# Redwood Coast Region, California Indicators Report 

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Exploring the economics, demographics, and well-being of Redwood Coast and its residents through indicators.

Regional Definition: The Redwood Coast region consists of: Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, and Mendocino counties in Northern California.

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# Executive Summary 

## Assessing the Region with Indicators

## About this Report

This report provides background or summary information for the city of Redwood Coast (the City) in the form of indicators.

## Using this Report

Indicators are measures of various aspects of a regional economy. They help to provide an indication of the quality of life in a region and progress toward improving conditions in the local economy. This report focuses on indicators
for changing demographics, incomes, housing markets, commute patterns, and employment in Redwood Coast. These indicators are compared to a broader region where one is well defined, California, and the United Sates.

This report is vital for understanding trends in the underlying economy. It does not provide forecasts, but Rob Eyler and Jon Haveman at Economic Forensics and Analytics can provide that if you are interested.

## Topics Covered:

- Demographics: A detailed snopshot of Redwood Coast demographics is presented. This provides evidence on the size, age and sex, income and poverty status, race and ethnicity, housing status, living arrangements, education, health, and transportation choices of the population. Beyond the current population level, data on trends in local population growth, in comparison with other broader regions is presented, in both tabular and graphical form.
- Employment Report: Here, we provide a brief snapshot or employment and unemployment in Redwood Coast and how the City's experience differs from broader regions.
- Income and Earnings: Vital to understanding the prosperity of a city relative to its surrounding area is information on income and earnings. We provide a ranking of the City's income relative to all cities in California as well as growth relative to local regions. Inequality and poverty status are also important indicators for the level of equity in the community. We provide evidence of trends in both, not only for all residents, but also for children specifically.
- Housing: This section provides evidence on the cost and availability of housing. Both median home values and rental costs are included, along with detailed information on home ownership, by age and income, in particular. Further, evidence is provided on the housing burden in the City, again, in comparison with other broader regions. We also provide evidence on the rate at which new buildings and units are permitted along with a broader housing picture. Finally, we provide evidence on the age of the housing stock in Redwood Coast, along with information on how long the City's residents have been in place.
- Transportation: Increasingly important, in the wake of the pandemic is an indication of the transportation patterns and choices of local residents. We provide detailed evidence on the proprotion of residents who work from home and on the various transportation choices of those who head to the office. This information is also provided for those who work in Redwood Coast, but do not live in Redwood Coast.
- Migration: In most cities, the population grows, but the pattern of this growth can vary over time. Accordingly, we provide information on migration flows between Redwood Coast, surrounding regions and internationally.


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## Demographics

## Definition:

Data on the demographics of a city indicate the nature of the population, with a focus on age, gender, race and ethnicity, as well as household compositon.

Why is it important?

The characteristics and growth of Redwood Coast's population are fundamental indicators of the city's growth potential.

## A Demographic Snapshot

| Statistic | 2022 | 2019 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POPULATION <br> Population Estimate (\#, 5yr) <br> 314,854.0 <br> Veterans (\#, 5yr) |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Foreign born persons (\%, 5yr) 8.2 |  |  |
| Population age 25+ (\#, 5yr) | 227,392. | 220,538.0 |
| AGE AND SEX |  |  |
| Persons under 5 years (\%,5yr) | 5.2 | 5.6 |
| Persons under 18 years (\%, 5yr) | 20.2 | 20.4 |
| Persons 65 years and over (\%, 5yr) | 21.1 | 19.4 |
| Female persons (\%, 5yr) | 49.9 | 50.0 |
| INCOME AND POVERTY |  |  |
| Median household income (\$, 5yr) $\quad 236,624.0 \quad 191,780.0$ |  |  |
| Per capita income in past 12 months (\$, 5yr) $131,381.0$ <br> $108,840.0$  |  |  |
| Persons in poverty (\%, 5yr) | 17.7 | 19.1 |
| Children age less than 18 in poverty (\#, 5yr) | 12,881.0 | 14,547.0 |
| Children age less than 18 in poverty (\%,5yr) | 20.3 | 23.2 |
| RACE AND ETHNICITY |  |  |
| White alone (\%, 5yr) | 73.2 | 79.9 |
| African American alone (\%, 5yr) | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native alone (\%, 5yr) | 4.0 | 4.8 |
| Asian alone (\%, 5yr) | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone (\%,5yr) | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Two or More Races (\%, 5yr) | 10.7 | 5.4 |
| Hispanic or Latino (\%, 5yr) | 19.5 | 17.9 |
| White alone, not Hispanic or Latino (\%, 5yr) | 67.1 | 69.9 |
| HOUSING |  |  |
| Housing units (\#, 5yr) | 149,102.0 | 150,273.0 |
| Owner-occupied housing units (\%, 5yr) | 61.5 | 60.1 |
| Median value of owner-occupied housing units (\$, 5yr) | 1,423,500.0 | 1,128,900.0 |
| Median selected monthly owner costs-with a mortgage (\$, 5yr) | 7,554.0 | 6,609.0 |
| Median selected monthly owner costs-without a mortgage (\$,5yr) | 2,374.0 | 1,905.0 |
| Median gross rent (\$, 5yr) | 4,783.0 | 3,983.0 |
| FAMILIES AND LIVING ARRANGEMENTS |  |  |
| Households (\#, 5yr) | 125,069.0 | 124,692.0 |
| Persons per household (\#, 5yr) | 10.2 | 9.8 |
| Living in same house 1 year ago, \% of persons age 1+ (5yr) | 84.8 | 82.0 |
| EDUCATION |  |  |
| High school graduate or higher, \% of persons age 25+ (5yr) | 88.3 | 87.4 |
| Bachelor's degree or higher, \% of persons age 25+ (5yr) | 25.1 | 24.2 |
| HEALTH |  |  |
| With a disability, under age 65 years (\#, 5yr) | 34,667.0 | 31,591.0 |
| Persons without health insurance, under age 65 years (\%,5yr) | 6.8 | 7.7 |
| LABOR FORCE |  |  |
| In civilian labor force, persons age 16+ (\%,5yr) | 55.8 | 56.3 |
| In civilian labor force, women age 16+ (\%, 5yr) | 52.5 | 53.9 |
| Employed, persons age 16+ (\%, 5yr) | 48.4 | 49.4 |
| Self employed (\%, 5yr) | 15.0 | 16.3 |
| TRANSPORTATION |  |  |
| Mean travel time to work, workers age 16+ (Mins., 5yr) | 19.5 | 19.3 |
| Using public transportation (\%, 5yr) | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Drive alone in private vehicle (\%, 5yr) | 70.9 | 71.9 |

Source: American Community Survey, Summary Files
Note: Data are from the 1-year files unless indicated by the notation 5yr.

## Current Population

The data in these two tables and the following two graphs are from the CA Department of Finance (DOF). The DOF produces population estimates for geographies around California twice a year: January and July. These two tables will often provide estimates from different years. The estimates for cities are only available from the January estimates. In order to provide the most up to date data, the first table will be based on which every dataset was most recently released and the second will always be based on the January estimates.

Table 1. Population Change by Region

|  | Jan. 1, 2023 | \% Change |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Region | Population | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year |
| County and Broader Regions |  |  |  |  |
| Redwood Coast | 316,610 | -0.60 | 1.55 | -0.27 |
| California | $77,880,462$ | -0.35 | -1.79 | -2.01 |
| Source: CA DOF; Calculations by Marin Economic Consûlting |  |  |  |  |

Table 2. County Population Change by City (January 1 of Each Year, Thousands of People)

|  |  |  | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| City | 2022 | 2023 | Local | California |
| Redwood Coast | 318.5 | 316.6 | -0.60 | -0.35 |
| Del Norte County | 27 | 26.6 | -1.32 |  |
| Humboldt County | 134.5 | 134 | -.36 |  |
| Lake County | 67.4 | 66.8 | -.92 |  |
| Mendocino County | 89.6 | 89.2 | -.52 |  |
| Source: CA DOF. |  |  |  |  |

Figure 1: Population Growth (1)


Figure 2: Population Growth (2)


Figure 3: Population by Age


Figure 4: Population by Age - California


Figure 6: Population by Age - Forecast, 2030 - California


Figure 7: Population by Race/Ethnicity


Redwood Coast Race/Ethnicity, 2030


Source: California Department of Finance, P-3 Reports
Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

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Figure 8: Population by Educational Attainment in the Region and California


## School Enrollment

Figure 9: Total K-12 Public School Enrollment


Figure 10: Total Kindergarten Public School Enrollment


Figure 11: Total Elementary Public School Enrollment (Includes Kindergarten)


Figure 12: Total Public Middle (6-8) School Enrollment


Table 2. School Enrollment Actuals and Projections

| Year | Kindergarten | Elementary | Middle | High School | K-12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000 | 3,504 | 22,389 | 12,138 | 16,739 | 51,266 |
| 2001 | 3, 560 | 22, 235 | 12,031 | 16,889 | 51, 155 |
| 2002 | 3, 341 | 21,519 | 12, 205 | 17, 131 | 50, 855 |
| 2003 | 3,484 | 21,452 | 12,298 | 17, 230 | 50, 980 |
| 2004 | 3, 465 | 21,279 | 11, 970 | 17, 226 | 50,475 |
| 2005 | 3, 427 | 21, 071 | 11,574 | 16, 954 | 49,599 |
| 2006 | 3, 372 | 20,691 | 10,971 | 16,701 | 48, 363 |
| 2007 | 3,414 | 20, 293 | 10, 804 | 16,495 | 47, 592 |
| 2008 | 3, 390 | 20,259 | 10,541 | 15,894 | 46,694 |
| 2009 | 3,457 | 20, 147 | 10,316 | 15,400 | 45, 863 |
| 2010 | 3, 408 | 19, 683 | 9,891 | 14,676 | 44, 250 |
| 2011 | 3,537 | 19,773 | 9,763 | 14,438 | 43, 974 |
| 2012 | 3, 629 | 20, 264 | 9, 828 | 14,263 | 44, 355 |
| 2013 | 3,657 | 20,573 | 9,697 | 13, 951 | 44, 221 |
| 2014 | 3, 902 | 20, 824 | 9, 767 | 13, 637 | 44,228 |
| 2015 | 3, 963 | 21,096 | 9, 859 | 13,567 | 44, 522 |
| 2016 | 4, 113 | 21,546 | 9, 947 | 13,650 | 45, 143 |
| 2017 | 4,178 | 21,446 | 10, 361 | 13,491 | 45, 298 |
| 2018 | 4, 205 | 21,437 | 10,507 | 13,518 | 45,462 |
| 2019 | 4,113 | 21,219 | 10,505 | 13, 486 | 45, 210 |
| 2020 | 4, 084 | 21, 295 | 10,407 | 13, 826 | 45,528 |
| 2021 | 3, 470 | 20,259 | 10, 079 | 13, 966 | 44, 304 |
| 2022 | 3, 730 | 20,340 | 10,170 | 14, 037 | 44,547 |
| 2023 | 3,990 | 20, 453 | 10,088 | 13, 936 | 44, 477 |
| Projected |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2024 | 4,301 | 20, 462 | 10,108 | 13, 648 | 44,218 |
| 2025 | 4,830 | 20,700 | 9, 962 | 13,510 | 44, 172 |
| 2026 | 5, 474 | 21,093 | 9, 860 | 13, 490 | 44,443 |
| 2027 | 5,266 | 20,784 | 9, 663 | 13, 429 | 43, 876 |
| 2028 | 5,141 | 20,251 | 9, 634 | 13, 346 | 43, 231 |
| 2029 | 5,166 | 19,997 | 9, 406 | 13, 236 | 42, 639 |
| 2030 | 5, 244 | 19,898 | 9, 209 | 13, 009 | 42, 116 |
| 2031 | 5, 275 | 19, 754 | 9, 032 | 12,873 | 41,659 |
| 2032 | 5, 341 | 19,636 | 9, 037 | 12,684 | 41,357 |
| 2033 | 5,454 | 19,824 | 8,887 | 12,354 | 41,065 |
| 2034 | 5,476 | 20, 080 | 8, 633 | 12, 236 | 40, 949 |
| 2035 | 5,473 | 20, 287 | 8, 365 | 12, 082 | 40,734 |
| 2036 | 5, 511 | 20,441 | 8, 430 | 11, 831 | 40,702 |
| 2037 | 5,594 | 20,671 | 8,536 | 11,648 | 40,855 |
| 2038 | 5,675 | 20, 896 | 8,636 | 11,411 | 40,943 |
| 2039 | 5,659 | 21, 007 | 8, 781 | 11, 224 | 41, 012 |
| 2040 | 5,679 | 21, 142 | 8,896 | 11,306 | 41,344 |
| 2041 | 5,787 | 21,330 | 8, 992 | 11,414 | 41,736 |
| 2042 | 5, 830 | 21,550 | 9, 013 | 11,638 | 42, 201 |
| 2043 | 5,851 | 21,733 | 9, 048 | 11, 771 | 42, 552 |
| 2044 | 5,894 | 21,843 | 9,197 | 11,875 | 42,915 |
| 2045 | 5, 906 | 21,974 | 9, 285 | 12, 018 | 43, 277 |

## Employment Report

## Definition:

Each month, California's Employment Development Division (EDD) publishes an update on employment in California and in MSAs and counties all across the state. The report focuses primarily on non-farm employment, pro-
viding estimates of changes in employment by industry as well as unemployment in each region.

## Why is it important?

Employment growth is a fundamental indicator of the health of an economy.

Table 3. Redwood Coast Summary for October, 2023

|  |  | Change From: |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Category | Value | Year | 2019 | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ |  |
| Employment | 127,135 | $-1,542$ | $-6,618$ | $-2,748$ |  |
| Labor Force | 134,199 | -405 | $-5,416$ | $-13,472$ |  |
| Number Unemployed | 6,942 | 1,151 | 1,339 | $-11,056$ |  |
| Unemployment Rate | 5.2 | 0.9 | 1.2 | $-7,0$ |  |
| Sast |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: EDD, National Economic Education Delegation THe data are from October, 2023 in each year.

Figure 14: Historical Employment and Unem- Figure 15: Employment and Unemployment ployment

Last 12 Months


Figure 16: Relative Employment Growth Across Regions


Table 4. Total Nonfarm Employment Growth
(Q2 of each year, to 2023)

| Region | Current Employment | Year over Year Change (\#) | Annual Rate of Growth (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Over last: |  | 3 Years | Since: |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Year | 2 Years |  | 5 Years | 2010 | 2000 | 1990 |
| Redwood Coast | 108, 058 | 1,254 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 4.7 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| California | 18, 074,436 | 148, 474 | 0.8 | 3.6 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.1 |

Source: BLS, QCEW; Calculations by NEED

Table 5. Nonfarm Employment Growth by 2-Digit NAICS Category
(Q2 of each year, to 2023)

| Region | Current Employment | Year over Year Change (\#) | Annual Rate of Growth (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Over last: Year | 2 Years | 3 Years | 5 Years | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since: } \\ & 2010 \end{aligned}$ | 2000 | 1990 |
| Ag, For, Fish, \& Hunting | 1,609 | -2, 293 | -58.8 | -15.3 | -6.8 | -9.7 | -3.6 |  |  |
| Mining | 0 | -38 | -100.0 | -50.0 | -33.3 | -20.0 | -7.7 | -4.3 | -3.0 |
| Utilities | 972 | 35 | 3.8 | 5.7 | 7.7 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 9.3 | 8.5 |
| Construction | 5,154 | 141 | 2.8 | 5.8 | 8.5 | 4.3 | 5.4 | 1.5 | 0.7 |
| Manufacturing | 5,489 | -13 | -0.2 | 1.6 | 7.4 | 2.4 | 1.4 | -2.0 | -1.6 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,826 | -192 | -9.5 | -1.8 | 0.0 | -0.9 | 0.4 | 6.1 | 3.6 |
| Retail Trade | 13, 916 | -530 | -3.7 | -1.6 | 1.6 | -1.5 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.2 |
| Trans. \& Ware. | 1,549 | -69 | -4.3 | -7.4 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 1.4 | -1.8 | -1.3 |
| Information | 787 | -38 | -4.6 | 14.6 | 9.7 | -0.1 | -2.5 | -1.9 | -1.3 |
| Fin \& Ins. | 1,816 | -85 | -4.5 | -0.2 | -1.1 | -1.8 | -0.9 | -0.7 | -0.7 |
| RE, Rental, Leasing | 1,341 | -79 | -5.6 | 1.5 | 4.4 | -1.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.5 |
| Prof., Sci, \& Tech. | 2, 184 | -108 | -4.7 | -4.7 | -0.8 | -1.8 | -1.5 | 0.2 | 1.0 |
| Mgmt of Companies | 717 | 99 | 16.0 |  |  |  | 1.9 | -1.9 |  |
| Admin, Support, \& Waste | 2, 704 | -20 | -0.7 | -2.7 |  | -0.9 | 1.5 | -0.6 | 1.9 |
| Educ. Services | 12,191 | 736 | 6.4 | 67.2 | 41.7 | 20.0 | 1.4 | 5.9 | 4.5 |
| Health Care \& Soc. Asst. | 20,313 | 1,020 | 5.3 | 5.8 |  | 0.4 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.0 |
| Arts, Ent., \& Rec | 2,695 | 215 | 8.7 | 23.8 | 83.0 | 10.6 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 5.6 |
| Accom. \& Food Srvcs | 11,171 | -225 | -2.0 | 5.0 | 25.9 | -0.0 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.9 |
| Other Srvcs | 3, 371 | 88 | 2.7 | 6.1 | 9.4 | 1.3 | -3.4 | -1.5 | -0.3 |
| Public Admin | 12,145 | 156 | 1.3 | 8.2 | 5.8 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 2.4 |
| Other | 78 | 76 | 3,783.3 |  | 2,555.6 | -15.5 | -4.4 | -4.3 | $-3.0$ |

Table 6: Employment in the Region's Counties

| (Q2 of 2023) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| NAICS | Region | Del $_{\text {Norte }}$ | Humboldt | Lake | Mendocino |
| Accom. and Food Srvcs | 11,171 | 784 | 3,812 | 1,115 | 5,460 |
| Admin, Support, and Waste | 2,704 | 99 | 1,058 | 392 | 1,156 |
| Ag, For, Fish, and Hunting | 1,609 | 299 | 0 | 0 | 1,310 |
| Arts, Ent., and Rec | 2,695 | 457 | 583 | 776 | 878 |
| Construction | 5,154 | 248 | 1,532 | 809 | 2,564 |
| Educ. Services | 12,191 | 916 | 3,310 | 1,655 | 6,311 |
| Fin and Ins. | 1,816 | 67 | 466 | 173 | 1,111 |
| Health Care and Soc. Asst. | 20,313 | 12 | 5,896 | 4,901 | 9,504 |
| Information | 787 | 72 | 247 | 104 | 364 |
| Manufacturing | 5,489 | 163 | 2,577 | 333 | 2,416 |
| Mgmt of Companies | 717 | 0 | 247 | 77 | 392 |
| Other | 78 | 4 | 24 | 14 | 36 |
| Other Srvcs | 3,371 | 81 | 677 | 427 | 2,185 |
| Prof., Sci, and Tech. | 2,184 | 0 | 634 | 281 | 1,269 |
| Public Admin | 12,145 | 2,154 | 2,819 | 1,456 | 5,717 |
| RE, Rental, Leasing | 1,341 | 107 | 490 | 149 | 594 |
| Retail Trade | 13,916 | 1,063 | 4,434 | 2,199 | 6,220 |
| Trans. and Ware. | 1,549 | 107 | 738 | 337 | 366 |
| Utilities | 972 | 15 | 269 | 488 | 200 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,826 | 1 | 734 | 73 | 1,018 |
| Mining | 0 |  | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total | 102,028 | 6,649 | 30,547 | 15,759 | 49,071 |
| Source: BLS, QCEW; Calculations by NEED |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 17: Industry Shares and Growth


Figure 18: Average Weekly Wages


Figure 19: Wage Growth Since the Recession



## Location Quotients: Top 15 NAICS Industries

Table 8: Location Quotients for 3-Digit NAICS Industries
(15 Industries with the largest Location Quotients relative to California in Q2 of 2023)

| NAICS Industry | Current Employment Level (\#) | LQ vs California |  |  | LQ vs United States |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Current | 5 Years Ago | 2010 | Current | 5 Years Ago | 2010 |
| Forestry and Logging | 664 | 50.87 | 45.49 | 35.68 | 18.11 | 15.87 | 12.96 |
| Fishing, Hunting and Trapping | 104 | 38.77 | 10.71 | 49.63 | 18.26 | 5.00 | 26.69 |
| Wood Product Manufacturing | 1,314 | 8.26 | 6.91 | 8.90 | 4.44 | 3.58 | 4.78 |
| Administration of Environmental Quality Programs | 1,628 | 4.21 | 3.39 | 1.79 | 6.44 | 4.83 | 2.65 |
| Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing | 1,320 | 3.24 | 3.18 | 3.33 | 5.56 | 6.11 | 6.63 |
| Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation | 86 | 3.13 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.64 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 4,016 | 2.87 | 2.50 | 2.24 | 1.82 | 1.55 | 1.40 |
| Administration of Human Resource Programs | 2, 391 | 2.61 | 0.06 | 0.17 | 3.98 | 0.08 | 0.24 |
| Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers | 1,853 | 2.37 | 2.56 | 2.46 | 1.81 | 2.04 | 2.01 |
| Animal Production | 397 | 2.35 | 2.73 | 2.33 | 2.09 | 2.51 | 2.61 |
| Administration of Economic Programs | 1,055 | 2.31 | 1.75 | 1.50 | 2.41 | 1.76 | 1.56 |
| Accommodation | 2,947 | 2.08 | 1.40 | 1.45 | 2.11 | 1.40 | 1.45 |
| Food and Beverage Stores | 4,271 | 1.88 | 1.90 | 1.78 | 1.88 | 1.86 | 1.84 |
| Justice, Public Order, and Safety Activities | 3, 012 | 1.84 | 1.80 | 1.46 | 2.28 | 2.22 | 2.01 |
| Social Assistance | 10,364 | 1.83 | 1.97 | 1.77 | 3.16 | 3.25 | 1.33 |
| Source: BLS, QCEW; Calculations by Marin Economic Consulting |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table 9: Location Quotients for 3-Digit NAICS Industries (15 Industries with the largest employment in Q2 of 2023) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Current Employment |  | $Q$ vs California |  | LQ vs United States |  |  |
| NAICS Industry | Level (\#) | Current | 5 Years Ago | 010 | Current | 5 Years Ago | 2010 |
| Educational Services | 12, 191 | 1.34 | 0.65 | 1.08 | 1.32 | 0.64 | 1.06 |
| Social Assistance | 10,364 | 1.83 | 1.97 | 1.77 | 3.16 | 3.25 | 1.33 |
| Food Services and Drinking Places | 8, 224 | 0.93 | 0.98 | 1.05 | 0.96 | 1.00 | 1.05 |
| Ambulatory Health Care Services | 5,086 | 0.86 | 0.92 | 1.07 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 1.00 |
| Food and Beverage Stores | 4, 271 | 1.88 | 1.90 | 1.78 | 1.88 | 1.86 | 1.84 |
| Executive, Legislative, and Other General Government Support | 4,016 | 2.87 | 2.50 | 2.24 | 1.82 | 1.55 | 1.40 |
| Justice, Public Order, and Safety Activities | 3,012 | 1.84 | 1.80 | 1.46 | 2.28 | 2.22 | 2.01 |
| Accommodation | 2,947 | 2.08 | 1.40 | 1.45 | 2.11 | 1.40 | 1.45 |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 2, 555 | 0.71 | 0.62 | 0.67 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.61 |
| Administration of Human Resource Programs | 2, 391 | 2.61 | 0.06 | 0.17 | 3.98 | 0.08 | 0.24 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 2,184 | 0.26 | 0.30 | 0.38 | 0.29 | 0.35 | 0.46 |
| Administrative and Support Services | 2,118 | 0.33 | 0.34 | 0.33 | 0.34 | 0.35 | 0.33 |
| Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries | 2,076 | 1.26 | 1.19 | 1.48 | 1.39 | 1.31 | 1.71 |
| Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers | 1,853 | 2.37 | 2.56 | 2.46 | 1.81 | 2.04 | 2.01 |
| Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry | 1,841 | 1.27 | 1.01 | 0.86 | 6.56 | 5.17 | 4.53 |

Source: BLS, QCEW; Calculations by Marin Economic Consulting

## Income and Earnings

## Per Capita Income Growth

## Definition:

Per capita income is the average income per person in Redwood Coast. Personal income is the income received by, or on behalf of, all persons from all sources: from participation as laborers in production, from owning a home or unincorporated business, from the ownership of financial assets, and from government and business in the form of transfer receipts. Noncash government benefits are not included.

## Why is it important?

Income is the money that is available to persons for consumption expenditures, taxes, interest payments, transfer payments to governments and the rest of the world, or for saving. As such, it is an important indicator of economic well-being in a community.

The data in this report have been adjusted for inflation into 2022 \$ using the: Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: All Items.

## Region - Among Comparables

Figure 20: Per Capita Personal Income - Comparables (Rank)


Figure 21: Year over Year Growth in Real Per Capita Personal Income - Comparables (Rank by Absolute Income Level)


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## Real Per Capita Personal Income

Figure 22: Real Per Capita Personal Income


Figure 23: Growth in Real Per Capita Personal Income


The folllowing table provides an indication of the county's standing nationwide. In each year, the nation's counties are ranked according to their absolute level of per capita income and the year over year growth in per capita income. They are assigned a number from 1-99 that indicates where they are in the ranking. Low numbers reflect a low ranking and high number represent a high ranking. A county ranked in the 90 s is in the top $10 \%$ nationwide. More specifically, if the value is 85 , then $15 \%$ of counties nationwide rank higher than county in question.

| Ranking by Levels |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2022 | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| Redwood Coast | 20 | 30 | 25 | 25 | 15 |
| Ranking by Growth Rate Since: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Last Year | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| Redwood Coast | 20 | 10 | 45 | 40 | 30 |
| Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 11. Real Per Capita Personal Income (2022 \$)

|  | 2022 | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Redwood Coast | 52,289 | 46,317 | 44,206 | 40,389 | 36,422 |
| Del Norte County | 43,677 | 36,713 | 34,884 | 32,195 | 31,223 |
| Humboldt County | 54,043 | 47,632 | 45,514 | 40,538 | 36,610 |
| Lake County | 45,623 | 41,714 | 41,268 | 40,416 | 37,567 |
| Mendocino County | 57,310 | 50,810 | 47,429 | 42,754 | 36,962 |
| California | 77,036 | 57,896 | 60,791 | 56,381 | 48,119 |
| United States | 65,470 | 54,432 | 55,877 | 51,922 | 43,944 |
| Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 12. Growth in Real Per Capita Personal Income (CAGR: Cumulative Annual Growth Rate (\%))


Figure 24: Total Real Personal Income


Figure 25: Growth in Total Real Personal Income


This table is similar in spirit and construction to the previous earlier tabble, but the underlying statistic is total per capita income in the county.

| Table 13. Percentile Ranking Among Counties |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2022 | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| Redwood Coast | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| Ranking by Growth Rate Since: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Last |  |  |  |  |
|  | Year | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| Redwood Coast | 10 | 10 | 15 | 5 | 5 |
| Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis |  |  |  |  |  |
| Note: Higher \# indicates a higher ranking (1-100). |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 14. Total Real Personal Income (Thousands of 2022 \$)

|  | 2022 | 2010 | 2007 | 2000 | 1990 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Redwood Coast | $16,735,787$ | $14,652,323$ | $13,773,138$ | $12,070,102$ | $10,043,068$ |
| Del Norte County | $1,182,855$ | $1,048,627$ | 991,215 | 883,427 | 748,932 |
| Humboldt County | $7,296,395$ | $6,432,324$ | $6,007,872$ | $5,126,568$ | $4,383,960$ |
| Lake County | $3,111,067$ | $2,704,062$ | $2,644,355$ | $2,365,886$ | $1,921,472$ |
| Mendocino County | $5,145,470$ | $4,467,310$ | $4,129,696$ | $3,694,221$ | $2,988,704$ |
| California | $3,006,647,281$ | $2,160,797,026$ | $2,203,717,863$ | $1,916,278,011$ | $1,441,619,939$ |
| United States | $21,820,248,000$ | $16,840,152,456$ | $16,831,686,436$ | $14,650,138,546$ | $10,969,283,159$ |
| Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 15. Growth in Total Real Personal Income (CAGR: Cumulative Annual Growth Rate (\%))

## Poverty and Inequality

## Definition:

The local poverty rate provides an indication of the well-being of those at the bottom of the income distribution. The federal poverty rate measures the proportion of households in the region that are classified as living in poverty. Also included are measures of the extent to which the City's children are impoverished. Measures of the income distribution provide
further evidence on disparities in income in the region.

## Why is it important?

It is important to track measures of poverty and inequality to assess the extent of income disparities in the region, with an eye toward understanding how well the local economy is performing for all of its citizens.

Figure 26: Poverty in the Region


## Housing

## Housing Costs and Affordability

## Definition:

Housing costs are measured in several different ways. First, we provide evidence on the evolution of median home prices, median rental price, and finally through evidence on the housing burden in the city and comparison regions. Housing burden is defined as a household needing to commit more than $30 \%$ of their household income to ward housing costs. The median value is the amount in the middle. Fifty
percent of units are above the median and 50 percent are below.

## Why is it important?

Housing is one of three fundamental necessities, along with food and clothing. A measure of the cost of housing is an integral part of the measurement of the cost of living in a specific community. This is particularly true in cities and regions throughout the Bay Area, where housing costs are high relative to income.

## Housing Ownership in Redwood Coast and Broader Regions

Figure 27: Home Ownership Rates


Figure 28: Home Ownership by Age


Housing Burden in Redwood Coast and Broader Regions
Figure 29: Home Owners w/ A Mortgage
Figure 30: Renters



## Residential Permitting

## Definition:

This indicator provides evidence on the number of residential buildings that are permitted for construction each year. Permit data for Redwood Coast is compared with data from broader regions. The statistic provided scales the number of permits by population. This is done to facilitate comparisons across regions.

## Why is it important?

Building permits are the best indicator available of new units coming on the market. In order for a region's population to grow and flourish, new residential properties must be added to the existing stock. Building, both in the City and in the County more generally, is an indication of the extent to which new residences are affecting prices through increased supply.

## Redwood Coast - Ranking Among Comparables

Figure 31: Number of Units Permitted - Nationwide Comparables (Rank)


## Housing Picture

## Definition:

Housing costs are measured in several different ways. First, we provide evidence on the evolution of median home prices, median rental price, and finally through evidence on the housing burden in the city and comparison regions. The median value is the amount in the middle. Fifty percent of units are above the median and 50 percent are below.

## Why is it important?

In areas where the rate of population growth exceeds the rate of housing growth, this is likely to reflect a tightening housing market. A tightening housing market will also likely be reflected in lower vacancy rates and higher occupancy rates. It may also be reflected in higher numbers of people per household.


Figure 32: Housing Growth


## Trends in the Growth of Housing by Housing Type

Figure 33: Single Detached Homes


Figure 34: Single Attached Homes


Figure 35: Housing in Buildings with Two to Four Figure 36: Housing in Buildings with Five or More

Units


Units


## Vintage of Residential Housing

## Why is it important?

This section provides evidence on the year in which residential housing in Redwood Coast was built. We break it down into onwed versus rented residences and provide a comparison across broader regions. A sense of the age of housing in a region provides an indication of the urgency with with a region might pursue ad-
ditional housing. As the housing stock ages, an urgency with which renovations and rebuilds are permitted might result. All things equal, more recently constructed housing will be more likely to meet current codes and standards. Remodeling of existing units will be more desirable when existing units are, on average, older.

Figure 37: Distribution of Housing Construction


Figure 38: Percent of Workers Who Work From Home


During the recovery from the Great Recession, the period from 2010 to 2019, the Bay Area economy, and Silicon Valley in particular, has been growing at a pace roughly double that of the state as a whole and triple that of the nation. This growth has precipitated a tight hous-
ing market and also brought about some significant changes in commute patterns, many of which have been reversed by the pandemic. Recent years have seen significant changes in both the mode of transportation and commute times.

Table 17. Redwood Coast Migration and Telecommuting
(Share of the Working Population that Works From Home (\%).)

| Year | All <br> Workers | Migrated <br> Into Region | Intra-State <br> Migrants | Inter-State <br> Migrants |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2015 | 6.2 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 1.1 |
| 2016 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 15.1 | 10.3 |
| 2017 | 6.7 | 5.4 | 10.0 | 4.4 |
| 2018 | 8.8 | 7.1 | 12.5 | 6.8 |
| 2019 | 7.8 | 3.9 | 5.9 | 1.8 |
| 2020 | 14.1 | 15.7 | 17.5 | 24.4 |
| 2021 | 14.6 | 17.5 | 31.3 | 12.9 |
| 2022 | 12.9 | 10.9 | 13.9 | 18.6 |

Source: ACS Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS), various years. The data pertain to the following PUMA codes: 0601500, 0602300, 0603300

## Migration

## Overall Migration Flows

## Definition:

The United States is a country with an increasingly mobile population. People move, migrate, from one place to another with increasing frequency.

## Why is it important?

Having a handle on whether or not Redwood Coast is a net recipient (migration inflows) or donor (migration outflows) of population is very
important for understanding trends in the region's development. This section outlines migration patterns by age, education, income, marital status, and housing tenure. Understanding recent trends is very important for making policy, investment, and other decisions about the future. Also, understanding the extent to which the population is stable, or experiences significant turnover each year is helpful for planning purposes.

Figure 39: Overall Movements of Residents


Table 18: Migration by Income

|  |  |  | Inflows |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Sam | State |  |  |
| Category | Population | All Migration | $\begin{aligned} & \text { W/in } \\ & \text { County } \end{aligned}$ | Intra- <br> State | InterState | From Abroad |
| No income | 11, 778 | 710 | 0 | 678 | 32 | 0 |
| With income | 103,601 | 3,195 | 0 | 3,774 | -726 | 147 |
| \$1 to \$9,999 or loss | 18,827 | 1,027 | 0 | 1,077 | -106 | 56 |
| \$10,000 to \$14,999 | 9,458 | 341 | 0 | 478 | -137 | 0 |
| \$15,000 to \$24,999 | 15, 004 | 581 | 0 | 294 | 196 | 91 |
| \$25,000 to \$34,999 | 12, 247 | 346 | 0 | 483 | -137 | 0 |
| \$35,000 to \$49,999 | 16,388 | 641 | 0 | 604 | 37 | 0 |
| \$50,000 to \$64,999 | 9, 342 | 728 | 0 | 683 | 45 | 0 |
| \$65,000 to \$74,999 | 3,117 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| \$75,000 or more | 19,218 | -469 | 0 | 155 | -624 | 0 |
| All: | 115, 379 | 3, 905 | 0 | 4,452 | -694 | 147 |

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File
Note: The data in this and other tables in this section are limited in that there is no information on the regions's population that has moved abroad. The "From Abroad" column is gross movements into the region from abroad. Universe: Population 15 years and over in the United States

Figure 40: Overall Movements of Low Income Residents in the Region


Source: 5-year American Community Survey Summary Files
Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www. NEEDEcon.org)

Figure 41: Overall Movements of Low Income Residents in California


Source: 1-year American Community Survey Summary Files Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

Figure 42: Overall Movements of Middle Income Residents in the Region


Source: 5-year American Community Survey Summary Files
Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

Figure 43: Overall Movements of Middle Income Residents in California


Source: 1-year American Community Survey Summary Files Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

Figure 44: Overall Movements of High Income Residents in the Region


Figure 45: Overall Movements of High Income Residents in California Individual Income Greater Than $\$ 75,000$


Year: Through 2022

| Total Domestic | Intra-State | - Inter-State |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

Source: 1-year American Community Survey Summary Files
Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

## Demographics of Migration Flows

Table 19: Migration by Marital Status

| Category | Population | Net Inflows |  |  |  | From Abroad |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Same State |  | Across States |  |
|  |  | All Migration | W/in County | Between Counties |  |  |
| Never married | 47,779 | 2,343 | 0 | 2,742 | -513 | 114 |
| Now married, except separated | 46,561 | 1,291 | 0 | 1,211 | 80 | 0 |
| Divorced | 14,755 | 146 | 0 | 253 | -140 | 33 |
| Separated | 1,238 | 246 | 0 | 246 | 0 | 0 |
| Widowed | 5,046 | -121 | 0 | 0 | -121 | 0 |
| Total: | 115, 379 | 3, 905 | 0 | 4,452 | -694 | 147 |

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File Universe: Population 15 years and over in the United States.

Table 20: Migration by Tenure

| Category | Population |  | State Between Counties | Across States | From Abroad |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Householder lived in owner-occupied housing units | 180,471 | 1,176 0 | 2,404 | -1,570 | 342 |
| Householder lived in renter-occupied housing units | 102, 719 | 2,387 | 2,783 | -707 | 311 |
| Total: | 283, 190 | 3,563 0 | 5,187 | -2, 277 | 653 |

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File
Universe: Population 1 year and over in households in the United States.

Table 21: Migration by Age

|  |  | Net Inflows |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  | Same State |  |  |  |
|  |  | W/in | Between | Across | From |  |
| Category | Population | All Migration | County | Counties | States | Abroad |
| 1 to 4 years | 13,555 | 66 | 0 | 50 | 6 | 10 |
| 5 to 17 years | 48,317 | 1,097 | 0 | 719 | 314 | 64 |
| 18 and 19 years | 8,114 | 712 | 0 | 565 | 130 | 17 |
| 20 to 24 years | 22,090 | 1,018 | 0 | 848 | 75 | 95 |
| 25 to 29 years | 19,690 | 138 | 0 | 628 | -554 | 64 |
| 30 to 34 years | 19,600 | 150 | 0 | -33 | 158 | 25 |
| 35 to 39 years | 20,029 | 737 | 0 | 845 | -118 | 10 |
| 40 to 44 years | 19,732 | 202 | 0 | 317 | -116 | 1 |
| 45 to 49 years | 18,423 | 224 | 0 | 166 | 41 | 17 |
| 50 to 54 years | 18,050 | -29 | 0 | 313 | -347 | 5 |
| 55 to 59 years | 20,073 | 316 | 0 | 252 | 32 | 32 |
| 60 to 64 years | 23,848 | 125 | 0 | 287 | -197 | 35 |
| 65 to 69 years | 23,075 | -268 | 0 | 210 | -487 | 9 |
| 70 to 74 years | 19,727 | 136 | 0 | 229 | -212 | 119 |
| 75 years and over | 25,145 | -370 | 0 | -187 | -287 | 104 |
| Total Population: | 319,468 | 4,254 | 0 | 5,209 | $-1,562$ | 607 |

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File Universe: Population 1 year and over in the United States

Table 22: Migration by Educational Attainment

| Category | Population | Net Inflows |  |  |  | From Abroad |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Same State |  | Across States |  |
|  |  | All Migration | W/in County | Between Counties |  |  |
| Less than high school graduate | 16,921 | 1,555 | 0 | 1,362 | 59 | 134 |
| High school graduate (includes equiv) | 36,376 | -124 | 0 | 433 | -557 | 0 |
| Some college or assoc. degree | 60,210 | 2,859 | 0 | 2,337 | 337 | 185 |
| Bachelor's degree | 29,287 | 3 | 0 | 205 | -313 | 111 |
| Graduate or professional degree | 17,921 | -521 | 0 | -55 | -466 | 0 |
| Total: | 160,715 | 3,772 | 0 | 4,282 | -940 | 430 |

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File
Universe: Population 25 years and over in the United States

## Gross Regional Product (GDP for Regions)

## Definition:

Each year, the Bureau of Economic Analysis provides updated data on gross regional proguct (GRP). GRP is a concept analogous to GDP for the nation. It is a measure of the value
added in the local economy. Value added is a measure of economic activity.

## Why is it important?

GRP growth is a fundamental indicator of the health of an economy.

## County's Ranking by Size and Growth

Figure 46: County's Rank Among World Figure 47: County's Rank Among All U.S. Economies
 Counties

Figure 48: County's Rank Among California Counties


[^1]Figure 49: County’s Rank Among All U.S. Counties - Growth


Source: U.S. BEA; Calculations by Marin Economic Consulting
The \# in parentheses is the ranking out of 14 geographies.

Figure 50: County's Rank Among California Counties - Growth


[^2]The \# in parentheses is the ranking out of 14 geographies.

## Overview of GSP Changes Since Onset of Pandemic



## References and Sources

The majority of the data presented in this report are from the American Community Survey (ACS). For larger geographies, the 1-year Summary Files provide the data. For smaller communities, roughly those with less than 65,000 in population in 2021, the 5 -year Summary Files provide the data.

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## Appendix: Region Definitions

Eastern Sierra: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne counties in Northern California.

North State: Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Trinity counties in Northern California.

Redwood Coast: Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, and Mendocino counties in Northern California.

Bay Area: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma counties in Northern California.

North Bay: Marin, Napa, and Sonoma Counties in Northern California.
Central Coast: Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, and Ventura counties along Coastal California.

North Central Valley: Butte, Colusa, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sutter, Tehama, Yolo, and Yuba counties in Central California.

Central Valley: 18 California counties from Shasta in Northern California to Kern in Southern California.

South Central Valley: Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus, and Tulare counties in Central California.

SCAG: Los Angeles, Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties in Southern California.

Southern California: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura Counties.

Broader LA: Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura counties in Southern California.
Inland Empire: Riverside and San Bernardino counties in Southern California.
SACOG: El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba Counties in North Central California.


[^0]:    Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Calculations by Marin Economic Consulting
    The \# in parentheses is the ranking over per capita income out of 15 geographies.

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