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# New Podcast Episode: The Economic Impact of the COVID-19 Crisis — Part 6

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Our latest episode features AAF President Douglas Holtz-Eakin assessing the first quarter GDP numbers and the incentives for people to return to work as states reopen their economies. He also discusses the regulatory response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the president's invocation of the Defense Production Act to keep meat-processing factories open.

Two new articles from AAF are mentioned in today's podcast.

- AAF's Labor Market Policy Data Analyst Isabel Soto analyzed unemployment benefit incentives in her new research, "[Unemployment Benefits and Returning to Work](#)," and found the maximum unemployment benefit is now greater than the median wage in the majority of states.
- AAF's new [COVID-19 Regulation Tracker](#) compiles and categorizes all of the government's pandemic-related regulations and explains the most significant ones.

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