

# San Mateo County Migration Patterns

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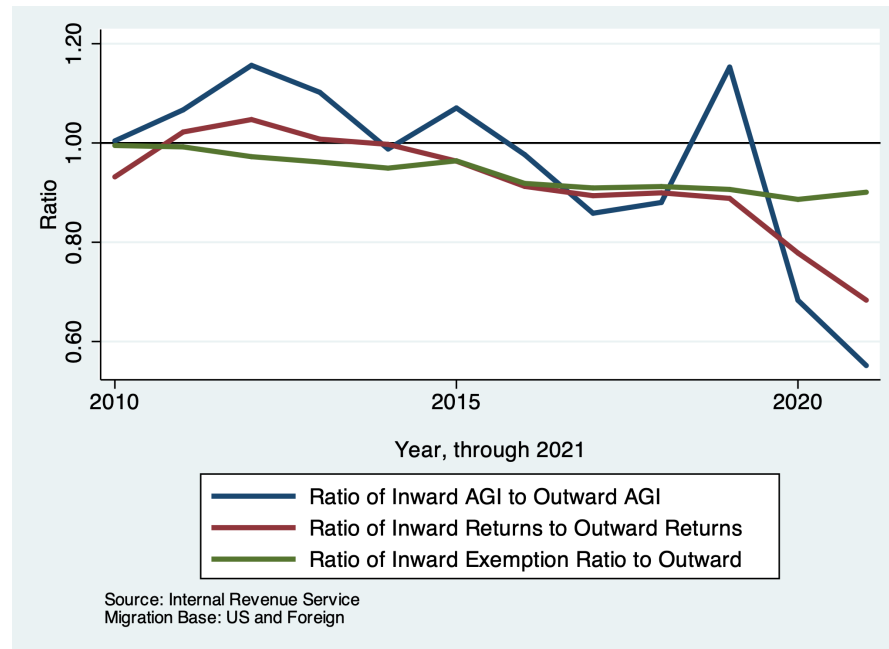
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**Source:** U.S. Internal Revenue Service. SOI Tax Stats - Migration Data. <https://www.irs.gov/uac/SOI-Tax-Stats-Migration-Data>

## 1. Net Flows

Figure 1 - 1: Relative Flows of Adjusted Gross Income, Tax Units, and Exemptions



- **Ratio of Inward Returns to Outward Returns:** A ratio greater than one indicates that more taxable units flowed into the region than out.
- **Ratio of Inward AGI to Outward AGI:** A ratio greater than one indicates that more adjusted gross income is flowing into the region than out. It indicates that the tax units moving into the region have higher incomes on average than those leaving the county.
- **Ratio of Inward Exemption Ratio to Outward:** A ratio greater than one indicates that the taxable units moving into the region have more taxable exemptions, generally children, than those moving out of the region.

## 2. Largest Migration Partners

**Table 2.1. Top Ten Taxable Unit Migration Partners**

2021 County	Number of Taxable Units			Flow Ratios		
	In From	Out to	Sum	AGI	Returns	Exemptions
Santa Clara, CA	4,529	5,460	9,989	1.03	0.83	1.00
San Francisco, CA	5,598	4,297	9,895	2.10	1.30	1.08
Alameda, CA	2,261	3,572	5,833	0.51	0.63	0.94
Contra Costa, CA	813	2,164	2,977	0.26	0.38	0.81
Los Angeles, CA	890	1,138	2,028	0.57	0.78	0.97
Sacramento, CA	328	993	1,321	0.25	0.33	0.80
San Diego, CA	347	731	1,078	0.27	0.47	0.79
King, WA	259	591	850	0.25	0.44	0.86

Source: CA DOF; Calculations by Marin Economic Consulting

Note: The ratios provided in the final 3 columns of this table are as described above.

**Figure 2 - 1: Relative Flows With Primary Migration Partner**

