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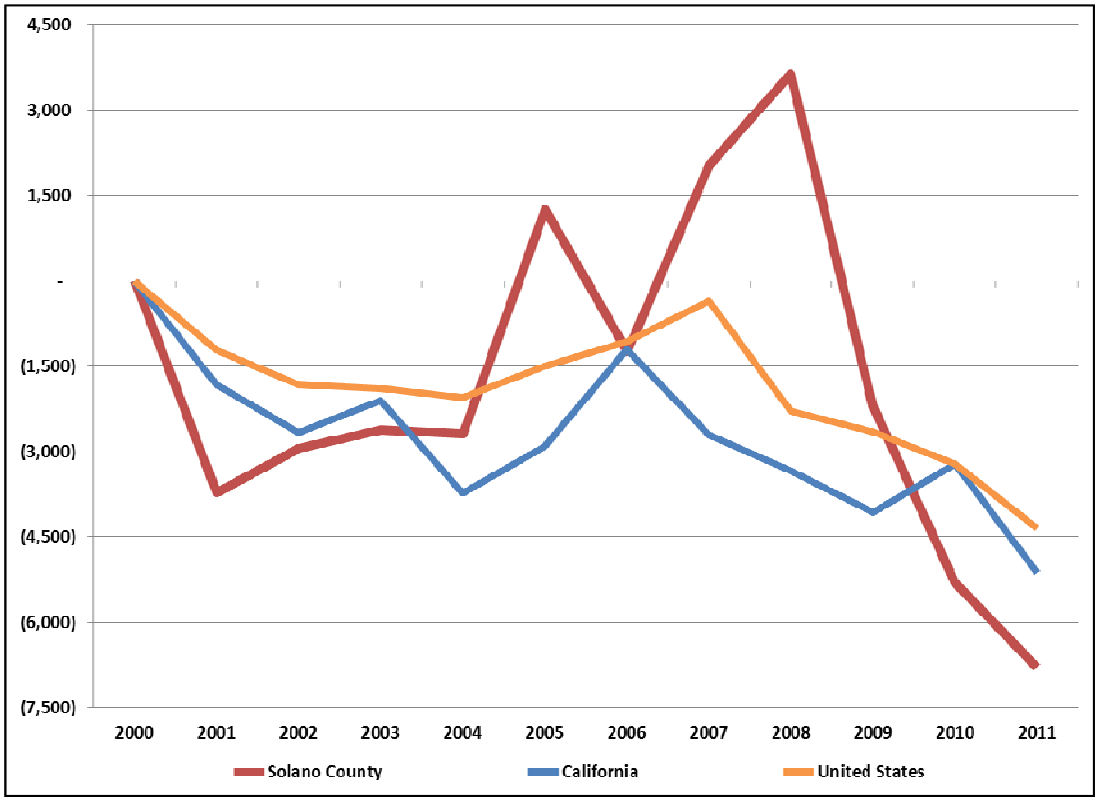
Change in Median Household Income

For Solano County, California and United States

Relative to 2000, 2006 and 2010 (in 2011 dollars)



The median household income in 2011 was $63,090 in Solano County, $57,275 statewide and $50,502 nationally. After adjusting for inflation, 2011 was a third consecutive year of reduced median household incomes. The median household income peaked in 2008 at $73,519 and declined $5,832 in 2009, $3,101 in 2010 and $1,497 in 2011.

Between the recession years of 2006 and 2010, Solano experienced a greater reduction in median household income than California and the nation — both in dollar declines and percentage declines. However, during the first half the period, Solano County experienced a net gain of $4,875 in median household income, while the state and nation experienced net declines of $2,140 and $1,227 respectively.

	2000 to 2006	Change 00 to 06	2006 to 2010	Change 06 to 10	2010 to 2011	Change 10 to 11	2000 to 2011	Change 00 to 11
Solano	($1,236)	(1.8%)	($4,057)	(5.9%)	($1,497)	(2.3%)	($6,790)	(9.7%)
California	($1,198)	(1.9%)	($2,022)	(3.3%)	($1,917)	(3.2%)	($5,137)	(8.2%)
United States	($1,069)	(1.9%)	($2,155)	(4.0%)	($2,155)	(2.2%)	($4,348)	(7.9%)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Small Area Estimates Branch, Poverty and Median Income Estimates, www.census.gov, Nov. 29, 2011

Despite the declines over the period, Solano County continued to maintain a higher relative median household income to the state and nation. In 2000, Solano County's median household income was 112 percent of the state median household income and 127.4 percent of the nation. By 2010, this ratio shrank to 110.2 percent statewide and 124.9 percent nationally.

What does this mean?

Despite losses since 2008, Solano County continues to have a higher median household income than the state and the nation.