## **Caroline Beteta**

President & CEO

Visit California



# California Tourism is Rebuilding Stronger



# **Inspiring Marketing Accelerates Recovery**



# California

- Officially formed in 1996
- Nonprofit 501(c)6
- 19,000+ assessed businesses
- Mission: Create desire for the California experience
- 37-member board of directors



# **Board Leadership**



























































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# Santa Barbara Board Representation















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# Visit Santa Barbara Representation



**Kathy Janega-Dykes** 

President & CEO, Visit Santa Barbara

- CEO Destination Council
- Marketing Advisory
   Committee
- Calling All Californians
   Taskforce
- Professional Meetings & Events Taskforce



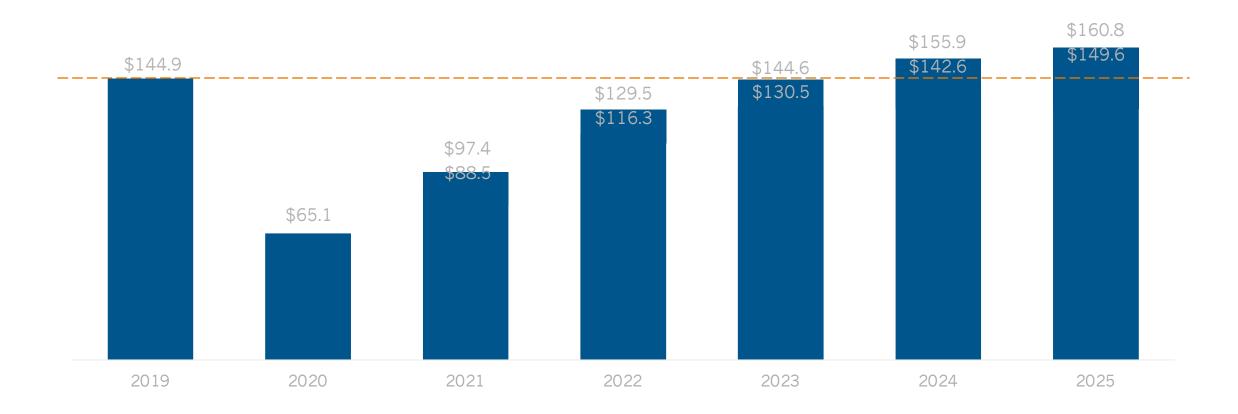








# **Travel Spending Forecast**

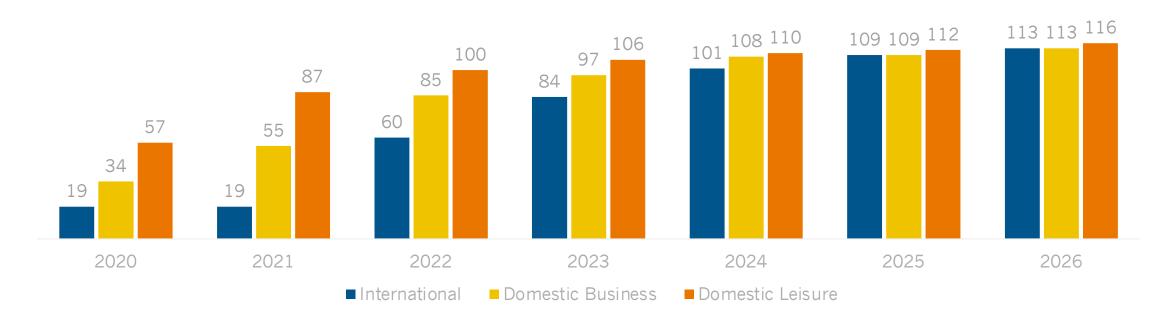


Source: Tourism Economics, January 2022 Forecast

# Forecast Recovery by Key Sector

Spending Forecast Comparison

Domestic Leisure, Domestic Business, International
(Index to 2019)



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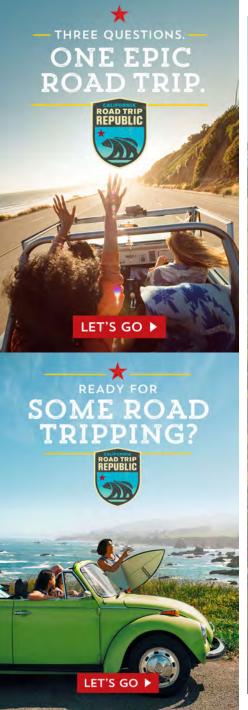
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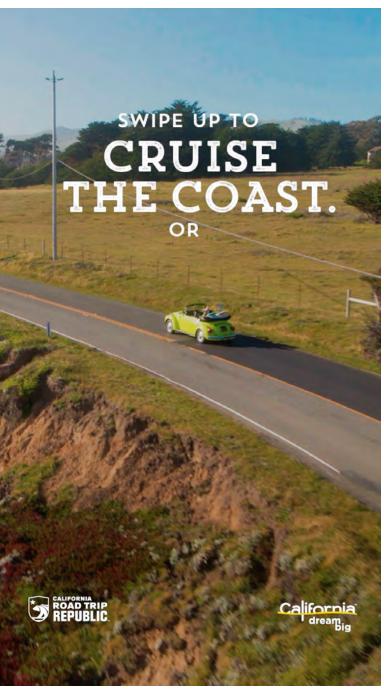
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# ROAD TRIP







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If you could decree

Well. I'm kind of living my dream. I never knew that I would have some of the things I have. I live on the ocean. I wake up to it. I like a really good waffle in the morning and then I love seeing my kids head out on their surfboards right from our house. I think to myself. "I don't know what I've done right in life, but I did this part right. ...





FROM SOCAL TO THE SHASTA CASCADE-9 DREAM DRIVES

Kevin Costner

**OPENS UP ABOUT** HIS LOVE FOR THE OPEN ROAD DISTANCE: 239 MILES - DAYS: 2-3

## Central Coast Escape

DISCOVER SUN-SPLASHED BEACHES, WHITE-WASHED MISSIONS, AND AN ICONIC CASTLE

o prepare for this coastal eye-candy itinerary, first pick up beach necessities at Santa Monica's Third Street Promenade, Get your thrills with a spin on the Santa Monica Pier's roller coaster, and marvel at bodybuilders' glistening biceps at the original Muscle Beach.

Head north on Highway 1. pulling over to sink your toes in the sand at Will Rogers State Beach in Pacific Palisades. Do some California dreamin' as you drive past mansions in Malibu, then stop for fish tacos at Paradise Cove Beach Café. Relax on Zuma Beach or hike to El Matador State Beach's famous rock formations.

Wind inland through Oxnard's farm country and popout on Ventura's coast, where every day seems like endless summer. West of Ventura Pier. watch the longboarders at Surfer's Point, then hunt for treasures at secondhand stores on Main Street

A short jaunt north leads to Santa Barbara, a postcard of Spanish colonial architecture and swaving palms. Watch for dolphins as you sunbathe on Butterfly Beach, Admire the Santa Barbara Mission's twin bell towers before you plunge back into modern times in the Funk Zone, a vibrant district with groovy galleries and shops.

Heading north, U.S. 101 hugs the coastline, offering sweeping views of the Pacific before jogging inland to Los Alamos. Beneath the ranchland exterior of this tiny town lies a buzz-

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ing food scene. Bell's serves Parisian-quality fare Bob's Well Bread bakes artisan loaves, and Charlie's takes burgers to the next

Rolling hills and vineyards flank the route to scenic San Luis Obispo. Swing by the ostentatiously pink Madonna Inn before heading downtown for tapas overlook ing Mission Plaza at Luna Red. Check into The Kinney San Luis Obispo, a mid-century modern-style hatel with outdoor fire pits. Sleep well, then pick up your morning chal tea at Linnaea's Cafe.

More coastal splendor awaits, so move along Highway I to Morro Bay. Gaze at the marvel of Morro Rock, rising 576 feet above the bay. Get eveto-eve with wildlife on a kayak tour of Morro Bay's estuary. Lunch on bratwurst at the bayside Hofbrau, watching fishing boats haul in their catch.

Continue north, passing the beach town of Cayucon and blink-and-you'll-miss-it Harmony, before landing in Cambria, which overflows with galleries and boutiques tucked among coastal pines. Search for sea stars in the rocky tide pools. at Leffingwell Landing, then refuel with a slice of olallieberry pie at Linn's.

Expect jaw-dropping ocean views along every curve to San imoon. Pull over at Piedras Blancas for a close-up look at massive elephant seals.

BARBARA

## WORTH A DETOUR

Honor history: Head to Camarillo to see exhibits at the Commemorative Air Force museum and Camarillo



Soak and sip: Bathe in natural mineral water at Avila Hot Springs, then order a cocktail at Mr. Rick's in Avila Beach.

Transition from nature to culture with a drive up to Hearst Castle. a 115-room mansion filled with artifacts from around the globe. Take a tour, then take in the grandest sight of all-the sun setting over the Pacific Ocean.



ROAD TRIPS 2021

Where do you live? On the Santa Barbara coast

## Why there?

I'll tell you, I've gotten lucky in my life. This is a place that spoke put loud to me, to be on the water with my children and my wife. And so we moved here.

## Who or what is your greatest California love?

The High Sierra. It makes me think of my mother and father. makes me think of the adventures I had. I was going there in diapers and I learned to walk there, so there is something about the Sierra that will never leave me.

## What is the biggest misperception about Californians?

That Californians can't drive in the rain. Of course we can.

What is the stereotype that most holds true? It's expensive to live here.

## What is your favorite Golden State splurge?

I'm pretty thankful for In-N-Out. When I've been gone a long time, when I just have to get filled up, thank God it's on the side of the road. I order my burgers animal-style.

## Time for a road trip. Where are you going?

I've never been able to get the Sierra out of my psyche. When I go there, I'm always refreshed. When I go to the sequoias, it's the same. I've never been able to duplicate that particular smell that comes from the Sierra's granite mountains. l'imagine the reason it smells the way it does is because the pine needles fall, the sun hits them, there's all that sap.



California dream day unfold?



# 'Am I Dreaming?'

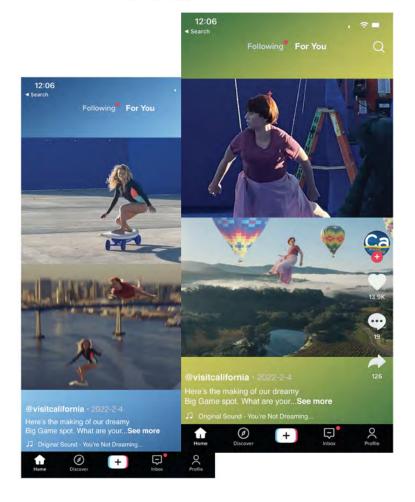


# "Am I Dreaming" Platform Creative

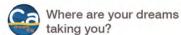






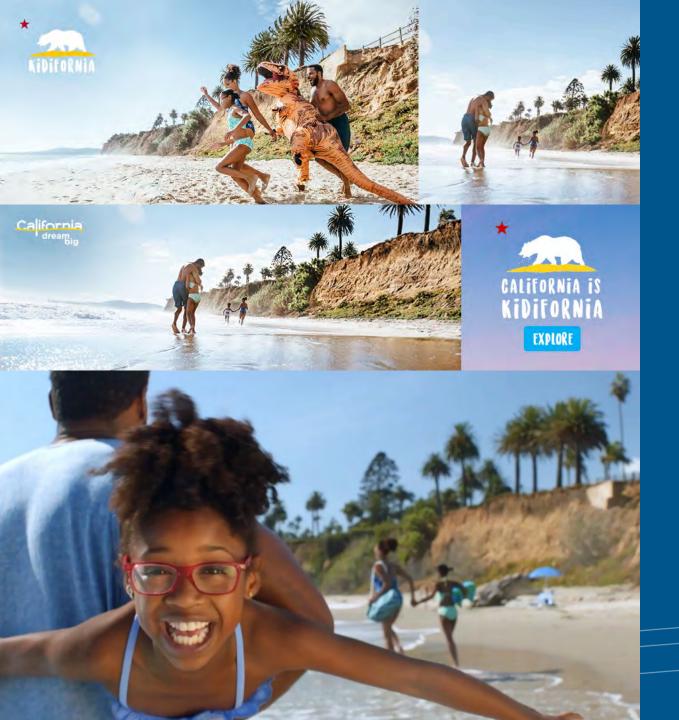






Take this quick quiz to uncover where in California your dreams are leading you, then get an inspiration board that brings your dreams to life. Analyze your dreams now!









## TRAVEL+ LEISURE

Tour the Urban Wineries, Street Art, and Funky Shops of Santa Barbara in This Episode of 'Wal With T+L'

Stop and sip the region's best varietals... you're not driving



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cluded, action-packed, or classic—there's a alifornia beach for every mood

3. Butterfly Beach

Check your compass—in the American Riviera, aka Santa Barbara, the coastline faces Mexico, not Hawaii. But Butterfly Beach is one of the few with a west-ish orientation, so you can watch that fiery orange ball dip into the Pacific. Visit this popular dog-walking beach near the Four Seasons Biltmore during low tides, when you and Rover can log 10,000 steps strolling to Santa Barbara's East Beach or Monte.

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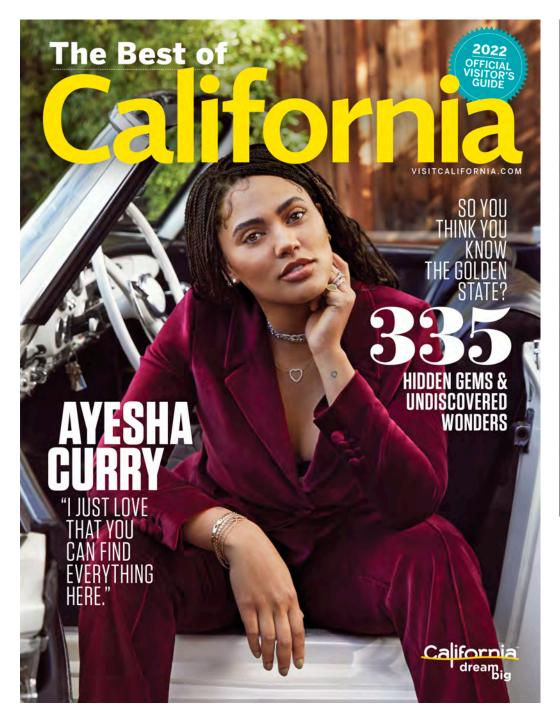




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California's Central Coast Wine Tour: Santa Barbara to Paso Robles









# 'The Birthplace' Campaign





