

#### **ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

#### Taxable Sales Forecast - Dr. Anil Puri, California State University, Fullerton

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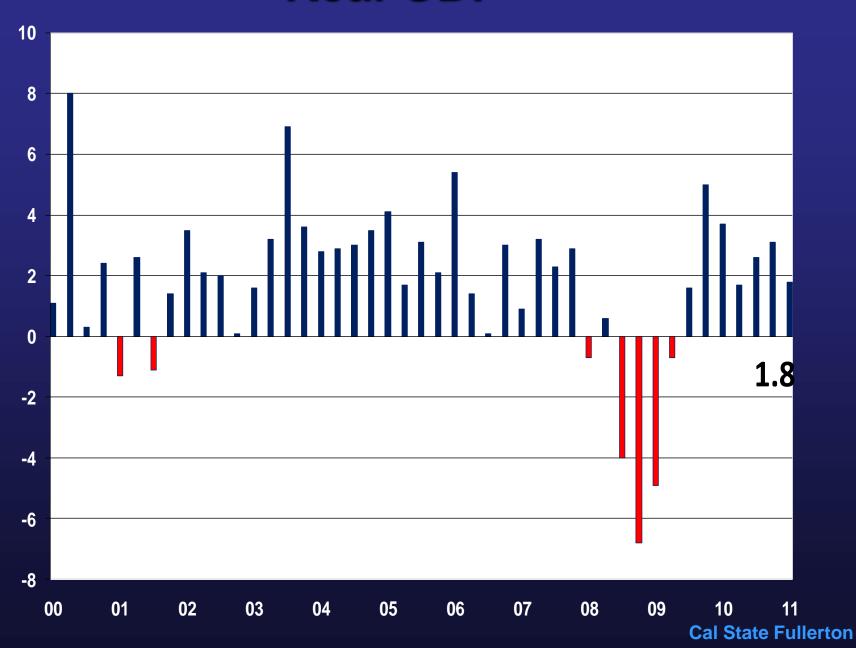
## **Economic Outlook and Analysis: Orange County and the U.S.**

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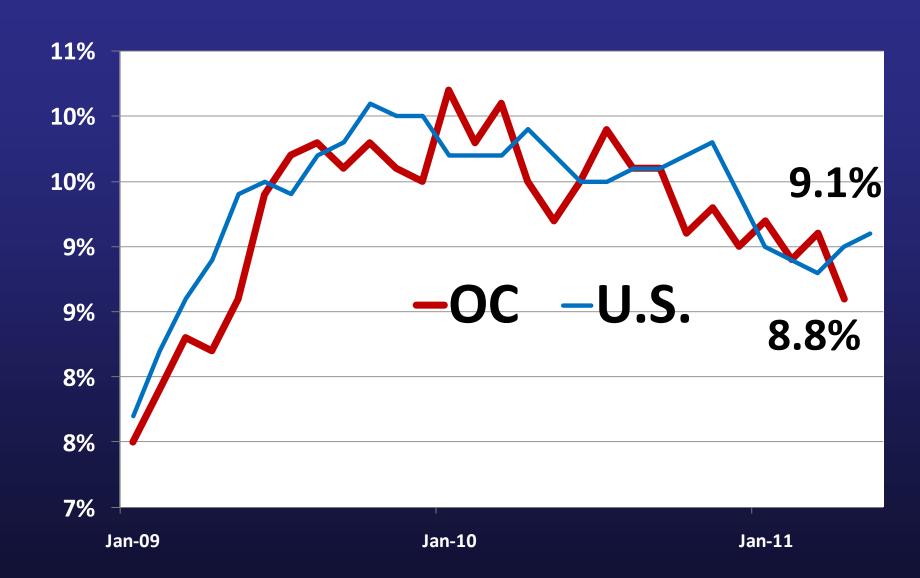
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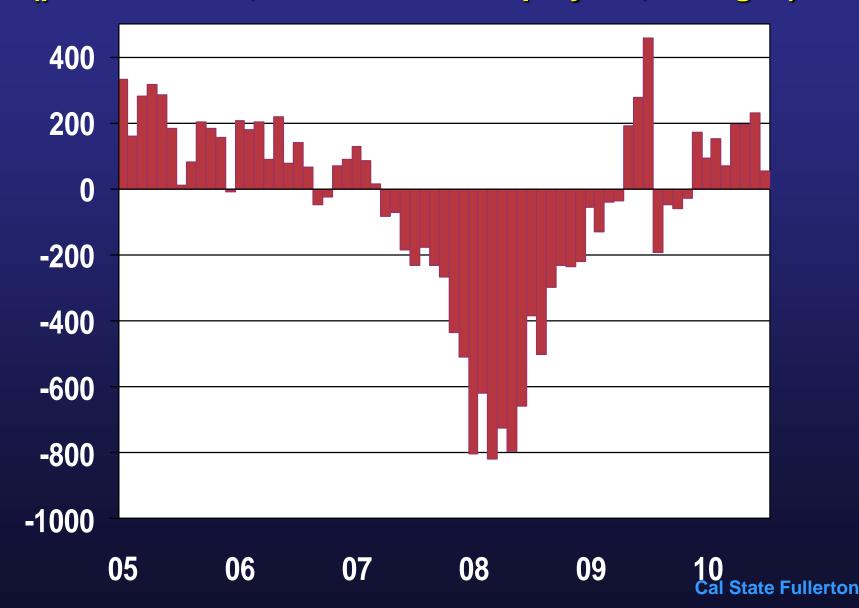
#### **Real GDP**



#### **Rates of Unemployment**



## The Labor Market Has Improved But Not Enough (private sector, thousands of employees, changes)



## When will the Labor Market be Back to Normal?

Jobs per Month	New Jobs to keep up With Population Growth	Number of Years
100,000	120,000	Never Back to Normal
200,000	120,000	7.3 years
300,000	120,000	3.2 years
400,000	120,000	2.1 years

#### **Now and Then**

**Current Recovery is:** 

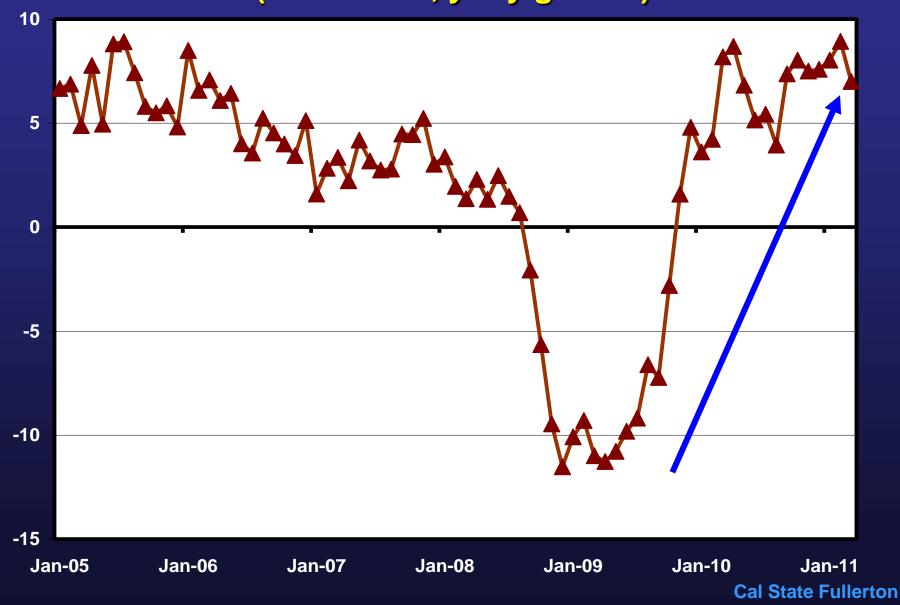
**Worse than 1990 and 2001** 

Much Worse than 70s and 80s

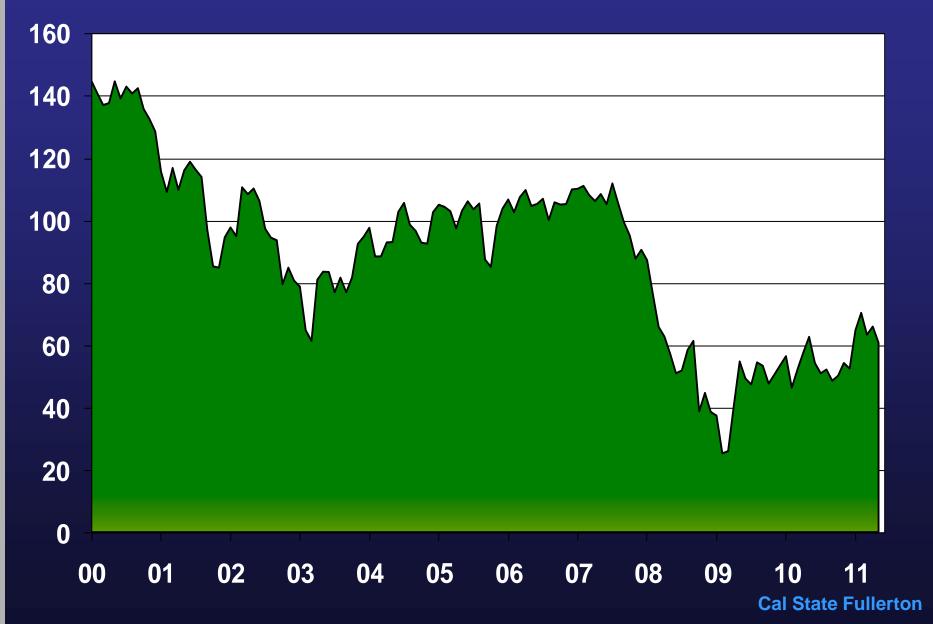
## Why are Firms holding Back? The "Unusually Uncertain" Environment

- Relatively Weak Demand
  - Consumers are in a multi-year deleveraging process
- Large Economic Uncertainty
  - This is not a "garden variety" recovery
- HUGE Policy Uncertainty
  - Financial Reform
  - Health Care
  - Climate Change/Energy
  - Deficits
- Firms are getting more done with fewer people

## Consumer Spending is Slowly Recovering (retail sales, y-o-y growth)

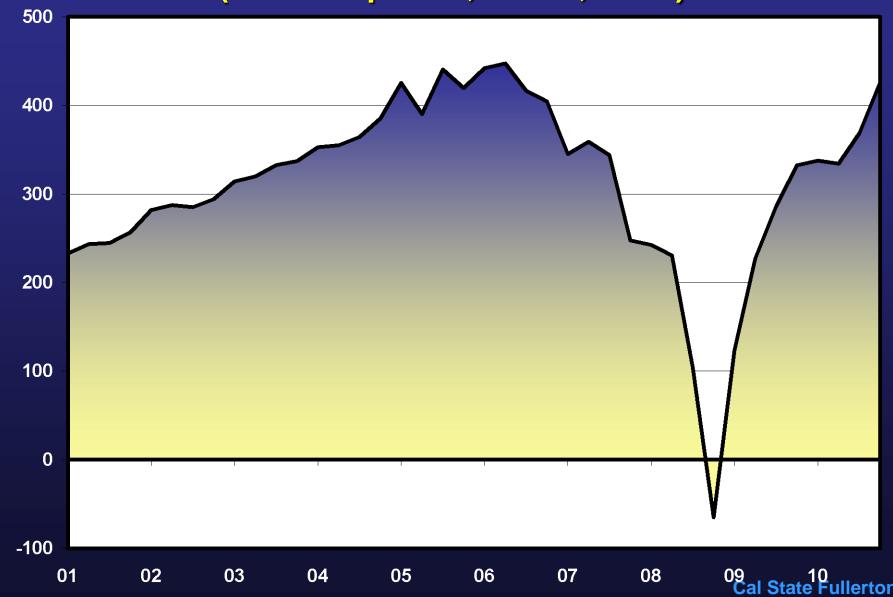


#### **U.S.** Consumer Confidence Survey

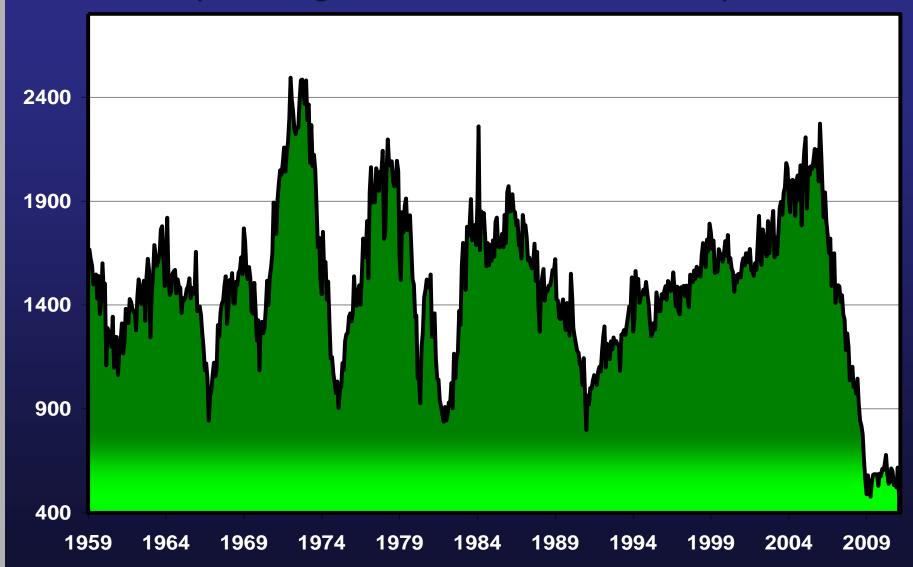


#### **Bank Profits Have Recovered...**

(financial profits, billion, level)



## Housing Activity is Dismal (Housing Starts, millions of dollars)



## Economy is Vulnerable to Additional Risks

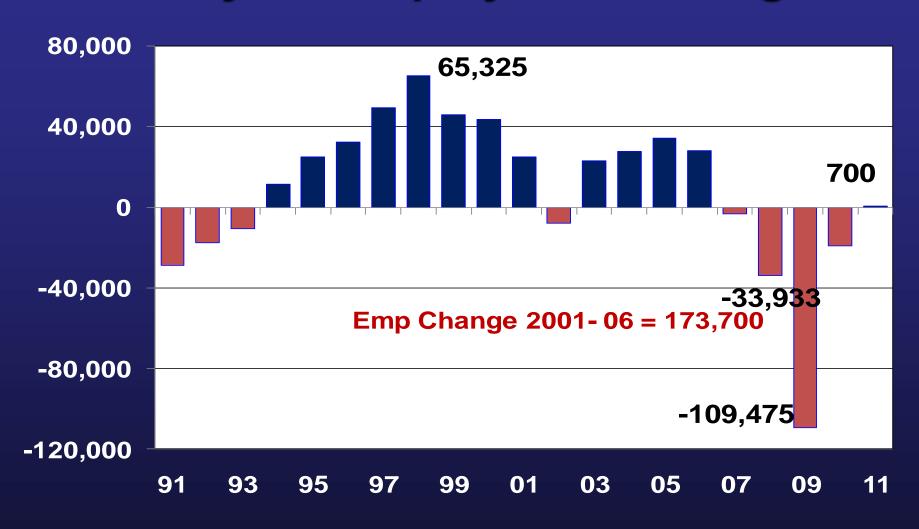
- Oil Prices
  - > Implication for inflation and growth
- Eurozone Sovereign debt crisis
  - Implication for financial markets (specially bonds)
- ❖ Japan's disaster
  - Supply interruption, upward pressure on oil
- Monetary Policy (QE II etc.)
  - Implication for Inflation and financial markets
- **❖ Domestic Municipal Bond Market** 
  - Large number of states/localities in distress

### **Forecasts**

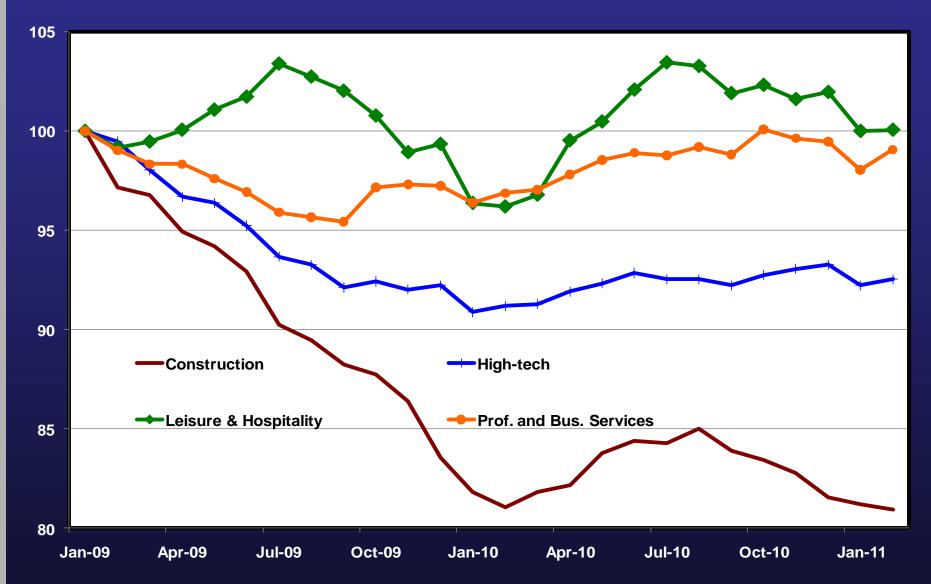
Year	RGDP	Consumer Prices	Unemployment Rate	Payroll Employment
2009	-2.6	-0.3	9.3	-4.4
2010	2.9	1.7	9.6	-0.7
2011f	2.9	2.5	8.8	1.5
2012f	3.1	2.8	8.3	2.1

#### **Orange County**

#### **OC Payroll Employment Changes**



#### **Orange County Industry Sectors**

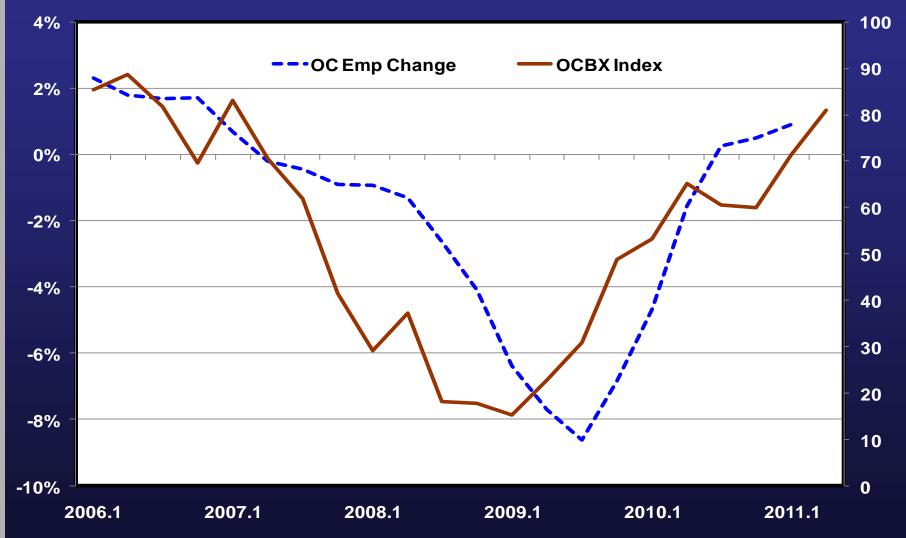


# Orange County Business Expectations Survey OCBX

## A Quarterly Survey Of Business Executives

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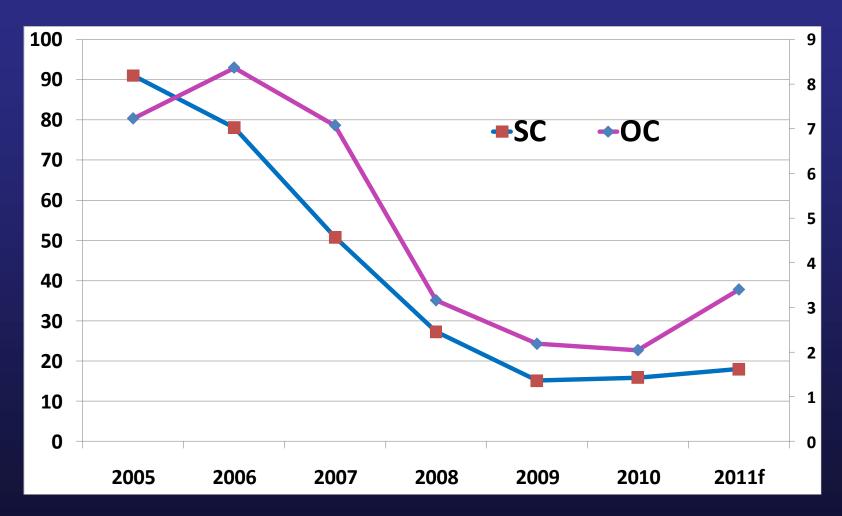


#### Orange County Median Housing Price

Source: California Association of Realtors



# **Building Permits** (thousands)

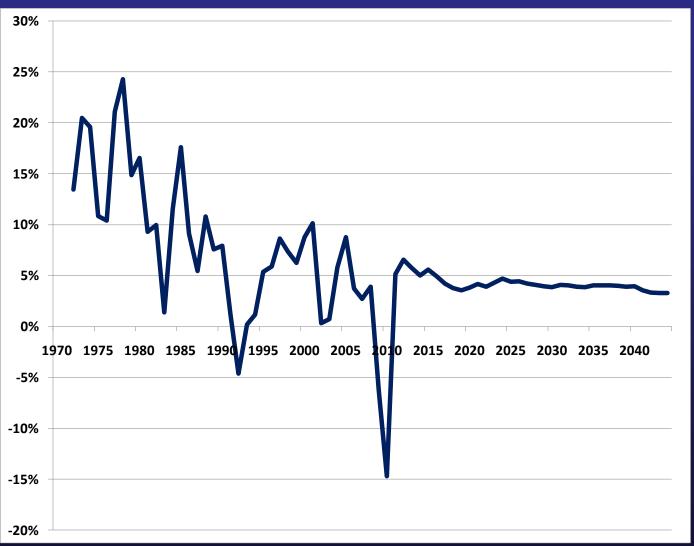


## **Orange County Forecasts**

	Payroll Jobs (thousands)	% Change in Payroll Jobs	Unemployment Rate
2009	1,372.1	-7.4%	8.9%
2010	1,352.9	-1.4%	9.6%
2011f	1,371.1	1.4%	8.6%
2012f	1,402.4	2.2%	7.0%

#### **OC Taxable Sales**

**Annual Percentage Change** 



#### **Economic Outlook and Analysis**

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