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The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Nevada saw a slight jump in December 2022, going from 4.9 percent to 5.2 percent. This coincided with a labor force that grew by about 5,300 over the month. The number of both employed and unemployed individuals in the state went up (by 1,000 and 4,300 respectively). This indicates that people in Nevada are re-entering the labor force and seeking employment. The non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped from 5.1 percent to 4.9 percent.

At the MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) level, the state saw decreases in unemployment rate in the Las Vegas, Reno, and Carson City MSAs. In the Las Vegas MSA, the rate dropped 0.2 percentage points from 5.6 percent to 5.4 percent. In the Reno MSA, the rate dropped by 0.1 percentage points from 3.5 to 3.4 percent. In the Carson City MSA, the rate also dipped by 0.1 percentage points moving from 4.0 to 3.9 percent. These figures are not seasonally adjusted.

At the county level, the state saw a similar trend with the majority of counties seeing decreases in unemployment rate. In fact, 15 of Nevada's 17 counties saw decreases or no change. The only two counties that saw increases were Pershing County and Mineral County, with increases of 0.1 percentage points and 0.2 percentage points respectively. The three counties with the largest decreases were Eureka, Humboldt, and Storey County, all of which saw decreases of 0.5 percentage points.

Figures for state unemployment estimates come from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, a state/federal partnership sponsored by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS-LAUS). This program produces monthly and annual employment, unemployment, and labor force data for census regions, states, counties, metropolitan areas, and many large cities, based on place of residence. For more on LAUS data or for a look at estimates in your area visit our [LAUS Page](#), and for a look that the economic profile of Nevada, the metropolitan areas, or your county visit our [Area Profiles](#) Page.

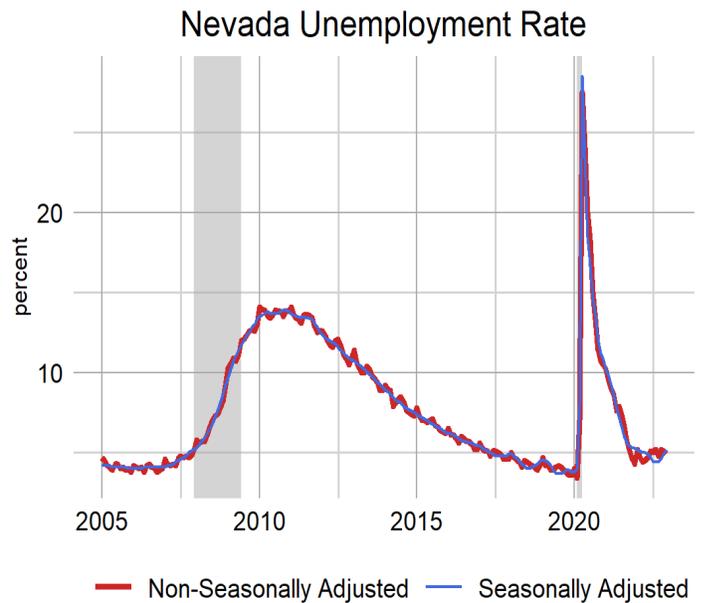
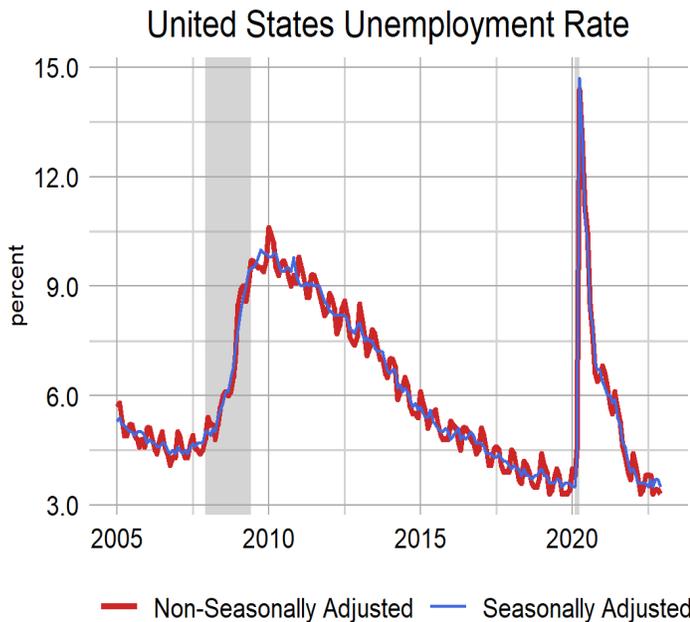
## U.S. & Nevada Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employment Population Ratio
<b>US</b>						
U.S.	164,224,000	158,872,000	5,352,000	3.3	62.0	60.0
U.S. SA	164,966,000	159,244,000	5,722,000	3.5	62.3	60.1
<b>State</b>						
Nevada	1,558,931	1,482,005	76,926	4.9	61.2	58.2
Nevada SA	1,558,106	1,477,636	80,470	5.2	61.2	58.0

SA denotes seasonally adjusted data

Seasonally adjusted estimates account for regularly seen seasonal employment patterns such as jobs associated with holiday hiring, holiday and weather seasons, or other jobs with seasonal components. The result of a seasonally adjusted estimate is usually a smoother estimate from which underlying economic trends can be seen. Adjusted estimates are in the summary table above, and in many of the other tables and figures throughout this document.

Nevada's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.2 percent in December 2022, increasing from 4.9 percent in November 2022, and down from 5.3 percent in December 2021. The number of unemployed individuals increased by 4,264 since November 2022 for a current level of 80,470 people, which is 1,610 more unemployed people than December 2021. The labor force in Nevada is currently 1,558,106 people, which is 5,299 more people than November 2022, and is up 66,366 people since December 2021.

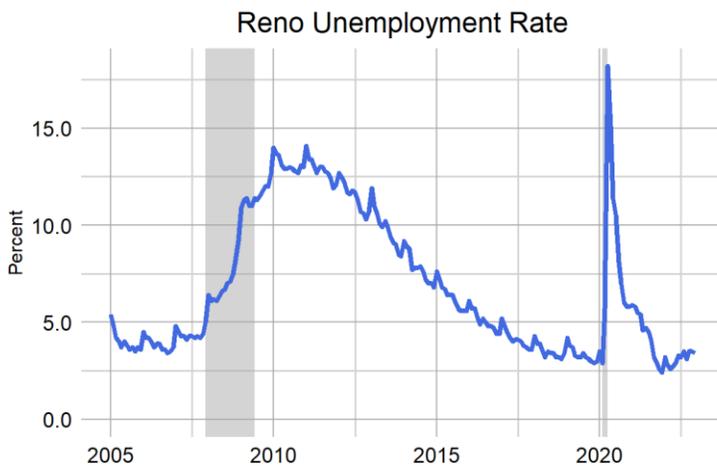


The Las Vegas Metropolitan Statistical Area's (MSA)s unemployment rate was 5.4 percent in December 2022, decreasing from 5.6 percent in November 2022, and up from 5 percent in December 2021, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 2,229 since November 2022 for a current level of 62,173 people, which is 7,975 more unemployed people than December 2021. The labor force in Las Vegas is currently 1,149,504 people, which is 4,329 more people than November 2022, and is up 56,277 people since December 2021.



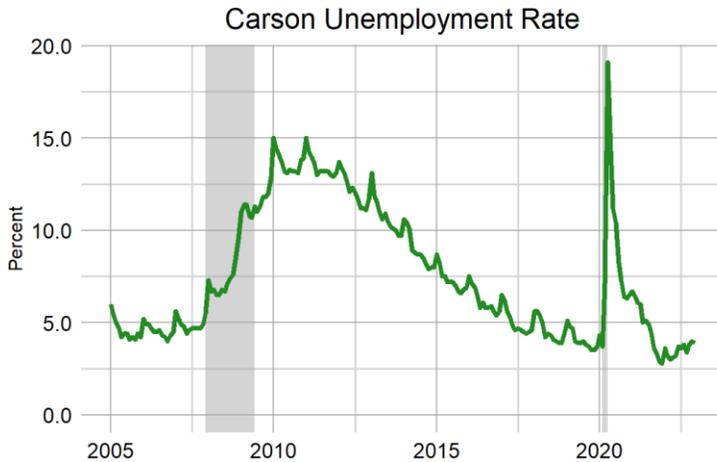
Las Vegas LAUS Summary	
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	
Unemployment Rate	5.4
Previous Month	5.6
Previous Year	5
Maximum Rate	31.1
<b>Unemployed Individuals</b>	
Unemployment Level	62,173
Monthly Change	2,229
Annual Change	7,975
Maximum Level	321,394

The Reno MSA's unemployment rate was 3.4 percent in December 2022, decreasing from 3.5 percent in November 2022, and up from 2.4 percent in December 2021, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 360 since November 2022 for a current level of 8,779 people, which is 2,778 more unemployed people than December 2021. The labor force in Reno is currently 261,626 people, which is 2,192 more people than November 2022, and is up 12,467 people since December 2021.



Reno LAUS Summary	
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	
Unemployment Rate	3.4
Previous Month	3.5
Previous Year	2.4
Maximum Rate	18.2
<b>Unemployed Individuals</b>	
Unemployment Level	8,779
Monthly Change	360
Annual Change	2,778
Maximum Level	41,615

The Carson City MSA’s unemployment rate was 3.9 percent in December 2022, decreasing from 4 percent in November 2022, and up from 2.8 percent in December 2021, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 20 since November 2022 for a current level of 1,001 people, which is 312 more unemployed people than December 2021. The labor force in Carson City is currently 25,767 people, which is 172 more people than November 2022, and is up 766 people since December 2021.



Carson City LAUS Summary	
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	
Unemployment Rate	3.9
Previous Month	4
Previous Year	2.8
Maximum Rate	19.1
<b>Unemployed Individuals</b>	
Unemployment Level	1,001
Monthly Change	20
Annual Change	312
Maximum Level	4,520

For more on the economy of your county including unemployment, employment, unemployment insurance, wages, and more visit our [Area Profiles Page](#).

## Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
<b>US</b>				
U.S.	164,224,000	158,872,000	5,352,000	3.3
U.S. SA	164,966,000	159,244,000	5,722,000	3.5
<b>State</b>				
Nevada	1,558,931	1,482,005	76,926	4.9
Nevada SA	1,558,106	1,477,636	80,470	5.2
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>				
Reno - Sparks MSA	261,626	252,847	8,779	3.4
Carson City MSA	25,767	24,766	1,001	3.9
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA	1,149,504	1,087,331	62,173	5.4
<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>				
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	332,750	320,914	11,836	3.6
<b>County</b>				
Lander County	2,987	2,905	82	2.7
Humboldt County	7,730	7,499	231	3.0
Elko County	25,342	24,560	782	3.1
White Pine County	4,484	4,339	145	3.2
Washoe County	259,512	250,809	8,703	3.4
Eureka County	902	870	32	3.5
Churchill County	10,864	10,477	387	3.6
Storey County	2,114	2,038	76	3.6
Esmeralda County	396	381	15	3.8
Pershing County	2,396	2,303	93	3.9
Carson City	25,767	24,766	1,001	3.9
Douglas County	21,523	20,664	859	4.0
Lincoln County	2,088	2,005	83	4.0
Mineral County	2,075	1,993	82	4.0
Lyon County	23,834	22,637	1,197	5.0
Clark County	1,149,504	1,087,331	62,173	5.4
Nye County	17,413	16,428	985	5.7
<b>Labor Market Area</b>				
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area	7,730	7,499	231	3.0
Elko Micropolitan Area	26,244	25,430	814	3.1
Fallon Micropolitan Area	10,864	10,477	387	3.6
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area	21,523	20,664	859	4.0
Fernley Micropolitan Area	23,834	22,637	1,197	5.0
Pahrump Micropolitan Area	17,413	16,428	985	5.7
<b>City</b>				
Sparks	58,228	56,351	1,877	3.2
Elko City*	9,903	9,579	324	3.3
Reno	141,155	136,416	4,739	3.4
Mesquite*	8,253	7,927	326	4.0
Boulder City*	7,559	7,204	355	4.7
Fernley City*	8,972	8,527	445	5.0
Henderson	169,280	160,859	8,421	5.0
Las Vegas	316,801	299,424	17,377	5.5
North Las Vegas	119,739	112,272	7,467	6.2

\*State Specific Areas, not endorsed or published by the BLS

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The cities of Boulder City, Elko, Fernley, and Mesquite are state specific areas. These estimates are not endorsed or published by the BLS.

## Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Looking to our measures of unemployment insurance activity, first payments were up, and final payments were down across the state. In Clark County, for example, first payments were up by 885 (moving from 3,010 to 3,895) and final payments were down by 226 (moving from 1,242 to 1,016). Washoe county saw a similar trend with an increase of 437 in first payments (from 485 to 922) and a decrease of 9 in final payments (from 116 to 107).

### UI Claims Activity by County

December 2022

County	First Payments	Final Payments	Weeks Compensated	Benefit Payments	Average Weekly Benefit	
Carson City	106	13	969	\$406,589	\$419.60	
Churchill	27	6	279	\$122,229	\$438.10	
Clark	3,895	1,016	46,375	\$18,954,549	\$408.72	
Douglas	63	7	663	\$289,391	\$436.49	
Elko	64	8	587	\$256,653	\$437.23	
Esmeralda	1	1	11	\$4,766	\$433.27	
Eureka	3	1	11	\$5,010	\$455.45	
Humboldt	12	1	121	\$57,289	\$473.46	
Lander	9	2	73	\$33,199	\$454.78	
Lincoln	1	0	53	\$25,870	\$488.11	
Lyon	131	20	1,196	\$570,656	\$477.14	
Mineral	6	3	56	\$27,615	\$493.12	
Nye	69	7	647	\$274,140	\$423.71	
Pershing	10	1	53	\$21,351	\$402.85	
Storey	2	0	27	\$12,945	\$479.44	
Unknown	269	53	2,686	\$1,327,829	\$494.35	
Washoe	922	107	8,265	\$3,867,492	\$467.94	
White Pine	7	1	71	\$32,264	\$454.42	
<b>Statewide</b>	—	5,597	1,247	62,143	\$26,289,836.50	—

Source: DETR Internal Reporting

## Unemployment Rate Summary LAUS

Area	December 2022	November 2022	Monthly Change	December 2021	Yearly Change
<b>US</b>					
U.S.	3.3	3.4	-0.1	3.7	-0.4
U.S. SA	3.5	3.7	-0.2	3.9	-0.4
<b>State</b>					
Nevada	4.9	5.1	-0.2	4.3	0.6
Nevada SA	5.2	4.9	0.3	5.3	-0.1
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>					
Reno - Sparks MSA	3.4	3.5	-0.1	2.4	1.0
Carson City MSA	3.9	4.0	-0.1	2.8	1.1
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA	5.4	5.6	-0.2	5.0	0.4
<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>					
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	3.6	3.7	-0.1	2.5	1.1
<b>County</b>					
Lander County	2.7	2.9	-0.2	2.2	0.5
Humboldt County	3.0	3.5	-0.5	2.0	1.0
Elko County	3.1	3.3	-0.2	2.0	1.1
White Pine County	3.2	3.2	0.0	1.9	1.3
Washoe County	3.4	3.5	-0.1	2.4	1.0
Eureka County	3.5	4.0	-0.5	1.8	1.7
Churchill County	3.6	4.0	-0.4	2.2	1.4
Storey County	3.6	4.1	-0.5	2.5	1.1
Esmeralda County	3.8	3.8	0.0	2.7	1.1
Pershing County	3.9	3.8	0.1	2.6	1.3
Carson City	3.9	4.0	-0.1	2.8	1.1
Douglas County	4.0	4.3	-0.3	2.8	1.2
Lincoln County	4.0	4.2	-0.2	2.1	1.9
Mineral County	4.0	3.8	0.2	2.6	1.4
Lyon County	5.0	5.0	0.0	3.3	1.7
Clark County	5.4	5.6	-0.2	5.0	0.4
Nye County	5.7	6.0	-0.3	4.0	1.7
<b>Labor Market Area</b>					
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area	3.0	3.5	-0.5	2.0	1.0
Elko Micropolitan Area	3.1	3.4	-0.3	2.0	1.1
Fallon Micropolitan Area	3.6	4.0	-0.4	2.2	1.4
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area	4.0	4.3	-0.3	2.8	1.2
Fernley Micropolitan Area	5.0	5.0	0.0	3.3	1.7
Pahrump Micropolitan Area	5.7	6.0	-0.3	4.0	1.7
<b>City</b>					
Sparks	3.2	3.4	-0.2	2.3	0.9
Elko City*	3.3	3.3	0.0	2.1	1.2
Reno	3.4	3.5	-0.1	2.4	1.0
Mesquite*	4.0	4.5	-0.5	3.5	0.5
Boulder City*	4.7	5.3	-0.6	3.9	0.8
Fernley City*	5.0	5.0	0.0	3.5	1.5
Henderson	5.0	5.2	-0.2	4.0	1.0
Las Vegas	5.5	5.7	-0.2	5.0	0.5
North Las Vegas	6.2	6.4	-0.2	6.1	0.1

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## Labor Force Levels Summary LAUS

Area	December 2022	November 2022	Monthly Change	December 2021	Yearly Change
<b>US</b>					
U.S.	164,224,000	164,272,000	-48,000	161,696,000	2,528,000
U.S. SA	164,966,000	164,481,000	485,000	162,294,000	2,672,000
<b>State</b>					
Nevada	1,558,931	1,551,731	7,200	1,484,272	74,659
Nevada SA	1,558,106	1,552,807	5,299	1,491,740	66,366
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>					
Carson City MSA	25,767	25,595	172	25,001	766
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA	1,149,504	1,145,175	4,329	1,093,227	56,277
Reno - Sparks MSA	261,626	259,434	2,192	249,159	12,467
<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>					
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	332,750	330,098	2,652	317,686	15,064
<b>County</b>					
Churchill County	10,864	10,803	61	10,479	385
Clark County	1,149,504	1,145,175	4,329	1,093,227	56,277
Douglas County	21,523	21,399	124	20,964	559
Elko County	25,342	25,359	-17	24,061	1,281
Esmeralda County	396	395	1	373	23
Eureka County	902	904	-2	882	20
Humboldt County	7,730	7,706	24	7,431	299
Lander County	2,987	2,957	30	2,967	20
Lincoln County	2,088	2,077	11	2,011	77
Lyon County	23,834	23,670	164	22,562	1,272
Mineral County	2,075	2,050	25	1,984	91
Nye County	17,413	17,365	48	16,524	889
Pershing County	2,396	2,377	19	2,326	70
Storey County	2,114	2,103	11	2,013	101
Washoe County	259,512	257,331	2,181	247,146	12,366
White Pine County	4,484	4,463	21	4,320	164
Carson City	25,767	25,595	172	25,001	766
<b>Labor Market Area</b>					
Elko Micropolitan Area	26,244	26,263	-19	24,943	1,301
Fallon Micropolitan Area	10,864	10,803	61	10,479	385
Fernley Micropolitan Area	23,834	23,670	164	22,562	1,272
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area	21,523	21,399	124	20,964	559
Pahrump Micropolitan Area	17,413	17,365	48	16,524	889
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area	7,730	7,706	24	7,431	299
<b>City</b>					
Fernley City*	8,972	8,913	59	8,515	457
Boulder City*	7,559	7,559	0	7,164	395
Elko City*	9,903	9,890	13	9,392	511
Henderson	169,280	168,607	673	160,144	9,136
Las Vegas	316,801	315,626	1,175	301,290	15,511
Mesquite*	8,253	8,254	-1	7,846	407
North Las Vegas	119,739	119,165	574	114,240	5,499
Reno	141,155	139,999	1,156	134,416	6,739
Sparks	58,228	57,748	480	55,486	2,742

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## Employed Individuals Levels Summary LAUS

Area	December 2022	November 2022	Monthly Change	December 2021	Yearly Change
<b>US</b>					
U.S.	158,872,000	158,749,000	123,000	155,732,000	3,140,000
U.S. SA	159,244,000	158,470,000	774,000	155,975,000	3,269,000
<b>State</b>					
Nevada	1,482,005	1,471,940	10,065	1,420,183	61,822
Nevada SA	1,477,636	1,476,601	1,035	1,412,880	64,756
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>					
Carson City MSA	24,766	24,574	192	24,312	454
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA	1,087,331	1,080,773	6,558	1,039,029	48,302
Reno - Sparks MSA	252,847	250,295	2,552	243,158	9,689
<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>					
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	320,914	317,837	3,077	309,662	11,252
<b>County</b>					
Churchill County	10,477	10,370	107	10,244	233
Clark County	1,087,331	1,080,773	6,558	1,039,029	48,302
Douglas County	20,664	20,478	186	20,373	291
Elko County	24,560	24,511	49	23,575	985
Esmeralda County	381	380	1	363	18
Eureka County	870	868	2	866	4
Humboldt County	7,499	7,440	59	7,281	218
Lander County	2,905	2,870	35	2,901	4
Lincoln County	2,005	1,989	16	1,969	36
Lyon County	22,637	22,490	147	21,819	818
Mineral County	1,993	1,972	21	1,933	60
Nye County	16,428	16,323	105	15,856	572
Pershing County	2,303	2,286	17	2,266	37
Storey County	2,038	2,016	22	1,962	76
Washoe County	250,809	248,279	2,530	241,196	9,613
White Pine County	4,339	4,320	19	4,237	102
Carson City	24,766	24,574	192	24,312	454
<b>Labor Market Area</b>					
Elko Micropolitan Area	25,430	25,379	51	24,441	989
Fallon Micropolitan Area	10,477	10,370	107	10,244	233
Fernley Micropolitan Area	22,637	22,490	147	21,819	818
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area	20,664	20,478	186	20,373	291
Pahrump Micropolitan Area	16,428	16,323	105	15,856	572
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area	7,499	7,440	59	7,281	218
<b>City</b>					
Fernley City*	8,527	8,471	56	8,219	308
Boulder City*	7,204	7,161	43	6,884	320
Elko City*	9,579	9,559	20	9,194	385
Henderson	160,859	159,889	970	153,714	7,145
Las Vegas	299,424	297,618	1,806	286,123	13,301
Mesquite*	7,927	7,880	47	7,575	352
North Las Vegas	112,272	111,595	677	107,285	4,987
Reno	136,416	135,040	1,376	131,188	5,228
Sparks	56,351	55,782	569	54,191	2,160

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## Unemployed Individuals Levels Summary LAUS

Area	December 2022	November 2022	Monthly Change	December 2021	Yearly Change
<b>US</b>					
U.S.	5,352,000	5,523,000	-171,000	5,964,000	-612,000
U.S. SA	5,722,000	6,011,000	-289,000	6,319,000	-597,000
<b>State</b>					
Nevada	76,926	79,791	-2,865	64,089	12,837
Nevada SA	80,470	76,206	4,264	78,860	1,610
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>					
Carson City MSA	1,001	1,021	-20	689	312
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA	62,173	64,402	-2,229	54,198	7,975
Reno - Sparks MSA	8,779	9,139	-360	6,001	2,778
<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>					
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	11,836	12,261	-425	8,024	3,812
<b>County</b>					
Churchill County	387	433	-46	235	152
Clark County	62,173	64,402	-2,229	54,198	7,975
Douglas County	859	921	-62	591	268
Elko County	782	848	-66	486	296
Esmeralda County	15	15	0	10	5
Eureka County	32	36	-4	16	16
Humboldt County	231	266	-35	150	81
Lander County	82	87	-5	66	16
Lincoln County	83	88	-5	42	41
Lyon County	1,197	1,180	17	743	454
Mineral County	82	78	4	51	31
Nye County	985	1,042	-57	668	317
Pershing County	93	91	2	60	33
Storey County	76	87	-11	51	25
Washoe County	8,703	9,052	-349	5,950	2,753
White Pine County	145	143	2	83	62
Carson City	1,001	1,021	-20	689	312
<b>Labor Market Area</b>					
Elko Micropolitan Area	814	884	-70	502	312
Fallon Micropolitan Area	387	433	-46	235	152
Fernley Micropolitan Area	1,197	1,180	17	743	454
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area	859	921	-62	591	268
Pahrump Micropolitan Area	985	1,042	-57	668	317
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area	231	266	-35	150	81
<b>City</b>					
Fernley City*	445	442	3	296	149
Boulder City*	355	398	-43	280	75
Elko City*	324	331	-7	198	126
Henderson	8,421	8,718	-297	6,430	1,991
Las Vegas	17,377	18,008	-631	15,167	2,210
Mesquite*	326	374	-48	271	55
North Las Vegas	7,467	7,570	-103	6,955	512
Reno	4,739	4,959	-220	3,228	1,511
Sparks	1,877	1,966	-89	1,295	582

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## End Notes

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