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May unemployment continues to decline in several areas in Nevada

According to the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation's (<u>DETR</u>) May 2021 economic report, Nevada's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 7.8 percent in May 2021 down 24.5 percent in May 2020. Seasonally adjusted estimates account for regularly seen economic patterns, with the following estimates not seasonally adjusted.

In the three Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA), the unemployment rates were 8.9 percent in the Las Vegas area, 4.5 percent in Reno, and 5.0 percent in the Carson area in May 2021.

In Nevada's counties the lowest unemployment rate was in Eureka County at 2.2 percent, and Clark County had the highest rate at 8.9 percent. Since May 2020, all 17 counties have decreased their unemployment rates. For a look at unemployment rates in your county visit our Area Profiles Page.

For the latest information on the Nevada economy including employment, unemployment, and unemployment insurance check out our monthly <u>Labor Market Overview</u>, or for the latest on your area take a look at our monthly <u>Local Area Labor Market Overview</u>.

Additional information on unemployment estimates along with a complete breakout of unemployment in counties, cities, and other areas in Nevada can be found by visiting our <u>Local Area Unemployment Statistics</u> page. Additionally, employment estimates by industry can be found at our <u>Current Employment Statistics</u> page.

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The <u>Research and Analysis Bureau</u> is Nevada's premier source for labor market information. A part of DETR, the Bureau is responsible for creating, analyzing, and reporting Nevada's labor market information, in cooperation with the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

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Nevada Local Area Labor Market Overview

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May's unemployment generally improved when compared to April 2021 and is down from May 2020. The state has an unemployment rate of 7.8 percent when accounting for seasonal patterns which is higher than the national rate of 5.8 percent. Within the state, rates ranged from 2.2 percent in Eureka County to 8.9 percent in Clark County. Within Clark County the city of North Las Vegas has the highest unemployment rate in the state of 9.9 percent.

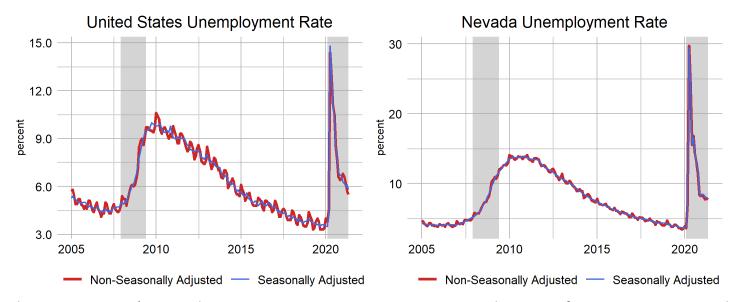
In May, there were 15,401 initial claims in Nevada a decrease of 59,068 claims from May 2020, and down from a high of 208,869 claims in March 2020. Most claims were in the Clark County area. The statewide decrease in claims can be attributed to the decreases seen in Clark County, Washoe County and Carson City.

Figures for our unemployment estimates come from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program, a state/federal partnership sponsored by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (<u>BLS-LAUS</u>). 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 <u>LAUS Page</u>, and for a look that the economic profile of Nevada, the MSAs, or your county visit our <u>Area Profiles Page</u>.

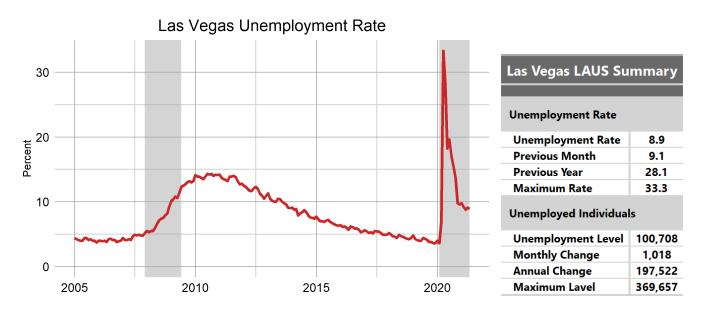
	U.S. & Nevada Local Area Unemployment Statistics											
Area		Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employment Population Ratio					
US												
U.S.		160,607,000	151,778,000	8,829,000	5.5	61.5	58.1					
U.S.	SA	160,935,000	151,620,000	9,316,000	5.8	61.6	58.0					
State												
Nevada		1,562,551	1,442,724	119,827	7.7	62.0	57.3					
Nevada	SA	1,564,428	1,441,899	122,529	7.8	62.1	57.2					
SA denote	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 through this document.

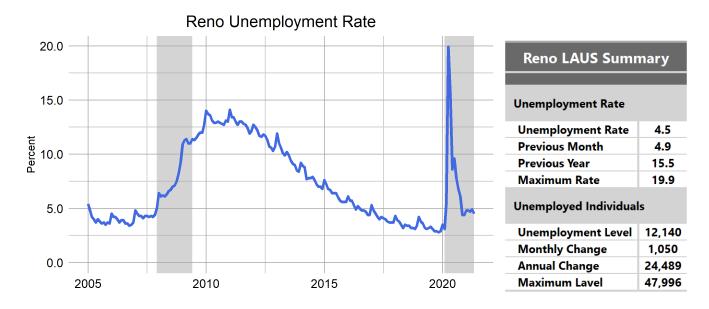
Nevada's unemployment rate was 7.8 percent in May 2021, decreasing from 8.0 percent in April 2021, and down from 24.5 percent in May 2020, seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 2,557 since April 2021 for a current level of 122,529 people, which is 229,165 less unemployed people then May 2020. The labor force in Nevada is currently 1,564,428 people, which is 4,503 more people than April 2021, and is up 129,399 people since May 2020.



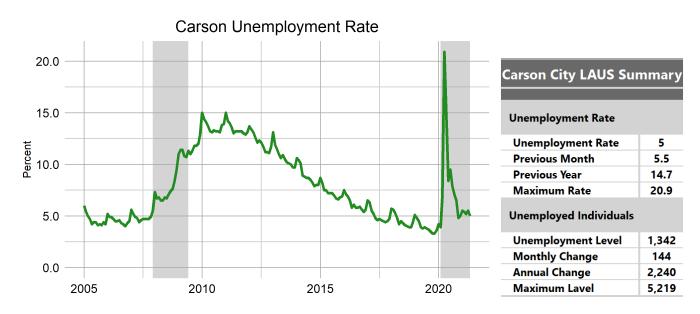
The Las Vegas MSA's unemployment rate was 8.9 percent in May 2021, decreasing from 9.1 percent in April 2021, and down from 28.1 percent in May 2020, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 1,018 since April 2021 for a current level of 100,708 people, which is 197,522 less unemployed people then May 2020. The labor force in Las Vegas is currently 1,133,052 people, which is 11,000 more people than April 2021, and is up 72,403 people since May 2020.



The Reno MSA's unemployment rate was 4.5 percent in May 2021, decreasing from 4.9 percent in April 2021, and down from 15.5 percent in May 2020, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decrease by 1,050 since April 2021 for a current level of 12,140 people, which is 24,489 less unemployed people then May 2020. The labor force in Reno is currently 269,888 people, which is 329 more people than April 2021, and is up 33,780 people since May 2020.



The Carson City MSA's unemployment rate was 5.0 percent in May 2021, decreasing from 5.5 percent in April 2021, and down from 14.7 percent in May 2020, non-seasonally adjusted. The number of unemployed individuals decreased by 144 since April 2021 for a current level of 1,342 people, which is 2,240 less unemployed people then May 2020. The labor force in Carson City is currently 27,032 people, which is 148 less people than April 2021, and is up 2,649 people since May 2020.



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					
US										
U.S.		160,607,000	151,778,000	8,829,000	5.5					
	SA	160,935,000	151,620,000	9,316,000	5.8					
State		,,	,,	2,2 . 3,2 . 5						
Nevada		1,562,551	1,442,724	119,827	7.7					
	SA	1,564,428	1,441,899	122,529	7.7					
Metropolitan Statistical Area	J A	1,504,420	1,441,033	122,329	7.0					
Reno - Sparks MSA		269,888	257,748	12,140	4.5					
Carson City MSA		27,032	25,690	1,342	5.0					
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA		1,133,052	1,032,344	100,708	8.9					
Combined Statistical Area		1,133,032	1,032,344	100,700	<u> </u>					
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area		343,931	328,096	15,835	4.6					
County		343,931	320,096	15,055	4.0					
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Eureka County		1,307	1,278	29	2.2					
White Pine County		4,977	4,826	151	3.0					
Elko County		28,851	27,944	907 390	3.1 3.2					
Churchill County		12,182 2,235	11,792 2,164	71	3.2					
Lincoln County Humboldt County		2,235 8.811	2,164 8,510	301	3.4					
Lander County		3,453	3,333	120	3.5					
Esmeralda County		469	452	17	3.6					
Pershing County		2,880	2,776	104	3.6					
Mineral County		2,360	2,770	82	3.8					
Douglas County		22,716	21,693	1,023	4.5					
Washoe County		267,745	255,711	12,034	4.5					
Storey County		2,143	2,037	106	4.9					
Carson City		27,032	25,690	1,342	5.0					
Lyon County		24,295	22,965	1,330	5.5					
Nye County		18,240	17,128	1,112	6.1					
Clark County		1,133,052	1,032,344	100,708	8.9					
Labor Market Area										
Elko Micropolitan Area		30,158	29,222	936	3.1					
Fallon Micropolitan Area		12,182	11,792	390	3.2					
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area		8,811	8,510	301	3.4					
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area		22,716	21,693	1,023	4.5					
Fernley Micropolitan Area		24,295	22,965	1,330	5.5					
Pahrump Micropolitan Area		18,240	17,128	1,112	6.1					
City										
Elko City*		11,307	10,904	403	3.6					
Reno		145,417	138,722	6,695	4.6					
Sparks		59,831	57,100	2,731	4.6					
Mesquite*		7,815	7,422	393	5.0					
Fernley City*		9,109	8,593	516	5.7					
Boulder City*		7,347	6,902	445	6.1					
Henderson		163,996	151,785	12,211	7.4					
Las Vegas		313,258	285,614	27,644	8.8					
North Las Vegas		117,105	105,509	11,596	9.9					

^{*}State Specific Areas, not endorsed or published by the BLS

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

SA denotes seasonally adjusted data

Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UI)

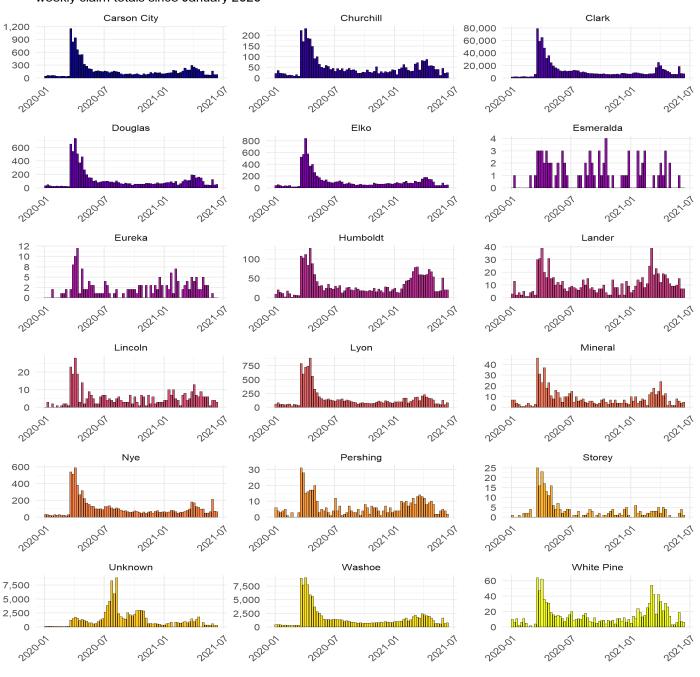
Initial claims for unemployment insurance totaled 15,401 statewide in May, down 62.3 percent from April. May showed the lowest total initial claims filed in 2021. The elevated number of claims in March and April 2021 can be explained by the benefit year ending for applicants, requiring applicants to file new initial claims. The decrease in claims this month follows a similar trend from May 2020 and can be expected to continue to decline. New COVID-19 health regulations and protocols may explain the decrease in this month's initial claim total as well. Pandemic-related effects on unemployment will continue to vary these values.

At the county level, most counties saw a decrease in initial claims. On average, counties saw a 61.4 percent decrease in initial claims while continued claims stayed relatively unchanged. The statewide decrease in initial claims can be attributed to the decreases seen in Clark, Washoe, and Carson City. Esmeralda, Storey, Eureka, and Pershing counties saw the largest percent decreases in initial claims of 87.5 percent, 75 percent, 72.22 percent, and 70.21 percent, respectively. Continued claims for the regular unemployment insurance, which are a proxy for the number of persons filing for regular benefits in a given week, were largely unchanged in the month. Continued claims levels have been more stable in the recent months as most of Nevada's claimants are receiving benefits from the pandemic extension programs.

Looking to other measures of unemployment insurance activity, we saw most counties' final payments increase since last month apart from Pershing County. First payments decreased in Churchill, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, and Lincoln while increasing in all other counties. Additionally, almost all counties saw an increase in benefit payments with Esmeralda County seeing the largest percent increase over the month of 233.4 percent. It should be noted that most of Nevada's claimants have already exhausted their regular program benefit weeks and are likely receiving pandemic extension program benefits.

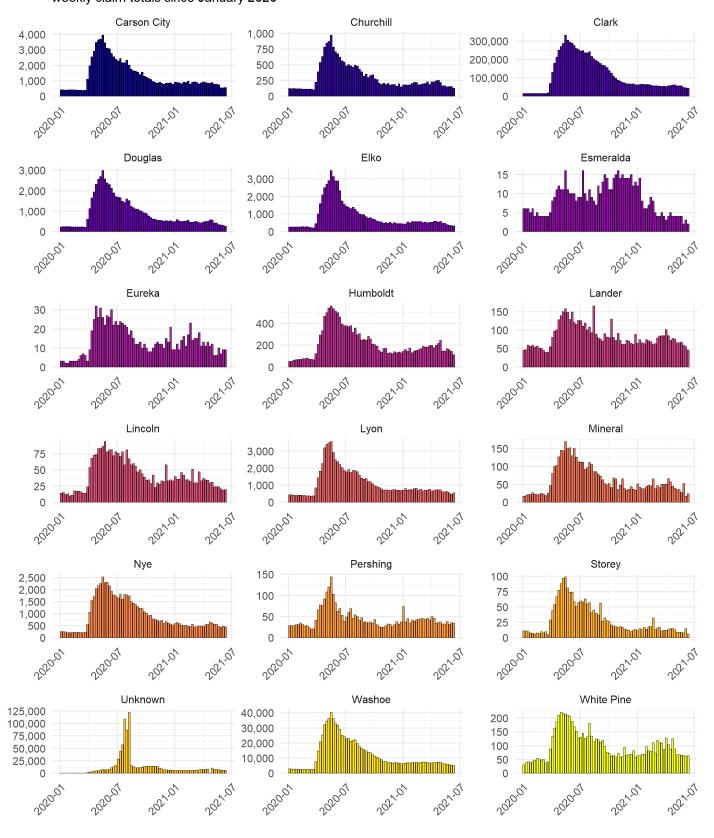
	County	First Payments	Final Payments	Weeks Compensated	Benefit Payments	Average Weekly Bene
	Carson City	275	162	5,617	\$1,884,734	\$335.
	Churchill	64	35	1,229	\$408,193	\$332.
	Clark	27,948	17,407	581,187	\$184,396,078	\$317.
	Douglas	182	100	3,597	\$1,225,796	\$340.
	Elko	142	65	3,214	\$1,122,663	\$349.
	Esmeralda	4	5	64	\$24,691	\$385.
	Eureka	2	2	57	\$21,555	\$378.
	Humboldt	48	23	1,292	\$474,085	\$366.
	Lander	17	12	384	\$151,732	\$395
	Lincoln	4	3	210	\$74,165	\$353
	Lyon	235	116	4,492	\$1,599,993	\$356
	Mineral	15	7	330	\$113,428	\$343
	Nye	266	166	4,718	\$1,470,464	\$311
	Pershing	13	1	199	\$78,565	\$394
	Storey	8	3	128	\$35,166	\$274
	Unknown	1,449	996	41,464	\$17,216,367	\$415
	Washoe	2,472	1,253	50,522	\$17,152,391	\$339
	White Pine	20	9	472	\$154,063	\$326
tatewide	_	33,164	20,365	699,176	\$227,604,126.30	

Initial Claims by County weekly claim totals since January 2020



Source: DETR Internal Reporting

Continued Claims by County weekly claim totals since January 2020



Source: DETR Internal Reporting

Unemployment Rate Summary LAUS										
Area		May 2021	April 2021	Monthly Change	May 2020	Yearly Change				
US										
U.S.		5.5	5.7	-0.2	13.0	-7.5				
	SA	5.8	6.1	-0.3	13.3	-7.5				
State										
Nevada		7.7	7.9	-0.2	24.6	-16.9				
Nevada	SA	7.8	8.0	-0.2	24.5	-16.7				
Metropolitan Statistical Area										
Reno - Sparks MSA		4.5	4.9	-0.4	15.5	-11.0				
Carson City MSA		5.0	5.5	-0.5	14.7	-9.7				
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA		8.9	9.1	-0.2	28.1	-19.2				
Combined Statistical Area										
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area		4.6	5.0	-0.4	15.5	-10.9				
County										
Eureka County		2.2	2.4	-0.2	4.3	-2.1				
White Pine County		3.0	3.4	-0.4	5.8	-2.8				
Elko County		3.1	3.7	-0.6	13.1	-10.0				
Churchill County		3.2	4.0	-0.8	9.1	-5.9				
Lincoln County		3.2	3.8	-0.6	6.5	-3.3				
Humboldt County		3.4	3.8	-0.4	8.3	-4.9				
Lander County		3.5	3.8	-0.3	6.4	-2.9				
Esmeralda County		3.6	3.4	0.2	6.1	-2.5				
Pershing County		3.6	3.5	0.1	6.3	-2.7				
Mineral County		3.8	4.6	-0.8	8.5	-4.7				
Douglas County		4.5	5.1	-0.6	17.4	-12.9				
Washoe County		4.5	4.9	-0.4	15.5	-11.0				
Storey County		4.9	5.6	-0.7	15.2	-10.3				
Carson City		5.0	5.5	-0.5	14.7	-9.7				
Lyon County		5.5	5.8	-0.3	14.2	-8.7				
Nye County		6.1	6.2	-0.1	16.2	-10.1				
Clark County		8.9	9.1	-0.2	28.1	-19.2				
Labor Market Area										
Elko Micropolitan Area		3.1	3.7	-0.6	12.8	-9.7				
Fallon Micropolitan Area		3.2	4.0	-0.8	9.1	-5.9				
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area Gardnerville Micropolitan Area		3.4	3.8	-0.4	8.3	-4.9				
Fernley Micropolitan Area		4.5 5.5	5.1 5.8	-0.6 -0.3	17.4 14.2	-12.9 -8.7				
Pahrump Micropolitan Area		6.1	6.2	-0.3 -0.1	16.2	-0. <i>1</i> -10.1				
City		0.1	0.2	-0.1	10.2	- 10.1				
Elko City*		2.6	2.0	0.3	0.7	C 1				
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Reno Sparks		4.6	5.1	-0.3 -0.5	15.8	-11.6 -11.2				
Mesquite*		5.0	5.3	-0.3	23.2	-11.2				
Fernley City*		5.7	6.0	-0.3	15.0	-9.3				
Boulder City*		6.1	6.8	-0.7	18.8	-12.7				
Henderson		7.4	7.7	-0.3	23.1	-15.7				
Las Vegas		8.8	9.1	-0.3	26.6	-17.8				
North Las Vegas		9.9	10.0	-0.1	27.6	-17.7				
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Labor Force Levels Summary LAUS										
Area		May 2021	April 2021	Monthly Change	May 2020	Yearly Change				
US										
U.S.		160,607,000	160,379,000	228,000	157,975,000	2,632,000				
U.S.	SA	160,935,000	160,988,000	-53,000	158,200,000	2,735,000				
State										
Nevada		1,562,551	1,553,171	9,380	1,434,996	127,555				
Nevada	SA	1,564,428	1,559,925	4,503	1,435,029	129,399				
Metropolitan Statistical Area		1,501,120	.,000,020	.,555	1,100,020	.20,000				
Carson City MSA		27,032	27,180	-148	24,383	2,649				
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA		1,133,052	1,122,052	11,000	1,060,649	72,403				
Reno - Sparks MSA		269,888	269,559	329	236,108	33,780				
Combined Statistical Area										
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area		343,931	344,199	-268	301,824	42,107				
County						,				
Churchill County		12,182	12,476	-294	10,173	2,009				
Clark County		1,133,052	1,122,052	11,000	1,060,649	72,403				
Douglas County		22,716	22,935	-219	19,950	2,766				
Elko County		28,851	29,132	-281	24,391	4,460				
Esmeralda County		469	497	-28	361	108				
Eureka County		1,307	1,428	-121	878	429				
Humboldt County		8,811	9,125	-314	7,341	1,470				
Lander County		3,453	3,515	-62	2,854	599				
Lincoln County		2,235	2,321	-86	1,787	448				
Lyon County		24,295	24,525	-230	21,383	2,912				
Mineral County		2,164	2,168	-4	1,910	254				
Nye County		18,240	18,280	-40	16,308	1,932				
Pershing County		2,880	3,003	-123	2,301	579				
Storey County		2,143	2,142	1	1,865	278				
Washoe County		267,745	267,417	328	234,243	33,502				
White Pine County		4,977	4,975	2	4,219	758				
Carson City		27,032	27,180	-148	24,383	2,649				
Labor Market Area										
Elko Micropolitan Area		30,158	30,560	-402	25,269	4,889				
Fallon Micropolitan Area		12,182	12,476	-294	10,173	2,009				
Fernley Micropolitan Area		24,295	24,525	-230	21,383	2,912				
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area		22,716	22,935	-219	19,950	2,766				
Pahrump Micropolitan Area		18,240	18,280	-40	16,308	1,932				
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area		8,811	9,125	-314	7,341	1,470				
City										
Fernley City*		9,109	9,200	-91	8,081	1,028				
Boulder City*		7,347	7,323	24	6,279	1,068				
Elko City*		11,307	11,393	-86	9,158	2,149				
Henderson		163,996	162,570	1,426	145,752	18,244				
Las Vegas		313,258	310,471	2,787	287,334	25,924				
Mesquite*		7,815	7,744	71	7,134	681				
North Las Vegas		117,105	115,852	1,253	107,669	9,436				
Reno		145,417	145,043	374	128,167	17,250				
Sparks		59,831	59,832	-1	52,460	7,371				

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Employed Individuals Levels Summary LAUS										
Area		May 2021	April 2021	Monthly Change	May 2020	Yearly Change				
US										
U.S.		151,778,000	151,160,000	618,000	137,461,000	14,317,000				
U.S.	SA	151,620,000		444,000	137,224,000	14,396,000				
State										
Nevada		1,442,724	1,430,486	12,238	1,081,786	360,938				
Nevada	SA	1,441,899	1,434,839	7,060	1,083,335	358,564				
Metropolitan Statistical Area		1,111,000	1, 10 1,000	,,,,,	.,000,000	555,551				
Carson City MSA		25,690	25,694	-4	20,801	4,889				
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA		1,032,344	1,020,326	12,018	762,419	269,925				
Reno - Sparks MSA		257,748	256,369	1,379	199,479	58,269				
Combined Statistical Area										
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area		328,096	326,946	1,150	255,124	72,972				
County		,	,-	,,,,,,	,	,				
Churchill County		11,792	11,983	-191	9,247	2,545				
Clark County		1,032,344	1,020,326	12,018	762,419	269,925				
Douglas County		21,693	21,776	-83	16,488	5,205				
Elko County		27,944	28,050	-106	21,203	6,741				
Esmeralda County		452	480	-28	339	113				
Eureka County		1,278	1,394	-116	840	438				
Humboldt County		8,510	8,778	-268	6,729	1,781				
Lander County		3,333	3,381	-48	2,672	661				
Lincoln County		2,164	2,232	-68	1,671	493				
Lyon County		22,965	23,107	-142	18,356	4,609				
Mineral County		2,082	2,068	14	1,747	335				
Nye County		17,128	17,144	-16	13,665	3,463				
Pershing County		2,776	2,897	-121	2,155	621				
Storey County		2,037	2,023	14	1,581	456				
Washoe County		255,711	254,346	1,365	197,898	57,813				
White Pine County		4,826	4,806	20 -4	3,975	851				
Carson City Labor Market Area		25,690	25,694	-4	20,801	4,889				
Elko Micropolitan Area		29,222	29,444	-222	22,043	7,179				
Fallon Micropolitan Area		11,792	11,983	-191	9,247	2,545				
Fernley Micropolitan Area		22,965	23,107	-142	18,356	4,609				
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area		21,693	21,776	-83	16,488	5,205				
Pahrump Micropolitan Area		17,128	17,144	-16	13,665	3,463				
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area		8,510	8,778	-268	6,729	1,781				
City										
Fernley City*		8,593	8,646	-53	6,868	1,725				
Boulder City*		6,902	6,822	80	5,098	1,804				
Elko City*		10,904	10,945	-41	8,273	2,631				
Henderson		151,785	150,018	1,767	112,098	39,687				
Las Vegas		285,614	282,289	3,325	210,935	74,679				
Mesquite*		7,422	7,336	86	5,482	1,940				
North Las Vegas		105,509	104,280	1,229	77,921	27,588				
Reno		138,722	137,982	740	107,359	31,363				
Sparks		57,100	56,795	305	44,191	12,909				

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Area	Мау	2021	April 2021	Monthly Change	May 2020	Yearly Chang
JS						
U.S.	8,82	9,000	9,220,000	-391,000	20,514,000	-11,685,00
U.S.	SA 9,31	5,000	9,812,000	-496,000	20,975,000	-11,659,00
State						
Nevada	119	9,827	122,685	-2,858	353,210	-233,38
Nevada		2,529	125,086	-2,557	351,694	-229,16
Metropolitan Statistical Area						
Carson City MSA		1,342	1,486	-144	3,582	-2,24
Las Vegas - Paradise MSA		0,708	101,726	-1,018	298,230	-197,52
Reno - Sparks MSA		2,140	13,190	-1,050	36,629	-24,48
Combined Statistical Area		,	,	.,		,,
Reno-Carson City-Fernley, Nv Combined Statistical Area	1	5,835	17,253	-1,418	46,700	-30,86
County	1	,,,,,,	11,233	- 1,410	70,700	-30,00
Churchill County		390	493	-103	926	-53
Clark County	100	390 0,708	101,726	-1,018	298,230	-197,52
Douglas County		1,023	1,159	-136	3,462	-2,43
Elko County		907	1,082	-175	3,188	-2,28
Esmeralda County		17	17	0	22	_,
Eureka County		29	34	-5	38	_
Humboldt County		301	347	-46	612	-31
Lander County		120	134	-14	182	-6
Lincoln County		71	89	-18	116	-4
Lyon County		1,330	1,418	-88	3,027	-1,69
Mineral County		82	100	-18	163	-8
Nye County	,	1,112	1,136	-24	2,643	-1,53
Pershing County		104	106	-2	146	-4
Storey County		106	119	-13	284	-17
Washoe County	12	2,034	13,071	-1,037	36,345	-24,31
White Pine County		151	169	-18	244	-9
Carson City		1,342	1,486	-144	3,582	-2,24
abor Market Area						
Elko Micropolitan Area		936	1,116	-180	3,226	-2,29
Fallon Micropolitan Area		390	493	-103	926	-53
Fernley Micropolitan Area		1,330	1,418	-88	3,027	-1,69
Gardnerville Micropolitan Area		1,023	1,159	-136	3,462	-2,43
Pahrump Micropolitan Area		1,112	1,136	-24	2,643	-1,53
Winnemucca Micropolitan Area		301	347	-46	612	-31
City						
Fernley City*		516	554	-38	1,213	-69
Boulder City*		445	501	-56	1,181	-73
Elko City*		403	448	-45	885	-48
Henderson	12	2,211	12,552	-341	33,654	-21,44
Las Vegas	2	7,644	28,182	-538	76,399	-48,75
Mesquite*		393	408	-15	1,652	-1,25
North Las Vegas	1	1,596	11,572	24	29,748	-18,15
Reno		6,695	7,061	-366	20,808	-14,11
Sparks		2,731	3,037	-306	8,269	-5,53

^{*} State Specific Areas, not endorsed or published by the BLS

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