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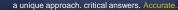
## The Economic Outlook and Orange County Taxable Sales Forecast

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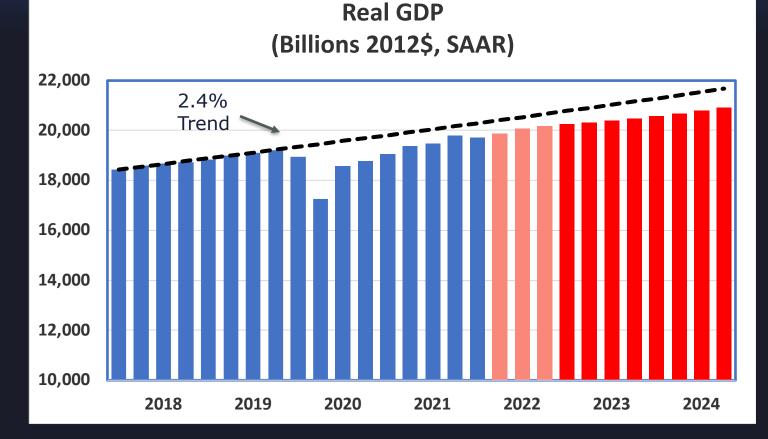
## Critical Questions A recession like no other since 1918/19 and 1920/21

- Is the economy overheated?
- Fed Policy a little more unemployment is good for us?
- Breaking it Down By State & Sector
- Hospitality and Housing A geographically disparate recovery



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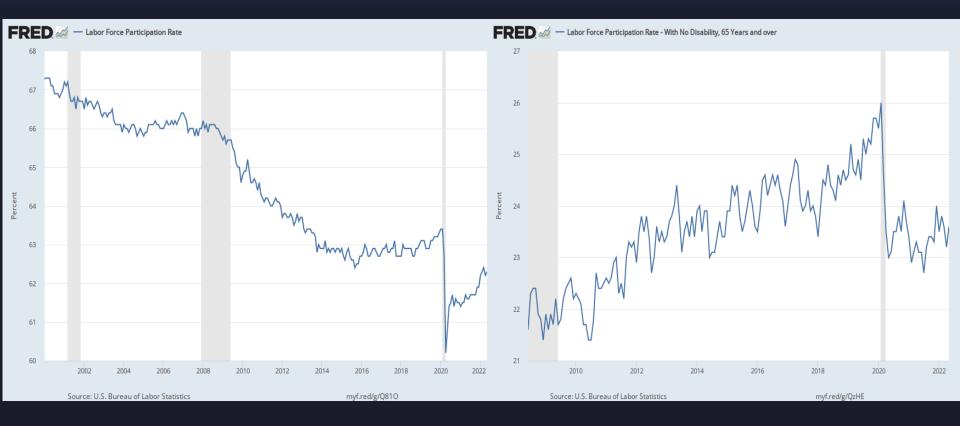
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### LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION



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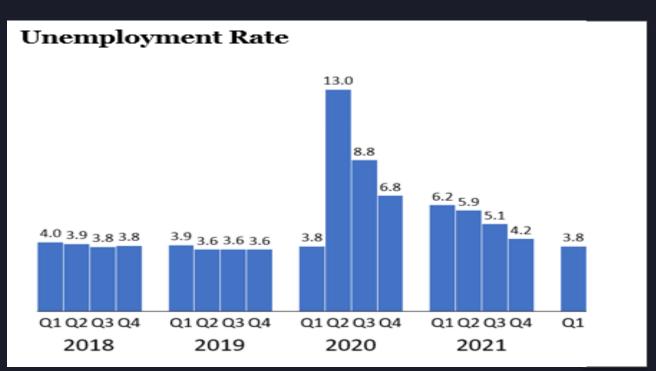
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### MAY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE = 3.6%



#### INFLATION: Annual Change in Consumer Prices

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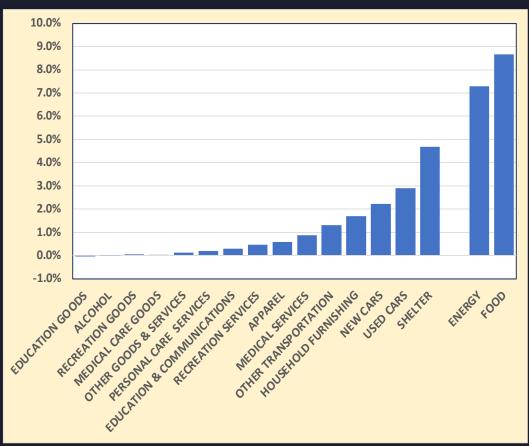
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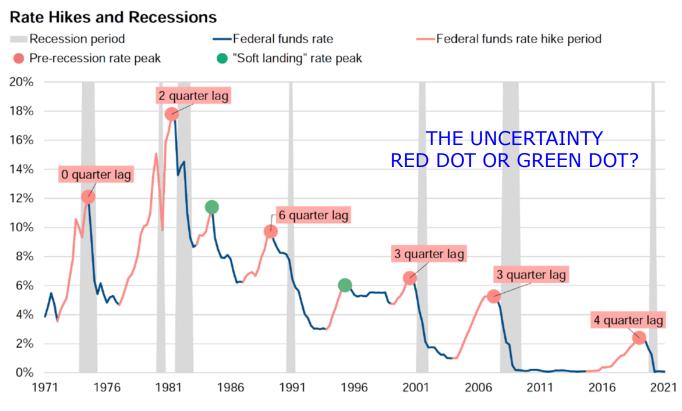
#### THE FED WILL TRY TO FINESSE WITH INTEREST RATE HIKES



Source: UCLA Anderson Forecast, Freddie Mac, Federal Reserve Board, and Standard & Poor's



#### RATE HIKES AND RECESSIONS: THE EVIDENCE



Source: Federal Reserve; John Burns Real Estate Consulting (Pub: May-22)

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## Goods purchases growing slower than the rate of inflation, Restaurants and Bars Faster

FRED Advance Retail Sales: Retail Trade and Food Services 700.000 600,000 500,000 Millions of Dollar 2001-2008 2010-2019 400,000 TREND TREND 300,000 200,000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2022

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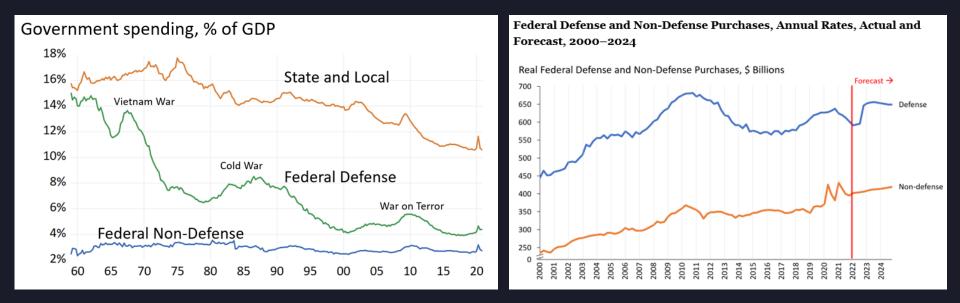
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

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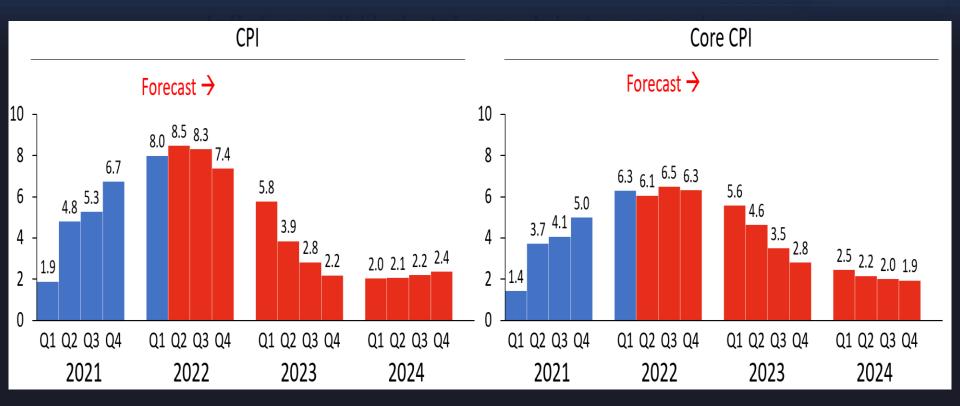


#### Into an already booming economy and tight labor market, add stimulus from more defense spending



Source: UCLA Anderson Forecast and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. Notes: \$ Billions, chained 2012 prices





Source: UCLA Anderson Forecast, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

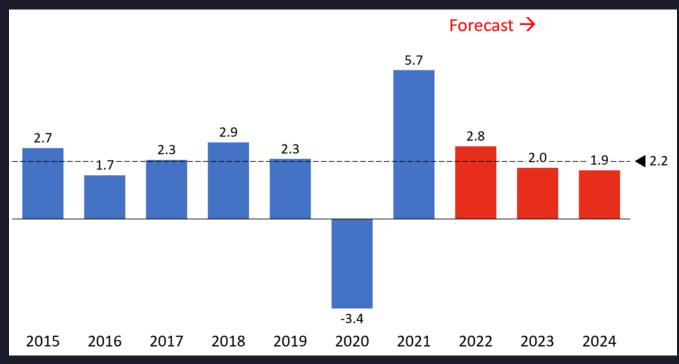


## **CRITICAL ASSUMPTIONS**

- COVID-Zero Policies in China have a decreasing impact on supply chains
- The war in Ukraine does not have a lasting effect on food
- The Federal Reserve sticks a soft landing
- The drought in the U.S. India NE Africa does not result in further contractions in food supply
- The Pandemic does not deliver another damaging wave
- Political and Geopolitical events do not upset the economy



#### With assumptions on COVID/CHINA/UKRAINE/WEATHER & The Fed hitting one of those green dots <u>Real GDP growth of 2.8% in '22</u>, Slowing to 2.0%



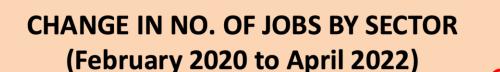
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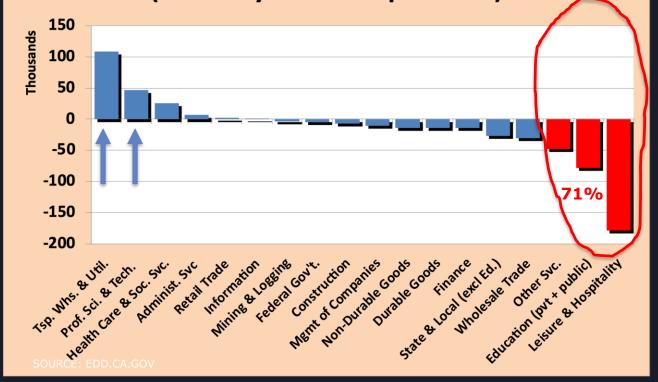






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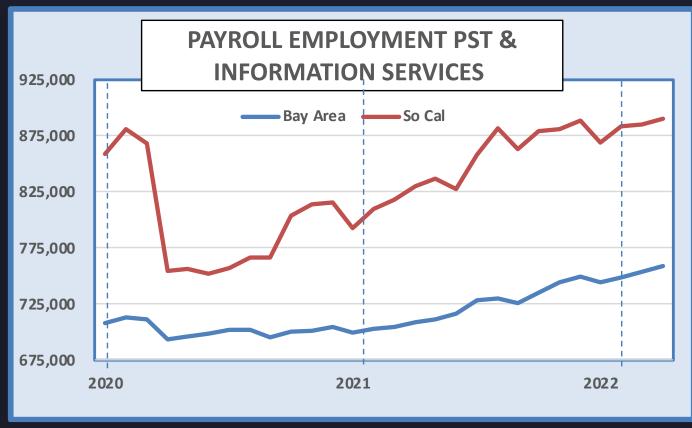




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TECH-CENTRIC EMPLOYMENT 2020-2022



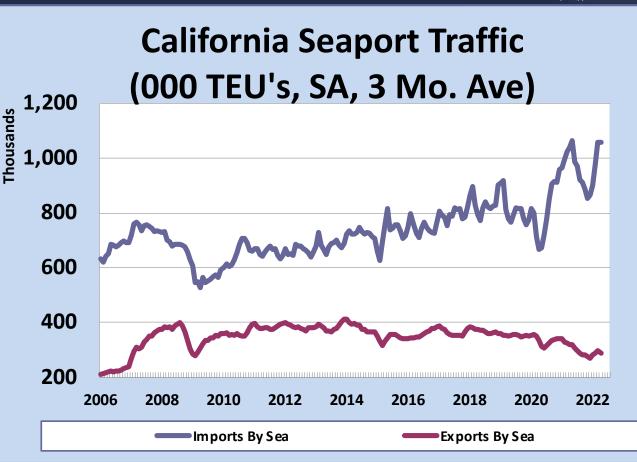
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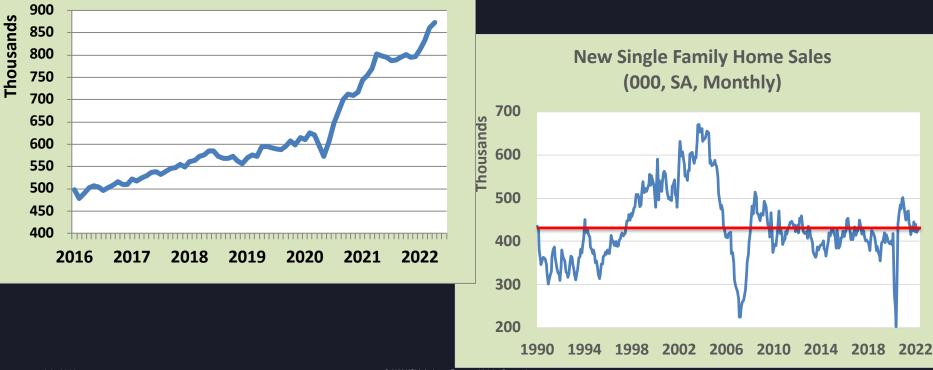
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#### CALIFORNIA MEDIAN SF HOME PRICE (000, SA)



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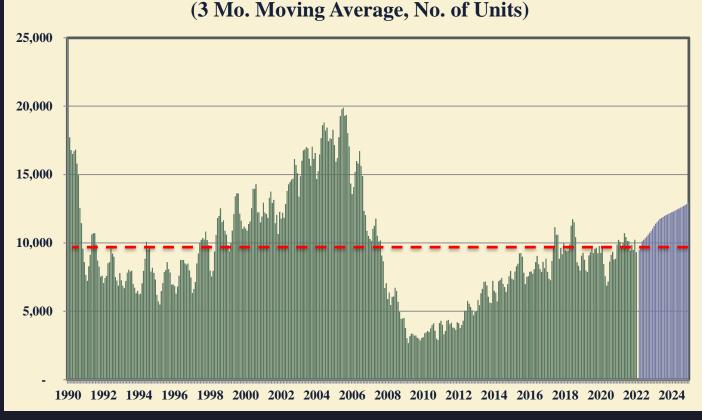
#### Summer Allen Matkins / UCLA Anderson Forecast California Commercial Real Estate Survey

Percent of Panelists Planning New Multifamily Development (Next 12 months, 8 markets, Summer Survey)





#### **California New Residential Permits**





#### CALIFORNIA SUMMARY

- California Tech, Logistics & Construction are expected to continue to grow, but at a slower rate
- Job loss remains concentrated in human contact sectors, but the gap is closing
- Defense buildup and infrastructure will strengthen CA growth in the out years

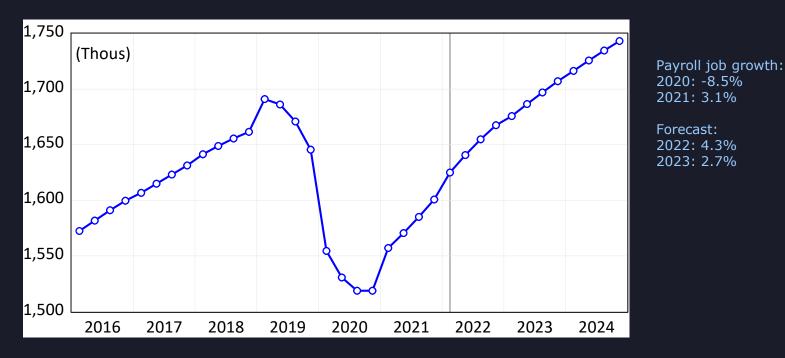


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#### **CALIFORNIA FORECAST KEY INDICATORS**

	2022	2023	2024
Employment	4.3%	1.5%	0.7%
Unemployment	4.5%	4.1%	4.5%
Housing (thousand)	125	135	143
Real Personal Income	-4.5%	2.4%	2.9%

#### O.C. payroll jobs are forecast to recover to its pre-pandemic level by 2023 Q3



Sources: California EDD and Anderson Forecast

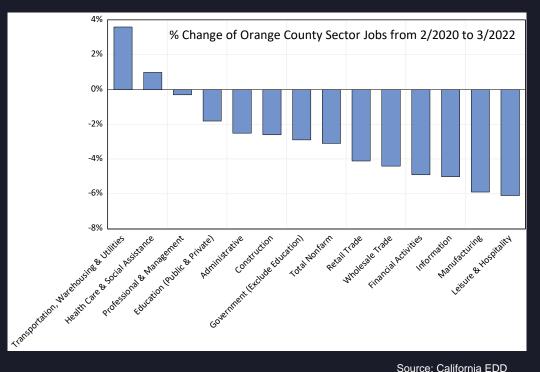
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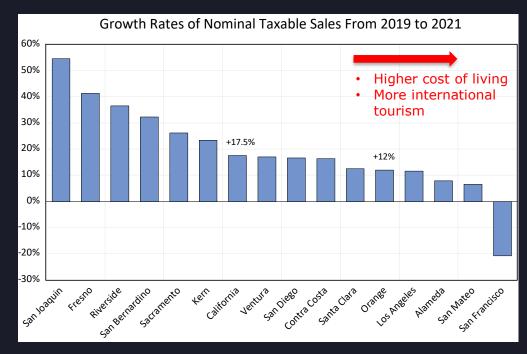


#### During the pandemic, the job gaining sectors in O.C.: Transportation & warehousing, and Health care. Big job loss sectors: Leisure & hospitality, and Manufacturing





#### Difference of sales growth by county is mostly due to tourism and their relative growths in jobs and population.



Source: California Department of Tax and Fee Administration Note: The selected counties are 15 largest counties in CA in terms of taxable sales in 2021

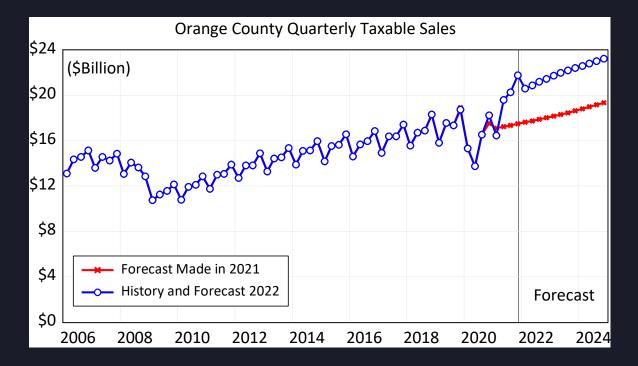
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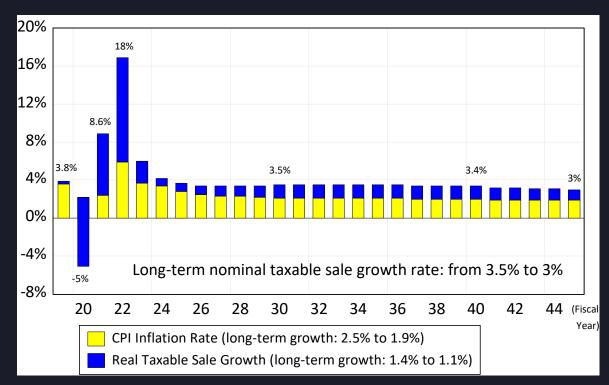


#### O.C. actual taxable sales in 2021 were much better than our forecast due to extremely high real retail sales and elevated inflation





# The long-term growth of O.C. taxable sales will convert to 3.5% in 2030 and slow down to 3% in 2045





## Summary

- Orange County's economy grew slower than the California average due to (1) lack of tourism and (2) its higher cost of living and lower growths in jobs and population.
- Total Orange County jobs will recover to its pre-pandemic level by 2023 Q3.
- High growth on taxable sales in the past year will slow down.