

# FACT SHEET

## MISSION

We design and advance opportunities and solutions for a thriving regional economy that's inclusive and globally competitive.

## VISION

A Thriving Region For All

## HISTORY

The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce represents the interests of business in the Los Angeles region. Founded in 1888, the L.A. Area Chamber is the oldest and largest business association in the region. Its member companies work together to promote a prosperous economy and quality of life across Southern California.

The Chamber worked with the motion picture industry to make Hollywood the world-renowned home of the stars, we helped secure resources from the Owens Valley and Colorado River for our region, and the Chamber lobbied for federal assistance in dredging the largest man-made harbor in the world out of the mud flats at San Pedro, developing Los Angeles into a port city. Today, the Chamber continues to shape the region through its strategic initiatives and advocacy efforts surrounding key issues facing Southern California.

## OUR PRIORITIES

- Global Engagement
- Advocacy
- Community Collaboration

## KEY UPDATES

- Representing more than 235,000 businesses and with more than 1,200 members ranging from micro-businesses to enterprise organizations, the Chamber represents a diverse membership from across the L.A. region, including all four surrounding counties.
- Each year, the Chamber provides a multitude of businesses development programs and signature events for members and the public.
- The Chamber supports public policy and industry councils, which collectively helps ett he Chamber's advocacy agenda.
- Each year through our ACCESS event series, the Chamber provides business leaders access to regional, state and federal policymakers through our L.A., Sacramento, and Washington, D.C. events. Participants receive opportunities to advocate for a strong, equitable economy and a desirable business environment throughout the L.A. region.

## LEADERSHIP

The Chamber is governed by a 155-member Board of Governors. The Chamber's 2023 leadership team includes:

Chamber President & CEO:  
2023 Chair of the Board:  
First Vice Chair:

Maria S. Salinas  
A.G. Spanos, President, Business Of Operations, Los Angeles Chargers  
Janet Lamkin, United Airlines

More information about the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce is available at [lachamber.com](https://lachamber.com).