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### **Restaurant prices just had their biggest spike in 40 years**

Consider this the least surprising news of the year. A shortage of workers, increasing wage costs, increasing transportation costs, and dramatically-rising costs of food and other supplies, have all created the perfect storm: the biggest increase in restaurant prices since 1981.

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### **New Orleans vaccine mandate for indoor dining takes effect**

New Orleans has become the first major city in the South to pass a vaccine mandate for indoor activities. Viewed through a nationwide lens, the city is not alone. New York City was the first to pass such a mandate and many California cities, including San Francisco, have passed mandates in hopes of curbing the rapid spread of the delta variant of the coronavirus.

RELATED: [Our partners at the National Restaurant Association \(NRA\) have released a list of helpful guidelines if your restaurant is preparing to enforce a vaccine mandate.](#)

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### **\$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill would strip restaurants of key tax credit**

While the restaurant industry is supportive of the bipartisan infrastructure bill, the legislation would end the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) three months earlier than expected. The National Restaurant Association (NRA) is pushing for a replenishment of the Restaurant Revitalization Fund to aid many restaurants who did not get help in the first round of funding.

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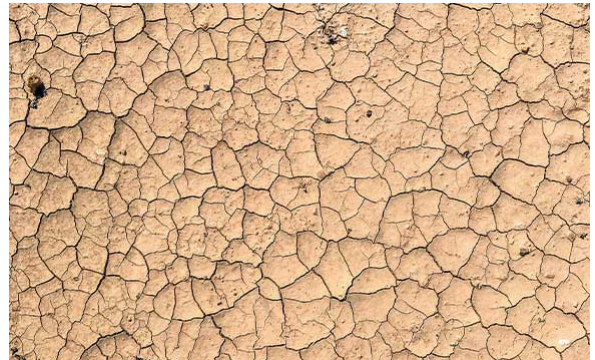
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## **Yoga classes, therapy, and 401(k)s: California businesses beefing up benefits to attract workers**

Employers in service industries are raising wages and getting creative with the benefits they offer in a race to attract scarce workers. However, the labor shortage is making it even more difficult for smaller businesses to compete.

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## **Climate change hits sushi supply chain amid California water war**

"We should be shifting our focus from thinking about drought as an emergency that occurs once in a while, to thinking about it in the context of a long-term shift," said Jeanine Jones, interstate resources manager at the California Department of Water Resources.

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**Iconic Sacramento restaurateur Randy**

**Legal Partner Content: San Francisco**

## Paragary has died

"There is no restaurateur who has transformed the dining scene in any city in California the way Randy Paragary has in Sacramento. If you traced the roots of the city's culinary story, they'd lead you to Randy. As a restaurateur, he was a giant. As a person, he was a true gentleman." - California Restaurant Association President and Chief Executive Officer, Jot Condie.

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## Public Health Order

Effective August 20, 2021, restaurants must require patrons, contractors, vendors, and staff 12 years or older to provide proof of full vaccination before entering any indoor portion of a facility. CRA legal partner Fisher Phillips reviews key items restaurants in San Francisco need to know to comply with the ordinance.

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## Mindful Minute by UnitedHealth Group + Restaurants Care

We're all guilty of it – thinking of our response before hearing the entire question. Dr. Kate Burke, from PatientsLikeMe, talks about how practicing mindful listening can reduce unnecessary stress and anxiety.

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## Restaurants Care Checklist

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## CRA NEWS



## Restaurant registration is now open for the 18th Annual San Diego Restaurant Week

Early bird registration is now open for the San Diego Restaurant Week. Sign up now and save on your 2021 restaurant registration! Or, sign up for the 2021 + 2022 San Diego Restaurant Week and save big! Early bird registration ends on August 26th.

Fall: Sunday, September 26th through Sunday, October 3rd, 2021

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**News You Need to Know: More cities requiring vaccine proof in indoor, public places**

An increasing number of cities and counties are requiring people to show proof of vaccine to enter restaurants, concert halls, gyms, and other gathering places. Enforcing these new rules in a hospitality setting is undoubtedly very difficult. However, this step is one of few options that would help avoid a painful repeat of restaurant closures – the fast-spreading delta variant of COVID-19 has also prompted a growing number of jurisdictions to consider going back to shutdowns and capacity restrictions. In this week's video, Sabrina details the priorities and concerns that the CRA is communicating to public officials at all levels of government.

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**Legal Partner Content: Issues facing businesses under Los Angeles City's vaccine mandate**

The City of Los Angeles will likely implement a vaccine mandate for anyone wishing to visit certain public venues. This is on the heels of California's mandate that teachers and school staff must be vaccinated or be tested at least once per week, and certain health care workers to be vaccinated by September 30, 2021. CRA legal partner Zaller Law Group reviews five key issues facing businesses under an ordinance that requires customers to be vaccinated.

**Learn more**



### 2021 FRESNO GOLF TOURNAMENT

*Monday, August 30, 2021*

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