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Summary: The number of California residents with incomes of \$1 million or more grew by 61,900, or 66%, from 2019 to 2021. [California's] share of US millionaires rose to 17.9% in 2021 from 17% in 2019, while those of the next three most populous and millionaire-filled states — NY, TX, and FL — fell. It's not that the exodus of affluent Californians was a mirage. From 2020 to 2021 (more precisely, from when people filed their 2019 taxes to when they filed their 2020 taxes), 403,041 taxpayers with an average adjusted gross income of \$125,362 left California for elsewhere in the US, and just 241,216 with an average income of \$87,072 moved in. But rising incomes in the state minted enough new homegrown millionaires to replace all the departers and then some. Related: Behavioral Responses to State Income Taxation of High Earners: Evidence from California and Taxing Billionaires: Estate Taxes and the Geographical Location of the Ultra-Wealthy and Taxing Top Wealth: Migration Responses and Their Aggregate Economic Implications

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