1976, therefore historical comparisons cannot be accurately made past this date.
2. April 2020 data is preliminary. Final data is to be released and analyzed June 2020.
3. Ottawa County estimates are produced on a monthly basis using information from the week of the 12th of each month. March 2020 data includes data from March 8–14, 2020, 10 days prior to Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-21 "Stay Home, Stay Safe." April data shows the earliest impact of COVID-19 on employment in Ottawa County.