history



History of The Independent

Since 1986, *The Santa Barbara Independent* has been required reading for the South Coast's active and sophisticated population. Market surveys have shown that *The Independent* reaches more than 120,000 readers in Santa Barbara County each Thursday with in-depth news reporting, the most extensive calendar of local events, and the best arts and entertainment coverage in the region.

The Independent was created from the merger of the Santa Barbara News & Review, a weekly paper consisting of politics and commentary founded in 1973, and the Weekly, an arts and entertainment publication with extensive listings. The merger created a unique voice for independent writers, critics, and involved citizens.

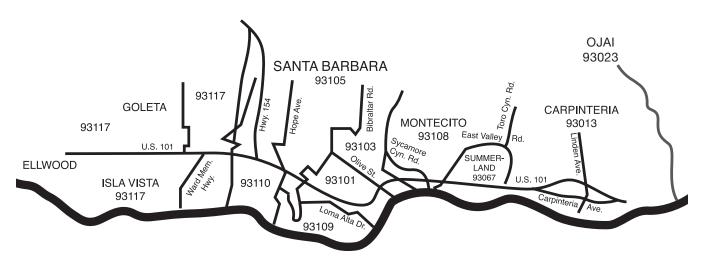
The Santa Barbara Independent is a true community newspaper with a market penetration higher than almost every other "alternative" weekly in the country. It can be picked up at more than 500 locations stretching from surf points at Rincon to the flower fields of Lompoc.

What truly sets *The Santa Barbara Independent* apart from other community or alternative newspapers is its commitment to underwriting community events, nonprofit charities, and public service advertisers. The paper is a major sponsor of the largest community events, including the Santa Barbara International Film Festival, Old Spanish Days, and the Downtown Holiday Parade. Its underwriting covers the entire gamut of activities in Santa Barbara, from support to the UCSB Economic Forecast Project to United Way to outreach in the public school system. The paper is a major sponsor of UCSB intercollegiate sports, and the major theater companies in the region.

From its world-class art museum to its state-of-the-art zoological garden, Santa Barbara is a community committed to a rich and culturally diverse quality of life. Since its inception, *The Santa Barbara Independent*, has been here to celebrate and support that commitment.

distribution





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Community	Zip Code	Distribution
Santa Barbara	93103	1,600
Santa Barbara	93105	3,770
Santa Barbara	93101	14,548
Santa Barbara	93109	1,700
Santa Barbara	93110	1,012
Santa Barbara	93111	520
Goleta	93117	8,500
Montecito	93108	3,244
Summerland	93067	568
Carpinteria	93013	1,545
Ojai	93023	400
Santa Ynez	93460	100
Solvang	93464	1,676
Los Olivos	93441	50
Buellton	93427	250
Lompoc	93436	294
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Office counter		268
Gross distribution		39,900
Total qualified circ	culation	39,484
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Total Printed		40,000

BUELLTON
93441

Roblar Ave.

BUELLTON
93447

SOLVANG
93464

Hwy, 246

SOLVANG
93460

P. O. Boxes Only
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Major Areas

• Santa Barbara (incl. downtown) 23,150

Downtown S.B. 14,548

• Goleta (incl. I.V.) **8,500**

(Source: Verified Audit Circulation)

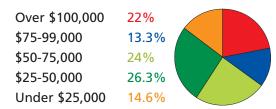
Returns

demographics



U.C.S.B. Social Science Survey Center, 2004

Household-Income



South Coast Median Household Income \$37,250

Independent Median Household Income \$62,500



Gender

Male Female	32% 68%	
Age		
18-24	12%	
25-34	19%	
35-44	21%	
45-54	24%	
55-64	11%	
65+	13%	

Education

More than 73% of *Independent* readers have a college or post-graduate degree.

Marital Status

Single	37.1%					
Married/Cohabitatin	g 47.5%					
Separated/Divorced	13.2%					
Widowed	2.2%					



Market Penetration

60% of all residents in Southern Santa Barbara County read *The Independent*



Loyalty

87.1% of *Independent* readers read 3 or more issues per month.



70.8% have read 4 of the last 4 issues.



Total Readers Per Copy 3.44

76.9% said they share
The Independent
with at least 1 other person.



16.8% said more than4 people read their copy of The Independent.



Decision Makers

1 out of every 3 *Independent* readers is a Business Manager or a Professional.

awards An Award Winning Tradition



	•	CNPA, First Place, Best Spot News Photo		
		Women In Communication, Clarion		
		Award for Best Newspaper Article		CNPA, First Place, Display Advertising
		International Association of Firefighters, International Award for Best News Story		CNPA, First Place, Classified Advertising
<u></u>	/ •	CNPA, Second Place, Arts & Entertainment		CNPA, First Place, Special Issue
9		Coverage		CNPA, First Place, Lifestyle Coverage
0	/			CNPA, Second Place, Spot News Coverage
<u></u>	/ /	CNPA, Second Place, Best Spot News Reporting		
0	<u> </u>	CNPA, First Place, Best Special Issue		• CNPA, Second Place, Lifestyle Coverage
-	/	American Diabetes Association,		CNPA, Second Place, Local Spot News
6		Media Achievement Award		·
6	/ <i>'</i>	CNPA, Second Place, Best Business Story		CNPA, Second Place, Environmental/ Ag Resource Reporting
-	/	CNPA, Second Place, Display Advertising	~	CNPA, First Place, Arts & Entertainment
4		CNPA, First Place, Best Sports Story		Coverage
66		CNPA, Second Place, Arts & Entertainment Coverage		CNPA, First Place, Best Writing
	/	CNPA, First Place, Best Editorial Comment		 CNPA, First Place, Lifestyle Coverage
K		CNPA, First Place, Display Advertising	8 /	CNPA, First Place, Spot News Photo
9				CNPA, First Place, Special Issue
6	•	CNPA, Second Place, Best Photo Essay	<u>~</u>	, , -
9		CNPA, First Place, Arts & Entertainment Coverage	6	CNPA, First Place, Writing
6		CNPA, First Place, Lifestyle Coverage		CNPA, First Place, Lifestyle Coverage
•		CNPA, First Place, Best Special Issue		CNPA, Second Place, Spot News Photo
7	_	Santa Barbara Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Directors Award	900	• CNPA, Second Place, Writing
6		AAN Mhind Dlace Ad Denim Years there	<u>~</u>	CNPA, Second Place, Arts & Entertainment Coverage
α		AAN, Third Place, Ad Design, Larger than half page, Black and White		CNPA, First Place, Sports Story
0	/	CNPA, Second Place, Lifestyle Coverage		
7		CNPA, Second Place, Best Front Page		A ANY Green I Direct March Gills
6		CNPA, Second Place, Classified Advertising		AAN, Second Place, Web Site
6	-	AAN, Second Place, Advertising and		AAN, First Place, Media Reporting/ Criticism
9		Marketing, Ad Design, Larger		AAN, Second Place, Innovation
		than half page, Color		CNPA, Second Place, Local Breaking News
		AAN, Second Place, AD Design, Posters		CNPA, First Place, Investigative
		CNPA, Second Place, Best Feature Photo		Enterprise Reporting
		CNPA, Second Place, Lifestyle Coverage		CNPA, Second Place, Breaking News Photo
		CNPA, Second Place, Best Feature Story		CNPA, First Place, Feature Photo
		CNPA, Second Place, Best Sports Story		CNPA, Second Place, Feature Photo
		CNPA, First Place, Editorial Comment		







CNPA, First Place, Best Special Issue

2009 calendar



* Glossy Cover Issues

January

1	New Year's Day	S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
8	Happy New Year / Winter					1	2	3
4-	Sports	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Winter Arts Preview Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Film Festival Part I	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
29	Film Festival Part II	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

March

5	Spring Gardening	S	М	Т	W	Т	F	S
8	Daylight Savings Time Begins	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	St. Paddy's Day Tastings	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	St. Patrick's Day Spring Arts Preview	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Animals	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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May

10 * 14 21 25	Kid's Issue Mother's Day Blue/Green Outdoor Guide Indie Theater Awards Memorial Day Night Life	3 10 17	4 11 18	5 12 19	6 13 20	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22	2 9 16 23
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July

	Summer Reading Independence Day	S	M	T	W	T 2	-	_
	Senior Moment	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Animal	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Close Escapes Fiesta Preview	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
30	ricom ricord	26	27	28	29	30	31	

September

7	Fall Style Labor Day	S	M	-		-	F 4	_
* 10	Fall Arts Preview	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Close Escapes	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
24	Off to College	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	SB Band Guide	27	28	29	30			

November

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	Daylight Saving Time Ends Election Day	-	M	-		-	-	-
	Election Results	1	2	3	4	5	6	/
	Holiday Entertaining	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Holiday Style	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Local Heroes	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
26	Thanksgiving	29	30					

February

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5	Calendar of Fundraisers	S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
* 12	Valentines Tastings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Surf's Up	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
14	Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	President's Day					26		
19	Close Escapes	22	23	24	23	20	21	20
24	Mardi Gras							
* 26	Wedding Issue							

April

-	Health and Spa	S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
8	Passover				1	2	3	4
	Summer Camp Guide Easter	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Earth Day Tourists In Your Own Town					23		
30	Spring Style	26	27	28	29	30		

June

4	Style	S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
11	Wheels		1	2	3	4	5	6
	Summer Arts Preview	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Solstice Parade	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Father's Day Health	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
23	ileatui	28	29	30				

August

* 6 7	Fiesta! Fiesta Parade	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
13	Back to School	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	After School Activity Guide	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Fall Sports Preview	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
21	Fall Gardening	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		30	31					

October

*1	Surfing	S	M	T	W	-	-	_
8	Election Endorsements					- 1	2	3
12	Columbus Day	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
*15	The Best Of S.B. Readers Poll	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Election Coverage	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Ghost Stories Halloween	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

December

		'Tis The Season		S	М	Т	W	Т	F	S
l		Made in S.B.				1	2	3	4	5
		Chanukkah Begins Holiday Planner		6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Peace On Earth	1	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	25	Christmas Day	2	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	31	New Year's Eve	2	27	28	29	30	31		
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display rates



SIZE Col. wide x inches high		OPEN 1 ad/1 week	8 ADS in 8 weeks - 15%	13 ADS in 13 weeks - 20%	26 ADS in 26 weeks - 25%	52 ADS in 52 weeks - 32%
5x12.625" (full page)	63.13 in.	1895	1610	1516	1421	1298
4x12.625"	50.50 in.	1579	1341	1263	1184	1084
3x12.625"	37.88 in.	1234	1050	988	927	847
4x9.42"	37.68 in.	1223	1039	978	917	839
5x6.25"/2.5x12.625" (half)	31.25 in.	1020	866	815	765	700
3x9.42" (junior page)	28.26 in.	924	785	740	693	634
2x12.625"	25.25 in.	829	704	663	622	569
3x8.33"	24.99 in.	828	703	662	621	568
4x6.25"	25.0 in.	824	701	660	619	563
3x6.25"/2x9.42"	18.75 in.	625	531	500	469	431
2x8.33"	16.66 in.	565	480	451	423	386
2.5x6.25" (quarter page)	15.63 in.	524	445	419	393	359
1x12.625"	12.63 in.	423	360	338	318	289
2x6.25" (fifth page)	12.5 in.	420	356	336	314	287
3x4.08"	12.24 in.	414	352	332	310	286
1x9.42"	9.42 in.	315	268	253	237	216
3x3.04"	9.12 in.	303	258	243	228	208
1x8.33"	8.33 in.	286	243	229	214	197
2x4.08" (small square)	8.16 in.	278	237	222	208	189
1x6.25"	6.25 in.	214	183	172	161	148
2x3.04" (big business card)	6.08 in.	206	175	165	154	140
1x4.08"	4.08 in.	146	124	117	110	100
1x3.04"	3.04 in.	108	92	86	81	75

YEARLY BULK RATES

(52 weeks)

3,500 column inches or more 16.95/col. in.
2,000" up to 3,499"
1,375" up to 1,999" ⁵ 20.48/col. in.
850" up to 1,374" \$22.66/col. in.
550" up to 849"
375" up to 549"
250" up to 374" ⁵ 27.48/col. in.
150" up to 249"
75" up to 149" ⁵ 30.21/col. in.

STANDARD HEIGHTS

Ads must fit one of six standard heights: 3.042", 4.083", 6.25", 8.33", 9.42", or 12.625"

All ads smaller than a full page must be bordered to exact dimensions: the minimum border is a hairline, top and bottom, full width. When the ad submitted is an incorrect size, we will reborder it.

COLOR

High-quality process cmyk color is available for \$285.

COLUMN SIZES

1 column	1.833"
2 columns	3.833"
2.5 columns	4.833" *
3 columns	5.833"
4 columns	7.833"
5 columns	9.833"

Bulk rates are provided for advertisers who have indefinite schedules or seasonal budgets and cannot accommodate our weekly or every-other week frequency schedules. Bulk Contracts do require 40% fulfillment of the contract at the half-way point (for example, with a Bulk Contract for 375", 150" must have run after 26 weeks) or the Advertiser's contract may be subject to a Short Rate.

All guidelines published in our Copy and Contract Regulations apply to these Bulk Rates, and the Publisher reserves the right to cancel these contracts at any time resulting from lack of payment, perceived inability to fulfill our contract terms, or any other cause.

^{*}This width applies only to an ad height of 6.25" and 12.625"