

POPULATION	2000		2021
TOTAL POPULATION	16 MILLION	▲	19 MILLION
SHARE OF CALIFORNIA POPULATION	48.8%	▼	47.6%
ADULTS W/ HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA+	72.9%	▲	82.2%
ADULTS W/ BACHELOR'S DEGREE+	24.3%	▲	33.5%
FOREIGN BORN POPULATION	31.0%	▼	29.3%

HOUSEHOLDS	2000		2021
TOTAL HOUSING UNITS	5.4 MILLION	▲	6.7 MILLION
RENTER OCCUPIED UNITS	45.2%	▲	46.5%
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME (2021\$)	\$71,653	▲	\$80,533
FAMILIES LIVING BELOW POVERTY	12.2%	▼	9.7%

RACE/ETHNICITY	2000		2021
BLACK ALONE, NOT HISPANIC	7.3%	▼	6.0%
ASIAN ALONE, NOT HISPANIC	10.2%	▲	13.5%
2 OR MORE RACES, NOT HISPANIC	2.3%	▲	4.0%
NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER ALONE	0.3%	▼	0.2%
HISPANIC/LATINO	40.6%	▲	47.8%
WHITE ALONE, NOT HISPANIC	38.9%	▼	28.4%
AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE ALONE, NOT HISPANIC	0.4%	▼	0.2%

ECONOMY	2000		2021
GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT (2021\$)	\$1,026 BILLION	▲	\$1,406 BILLION
RANKING AMONG ALL NATIONAL ECONOMIES	10 <sup>TH</sup>	▼	16 <sup>TH</sup>
PERCENT OF CALIFORNIA TOTAL JOBS	47.5%	▲	47.9%
AVERAGE ANNUAL LABOR FORCE	7.6 MILLION	▲	8.8 MILLION
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	5.0%	▼	4.4%
2021 TAXABLE SALES (2021\$)	\$333 BILLION	▲	\$402 BILLION
SHARE OF CALIFORNIA TAXABLE SALES	44.7%	▲	46.6%

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### OUR VISION

## Southern California's Catalyst for a Brighter Future

### OUR MISSION

To foster innovative regional solutions that improve the lives of Southern Californians through inclusive collaboration, visionary planning, regional advocacy, information sharing and promoting best practices.

### ABOUT SCAG

Founded in 1965, SCAG is the nation's largest metropolitan planning organization and council of governments, encompassing six counties, 191 cities and 18.7 million residents. In addition to conducting research and developing long-range transportation plans, SCAG convenes local governments and agencies to address regional transportation, land use and other issues of mutual concern.

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# 2023 REGIONAL GUIDE

# HOW WE MOVE

# SCAG REGION STATISTICS

## COMMUTING

**16.1 MILLION**

REGISTERED VEHICLES

**12.9 MILLION**

LICENSED DRIVERS

**29 MINUTES**

AVERAGE COMMUTE TO WORK

**65.8%**

COMMUTERS WHO DRIVE ALONE

**8.8%**

COMMUTERS WHO CARPOOL

**2.3%**

COMMUTERS WHO USE PUBLIC TRANSIT

**19.3%**

WORK FROM HOME

**3.9%**

OTHERS (COMMUTERS WHO WALK, BIKE, ETC.)

## ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

**5,000+**

MILES OF EXISTING BIKEWAYS

**2.3%**

SHARE OF COMMUTERS WHO WALK AND BIKE

## AVIATION/PORTS

**95.2**

MILLION ANNUAL AIR PASSENGERS

**200**

NONSTOP AIRLINE DESTINATIONS

**40%**

SHARE OF U.S. CONTAINERIZED IMPORTS

**25%**

SHARE OF U.S. CONTAINERIZED EXPORTS

## BUS

**1,436,735**

AVERAGE WEEKDAY BUS BOARDINGS

**4,887**

BUSES IN OPERATION

**65**

FIXED ROUTE TRANSIT PROVIDERS

## LAND AREA

**38,000**

SQUARE MILES IN THE REGION

**42,900**

SQUARE FEET OF OPEN SPACE PER CAPITA

**1,121**

MILES OF INTERSTATE FREEWAY

**510**

MILES OF OTHER FREEWAY AND EXPRESSWAYS

**18,715**

MILES OF PRINCIPAL, MINOR AND ARTERIAL ROADS

## RAIL

**172,122**

AVERAGE WEEKDAY URBAN RAIL BOARDINGS

**105**

TOTAL URBAN RAIL STATIONS

**107**

TOTAL URBAN RAIL ROUTE MILES

**17,045**

AVERAGE WEEKDAY COMMUTER RAIL BOARDINGS

**62**

TOTAL COMMUTER RAIL STATIONS

**538**

TOTAL COMMUTER RAIL ROUTE MILES

## KEY INDICATORS



**487**

2020 PERSONS  
PER SQUARE MILE



**2.99**

2020 AVERAGE  
HOUSEHOLD SIZE



**8%**

2021 POPULATION  
AGE 25+;  
NO DIPLOMA (%)



**33%**

2021 POPULATION  
AGE 25+; BACHELOR'S  
DEGREE OR HIGHER  
EDUCATION (%)



**\$629k**

2021 MEDIAN HOME VALUE

## EMPLOYMENT



**22%**

2021 BLUE COLLAR  
WORKERS



**63%**

2021 WHITE COLLAR  
WORKERS



**16%**

2021 SERVICE  
WORKERS



**19%**

2021 WORKERS WHO  
COMMUTE 7+ HOURS  
WEEKLY



**76.1%**

2019 WORKERS WHO  
DRIVE ALONE TO WORK



BUSINESS

**790k**

2021 TOTAL BUSINESS  
ESTABLISHMENTS



**7.7M**

2021 TOTAL EMPLOYEES



DAYTIME POPULATION

**8.4M**

2021 WORKERS



**10.4M**

2021 RESIDENTS



**91%**

2021 EMPLOYED  
CIVILIAN POPULATION  
AGE 16+

## HOUSING



**24.7M**

TOTAL ACRES



**53%**

2021 OWNER OCCUPIED  
HOUSING UNITS



**47%**

2021 RENTER OCCUPIED  
HOUSING UNITS

FINAL 6TH CYCLE  
REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT  
(RHNA) ALLOCATION

**1,341,827** HOUSING  
UNITS



**559,267**

ABOVE MODERATE  
INCOME (>120% OF AMI)

**351,796**  
VERY LOW INCOME  
(<50% OF AMI)

**206,807**  
LOW INCOME  
(50-80% OF AMI)

**223,957**  
MODERATE INCOME  
(80-120% OF AMI)



SCAG RDP

More information on the SoCal Atlas tool can be found at <https://rdp.scag.ca.gov/socal-atlas/>

KEY INDICATORS DATA SOURCE: 2020 data are from the 2020 Decennial Census PL-94 redistricting file which and have been processed by the California Department of Finance. 2021 data are Esri estimates (additional information on Esri demographics can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/regional-data/united-states.htm>).

HOUSING DATA SOURCE: 2020 data are from the 2020 Decennial Census PL-94 redistricting file which has been processed by the California Department of Finance. 2021 data are Esri estimates (additional information on Esri demographics can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/regional-data/united-states.htm>). RHNA information are from SCAG. For additional housing data for SCAG jurisdictions, please refer to the Pre-certified Local Housing Data Reports (<https://scag.ca.gov/housing-elements>) developed for 6th cycle housing element updates.

EMPLOYMENT DATA SOURCE: 2021 data are Esri estimates (additional information on Esri demographics can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/regional-data/united-states.htm>). Specific information on the categorization of White Collar, Blue Collar, and Services employees can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/reference/faq.htm#anchor15>, along with additional information on Daytime population counts at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/reference/faq.htm#anchor14>. 2019 data are from the American Community Survey (ACS) and have been processed and published by Esri.

Sources: POPULATION, HOUSEHOLD, and ETHNICITY: 2021 1-year ACS; DOF 2022. ECONOMY: 2022 IMF, 2021 BEA, 2022 CA EDD (DEC. 2022), 2021 CDTFA, 2021 gross regional product, taxable sales 2021. COMMUTING: CA DMV 2020 and 2021 1-year ACS. AVIATION: 2022 monthly airport activity reports, PORTS: Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach Rail Study – December 2020; SCAG Letter of Support – January 9, 2023. RAIL/BUS: Metro and NTD for 2021. Urban rail stations and miles data accessed on 2023. The data reflect the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic nationwide especially on the transit ridership.