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What's in store for the new year in Silicon Valley?

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All signs point to 2011 as the year that pushed Silicon Valley right out of the recession. But it wasn't without its ups and downs. Real estate came back with a bang — major housing projects ramped up with thousands of units under construction. High-tech companies and developers haggled over campus space, as they quickly absorbed 100,000-plus square foot sites. On the flip side, health care hit some challenges with reform uncertainty and a higher number of uninsured heading into the emergency rooms for treatment. Technology and venture capital was a mixed bag — Solyndra went belly up, while Facebook and Google saw massive growth. And a number of CEOs were shown the door.

So how did 2011 impact each industry, and what will 2012 look like for the Valley? This special issue of the Silicon Valley/San Jose Business Journal looks to answer those questions. We talk to executives in the core industries to find out what they expect in 2012.

And this year we [introduce our 2011 Executive of the Year in the same issue.](#)

[Paul Maritz](#), is our choice, a man who's led **VMware Inc.** to unprecedented growth. We talk to him about his rise to the

C-suite.

And for those who want to remember some of the ups and downs of the year, we have that, too. Plus we provide a look at some of the key issues to watch for in the upcoming year.

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