

## Robert Kleinhenz



Robert Kleinhenz is Economist and Executive Director of Research at the UC Riverside School of Business Center for Economic Forecasting and Development and one of California's leading economists. Dr. Kleinhenz is a much sought-after specialist for his deep knowledge of the California and U.S. economies and their industries. Tapping nearly 30 years of experience in analyzing the national and state economies, as well as the economies of California's many diverse regions, he oversees economic research and public policy analysis at the Center. He is also Executive Director of Research at Beacon Economics LLC.

In his work, Dr. Kleinhenz produces a wide variety of economic forecasts, impact studies, and public policy analyses. Some of his recent projects have included spearheading an economic impact analysis for the City of Los Angeles's 2024 Olympic bid, and policy research related to California's growing demand for housing.

Formerly Dr. Kleinhenz served as Chief Economist of the Kyser Center for Economic Research at the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC). Earlier in his career, he was Deputy Chief Economist at the California Association of Realtors where he focused on housing market and consumer research. He also taught economics for over 15 years, most recently at California State University, Fullerton.

A leading voice in Los Angeles and beyond, Dr. Kleinhenz is an in-demand speaker who regularly presents to business, government, and nonprofit organizations. A well-known media commentator, he has been interviewed on CNBC and NPR and is regularly quoted in major national dailies including the *Wall Street Journal*. Current and past affiliations include the

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