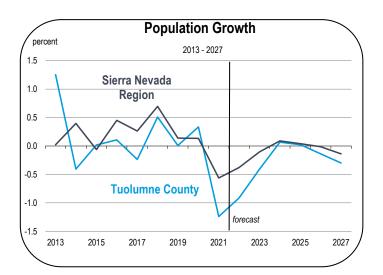
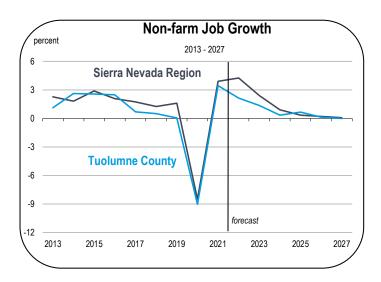
#### **Forecast Summary**

- The County recorded a 3.4 percent increase in total employment during 2021. This translated into 560 jobs and over half of them landed in the leisure/hospitality sector.
- The leisure, hospitality, accommodation and recreation sector is also leading the labor market surge in 2022. Another 350 total jobs will be added to total employment.
- Over the 2022-2027 forecast period, total employment in Tuolumne County is expected to increase by 800 jobs. Leisure services, healthcare, and construction will be responsible for virtually all job growth.
- The unemployment rate averaged 7.3 in 2021. It is forecast to average 4.0 percent in 2022 and 4.2 percent in 2023.
- The population is expected to decline over the forecast period, because the disparity between births and deaths widens over time as the population ages.
- The median home price increased by 21 percent in 2021. Home prices are expected to increase by 6 percent in 2022 and less than 2 percent in 2023.
- The Tuolumne County economy is heavily dependent on tourism. Each year thousands of visitors travel to the region to hike, camp, ski, snowboard, and visit local casinos.

#### Job Growth

• Total employment in Tuolumne County will expand by 2.1 percent in 2022 on an annual average basis.

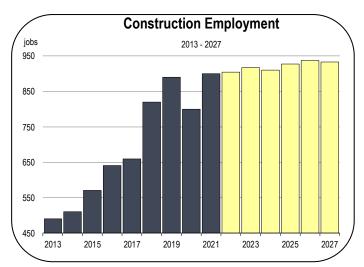


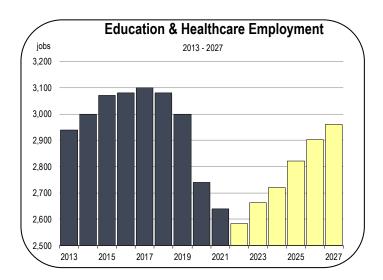


• Between 2023 and 2027, job growth will average 1 percent per year.

#### **Construction Employment**

- Construction employment is expected to remain at current record levels over the forecast period.
- From 2022 to 2027, nearly twice as many homes will be built, compared to the 2016-2021 period.
- Non-residential construction activity will also rise, with more investment into office, retail, and warehousing structures.



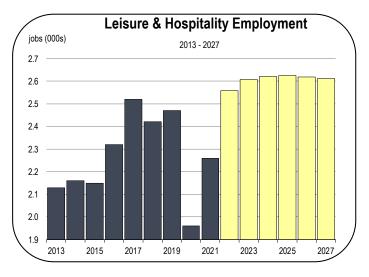


#### **Private Education and Healthcare Employment**

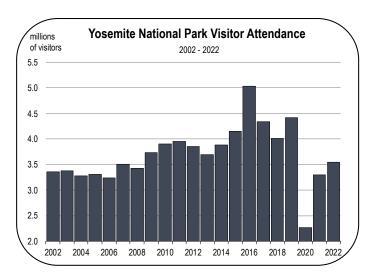
- Employment levels in the Tuolumne County healthcare industry have contracted for 4 consecutive years, due largely to layoffs at Adventist Health and to the closure of 2 outpatient care facilities.
- Healthcare employment is expected to expand sharply in 2023 and continue to grow throughout the forecast period.
- Tuolumne County has a high share of residents who are older than 75, and the elderly population is only expected to increase, ultimately necessitating a larger healthcare workforce in the county.

### Leisure and Hospitality Employment

- Yosemite National Park is the primary tourism attraction in Tuolumne County.
- Visitor traffic to Yosemite directly supports jobs at hotels and restaurants, and visitor spending indirectly creates jobs in retail trade and other industries.
- Aside from Yosemite, visitors travel to Tuolumne County to ski and snowboard at Dodge Ridge Mountain resort, which directly employs up to 1,000 workers during the peak winter months.
- Tuolumne County has 2 casinos Black Oak Casino and Chicken Ranch Bingo and Casino - that draw tourists from the Central Valley.



- In 2021 the leisure and hospitality sector added 300 jobs, accounting for an employment expansion of 15 percent.
- Another surge in recreation employment along with hospitality is occurring in 2022. The county is on pace to add another 350 jobs.
- In 2023, local leisure and hospitality businesses will generate higher levels of revenue from camping and skiing. Heightened recreation spending by visitors however is dependent on snowfall totals, the availability of campsites at Yosemite, and household incomes of largely California residents.

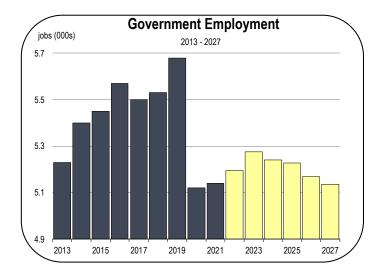




Hetch Hetchy Reservoir

#### **Government Employment**

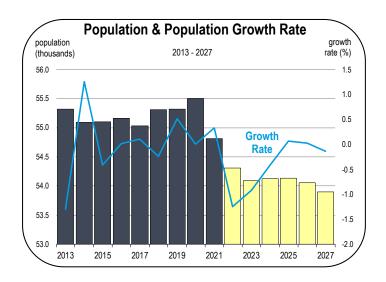
- The California State Government has several large departments that are located in Tuolumne County, including the Hetch Hetchy Project and the Sierra Conservation Center. Combined, these agencies employ more than 1,000 local workers.
- The Hetch Hetchy project oversees a dam and reservoir that sends water to the San Francisco Bay Area.
- The dam was built in response to a San Francisco water crisis in the 1910s and was completed in 1923.

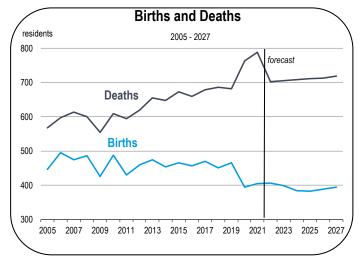


- Today, the Hetch Hetchy Project is responsible for the water service of 2.6 million people.
- The Sierra Conservation Center is a correctional facility in Jamestown that houses 3,300 inmates and employs more than 500 workers.
- Government agencies added 20 jobs in 2021. Another 50 jobs are expected to be added in 2022.
- With K-12 school enrollment in decline, public sector employment may see consolidation over time. There are no net jobs created over the forecast through 2027.

#### **Population Growth**

- By 2021, the county had only 54,800 residents. At its peak in 2006, the county had 56,600 residents.
- Tuolumne County's population is much older than the statewide average.
- As of 2021, more than 12 percent of Tuolumne County's population was age 75 or older, compared to just 7 percent of California's population.
- Because Tuolumne County has a high share of residents aged 75 and older, the number of deaths exceeds the number of births.

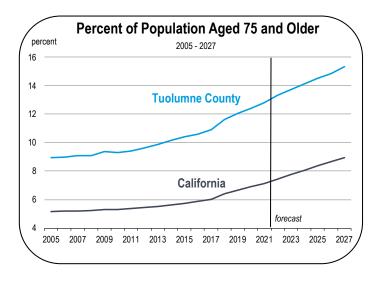


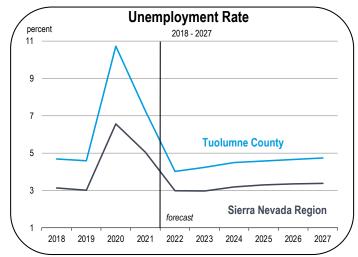


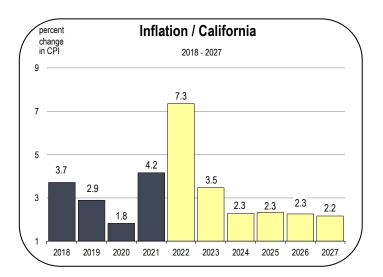
- Over the forecast period, the number of people moving into the county will be approximately equal to the number of people moving out. However, because deaths will exceed births, the overall population will decline.
- The population declined at an average rate of 0.09 percent annually over the last six years. It is expected to decline by 0.3 percent annually over the next six years.

### **Unemployment and Inflation Rates**

- The unemployment rate in Tuolumne County averaged 7.3 percent in 2021.
- An unemployment rate below 6.0 percent signifies a fully employed workforce in Tuolumne County.
- The unemployment rate is expected to average 4.0 percent in 2022 and 4.2 percent in 2023.



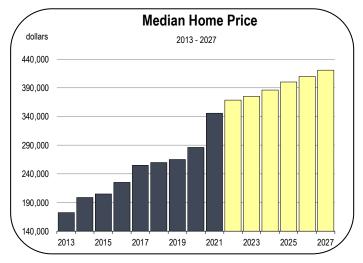




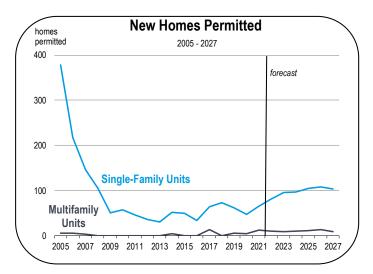
- Inflation decelerated sharply in 2020, largely because energy prices declined when the demand for fuels plunged.
- Inflation soared in 2021 and is expected to remain elevated for several years.
- During 2022 and into 2023, there will be a number of factors that will contribute to higher inflation. The most prominent will be:
  - Record spending by consumers and the federal government during 2021 and 2022
  - Fractures in the global supply chain that raise the cost of production for many businesses
  - Sharp increases in the cost of housing and energy
  - Labor market recruitment challenges that force companies to raise wages
- Combined, these factors have pushed inflation to its highest rate in 40 years. Ultimately, inflation reduces the purchasing power of households and negatively impacts consumer confidence, limiting the growth potential of the economy in 2022.
- However, inflation will begin to decelerate after 2022 as supply chains and the labor force are restored, eventually falling to below 3 percent again by 2024.

#### Home Prices and New Housing Production

• In 2021 the median home value in Tuolumne County was \$346,000. For single family detached homes, the median selling price was \$380,000.

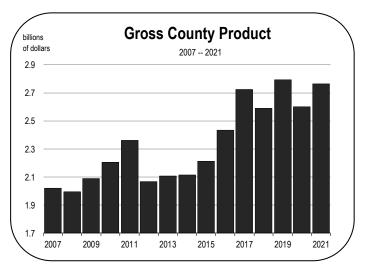


- The median price has continued to rise in 2022 though a peak for the cycle was reached in the March to May period. Selling prices have since softened.
- Price appreciation during 2022 is expected to finish up 7 percent.
- Home prices are not expected to rise much in 2023. The forecast for Tuolumne County has home prices up less than 2.0 percent.
- From 2016 to 2021, an average of 44 new homes were started per year in Tuolumne County. Virtually all were single-family homes.
- Housing production is expected to average 65 to 75 homes per year from 2022 to 2027, consisting mostly of single-family homes.
- A number of capital improvement projects are also expected to break ground, including several bridge replacements and road reconstructions.



#### New Development

- Tuolumne County's development pipeline involves a mix of capital improvement projects, commercial projects, and residential projects.
- The engineering division in Tuolumne County is currently working on over two dozen capital improvement projects. The engineering team is planning improvements from bridge replacement to traffic signal installation.
- Two community centers have recently been completed in Tuolumne and Groveland. The two centers are sized at 17,550 square feet and estimated to cost a total of \$25 million. They contain a lobby area, commercial kitchen, office space, and two classrooms.
- Valley Vista Village is a huge housing project located in Jamestown. The 239-unit housing project will include 187 single family homes. Construction for the project is under way with the first phase of houses expected in the Fall of 2022.
- Phase one of the development project includes 71 homes over six models.
- Affordable apartments are coming to Sonora after getting approved in January 2022. The complex will incorporate 72 units and be 3 stories tall. Units are intended to be affordable for households earning 30 to 50 percent of the area's median income.



#### Gross County Product

- The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis estimates that the size of the Tuolumne County economy is valued at \$2.8 billion. The largest contributors to the economy are:
  - (1) Real Estate
  - (2) the Public Sector
  - (3) Utilities
  - (4) Professional and Business Services, and
  - (5) Healthcare
- These 5 sectors account for 73 percent of total gross county product.



Vista Valley Village

### Economic Indicators

### 2015-2021 History, 2022-2050 Forecast

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### **Employment Sectors**

### 2015-2021 History, 2022-2050 Forecast

	Total Wage & Salary 	Farm	Construction	Manufac- turing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade (jobs)	Financial Activities	Professional Services	Information	Health & Education	Leisure	Government
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### Socioeconomic Indicators

