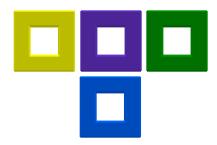


Quarterly Market Trend Analysis for Economic Development in Cerritos

### City of Cerritos Economic Profile Summer 2014



A City With Vision

### **ECONOMIC PROFILE**



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### Introduction

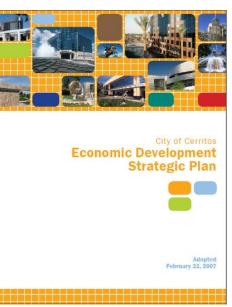
The Cerritos *Economic Profile* is a report that is prepared on a quarterly basis to conduct market trend analysis and to develop strategies for the City's Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) Program. The BRE program was created in order to identify business climate issues and individual actions that would improve upon the operating conditions of existing businesses. It also provides the mechanism by which to identify "at risk" businesses and respond to their specific needs.

The development of the BRE was identified in the City of Cerritos Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP), which was adopted by the Cerritos City Council in 2007. As identified in the EDSP, Goal BAR-1 recommends that the City identify the "best customers" among existing Cerritos businesses and initiate an outreach program. In addition, Goal BAR-7 recommends that staff dedicate resources to track market trends.

With this in mind, this *Economic Profile* is a product of the EDSP and complements the BRE by tracking market trends for the preparation of economic development strategies. The *Economic Profile* will assist

City staff in responding proactively to the ever changing business climate. In addition, this report supports the City's commitment to creating a business-friendly environment in which quality jobs may grow and prosper. The report will also assist the City in expanding on its tremendous success with its economic base by identifying growth industries as well as declining industries in need of reinvigoration.

The *Economic Profile* is comprised of several sections, which includes Major Revenues, Employment, Unemployment and Commercial Real Estate. The statistical data is compiled from a wide variety of sources, such as the California Employment Development Department, Cerritos' Finance Division, and several real estate publications. The quarterly report provides a wealth of information and will be used by City staff to monitor the economic profile of the City in order to develop precise strategies to improve the business climate in Cerritos. The *Economic Profile* is the first of its kind in the local Gateway Cities region and it illustrates the commitment of Cerritos to its tradition of being "A City with Vision."



### Mission Statement

The mission of the Cerritos Economic Profile is for the City of Cerritos to think strategically towards economic development in order to foster a healthy local economy, maintain the City's strong fiscal position and to be proactive and adapt to the changing business climate.

### Select Strategic Plan Goals

BAR-1: Identify the "best customers" among existing Cerritos businesses and initiate an outreach program.

BAR-6: Use a targeted approach to business attraction.

BAR-5: Maintain a proactive approach to addressing the needs of important businesses that might be looking to relocate out of Cerritos.

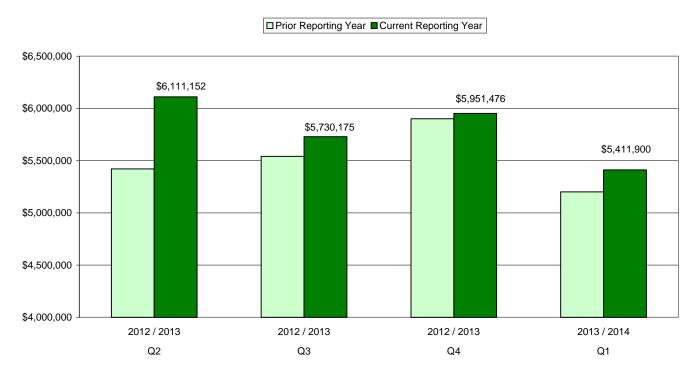
BAR-7: Dedicate staff resources to tracking market trends.

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### **Sales Tax**

For 2014-Q1, businesses in the City generated \$5,411,900 in sales tax revenue, which is a 5% increase (\$210,471) over the same quarter in 2013. Over the past four quarters, the average sales tax revenue was \$5.7 million. Please note that sales tax reporting is one quarter behind and the data presented herein is the most current available.

### Sales Tax Revenue - Calendar Year



From 2005 through 2009, annual sales tax revenue decreased from \$24,818,712 to \$16,695,608, resulting in a 33% decrease. However, in 2010, sales tax revenue increased by \$570,889 equaling a 9% increase from 2009. Additionally, sales tax increased once again in 2011 by 9% from 2010, which is an increase of \$1,567,259. Calendar year 2012 saw a significant increase of \$3,590,906 or 19% from 2011. Finally, in calendar year 2013, the City experienced another increase of 2.5% (\$569,570).

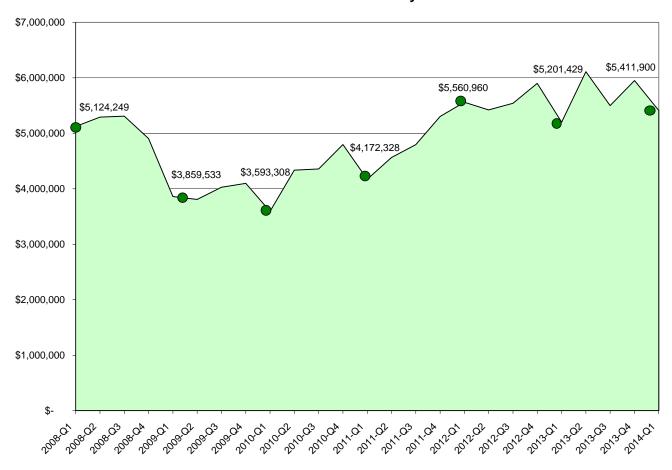
### Sales Tax Revenue from the Past Nine Calendar Years

2005	2006	2007
\$24,818,712	\$23,948,949 <b>↓</b>	\$23,115,557 <b>↓</b>
2008	2009	2010
\$20,431,957 <b>↓</b>	\$16,695,608 <b>↓</b>	17,266,497 🋧
2011	2012	2013
\$18,833,756 <b>↑</b>	\$22,424,662 <b>↑</b>	\$22,994,232 <b>^</b>

### Sales Tax

Based on a trend analysis, quarterly sales tax has gradually increased from a low of \$3.5 million in 2010-Q1 to its current level of \$5.4 million in 2014-Q1. The trend line indicates an increase in sales tax revenue in a quarter-per-quarter comparison starting from 2010-Q1 to 2014-Q1, with the exception of a slight decrease in 2013-Q1.

### **First Quarter Trend Analysis**



### **First Quarter Analysis**

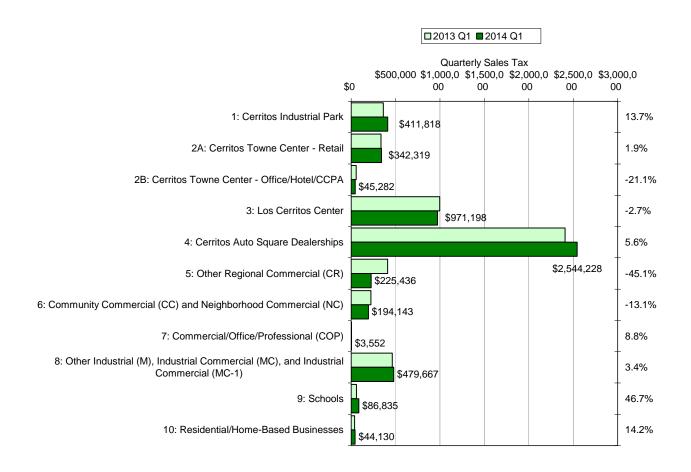
A trend analysis of sales tax on a quarter-by-quarter basis is another method to measure consumer confidence. In 2011-Q1, sale tax revenue was at \$4.1 million and has progressively increased to a high of \$5.4 million for 2014-Q1, an increase of \$1,239,572.

2011-Q1	2012-Q1	2013-Q1	2014-Q1
\$4,172,328	\$5,560,960	\$5,201,429	\$5,411,900

### Sales Tax

For 2014-Q1, the Cerritos Auto Square generated the highest amount of sales tax at \$2.5 million (5.6% increase from the previous year), of all City business sectors. Additionally, six sectors experienced sales tax increase ranging from 1.9% (Cerritos Towne Center-Retail) to 46.7% (Schools). In contrast, four sectors experienced a decline in sales tax revenue ranging from -2.7% (Los Cerritos Center) to -21.1% (Cerritos Towne Center-Office/Hotel/CCPA).

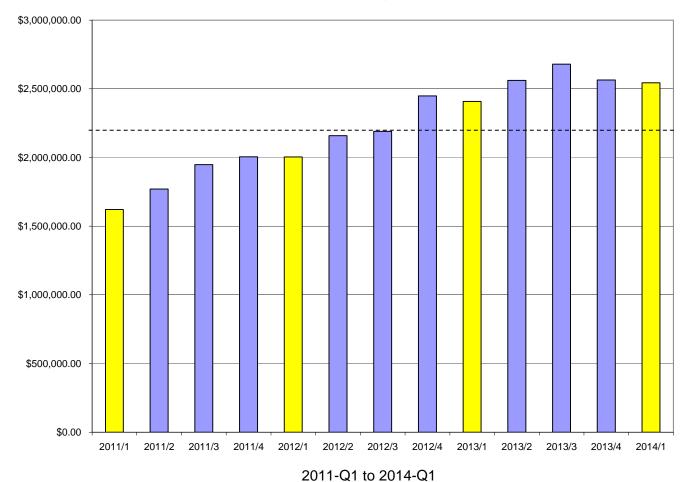
### Sales Tax by Sector Comparative Analysis for 2014-Q1



### Sales Tax

The Cerritos Auto Square generated the greatest amount of sales tax of any business sector in the City in 2014-Q1 (\$2.5 million). In a quarter-to-quarter comparison, 2014-Q1 increased from 2013-Q1 by 5.6%. Additionally, 2014-Q1 was higher than 2012-Q1 and 2011-Q1. This trend analysis indicates an increase in auto sales and a recovering local economy. Ongoing renovations and upgrades to dealerships in the Auto Square, an effective marketing campaign by the Auto Dealers Association and an increase in consumer confidence may be contributing factors in the increase of auto sales.

### **Cerritos Auto Square**



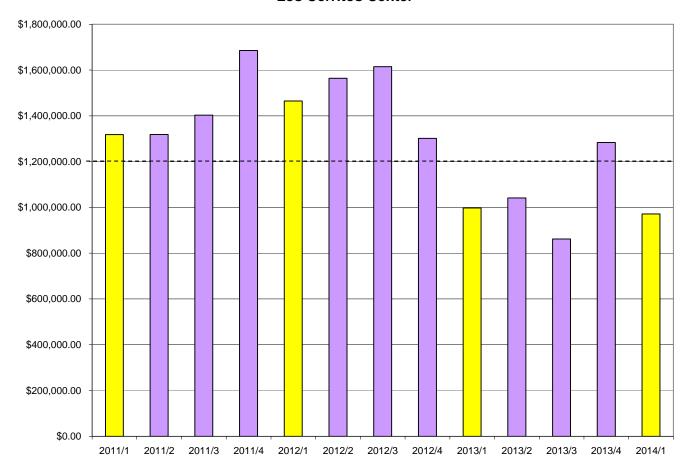
Average: \$2,223,461

Auto sales generated sales tax has consistently increased in a quarter-by-quarter comparison of first quarter sales. This increasing slope on the bar chart for the past four years illustrates a positive sign for the Cerritos Auto Square. For example, in a quarter-to-quarter comparison of sales tax revenue, 2012-Q1 was 24% higher than 2011-Q1. Additionally, 2013-Q1 was 20% higher than 2012-Q1.

### Sales Tax

The Los Cerritos Center generated the second greatest amount of sales tax revenue for the City's General Fund at \$971,198 in 2014-Q1. Based on the trend analysis, sales tax revenue has decreased slightly from 2013-Q1 (3% decrease). However, sales tax revenue at the Los Cerritos Center has averaged approximately \$1.2 million dollars per quarter from 2011-Q1 to 2014-Q1 (with the exception of seasonal increases that correspond with fourth quarter holiday sales).

### **Los Cerritos Center**



2011-Q1 to 2014-Q1

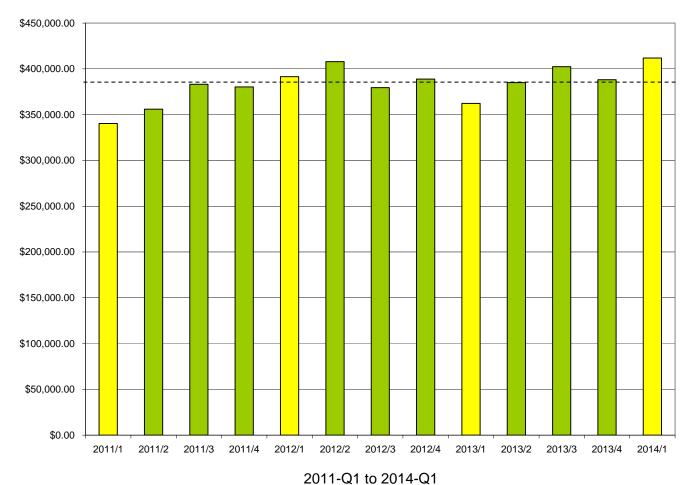
Average: \$1,294,333

A trend analysis (quarter-to-quarter comparison of sales tax revenue) from 2011-Q1 to 2014-Q1 indicates a decrease in sales tax revenue and may be attributed to the vacancy at the former Nordstrom building on the southwest corner of the Center and an increase in internet sales. However, recent developments at the Center (construction of a new Jared Jewelry Store, Dicks Sporting Goods, Harkins Theatre and a new large restaurant) are expected to have a positive impact on sales tax revenue for the City.

### Sales Tax

The Cerritos Industrial Park is one of the highest sales tax generators in Cerritos. The Cerritos Industrial Park generated \$411,818 in 2014-Q1, which is a 13.7% increase from 2013-Q1. Based on the trend analysis, sales tax revenue has remained relatively constant throughout the review period with no significant changes.

### **Cerritos Industrial Park**



Average: \$382,836

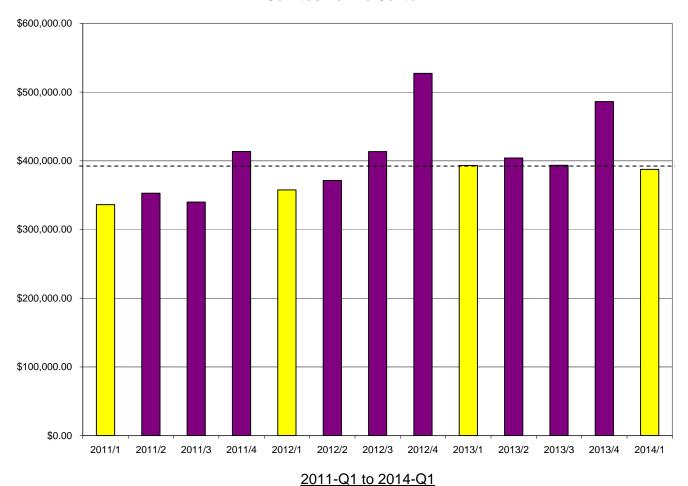
In a quarter-to-quarter trend analysis, sales tax revenue has remained relatively constant. Over 13 quarters, the average sales tax for the industrial park was \$382,836, with a low of \$340,363 in 2011-Q1 and a high of \$411,818 in 2014-Q1.

TREND ANALYSIS: → Constant

### Sales Tax

Sales tax revenue at the Cerritos Towne Center was \$387,601 for 2014-Q1, which is a decrease of 1% from 2013-Q1. Based on a trend analysis from 2011-Q1 to 2014-Q1, the Cerritos Towne Center has not experienced any significant changes in sales tax revenue, outside of seasonal fourth quarter increases.

### **Cerritos Towne Center**



Average: \$398,223

Sales tax has remained fairly constant from 2011-Q1 to 2014-Q1 with an average of \$398,223 per quarter. Based on a trend analysis in a quarter-to-quarter comparison of sales tax revenue, 2014-Q1 was slightly lower than 2013-Q1; however, 2014-Q1 was higher than 2012-Q1 (8%) and 2011-Q1 (15%).

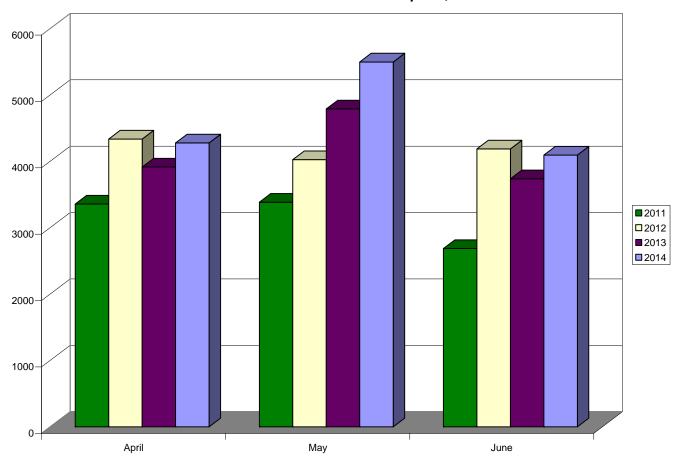
TREND ANALYSIS: → Constant

### **Auto Sales**

Cerritos is well known for the Cerritos Auto Square—the world's first and most successful auto mall. With 23 dealerships, the Cerritos Auto Square is located on Studebaker Road off the 605 Freeway at South Street. Developed in the early 1980's in partnership with the City of Cerritos and the former Cerritos Redevelopment Agency, the Cerritos Auto Square generates approximately half of the City's sales tax revenue.

For 2014-Q2, sales increased in April, May and June from the previous year averaging approximately 4,623 vehicles sold per month. Overall, sales were higher for 2014-Q2 from 2013-Q2 (a difference of 1,427 cars).

### Number of Vehicles Sold in Cerritos Auto Square, Four Year Period



Cars Sold in 2014-Q2

April	May	June
4,277	5,497	4,094

2014-Q2 Total: 13,868 2013-Q2 Total: 12,441 Difference: 1,427

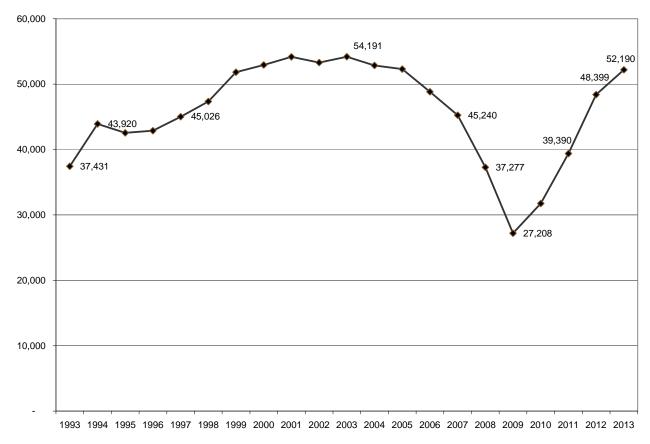
### **Auto Sales**

The Cerritos Auto Dealers Association has been compiling data since 1993 in order to conduct annual sales comparisons. From 1993 to 2013, a total of 960,980 cars have been sold, equating to an annual average of 45,761 cars. Sales have fluctuated over the years from a low of 27,208 cars sold in 2009 to a high of 54,191 cars sold in 2003.

The Cerritos Auto Square experienced another significant increase in sales in 2013 over sales in 2012. In fact, there was an 8% increase in auto sales from 2012 to 2013 with a total of 3,791 more cars sold. The 2013 year marks a total of four years in a row that total annual sales exceeded sales totals from the previous year (2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013).

1993	1994	199	95	1996	1997
37,431	43,920	42,5	556	42,879	45,026
1998	1999	200	00	2001	2002
47,341	51,825	52,9	)25	54,164	53,288
2003	2004	200	05	2006	2007
54,191	52,857	52,2	290	48,836	45,240
2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
37,277	27,208	31,747	39,390	48,399	52,190

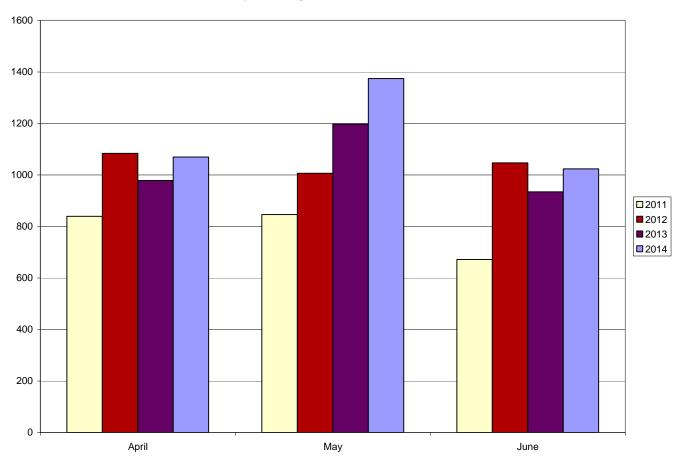
### Trend Analysis – 1993 to 2013



### **Auto Sales**

Based on a trend analysis, weekly sale averages for 2014-Q2 exceeded weekly averages for the second quarter for 2011, 2012 and 2013 (with the exception of April 2012 and June 2012). In addition, May 2014 experienced the highest number of weekly average sales within the review period with 1,374 cars sold.

### Weekly Averages - 2011-Q2 to 2014-Q2



### Weekly Average 2014-Q2

- April 2014 (1,069 cars sold)
- May 2014 (1,374 cars sold)
- June 2014 (1,024 cars sold)

### Weekly Average 2013-Q2

- April 2013 (979 cars sold)
- May 2013 (1,197 cars sold)
- June 2013 (935 cars sold)

### Weekly Average 2012-Q2

- April 2011 (1,084 cars sold)
- May 2011 (1,006 cars sold)
- June 2011 (1,047 cars sold)

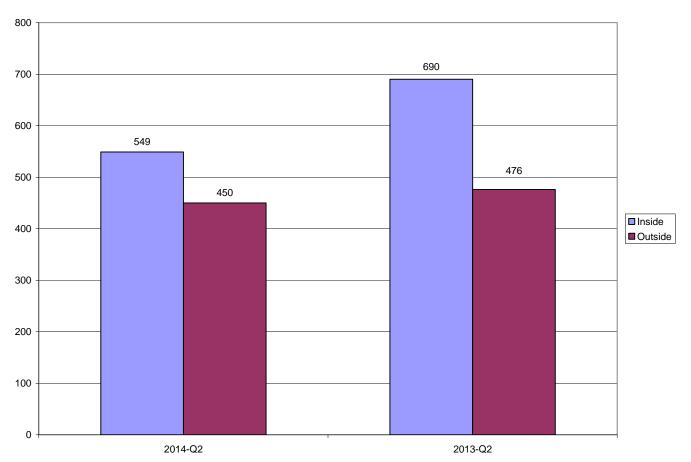
### Weekly Average 2011-Q2

- April 2010 (839 cars sold)
- May 2010 (846 cars sold)
- June 2010 (672 cars sold)

### **Business License**

The tracking of new and renewed business licenses is one method of forecasting business growth in the City. For 2014-Q2, a total of 999 new and renewal business licenses were processed by the City, which generated \$286,861 in license revenue for the City. In Cerritos, there are a higher proportion of businesses that have a City business license that are located outside the City boundaries. These businesses are largely made up of contractors, who are required to have a City issued business license; however, their business offices are not located within the City's jurisdictional boundaries. In 2014-Q2, the City experienced a 14% decrease (reduction of 167 licenses) in the issuance of new and renewal of business licenses from 2013-Q2.

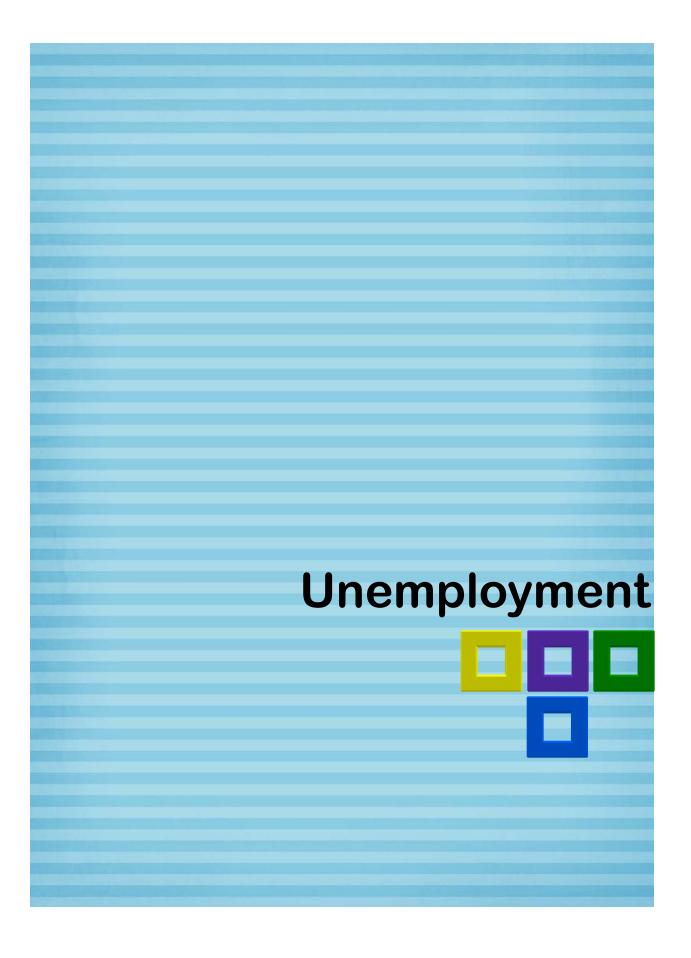
2014-Q2 New and Renewal of Business Licenses – Located in Cerritos and Located Outside Cerritos



2014-Q2 New and Renewal of Business Licenses

2014-Q2 Total New and Renewal of Business Licenses: 999 2013-Q2 Total New and Renewal of Business Licenses: 1,166

Difference: (-167)



### Unemployment

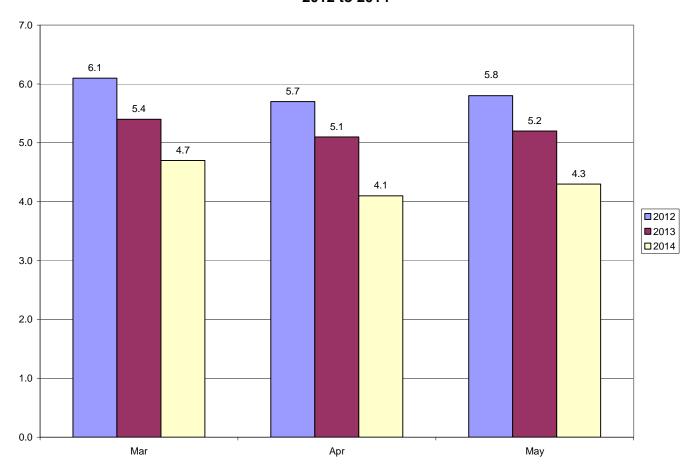
### **Current Rate**

According to the Federal Bureau of Labor and Statistics, the unemployment rate among Cerritos residents in May 2014 was approximately 4.3%, which is a decrease from May 2013 (5.2%) and May 2012 (5.8%). In addition, the unemployment rate has decreased each month in March, April and May from 2012 to 2014. This reduction in the unemployment rate is a positive sign for the local economy and an indicator of potential increased consumer confidence. For the period, the unemployment rate remained constant at approximately 4% from March 2014 to May 2014.

### **Quarterly Unemployment Rate**

August 2013	November 2013	February 2014	May 2014
5.5%	5.1%	4.8%	4.3%

### Unemployment Rate – Quarterly Comparison 2012 to 2014

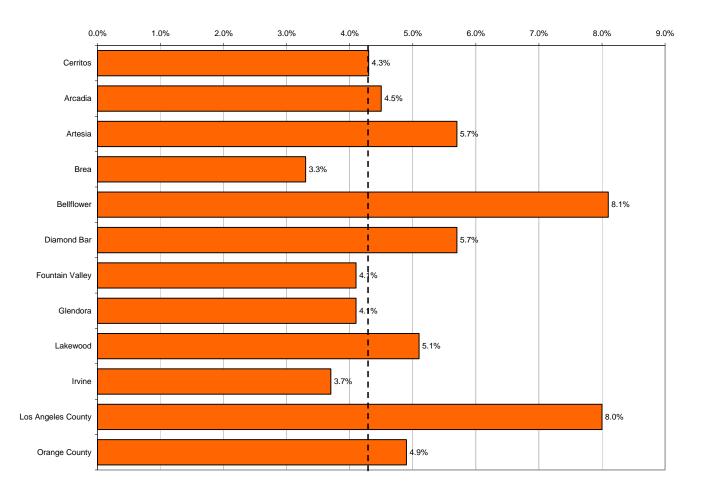


### Unemployment

### **Surrounding Cities and Counties**

According to the California Employment Development Department, the unemployment rate among Cerritos residents in May 2014 was approximately 4.3%, which is the lowest unemployment rate among surrounding cities and some comparable cities. Additionally, the Cerritos unemployment rate is lower than Los Angeles County (8%) and Orange County (4.9%).

Unemployment Rate – Surrounding Cities and Comparable Cities May 2014

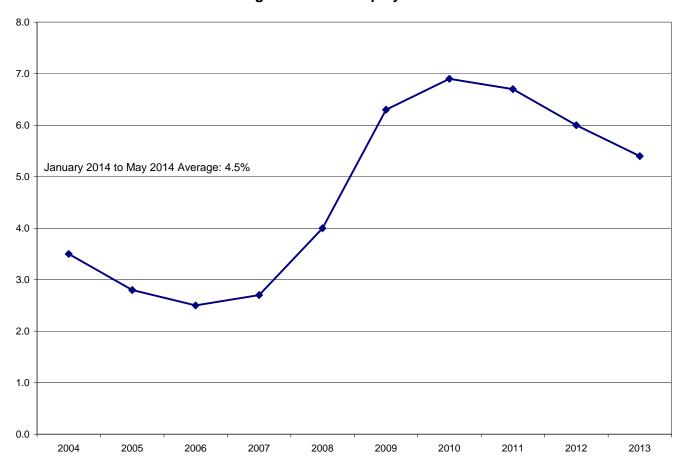


### **Employment**

### **Cerritos – Annual Unemployment Rate**

In 2004, Cerritos had an unemployment rate of 3.5%, which then decreased to a low of 2.5% in 2006. However, with the Great Recession beginning in 2008, the unemployment rate increased to a high of 6.9% in 2010. Since 2010, the unemployment rate has steadily decreased. Currently, the unemployment rate is at 4.3% (May 2014). For calendar year 2013, the average annual unemployment rate for Cerritos was 5.3%, which was lower than the four previous years.

### **Average Annual Unemployment Rate**



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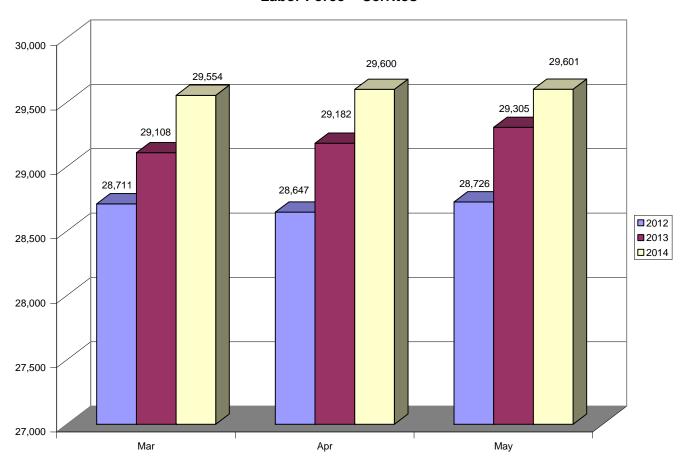
2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
3.5%	2.8%	2.5%	2.7%	4.0%
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
6.3%	6.9%	6.7%	6.0%	5.3%

### **Employment**

### **Cerritos - Labor Force**

According to the United States Bureau of Labor and Statistics, labor force refers to the sum of all employed and unemployed individuals in the economy. In Cerritos, there were 29,601 persons as of May 2014 in the local workforce, an increase of 296 persons from the same month last year. Based on a trend analysis, the labor force in the City has increased from March 2012 through May 2014 from the previous years.

### Labor Force - Cerritos



### **Annual Average Cerritos Labor Force**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
28,618	28,826	29,133	29,478	29,498

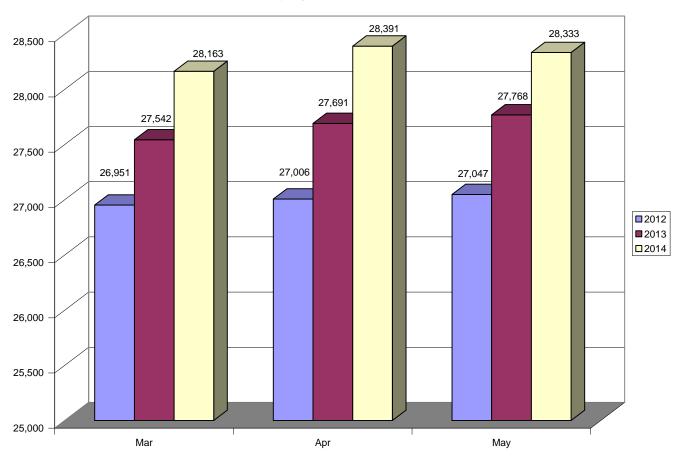
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
28,709	28,597	28,725	28,520	29,254

### **Employment**

### **Employment in Cerritos**

There were 28,333 jobs in May 2014 within the City that employ both Cerritos residents and persons that reside outside of Cerritos. Based on the trend analysis, employment from March 2014 through May 2014 has increased by 170 jobs. Additionally, employment has increased each month in a year-to-year comparison with 2012 and 2013, which indicates that the local economy is growing.

### **Employment – Cerritos**



### **Annual Average Employment in Cerritos**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
27,624	28,008	28,397	28,688	28,315

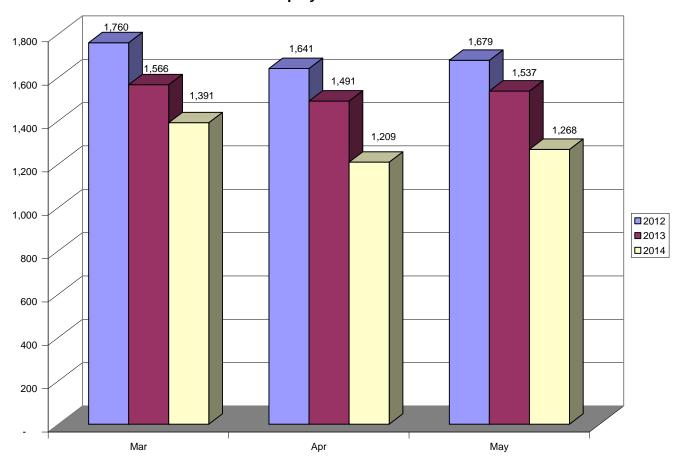
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
26,887	26,615	26,786	26,800	27,699

### Unemployment

### **Unemployment in Cerritos**

According to the United States Bureau of Labor and Statistics, the number of individuals unemployed is calculated with the following formula: unemployment = labor force – employment. Based on the data from May 2014, there are currently 1,268 (4.3%) individuals unemployed in Cerritos, which is a decrease of 269 persons from May 2013. Additionally, unemployment has decreased in a year-to-year comparison from 2012 through 2014 for March and April.

### **Unemployment - Cerritos**



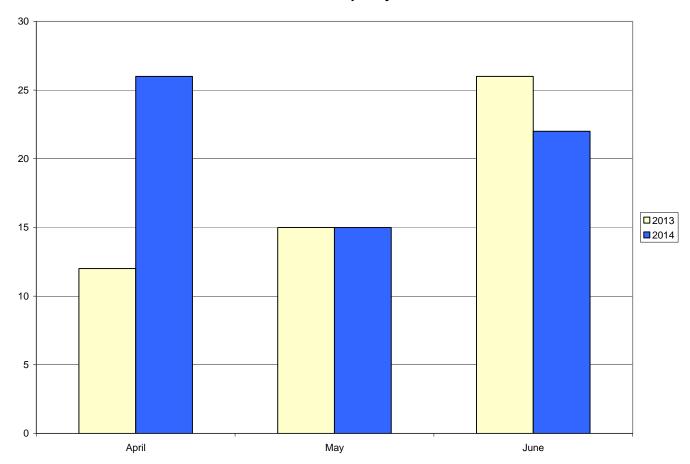
### **Annual Average Unemployed in Cerritos**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
994	818	736	790	1,183
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1,822	1,982	1,939	1,720	1,555

### **Certificate of Occupancy**

The tracking of tenant improvements, new buildings, and the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) is one method to determine the activity of commercial real estate in Cerritos. A CO is a required document issued by the City after the completion of construction and the final building department inspection for the purposes of authorizing occupancy. A high number of CO, new buildings, and tenant improvements are indications that the local economy is growing. For 2014-Q2, CO's increased from a year ago. A total of 63 CO's were processed in 2014-Q2, an increase of 10 (19% increase) from 2013-Q2, in which 53 CO's were processed.

### **Certificates of Occupancy for 2014-Q2**



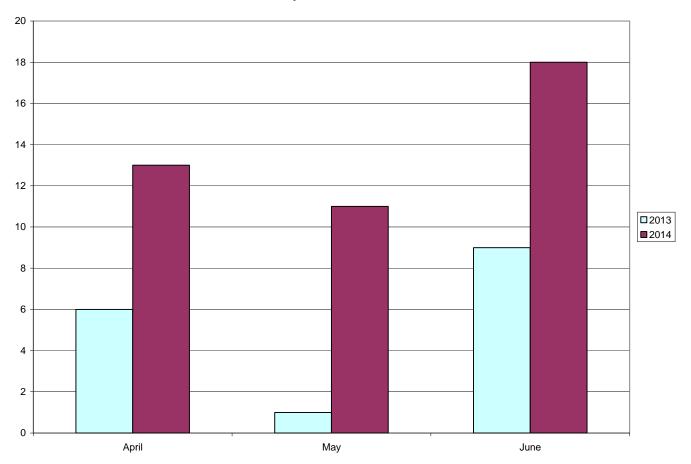
### Certificate of Occupancy - 2014

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
21	24	21	26	15	22
July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec

### **Tenant Improvement**

A Tenant Improvement (TI) refers to changes made to the interior of a commercial or industrial property by its owner to accommodate the needs of a tenant. A TI is an indicator of a new business starting in the City or an existing business expanding to meet their needs. For 2014-Q2, tenant improvements increased from the previous year. A total of 42 TI's were processed in 2014-Q2, an increase of 24 (133%) from 2013-Q2, in which 18 TI's were processed.

### **Tenant Improvements for 2014-Q2**



**Tenant Improvements - 2014** 

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
14	7	9	13	11	18

July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec

### **Cerritos Vacancy Rates**

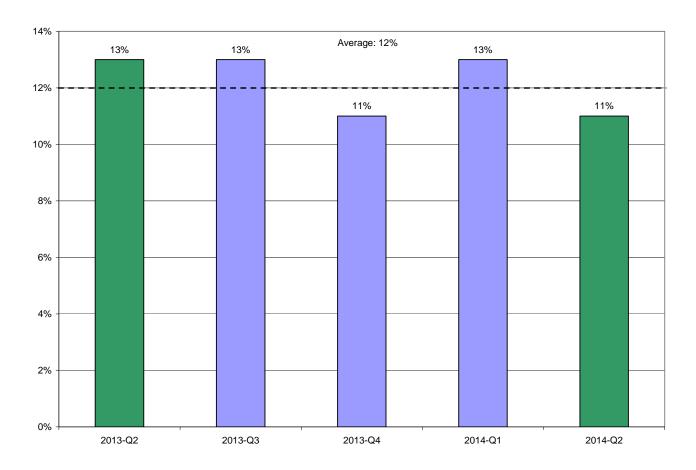
The City of Cerritos currently has a low vacancy rate when compared to the overall total available space for industrial, office, and retail uses. Currently, there is approximately 560,263 square feet of vacant industrial space, which equates to 4% of the total available citywide industrial space. Additionally, the City has approximately 154,750 square feet of vacant office space (11% of the total office space in Cerritos) and approximately 90,323 square feet of available retail space (2% of the total retail space in Cerritos). This equates to a total of 805,336 square feet of available commercial space in the City, which is equal to 4% of the total amount of commercial square footage within the City.

### **Total Available and Vacant Space in Cerritos**

Use	Total Space	Total Vacant Space	Percent (%) of
	(Sq. Ft.)	(Sq. Ft.)	Vacancy in Cerritos
Industrial	15,088,117	560,263	4%
Office	1,422,575	154,750	11%
Retail	4,685,788	90,323	2%
Total	21,196,480	805,336	4%

### **Cerritos Office Vacancy Rates**

In 2014-Q2, the Cerritos office market vacancy rate was at 11%, which is a 2% decrease from 2013-Q2. Over the past five quarters, the City office vacancy rate averaged approximately 12%.

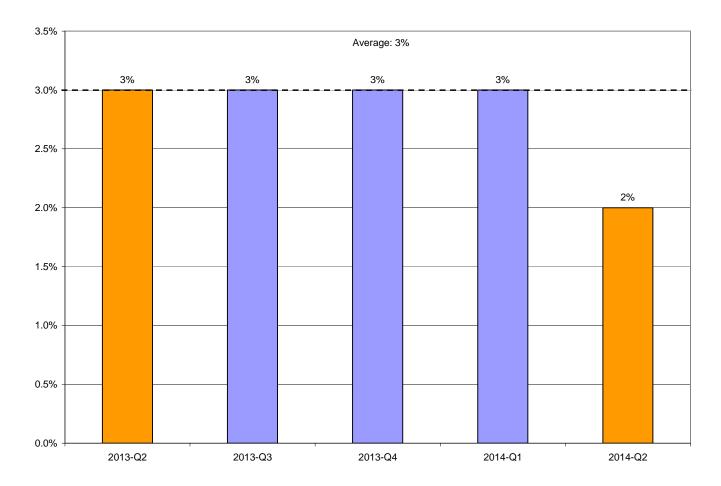


### **Cerritos Vacancy Rates**

### **Cerritos Retail Vacancy Rate**

Cerritos currently has approximately 4,685,788 square feet of total retail space, which includes the Los Cerritos Center and the Cerritos Towne Center. Based on available data, Cerritos has a retail vacancy rate of 2% for 2014-Q2, which is a 1% decrease from 2013-Q2. Based on a trend analysis, the retail vacancy rate has remained at 3%. Over the past five quarters, the average retail vacancy rate for the City was 3%.

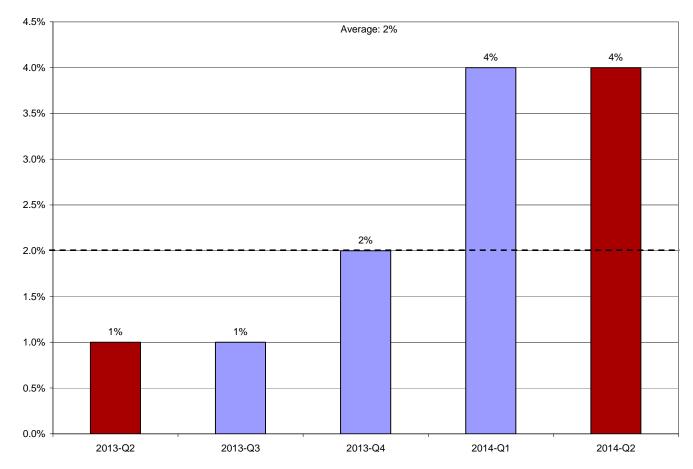
This low vacancy rate indicates that retail space is in great demand in Cerritos. In addition, Cerritos' strategic location along the 91 and 605 Freeways contribute toward a greater demand for retail space. The Cerritos Towne Center and Los Cerritos Center are located along these freeways providing consumers with easy access to these centers for their retail shopping needs.



### **Cerritos Vacancy Rates**

### **Cerritos Industrial Vacancy Rate**

Cerritos currently has approximately 15,088,117 square feet of total industrial space, which includes the Cerritos Industrial Park. Based on available data, Cerritos had an industrial vacancy rate of 4% for 2014-Q2, which is higher than 2013-Q2. Based on a trend analysis, the industrial vacancy rate has increased from a low of 1% in 2013-Q12 to its current level of 4% in 2014-Q2. Over the past five quarters, the average retail vacancy rate for the City was at 2%.

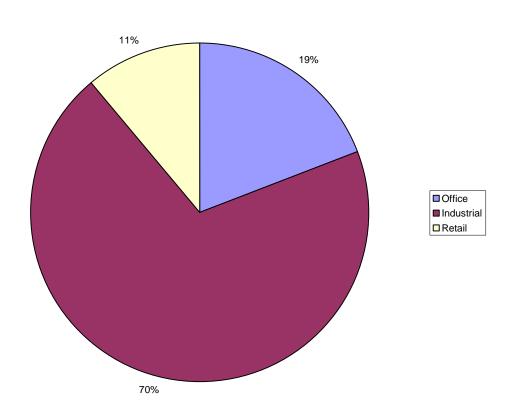


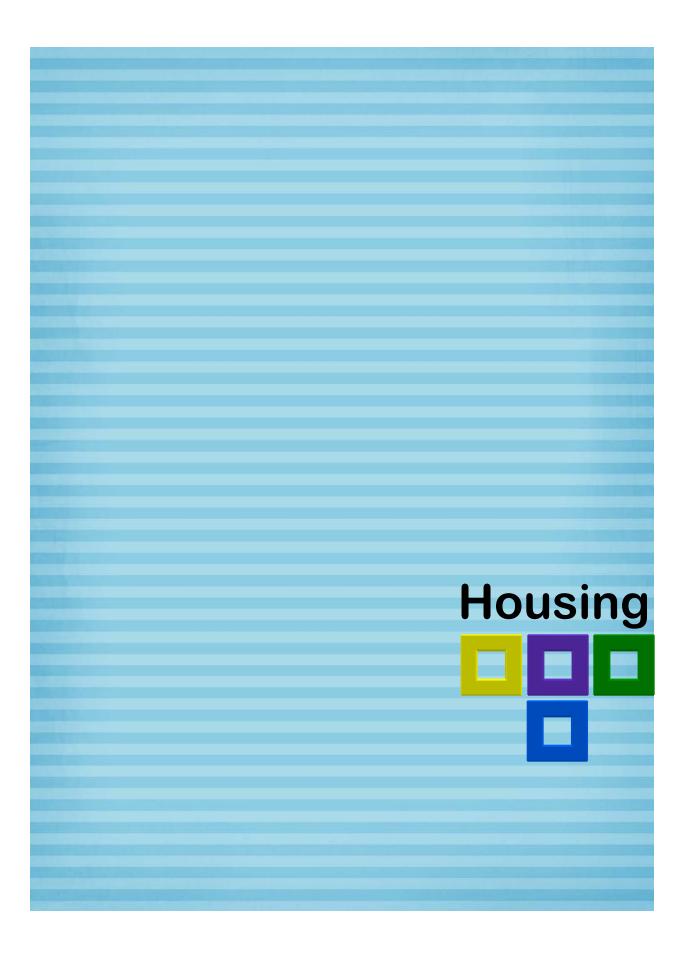
(Note: Industrial vacant space in Cerritos includes a greater proportion of warehousing and distribution businesses, which require large facilities. Therefore, a single vacancy may contribute a large amount of square footage to the overall vacancy rate. Industrial vacancy rates are calculated using available data from Loop.net for properties that are available for lease. Further, there is a possibility of additional vacant industrial properties; however, these properties may not be available for lease or reported on Loop.net at the time of the preparation of this report.)

### Vacancy Breakdown by Use

In Cerritos, there is approximately 805,336 square feet of total vacant commercial space (4%) of the total available space for 2014-Q2. Within the total available space, 70% (560,263 square feet) is available for industrial use, 19% (154,750 square feet) is available for office use and 11% (90,323 square feet) is available for retail use.

### Vacancies By Use

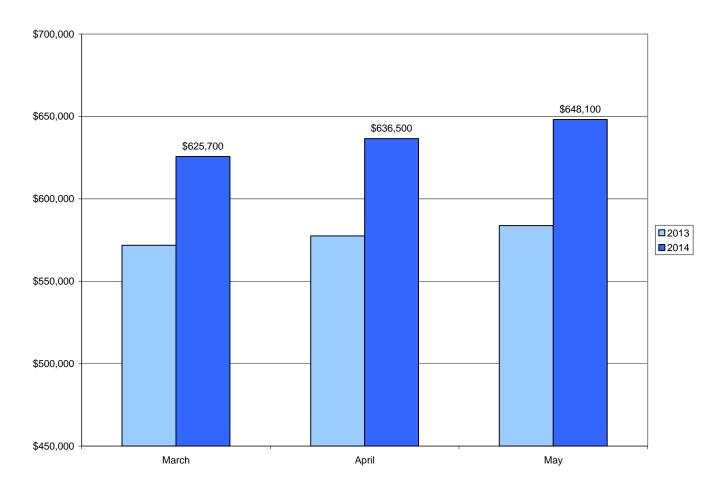




### **Single-Family Residential**

For 2014-Q2, the average median home sales price in Cerritos was \$636,767. Housing prices in Cerritos increased from 2013-Q2; in fact, March 2014 experienced a 9.4% increase, April 2014 experienced an 11.3% increase and May 2014 experienced an 11% increase from a year ago. The trend analysis for this quarter indicates that the sale price of single-family residential homes has increased and it is a positive indicator for the housing sector.

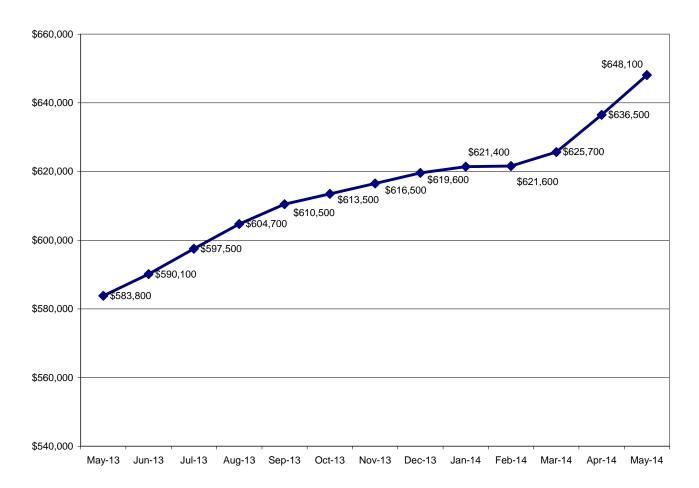
### Single-Family Residential Home Sales Price in Cerritos - 2014-Q2



### Single-Family Residential

Based on a one year trend line analysis, the average sale price for a single-family residential home in Cerritos was \$583,800 in May 2013 and peaked to its high of \$648,100 in May 2014. Housing prices have gradually increased each month and remained above the \$600,000 range starting in August 2013. This significant increase over a one year period is a positive sign for the housing market in Cerritos.

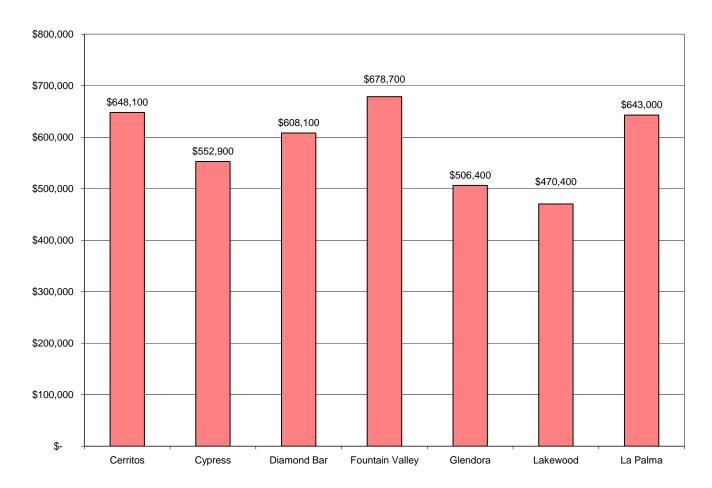
### One Year Housing Sale Price Trend Line - May 2013 to May 2014



### **Single-Family Residential**

In a regional comparison, Cerritos' property values have maintained their value and are higher than most surrounding cities and regionally comparable cities. In a sample of May 2014 home sale prices, Cerritos home sale prices were \$648,100, which was higher than five comparable cities. Only the City of Fountain Valley (\$678,700) had a higher home sales price than Cerritos for the month of May 2014.

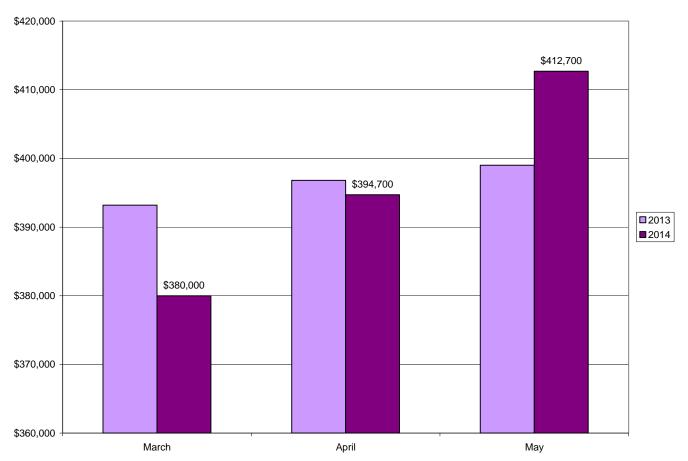
### Regional Comparison - May 2014



### **Multi-Family Residential**

Condominiums have a niche in housing between renting and owning single-family homes. For 2014-Q2, the average median condominium home sales price in Cerritos was \$395,800. Condominium sale prices in Cerritos decreased in March 2014 by 3.4% and in April 2014 by 1% from the previous year. However, prices increased in May 2014 by 3.4%. In a regional comparison, the sale price of condominiums in Los Angeles County (\$418,000) and Orange County (\$493,400) were higher on average than in Cerritos (\$412,700).

### Condominium Home Sales Price in Cerritos - 2014-Q2



Condominium Home Sale Prices – County Comparison for May 2014

Cerritos	Los Angeles County	Orange County
\$412,700	\$418,000	\$493,400

### **Statistical Summary**

### **Economic Profile - Summer 2014**

Based on the data analysis from a wide variety of sources, Cerritos maintains a relatively healthy economic base as compared to the region, despite the slow nationwide economic recovery. Below is a summary of the major findings of the Cerritos *Economic Profile* for Summer 2014.

### **Major Revenues**

Sales tax revenue for the 2014-Q1 (calendar year) totaled \$5,411,900 which is a 5% increase from the same quarter in 2013. In a quarter-to-quarter comparison, sales tax revenue has increased from the previous year for the past four quarters. Additionally, in a first quarter analysis, sales tax revenue has increased from \$4.1 million to \$5.4 million.

The Cerritos Auto Square generated the greatest amount of sales tax for the City in 2014-Q1, totaling \$2.5 million, which was a 5.6% increase from last year. The Los Cerritos Center generated the second highest sales tax at \$971,198, which was a 2.7% decrease from last year.

In the second quarter of 2014, the Cerritos Auto Square sold a total of 13,868 cars, which was an increase of 11.5% from last year for the same quarter and an average of 4,623 cars sold per month. New business licenses and renewals decreased 14% from a year ago. A total of 999 new and renewal of business licenses were processed (decrease of 167).

### **Unemployment/Employment**

The unemployment rate among Cerritos residents is approximately 4.3% (May 2014), which is the lowest among its surrounding cities and one of the lowest in comparison to cities with similar size and/or demographics in the region. Additionally, the Cerritos labor force for May 2014 was 29,601 and was constituted by 28,333 employed and 1,268 unemployed residents.

### **Commercial Real Estate**

Cerritos currently has 805,336 square feet of vacant commercial space, which is approximately 4% of the total available commercial real estate space in Cerritos (21,196,480 sq. ft.). Of the total vacant space in Cerritos, 70% is industrial space (560,263 sq. ft.), 19% is office space (154,750 sq. ft.), and 11% is retail space (90,323 sq. ft.). Industrial vacant space in Cerritos includes a greater proportion of warehousing and distribution businesses, which require large facilities. Due to the large amount of space required for industrial warehousing, a single vacancy may have a significant impact on available industrial space.

For 2014-Q2, tenant improvements/new buildings (TI) and certificates of occupancy (CO) increased from the previous year. A total of 42 TI's were processed (133% increase) and 63 CO's were processed (19%) increase.

### Housing

For 2014-Q2, the single family median home sale price in Cerritos was approximately \$636,767. In a regional comparison, homes in Cerritos have maintained their values and were higher than most cities of comparable size and demographics. Condominium sale prices remained constant at an average of \$395,800.

### **Statistical Summary**

### **Economic Profile - Spring 2014**

### Statistical Trend Analysis - Cerritos

Based on statistical trend analysis of all economic sectors in the City, some industries are showing gains, some are remaining constant and others have experienced some decline. Below is a summary of some of the economic trends in Cerritos:

### **↑** Increase

- Sales tax for 2014-Q1
- Sales tax at Cerritos Auto Square
- Single family home sale prices
- Employment
- Tenant Improvements/New Buildings
- Labor force
- Certificate of Occupancy
- Industrial vacancy rate

### → Constant

- Sales tax at the Cerritos Industrial Park
- Sales tax at the Cerritos Towne Center
- Industrial vacancy rate

### **♦** Decrease

- Sales tax at the Los Cerritos Center
- Unemployment (persons)
- Unemployment rate
- New and renewal of business licenses
- Office vacancy rate
- Retail vacancy rate

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### **Auto Sales**

Cerritos Auto Dealers Association

### **Employment/Unemployment**

California Employment Development Department http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

United States Bureau of Labor and Statistics

### **Real Estate**

Loop.net

### Housing

DataQuick http://www.dqnews.com/Charts/Monthly-Charts/LA-Times-Charts/ZIPLAT.aspx

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