# Contra Costa Community College District 

# Environmental Scan 

A summary of findings from our external environment

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## 1. County Demographics

- Age distribution
- Ethnicity profile
- Origin of Birth / Language spoken
- Educational Attainment


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- Labor market trends
- Income and housing market strength


CCCCD Fall Headcount since 1978


## Environmental Scan Geography

## West County Central County East County



Contra Costa county was broken up into three regions using census tracks associated with each college's service area.

## Contra Costa County



## Contra Costa County Demographic Profile (2015)

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Size
Population = 1,096,068
Growth Rate = 10.6% per decade
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## Age Distribution

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- Under 18 yrs old \(=24 \%\)
- 18 to 19 yrs old \(=2 \%\)
- 20-24 yrs old = 6\%
- \(25-44\) yrs old \(=26 \%\)
- \(45-64\) yrs old \(=28 \%\)
- 65+ yrs old = 14\%
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## Ethnicity Distribution

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\begin{tabular}{ll} 
American Indian & \(=0.3 \%\) \\
Asian \(/\) Pac Is. & \(=15 \%\) \\
Black \(/\) Af. Am. & \(=9 \%\) \\
Hispanic & \(=24 \%\) \\
Two or More races & \(=4 \%\) \\
White & \(=48 \%\) \\
Other race & \(=0.3 \%\)
\end{tabular}
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|  | Gender <br> Female $=51 \%$ <br> Male $=49 \%$ |
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| Foreign Born |  |

Note: Fastest growing groups by volume highlighted in orange

## Contra Costa County’s Regions Overall population

## West County

Third largest region

- Home to roughly a quarter of a million residents

Slow growth

- Growing at a slower rate than other regions in the county



## East County

## Second largest region

- Slightly larger than the West county with 284K residents


## Rapid growth

- Fastest growing region in the county


## Age Distribution

## West County

Most diverse by age

- Most balanced age distribution in county

Aging by decline in youth

- Net decline in residents 19 and under and rapid growth of those 65 yrs and older


## Central County

Deepest age pool

- Has more residents in every age group than either the West or East County


## Aging by growth in

 elderly- Has the highest concentration of county residents 65+ yrs old
- Only region experiencing growth in all age groups


## East County

## Youngest

- Highest concentration of those 19 and under (30\%) in county


## U-Shaped growth

- Strong growth in both the younger \& older age groups.



## Ethnicity Narrative

## West County

## Ethnically diverse

- Highest concentration of residents of Asian African Americans decent.


## Rapid decline of

African-Americans

- Rapid decline in African American population (-9\%)
- Slowest growth in Asian residents
- Only area to experience a significant increase in White residents


## Central County

## Least diverse

- Nearly two of every three residents are White; all remaining ethnic groups having lower concentrations than the county average

Growing more diverse

- Rapid growth among Asian/Pac. Is African American and Two or More Races


## East County

Bimodal population

- Three of every four residents are either White or Hispanic

Rapid growth among minorities

- Growth in residents of Two or More Races outpaced all other ethnic groups combined
- Fastest growing region among Asian/Pac. Is.


# Distribution of Racial and Ethnicity Groups in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties 



Maps were taken from the New York Times online resource titled: Mapping America: Every City, Every Block (link: http://projects.nytimes.com/census/2010/explorer?ref=us).
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## West County

## Origin of Birth

High and growing density of foreign born residents

- Highest concentration of foreign born residents (32\%) and growing.


## Language Spoken

English speakers soon to be the minority

- Nearly half (47\%) of residents don't speak English at home and this group is growing at seven times the rate of the rest of the region


## Central County

## Origin of Birth

Low density but fast growth among foreign born residents

- Roughly four in five residents are Native US born
- Experiencing the fastest growth of foreign born residents in the county


## Language Spoken

Highest density of English speakers but transforming

- With roughly three in four residents speaking English at home the Central county has a higher concentration of English speakers than the county overall


## East County

## Origin of Birth

Growth of foreign born pushing region toward parity with the county

- Roughly three of four residents are Native US born


## Language Spoken

Fastest growth among nonEnglish speakers

- One in three resident speak a language other than English at home and the non-English speaking group is growing faster here than the rest of the county


## Education Attainment

## West County

Slightly less educated than the county overall

- Nearly $39 \%$ of the population has no more than a High School diploma

But growing more educated

- $31 \%$ of residents have a Bachelors degree or higher

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## Central County

Home to the most educated population

- Over 50\% of the population has a Bachelors and/or graduate degree

And growing still more educated

- The most growth is occurring among people with Bachelors and graduate degrees


## East County

Least educated region

- Less than $20 \%$ of the population has bachelors or graduate degree

Strong growth in community college credentials

- The fastest growing segment are among residents with an Associates Degree or having some college


## Contra Costa County



## Contra Costa County <br> The market for high school graduates



## Contra Costa County

## The market for High School Graduates

## CCC

## Weak growth

- Graduates of feeder High Schools growing at one-fourth the rate of the county

Capture rates stable

- CCC capture rates of feeder high school graduates remains stable at 26\%, slightly below the county average of $28 \%$



## LMC

Booming HS graduate population

- Graduation rate at feeder HS over the rate of the county


## Rising capture rates

- LMC capture rates of feeder high school is improving, moving from below the county average in 2000/01 to 5\% above in 2015/16

ACT Report Summary of Primary Public Feeder
High Schools in Contra Costa County, 2014-15


Source: California Department of Education: http://dq.cde.ca.gov/Dataquest. ACT scores range from 1 to 36 points. The percentage of scores >=21 is used as a benchmark. This percentage is calculated by dividing the "Number of Scores >=21" by the "Number Tested." For more information on ACT, go to: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/sp/ai/glossaryact2014.asp

## Contra Costa County



## Contra Costa County Workforce \& Income Profile

## Labor Market

Jobs = 530,221
Proj Job Growth (2010-2016) = 13.4\%
Unemployment Rate (2017) $=4.3 \%$

## Industries adding most jobs

- Services for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities
- Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional Managing Offices
- Limited-Service Restaurants


## Fastest growing Occupations

- Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs
- Personal Care Aides
- Food Preparation \& Serving


## Household Income

Median Income = \$80,185 (2015)
Income Growth $=2.3 \%(2010-2015)$

## Poverty

Individual Poverty Rate = 10.9\%
All families
= 11.4\%
Families w/ children
= 17.3\%
Female Head of Household $=24.8 \%$

## Median Home Value

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { In } 2015 & =\$ 439,000 \\
\text { Growth }(2010-2015) & =(-19.8)
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# Distribution of Households Earning Under \$30K Contra Costa and Alameda Counties 



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## Contra Costa County Workforce \& Income Profile

## West County

Pockets of unemployment \& high poverty

- At $4.1 \%$ the unemployment rate is slightly lower than the county average overall
- The poverty rate ( $14.5 \%$ ) is the higher than the county average of $10.9 \%$

Stagnant income growth \& struggling housing market

- Household incomes (\$62.9K) are below the county average of 80.1 K .
- Likewise, housing values are declining faster than the county average.


## Central County

## Strong labor market \& low

## levels of poverty

- The unemployment rate (4.0\%) and poverty rates (7.5\%) remain below the county average

High income \& high home valuations

- At $\$ 95.1 \mathrm{~K}$ household incomes are the highest in the county and growing three times faster than the county average.
- Housing values are the highest in the county at \$615K


## East County

Higher unemployment, weak job growth \& growing poverty

- Unemployment rates are highest in the county at 5.4\%
- At $19.8 \%$ the poverty rate is nearly double the county average but the rate of growth is fastest in the county

Low income \& declining housing market

- Household incomes are lowest in the county (\$55K).
- Median house values have dropped faster than other areas in the county

|  | West County | Central County | East County |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall population | Third largest region; <br> slow growth | Largest region; modest <br> growth | Second largest region; <br> rapid growth |
| Age Distribution | Most diverse by age; <br> aging by decline in youth | Deepest age pool; aging <br> by growth in elderly | Youngest age pool; <br> U-shaped growth |
| Origin of Birth | High \& growing density <br> of foreign born | Low density but fast <br> Erowth in foreign born <br> Lecline of African-Americans | Least diverse; growing <br> more diverse |
| Bimodal ethnicity; <br> rapid minority growth |  |  |  |
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