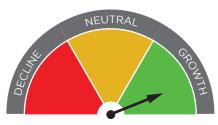
ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

AN OVERVIEW OF OUR LOCAL ECONOMY



Current Performance

126.6%

-Compared to Q1 2010-

The Merced Economic Snapshot measures the performance of our local economy based on 5 main components, all of which are equally weighted and seasonally adjusted. We use 2010 as our base year, starting with a value of 100.

Compared to 2010, the local economy has more than doubled, up 126.6% since that time with increases in all five components. Compared to a year ago, the local economy has decreased 9.6% largely due to the standard volatility in the total valuation of building permits issued.

In Q4 2019 there 1,195 building permits issued valued at more than \$42.5 million. The housing market was up again with the median home sales price at nearly \$281k and 45 more closed sales than a year ago. Employment was at its highest level since 2010 with over 107k Merced County residents employed. Sales Tax revenue was over \$3.2 million, a decrease of 7.1% from a year ago. Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenue was over \$480k, up 19% from a year ago.

It is important to note that the data being reported on is for a period prior to the impacts of COVID-19 which will be shown on future reports.

CHANGES OVER THE YEARS ...a look at how our economy has performed 300 250 226.6 200. 150 100 50 *Seasonally Adjusted 01-14 02-14 03-14 01-15 02-15 02-15 03-16 03-16 03-16 03-16 03-16 SNAPSHOT COMPONENTS -Performance compared to Q1 2010-HOUSING BUILDING **EMPLOYMENT** SALES TAX 168.5% 190.3% 100.5% 16.8% 156.8% **Read More Read More Read More Read More Read More** Performance Compared to One Year Ago 19% 35.8%