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Areas of Expertise

- ♦ Economic and policy analysis
- ♦ Housing markets: U.S., CA, local/regional
- ♦ Analytics in real estate finance
- ♦ Consumer research in real estate

- ◆ Trends identification
- ♦ Housing market forecast
- ♦ Survey planning

Oscar Wei is the deputy chief economist at the California Association of REALTORS® (C.A.R.), a statewide trade organization of real estate professionals with more than 200,000 members. He comanages the Research and Economic Department and oversees the operation of data analytics and survey research within the division. As an economist at C.A.R., Oscar provides regular updates on the economy, state and regional housing markets, consumer behaviors, and public policy issues. He has written articles and reports on subjects including housing supply, affordability, mortgage finance, homeownership, tax reform, and other topics related to the real estate industry. He contributes frequently to C.A.R.'s weekly housing market update newsletter, Housing Matters Podcast, and Housing Perspective. His work has been quoted in the Los Angeles Times, San Francisco Chronicle, Kiplinger's, NPR, KFI, as well as other media outlets.

Oscar has been with C.A.R. since 2003. Before that, he worked for a toy company as an analyst to conduct research on identifying kids' trends and evaluate their global implications on the toy industry. Oscar has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of California, Berkeley and a master's degree in economics from the California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.