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Professional experience

- 2006-present **Public Policy Institute of California**, San Francisco, CA
Associate Director and Research Fellow (current title)
Conduct research on urban development, the California economy, and technology policy. Oversee research programs on economic development, environmental policy, governance, and public finance. Testify at public hearings. Present at corporate, non-profit, and academic events. Appear regularly on national and statewide media. Manage research staff.
- 2000-2005 **Forrester Research**, San Francisco, CA
Vice President and Research Director (final title)
Directed \$7 million consumer market-research practice. Managed staff of fourteen research professionals and client service managers. Conducted and oversaw research on consumer technology adoption and demand.
- 1997-1999 **Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA
Instructor, Teaching Fellow, and Thesis Advisor
- 1997-1998 **Citizens Budget Commission**, New York, NY
Telecommunications Consultant
- 1994-1995 **Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight**, Washington, DC
Research Associate
- 1993-1994 **World Bank**, Washington, DC
Consultant, Urban Development Division
- 1992-1993 **Progressive Policy Institute**, Washington, DC
Policy Economist

Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D. in Economics, 2000.
Thesis: "Essays on Information Technology, Cities, and Location Choice."
A.M. in Economics, 1997.
A.B. *summa cum laude* in Social Studies, 1992. Phi Beta Kappa, 1991.

Academic publications

“How Broadband Changes Online and Offline Behaviors.” Information Economics and Policy, 2009 (in press).

“Does Local Business Ownership Insulate Cities from Economic Shocks?” With David Neumark. Journal of Urban Economics, 2009 (forthcoming).

“Do Some Enterprise Zones Create Jobs?” With David Neumark. Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, 2009 (forthcoming).

“Urbanization, Agglomeration, and Co-Agglomeration of Services Industries.” NBER Conference Volume on Agglomeration. University of Chicago Press, 2009 (forthcoming).

“The Effects of Mobile Phones and Hands-Free Laws on Traffic Fatalities.” B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy 9:1 (Contributions), 2009.

“Changes in the Location of Employment and Ownership: Evidence from California.” With David Neumark. Journal of Regional Science 48:4, 2008.

“Silicon Mountains, Silicon Molehills: Geographic Concentration and Convergence of Internet Industries in the US.” Information Economics and Policy 14, 2002.

“The Consumer City.” With Edward Glaeser and Albert Saiz. Journal of Economic Geography 1:1, 2001.

“The Death of Cities? The Death of Distance? Evidence from the Geography of Commercial Internet Usage.” The Internet Upheaval: Raising Questions, Seeking Answers in Communications Policy. Eds. Ingo Vogelsang and Benjamin M. Compaine. MIT Press and TPRC, 2000.

PPIC publications

“The California Economy.” PPIC California 2025: Planning for a Better Future series, 2009.

“Housing Market Update.” PPIC California Economy series, 2009.

“Are the Rich Leaving California?” PPIC California Economy series, 2009.

Do California’s Enterprise Zones Create Jobs? With David Neumark. PPIC Report, 2009.

“California’s Rising Unemployment.” PPIC California Economy series, 2009.

“Are Wages Too High?” PPIC California Economy series, 2008.

“What to Expect from California’s New Hands-Free Law.” PPIC Occasional Paper, 2008.

“Crisis in the Housing Market.” PPIC California Economy series, 2008.

“Employment in 2007.” With Davin Reed. PPIC California Economy series, 2008.

Business Location Decisions and Employment Dynamics in California. With David Neumark. PPIC Report, 2007.

“Broadband For All? Gaps in California’s Broadband Adoption and Availability.” California Economic Policy, PPIC, 2007.

“Are California’s Companies Shifting Their Employment to Other States?” With David Neumark. PPIC Occasional Paper, 2007.

“Interstate Business Location: An Industry-Level Analysis.” With David Neumark and Junfu Zhang. PPIC Occasional Paper, 2006.

Other publications

Book review of “Revisiting Keynes.” Journal of Regional Science, 2009 (forthcoming).

“California Loses Few Jobs to Other States.” San Francisco Chronicle Op-Ed, May 8, 2009.

“The Federal Stimulus: A Boost or a Bane?” San Diego Union-Tribune Op-Ed, February 5, 2009.

“Hands-Free Phones in Cars Will Save Lives.” Sacramento Bee Op-Ed, May 31, 2008.

“How to Untangle the Wireless Debate.” San Francisco Chronicle Op-Ed, July 9, 2007.

“Accessible Technology in Computing – Examining Awareness, Use, and Future Potential.” With Betsey Stevenson. Forrester Research report commissioned by Microsoft, 2004-5.

“The High-Tech Rural Renaissance? Information Technology, Firm Size, and Rural Economic Growth.” U.S. Small Business Association, Office of Advocacy, research paper series, 1999.

“New England at Your Service: The New Geography of Service Industries.” Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Regional Review 8:4, 1998.

Academic papers under review

“Job Location, Neighborhood Change, and Gentrification.” Revise and resubmit.

“A New Measure of U.S. Residential Broadband Availability.” Revise and resubmit.

“Do Enterprise Zones Create Jobs? Evidence from California’s Enterprise Zone Program.” With David Neumark. NBER Working Paper #14530, 2008. Under review.