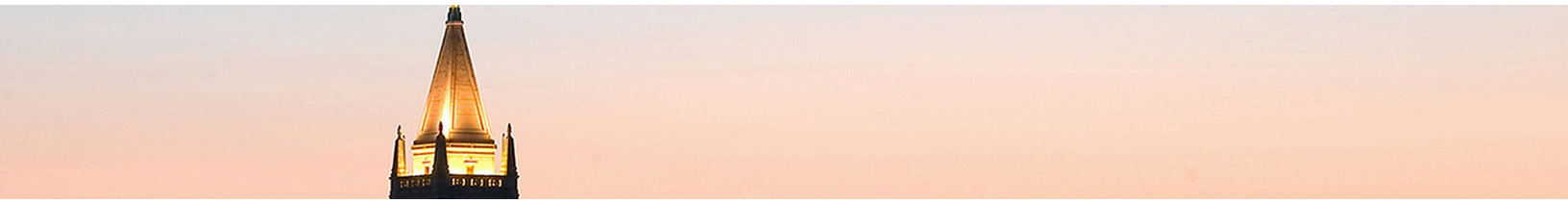
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Economic analysis California agencies can defend.

Berkeley Economic Advising and Research (BEAR) is an independent economics firm in Berkeley, California, founded in 2002 by UC Berkeley economist David Roland-Holst. Its BEAR model, a dynamic general equilibrium model of California calibrated to the Department of Finance baseline, reports results down to the census tract.

Core competencies

Standardized Regulatory Impact Assessments (SB 617), threshold assessments, Form 399 economic and fiscal impact statements

Economywide impact analysis: output, jobs, household income, state and local revenue

Minimum wage and living wage studies, by sector, occupation and council district

Energy facility closure, extension and transition assessments

Fiscal analysis, local tax feasibility, visitor-economy and major-event analysis

Housing and infrastructure needs assessments; census-tract and parcel-level analysis; surveys

Differentiators

Census-tract resolution. Statewide results carried to counties and tracts.

The state's own baseline. Calibrated to Department of Finance projections, recalibrated April 2025.

Nine SRIAs on the DOF record since 2016, plus the CEC's SRIA guidance and its BEAR, REMI, IMPLAN and RIMS II comparison.

Continuity. One principal since 2002; UC Berkeley faculty; a Stanford senior research scholar on the team.

Practice lines

Regulatory impact

Wage and labor standards

Energy facility transitions

Major events and local revenue

Housing and regional economics

International development

Past performance

California Privacy Protection Agency
SRIA: CCPA updates, cybersecurity audits, risk assessments, automated decisionmaking
2024, with CSU Sacramento

City of Los Angeles, Chief Legislative Analyst
Hotel and airport worker minimum wage study
2024; Council File 14-1371-S13

Pacific Gas and Electric
Diablo Canyon extended operations economic impact assessment
Presented 2026

California ISO
AB 825 California Jobs Study; SB 350 regional grid study, Vols. VIII and X
2026 (in progress); 2016

California Energy Commission
Long-term energy scenarios, job impacts to 2050 for 8,000 census tracts
2018; CEC-500-2018-013

Southern California Association of Governments
Imperial County colonias housing and infrastructure needs; Job Quality Index
2022 to 2024

Corporate data

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