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#### THE CALIBAJA REGIONAL ECONOMY PRODUCTION, EMPLOYMENT, TRADE & INVESTMENT



The CaliBaja Regional Economy

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### DATA SOURCES & METHODS

- Compiled U.S. and Mexican data by industry sector using North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes
- Data sources include BLS, EMSI, INEGI, Mexican Ministry of Economy, 2018 unless otherwise noted



#### KEY CROSS-BORDER INDUSTRIES

Manufacturing Industry	LQ	Jobs	Value-Add USD MM
Medical equipment and supplies	10.1x	74,331	\$2,534
Semiconductor and electronic components	5.6x	47,918	\$1,821
Audio and video equipment	24.1x	28,721	\$510
Aerospace	3.1x	25,256	\$3,542
Other misc (includes sporting goods)	4x	24,510	\$904
Electronic instruments	2.7x	17,360	\$5,234
Communications equipment	4.4x	9,053	\$2,395
Commercial & service industry machinery	1.5X	2,307	\$185
		229,456	\$17,125



# **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

These industries have important employment concentrations on both sides of the border, with ~52,000 jobs in San Diego & Imperial and ~177,500 jobs in Baja

\$14.9 billion in value-added generated in San Diego (~\$287,500/worker) \$2.2 billion in value-added generated in Baja California (~\$12,250/worker)

Supported by 162,000 professional, scientific, and technical service workers Connected to an additional 286,000 manufacturing workers Supported by 50k college graduates each year, 16k STEM



#### ADDITIONAL KEY MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN TIJUANA

Manufacturing Industry	LQ	Jobs	Value-Add USD MM
Coating, Engraving, Heat Treating	9.1x	6,198	\$78
Other Fabricated Metal Products	6.5x	9,045	\$147
Other Electrical Equipment/Components	6.4x	10,721	\$104
Motor Vehicle Body and Trailers	6.1x	4,059	\$152
Office Furniture (including Fixtures)	4.2x	2,647	\$30
Household and Institutional Furniture	4.2x	11,538	\$114
Converted Paper Products	3.2x	7,798	\$324
Plastics Products	3.1x	20,094	\$268
		72,100	\$1,217



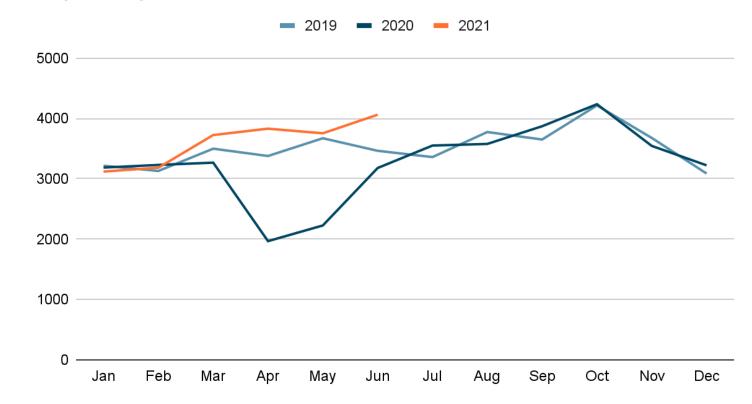
ADDITIONAL KEY MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN SAN DIEGO

Manufacturing Industry	LQ	Jobs	Value- Add USD MM
Ship and Boat Building	5.1x	6,945	\$736
Pharmaceuticals	2.5x	7,346	\$3,588
		14,291	\$4,324



#### CROSS-BORDER TRADE *IMPORTS*

Imports by Truck Via California Land Ports with Mexico, \$Millions

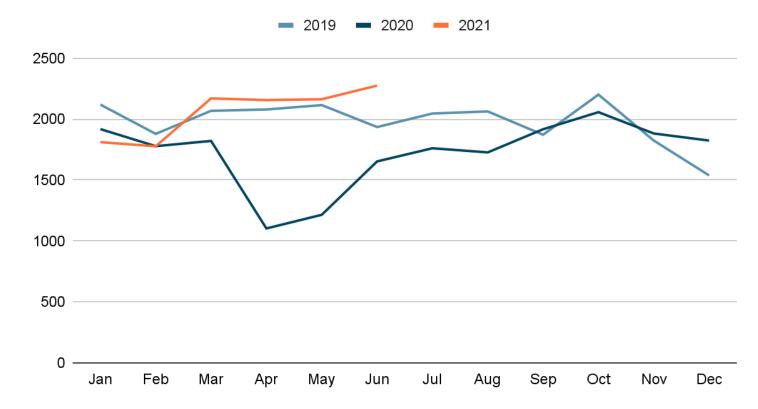


- In 2019, \$44.1 billion was imported from Mexico via truck at the land ports in California.
- By July of 2020, trade was back to pre-pandemic levels, with a strong recovery in 2021.



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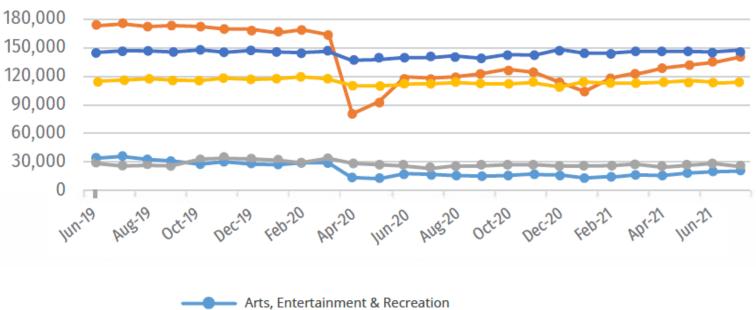


- In 2019, a total of \$25.8 billion was exported to Mexico.
- Total trade fell by a little over \$6 billion in 2020 with a large dip in the movement of goods in April, May and June.
- On average, almost \$200 million in goods is moving between California and Mexico each day.



#### SAN DIEGO EMPLOYMENT & COVID-19

#### FIGURE 5 Total Employment in San Diego County By Month and Industry, 2019-21



- Arts, Entertainment & Recreation
   Accommodation & Food Services
   Educational Services
   Manufacturing
   Professional, Scientific & Technical Services
- In San Diego, employment hit bottom in April 2020
- The industries suffering the biggest job losses were Accommodation and Food Services (-86,700) and Retail Trade (-30,500).
- In contrast, the industries with strong cross-border ties limited University of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of San Die percentage job losses to the single with Manufacturing down 7% of Contract of Contr

### CROSS-BORDER STUDENTS & WORKERS

#### TABLE 4 Cross-Border Workers and Students in the CaliBaja Region, 2020<sup>s</sup>

Place of Residence	Cross-Border Workers	Cross-Border Students
San Diego	2,806	_
Imperial	1,923	_
Tijuana	34,817	6,986
Mexicali	13,196	3,937

Source: Mexican Ministry of Economy

## CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

- Improving Cross-Border Infrastructure
- *More and Better Data:* Clear cross-border industry specializations but data has limits
- *Regional Stability:* Stability over the last decade but growth across manufacturing and related industries is both an opportunity and a risk as global manufacturing changes
- *Reskilling for Industry 4.0:* Need for inclusive economic development strategies that prioritize moving up the value chain for both firms and workers





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