Craft's Changing and Maturing Market

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Where Are We and Where are We Going?





Return to Normal vs New Normal

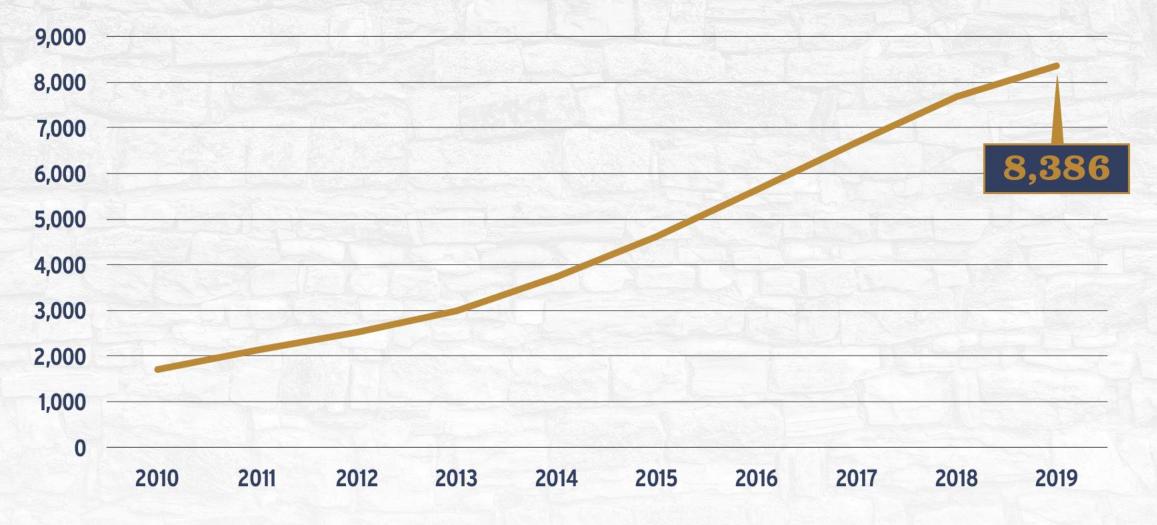
- In order to understand where we are now, need to understand:
 - Where we were
 - Where we were going
 - What happened
 - What that changed
- Separating trend from shift from recovery



Where we were in the before times...



2010–2019 Operating Breweries



State of the Industry

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Sales Growth slowing, CHANGING, fracturing

State of the Industry



The Flip Side: Distributed Draught (all beer)

20,000,000 18,000,000 16,000,000 14,000,000 12,000,000 10,000,000 8,000,000 6,000,000 4,000,000 2,000,000 0 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 Premise Keg

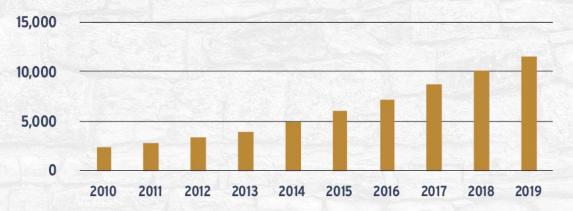
Total Draught Picture

State of the Industry



Total U.S. Alcohol Beverage Permits Grow Across All Segments

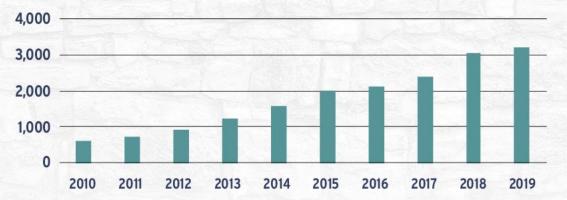
U.S. Brewery Permits



15,000 10,000 5,000 0 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

U.S. Winery Permits

U.S. Distillery Permits



Almost 30,000 permitted alcohol suppliers in U.S. +20,000 in past 10 years:

2010 = 9,803

$$\mathbf{Current} = \mathbf{29,007}$$



State of the Industry

Recap

- Market was already maturing
 - Per brewery growth trending down
 - Distributed draught market weakening
- So return to trend would be back to that...
- But since then we've had:
 - Huge economic and demographic shifts
 - +1,000 net gain in breweries
 - Continued growth in beverage alcohol competition

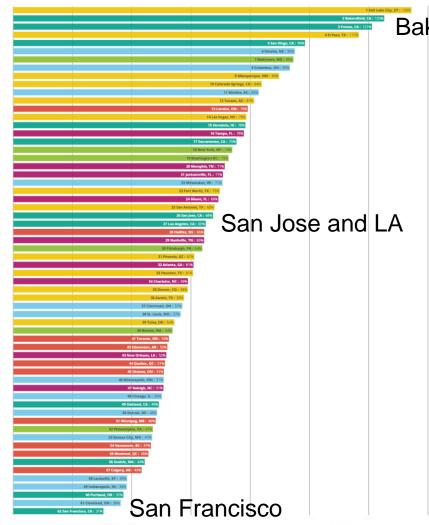


What's Happened Since Then



Urban Geography

Bakersfield and Fresno



135%

31%

Talking about trends and recovery at a national level remains very difficult

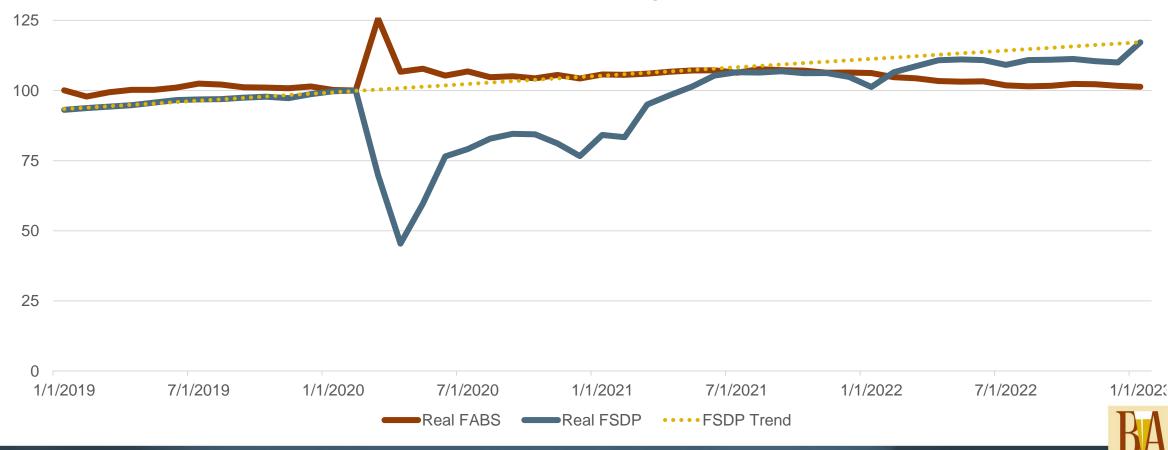
Large variations by:

- State
- City
- Even part of city



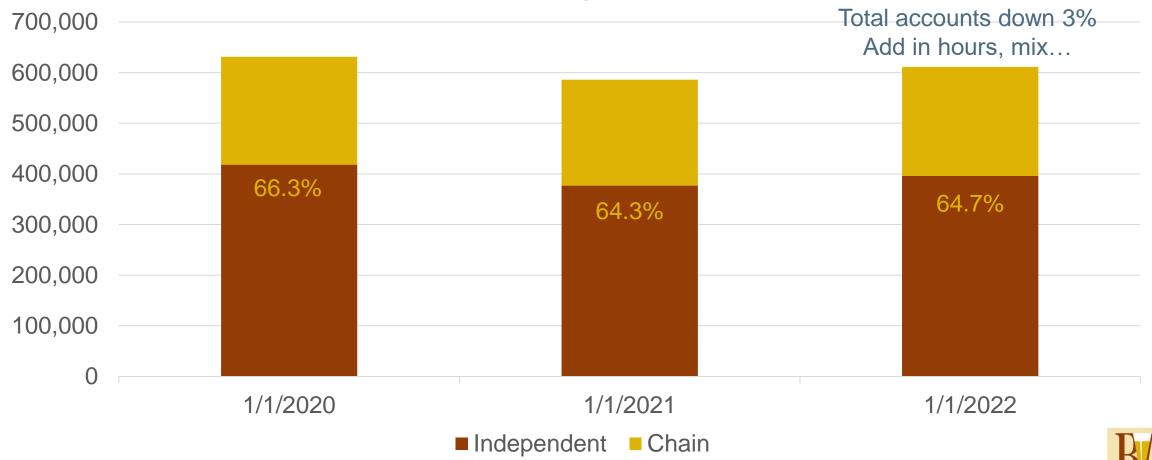
Retail Sales

Real Level Indices: Food Services and Drinking Places and Food and Beverage Stores

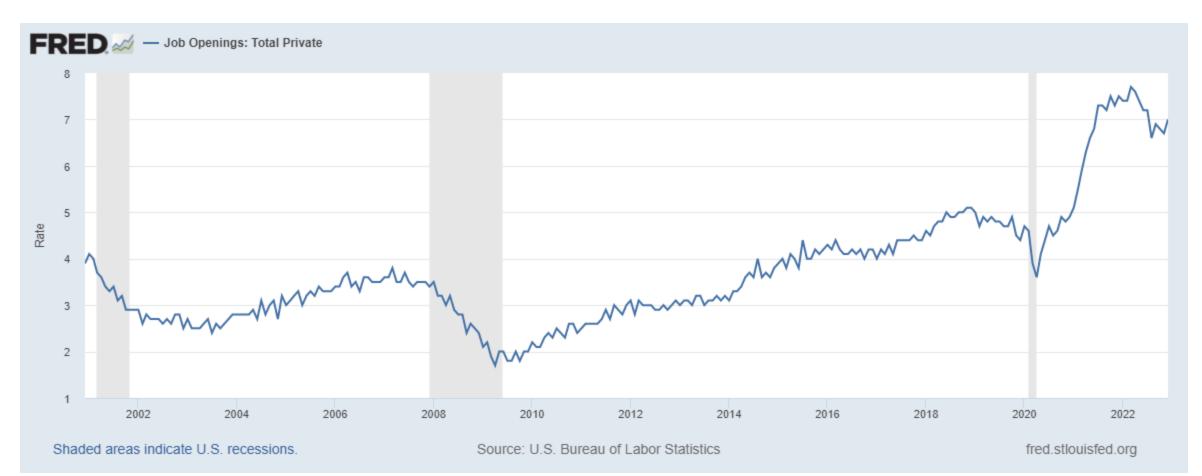


Retailer Mix Shift

Beer Selling Accounts



Labor Market



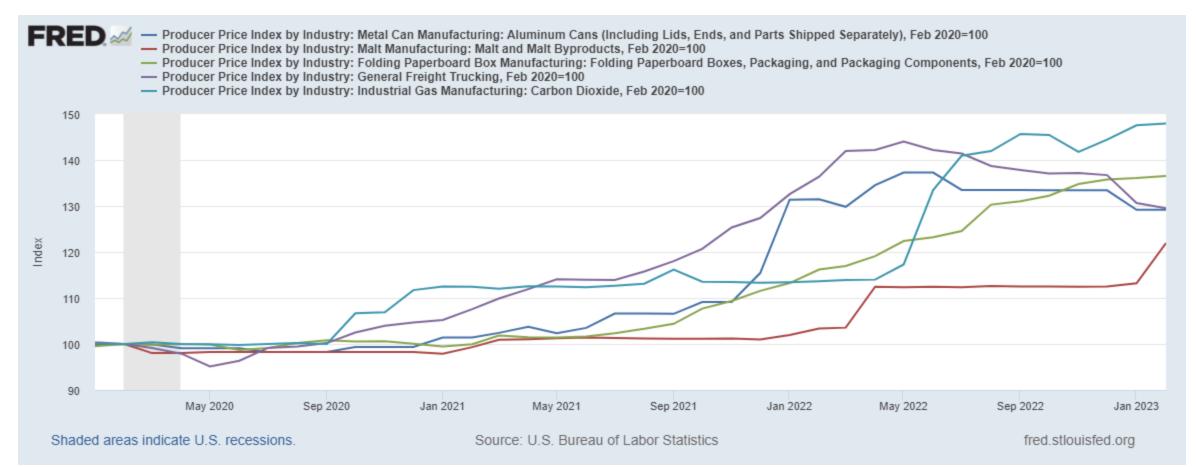


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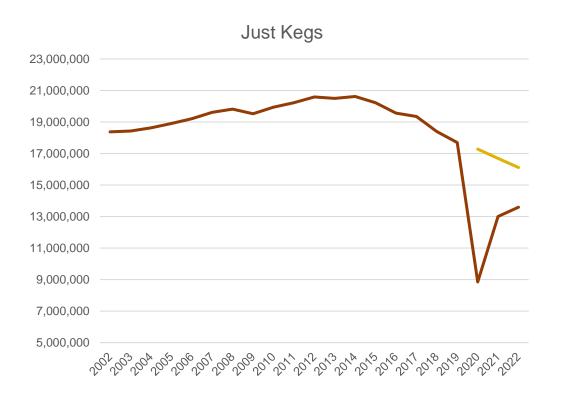


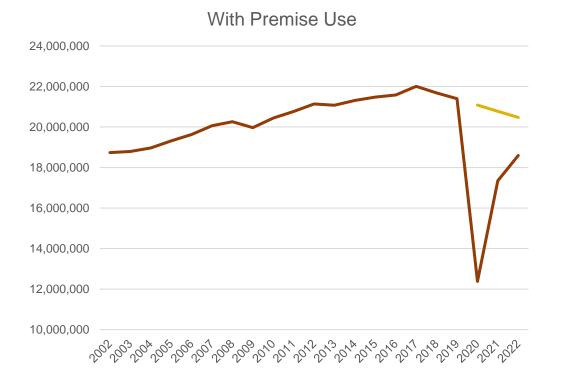
Supply Chain





Draft Never Came Back



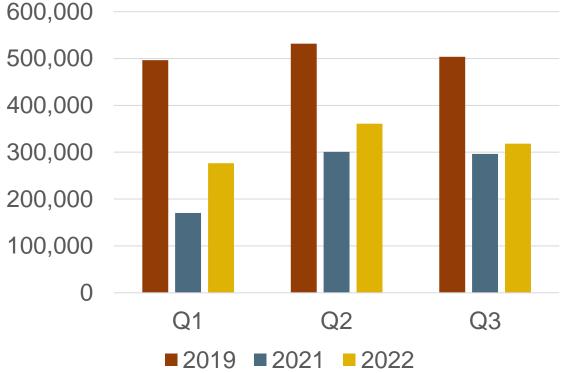


Missing 2-2.5M barrels of draft. At 30% craft that's ³/₄ of a million barrels missing

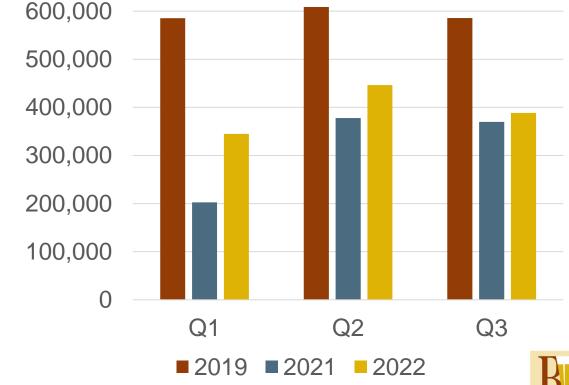


California Keg Production Lagging More, Still Recovering*

CA TTB Keg Production by Year and Quarter

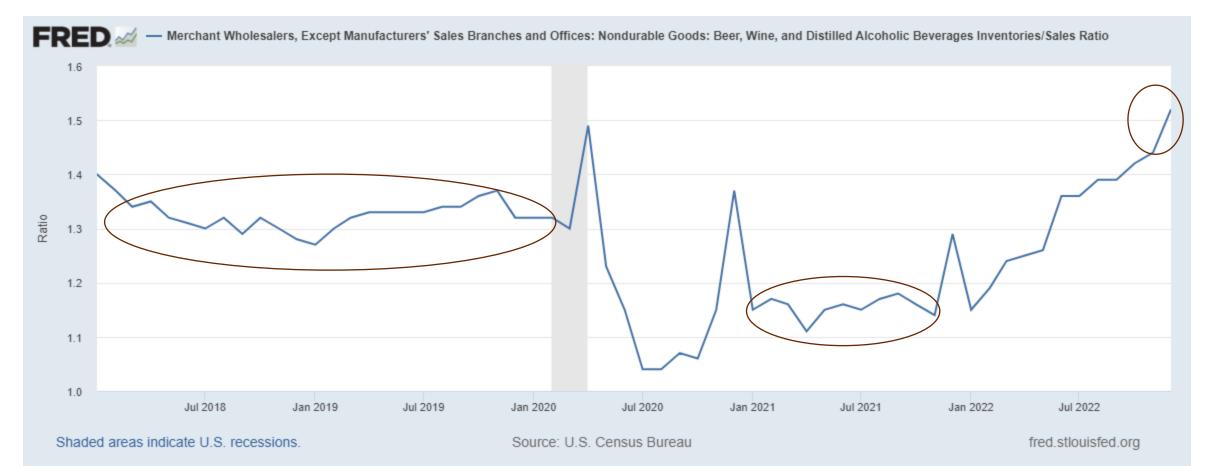


California BOE Data



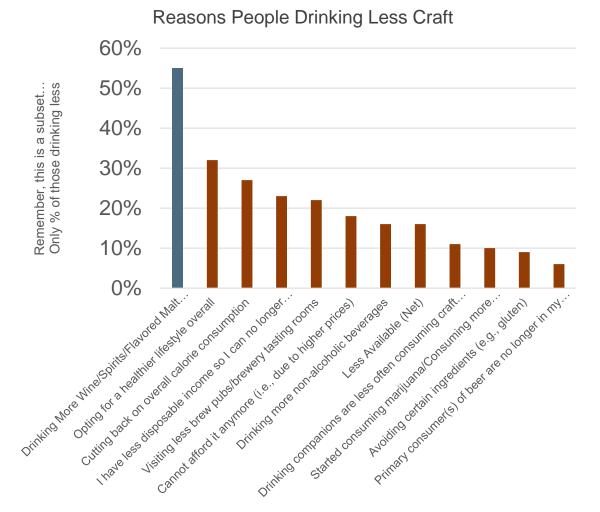
*Production does not equal sales

Wholesalers Looked to Simplify

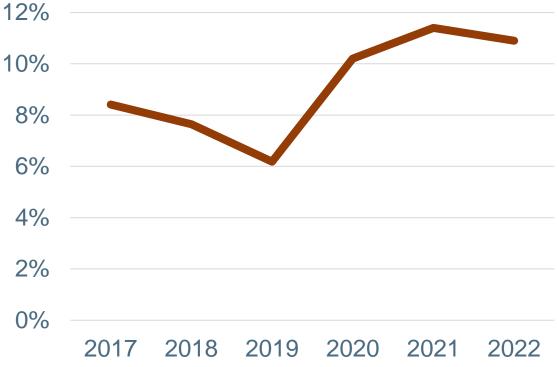




Craft Competition Heated Up



Percent of Craft Drinkers Drinking Less Craft AND Citing Drinking More Other Bev Alc as Reason





Source: The Harris Poll; May 18 - 26, 2022; N = 2,035

Lots of Competition in California

States with Most Distilled Spirits Producers & Bottlers





Where Are We Now?



Survey So Far

- ~4,750 entries right now. Responses and state reports so far (no estimates).
- •Running +0.3% right now
- -1% regionals. 3% micros. 9% taproom.
 2% brewpubs.
- My prediction would be more or less static from 2021



Survey So Far – California

- Still time! <u>www.brewersassociation.org/bips</u>
- •279 CA responses entered
- Running -1% right now
- •Regionals = -3%, Micro = +13%, Taproom = +17%, Brewpubs = 0%
- Interesting variation/contrasts

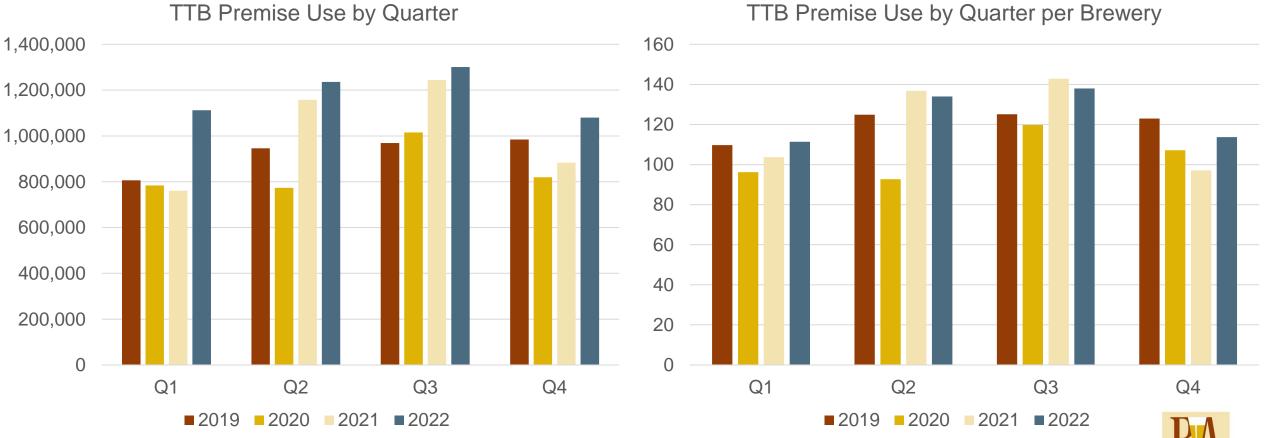


At the Brewery

- •The bright spot
- Different business
- •Hard to scale volume (efforts to scale have generally failed) but opportunities remain
- •How long can it continue?
- Conflict with other tiers (see New Jersey)



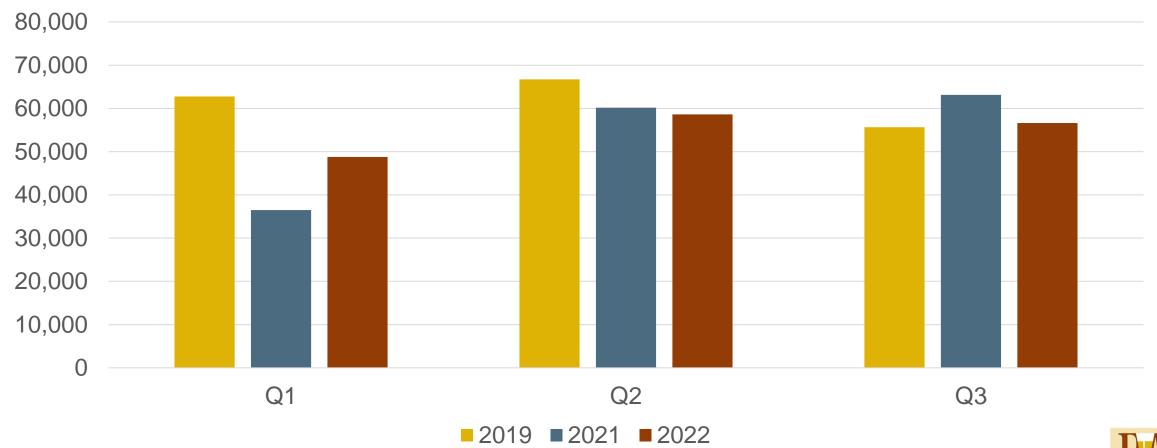
Total Volume back... Closer on per brewery basis





California Still Catching Up

Tavern Use by Quarter and Year



CA vs US Restaurant Spending

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Percent Change in All Consumer Spending*

In California, as of January 29 2023, restaurant and hotel spending by all consumers increased by 7.6% compared to January 2020.



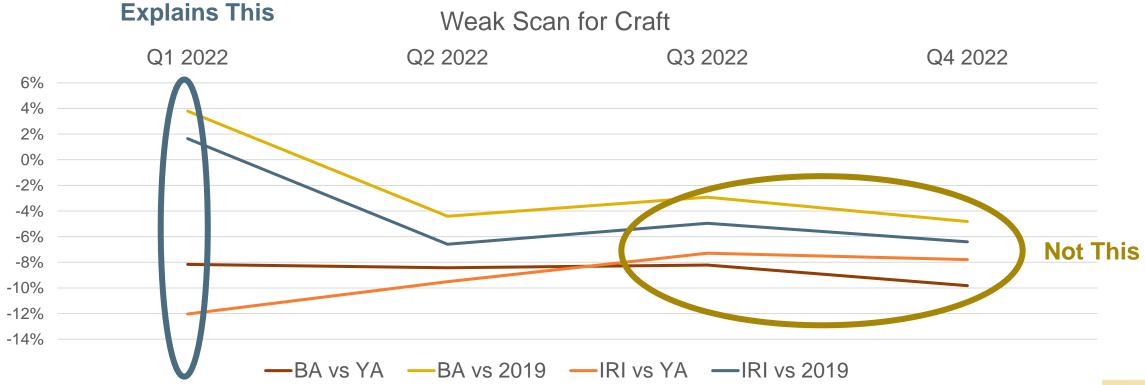
data source: Affinity Solutions



*Change in average consumer credit and debit card spending, indexed to January 4-31, 2020 and seasonally adjusted. The dashed segment of the line is provisional data, which may be subject to non-negligible revisions as newer data is posted. This series is based on data from Affinity Solutions.

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Channel Shift Explains Some of Weakness... Not All

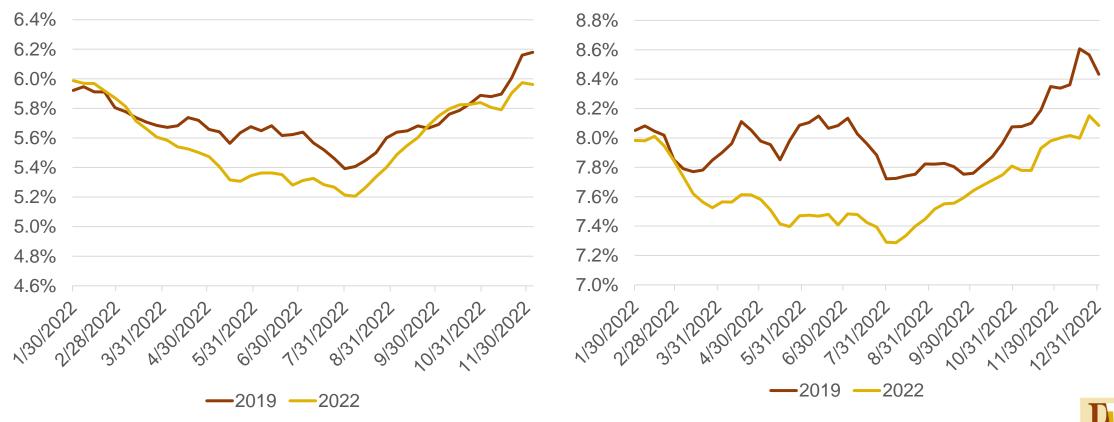




Craft Share Static or Down vs '19

Source: IRI Group; Total US; MULO+C+Total Liquor

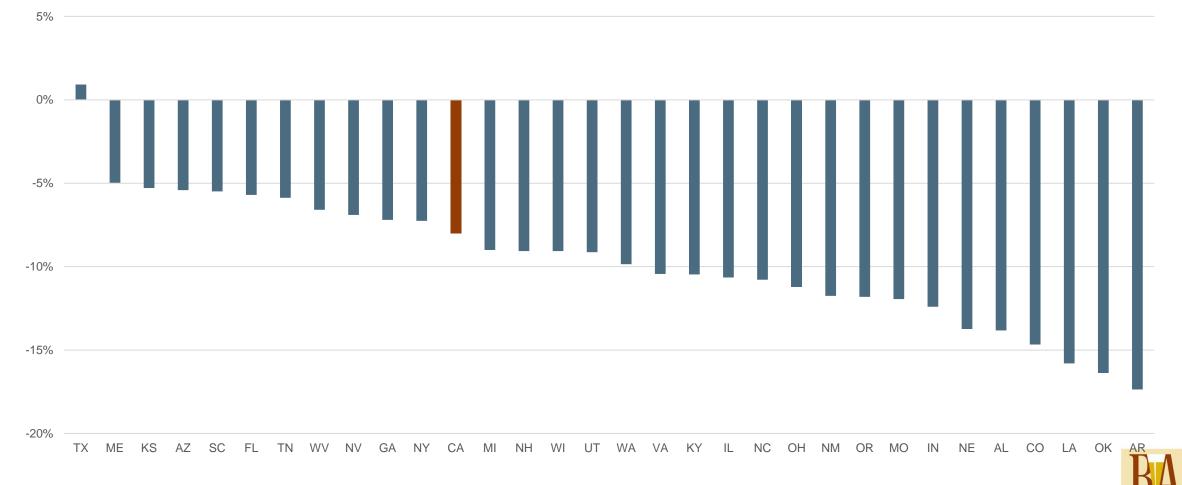
BA Craft Volume Share



IRI Craft Volume Share

California Scan

BA Craft, MULO+C Volume Change, 2022



Summing Distribution

- Distributed craft struggling nationally
 - Lower draft share/volume + lower scan share/volume
 - Scan weak, even as we cycle more normal on-premise comps
 - Draft clearly not fully back and flatlining. Some weak evidence craft losing there too (BeerBoard etc.)
- Will create more short/medium term pressure
 - Spacing? Distributor SKUs? What else?
 - Spring resets aren't going to be pretty...



Craft Beer Purchasers Index (NBWA)

Craft BPI



Where Are We Going?



2023 Predictions

1. Distributed craft volume won't grow

"Trying to get back to where we were and level out, that was years ago at this point," she said. "Our customers are very different. We've got new drinkers. We've got drinkers who've given up drinking."

- Mary Guiver, Whole Foods

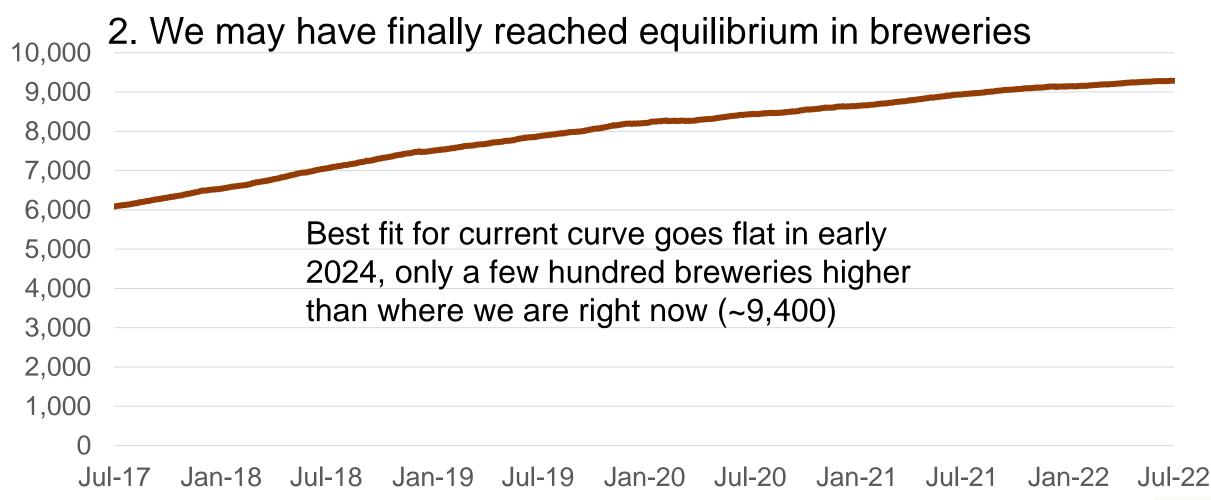
"We keep thinking that eventually we'll get back to the 2019 sort of run that we were having. It's not going to happen. It's gonna be different.

- Jamie Carawan, Buffalo Wild Wings

- Still are growth opportunities
- But have to be new/incremental, OR
- Take volume from within the category



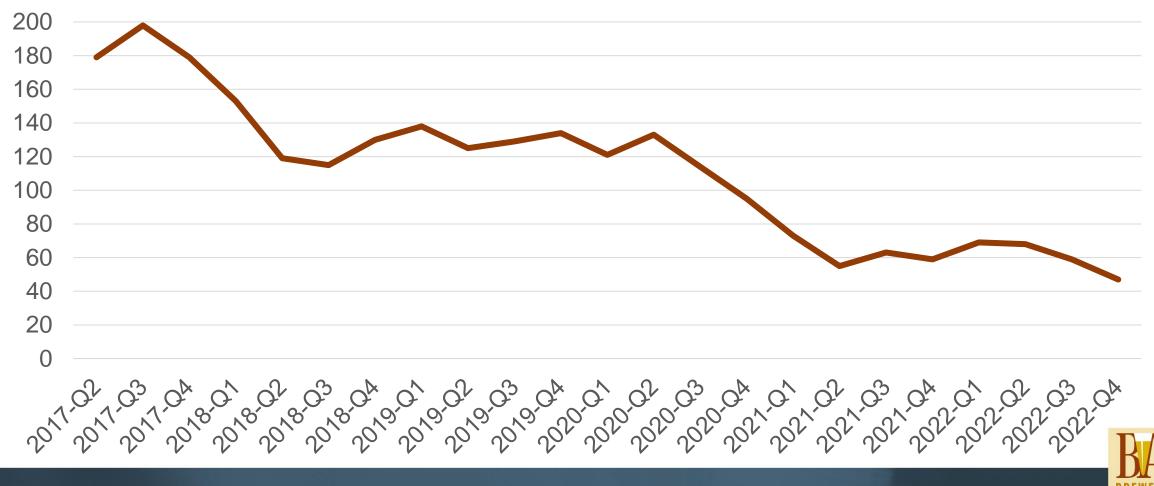
Brewery Growth Slowing





California Slowing Too

California – YoY TTB Permit Growth by Quarter



Changing Customers

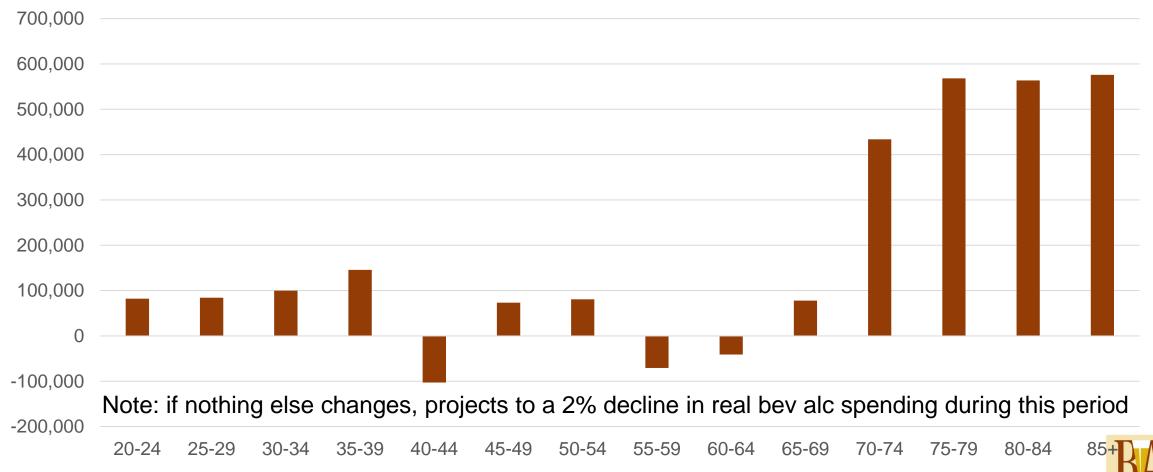
3. Customers will change! (I need one I'm guaranteed to get right)

- Demographics always a mix of things
 - New drinkers (potentially with new preferences)
- Everyone (hopefully) gets a year older every year
 - Shifts with age
- Changing preferences
- Changing economy/differential effects by age



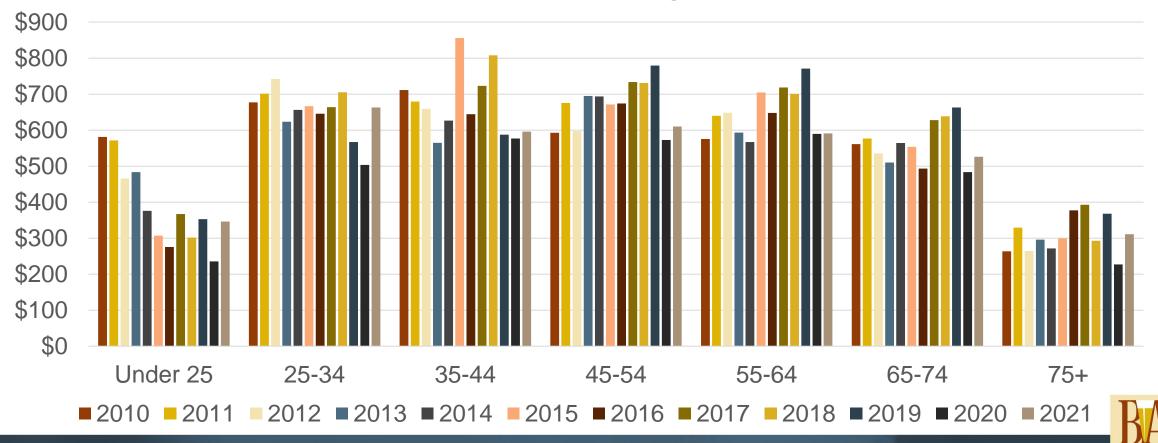
California Changes

California Projected Changes, 2023 to 2033



Age and Spending

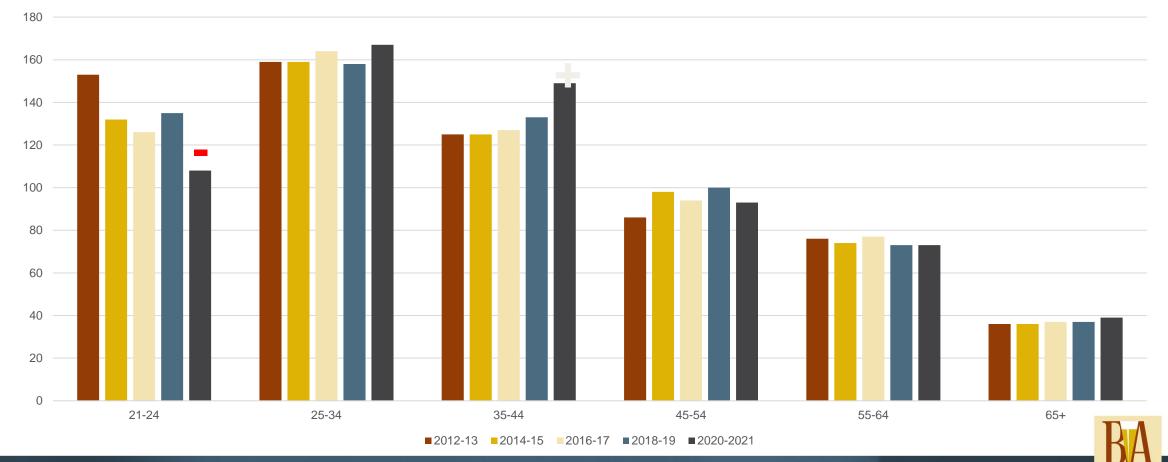
Real Consumer Expenditure by Age Alcoholic Beverages



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Craft Has Short-Term Demographic Tailwinds, but Headwinds Emerging...

Craft Index, 2012-2021



Source: Scarborough

4. Growth Will Be in Pockets

- Intersection of green space and consumer needs/shifts
 - Channel + style (convenience and double IPA)
 - Alcohol levels + flavor (NA)
- What's next?
 - Lighter styles + aging craft consumer?
 - Where will flavor/fruit go next?
- What's intersection of what craft does well with new costumers/new demand in California?



5. The Economy Will Weaken

 And that may matter less than you think (with local exceptions)

 Complex picture – zero in on the factors that matter for you/your customers



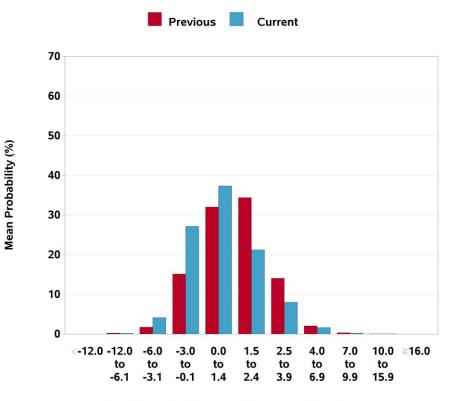
Whatever Inflation Is – Fed still thinks it is too high

"It's clear there is more work to do [...] In order to put this episode of high inflation behind us, further policy tightening, maintained for a longer time, will likely be necessary." - San Francisco Fed President Mary Daly, 3/5/2023



Higher Rates = Slower Growth

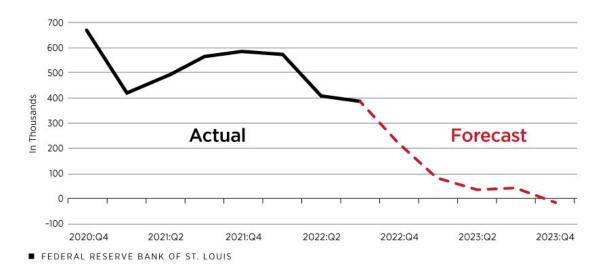
Mean Probabilities for Real GDP Growth in 2023



Real Growth Ranges (Year over Year)

Source: Philadelphia Fed: SoPF

Monthly Average Increase in U.S. Nonfarm Payroll Employment

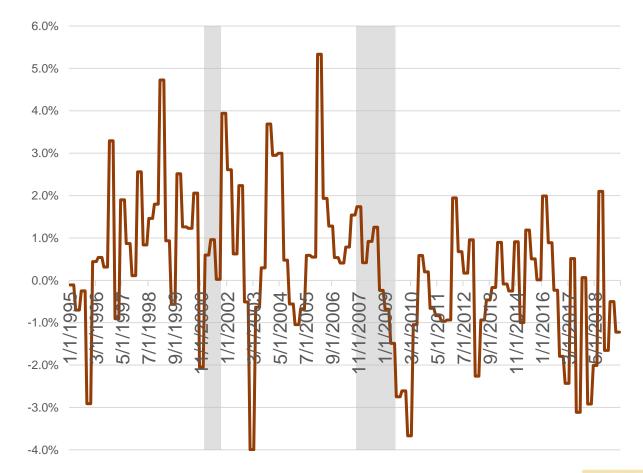


SOURCE: Survey of Professional Forecasters, November 2022. NOTE: Figure data for the fourth quarter of 2022 to the fourth quarter of 2023 is forecasted.



Beer in Recession

- 10 quarters covered by recessions avg 0.08% growth
- 88 covered by growth average
 0.27% -- so growth quarters were
 better
- Difference isn't statistically significant
- Pricing a factor post 2008 recession
- Every recession is different...





Inflation

- Reminder that it's not inflation itself that is likely the cause
 - Relative pricing & elasticity
 - Purchasing power
 - Real wage growth
- Shouldn't myopically focus on beer

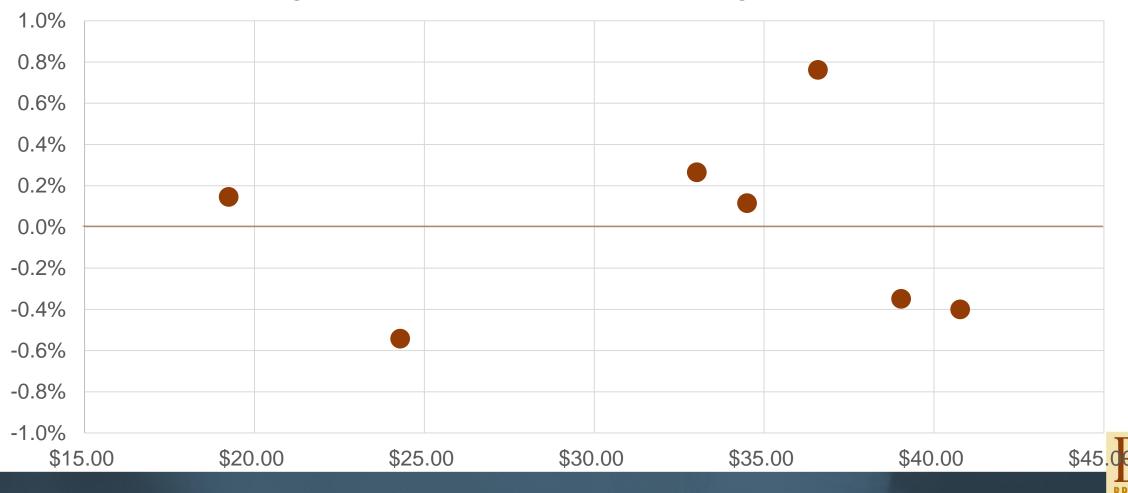


Source: BLS; Employment Cost Index (ECI)



Maybe Slower Trade Up?

Average Price Point and Volume Share Change, Last 4 Weeks



The Craft Consumer

- Craft consumer is not the generic consumer
 - Different by company/brand/channel/location
- Different economic situations, confidence, patterns
- What is true for one segment or even brand may not be for another



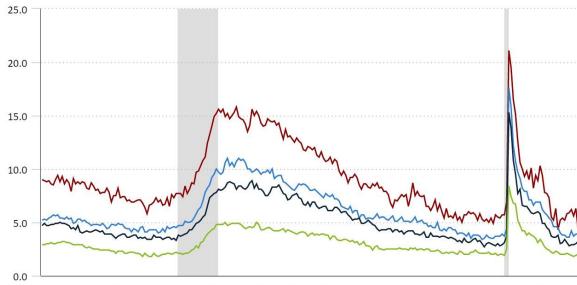


Unemployment rates for persons 25 years and older by educational attainment, seasonally adjusted

Click and drag within the chart to zoom in on time periods

Less than a high school diploma
 High school graduates, no college
 Some college or associate degree
 Bachelor's degree and higher

Percent



Nov 2002 Nov 2004 Nov 2006 Nov 2008 Nov 2010 Nov 2012 Nov 2014 Nov 2016 Nov 2018 Nov 2020 Nov 2022

Hover over chart to view data. Note: Shaded area represents recession, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

- 55% of craft drinkers are college grads; 81% some college/associates
- For all beer that is 31%/62%
- Source: Scarborough USA



Brand Strength Key

- All else equal... but all else is usually not equal in brand or in customer
- Models explain very little of the variation
- Individual brand factors and competitive set still critical



To Close

- Distributed growth will be tough (at the brewery really a local question)
- Brewery numbers moving toward static (won't be in all places)
- Demographics continue to change (challenges and opportunities)
- Growth is there, but you need to focus
- The economy may sour... but ignore the headlines and think about your customers



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