

# Nevada Labor Market Briefing: July 2017

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# State Unemployment Rate

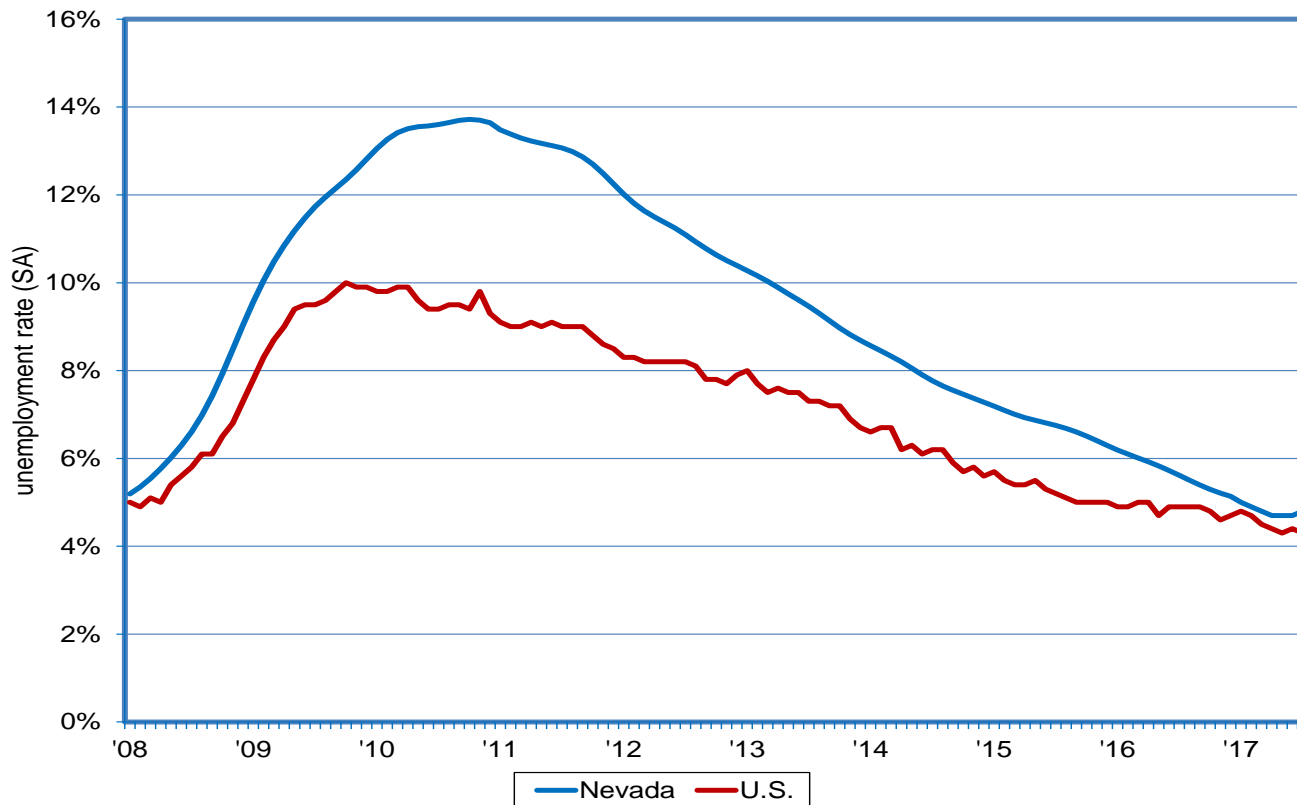
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- ❑ 4.8% Unemployment Rate (SA<sup>1</sup>)
  - ❑ up 0.1 point from June; down from 5.6% a year ago
    - ❑ off from a recession peak of 13.7%
    - ❑ in absolute terms, unemployment totaled 69,300; off from a recession-high of 186,500
  - ❑ compares to a 4.3% rate for the U.S.— 0.5 percentage point higher
    - ❑ was more than four points higher at height of recession

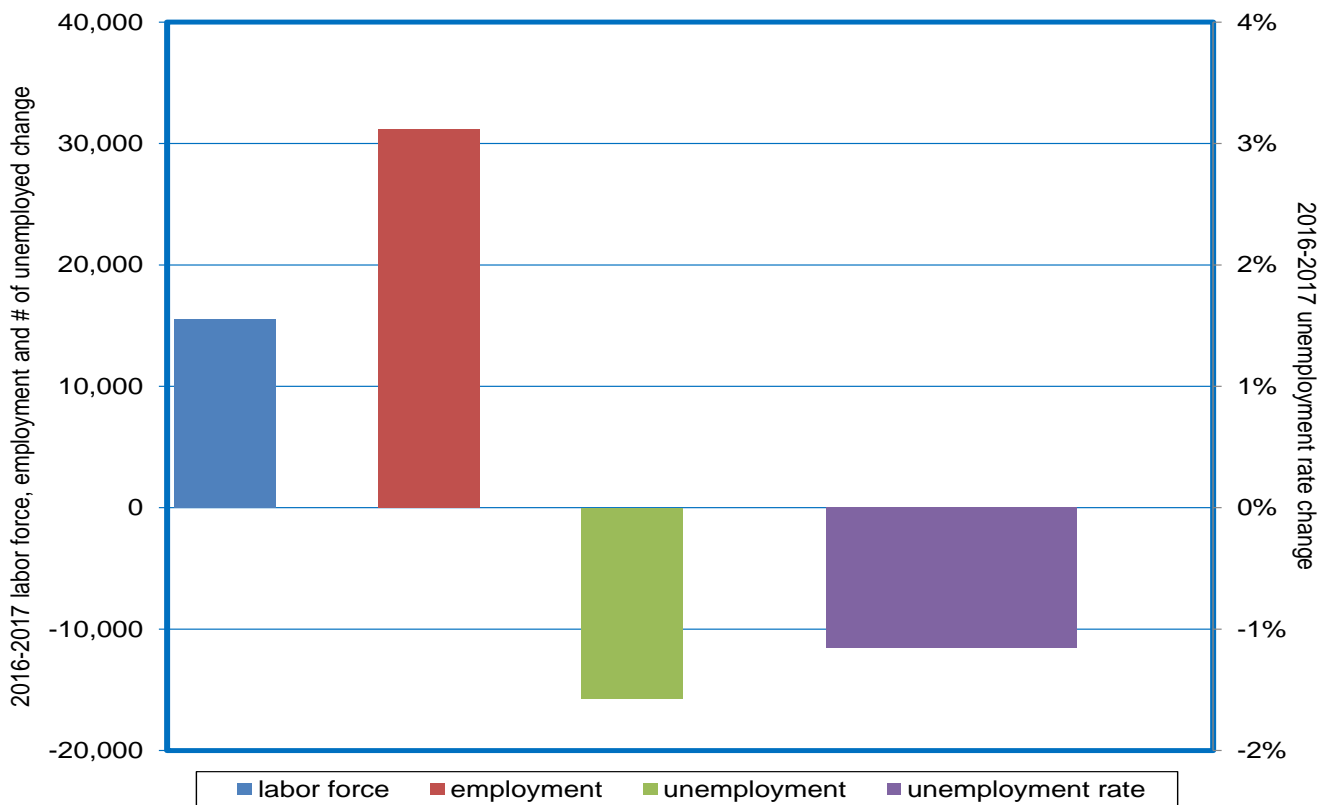
<sup>1</sup>seasonally adjusted



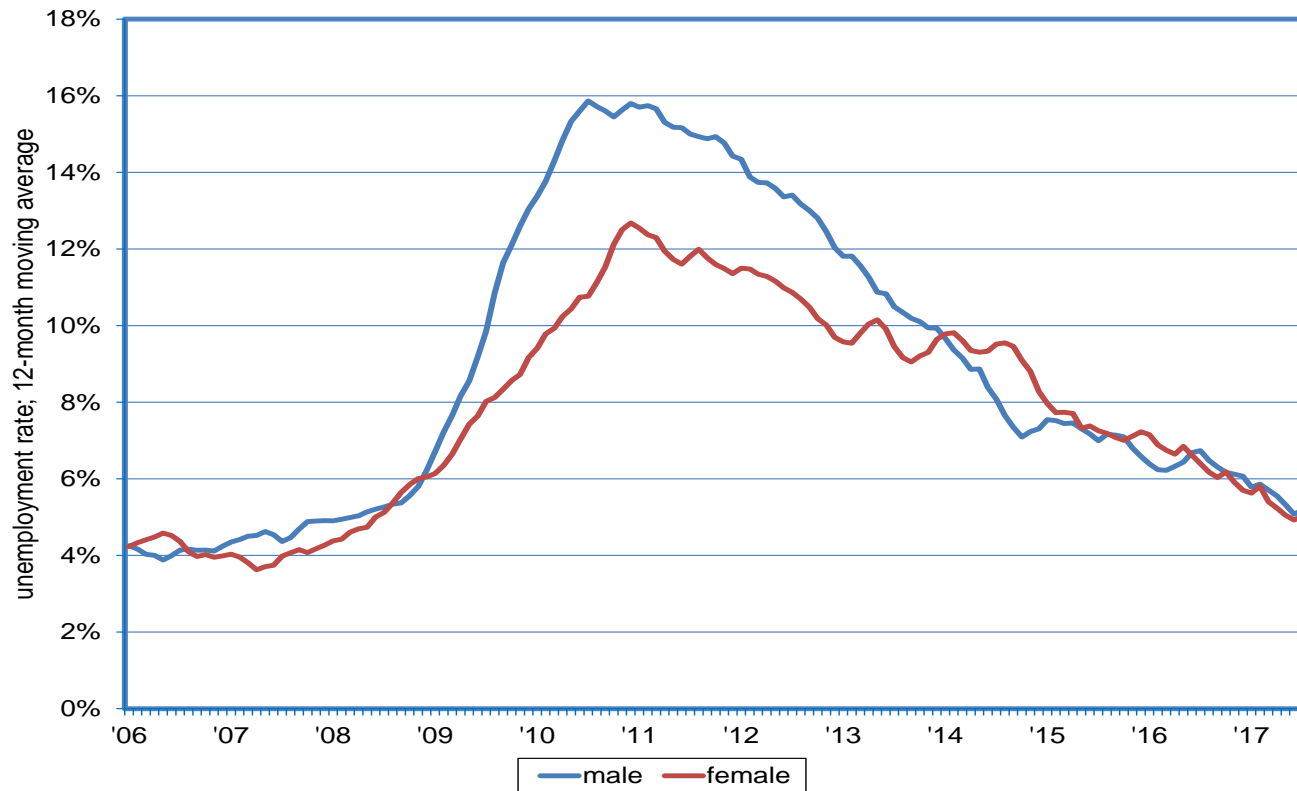
# Jobless Rate Ticks up to 4.8%; Still Down From 5.6% a Year Ago; Peaked at 13.7%; Underlying Trends Remain Encouraging



# Growth in Employment So Far This Year More than Offsets Growth in the Labor Force, Resulting in a Decline in Unemployment



# Gap Between Male/Female Unemployment Rate Eliminated as the Recovery has Unfolded; Construction Played a Key Role



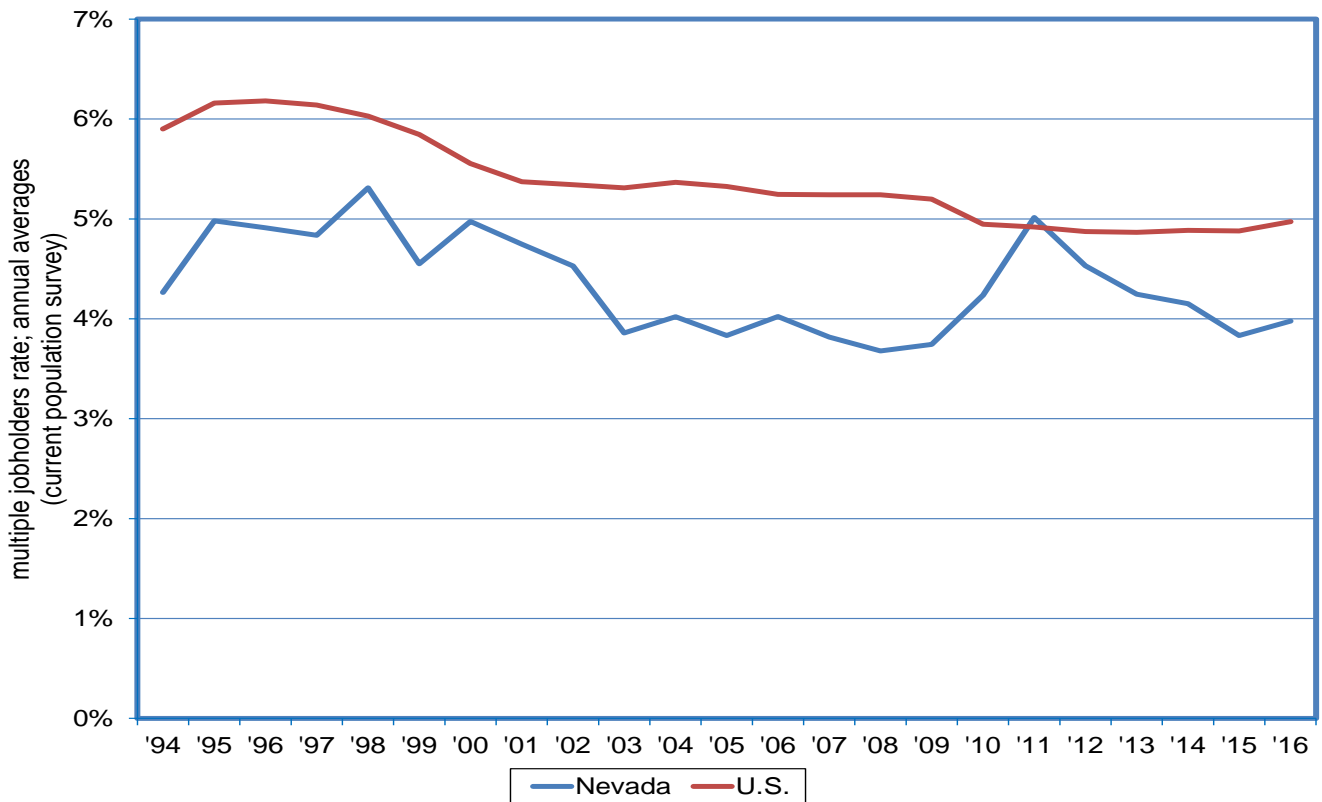
# Including Discouraged Workers Adds 0.5 Point to the “Official” Unemployment Rate

<b>Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization (Annual Average - 2016:IIIQ through 2017:IIQ)</b>		
Measure	Underutilization Concept	Level
Official Rate	jobless persons available to take a job who have actively sought work in the past four weeks	5.1%
U-1	jobless 15 weeks or longer	1.9%
U-2	job losers and persons losing a temporary job	2.6%
U-3	similar to official rate	5.0%
U-4	U-3 plus discouraged workers	5.5%
U-5	U-4 plus others marginally attached to the labor force	6.3%
U-6	U-5 plus those employed part-time for economic reasons	11.5%
Official Rate: annual average of 2016:IIIQ through 2017:IIQ		

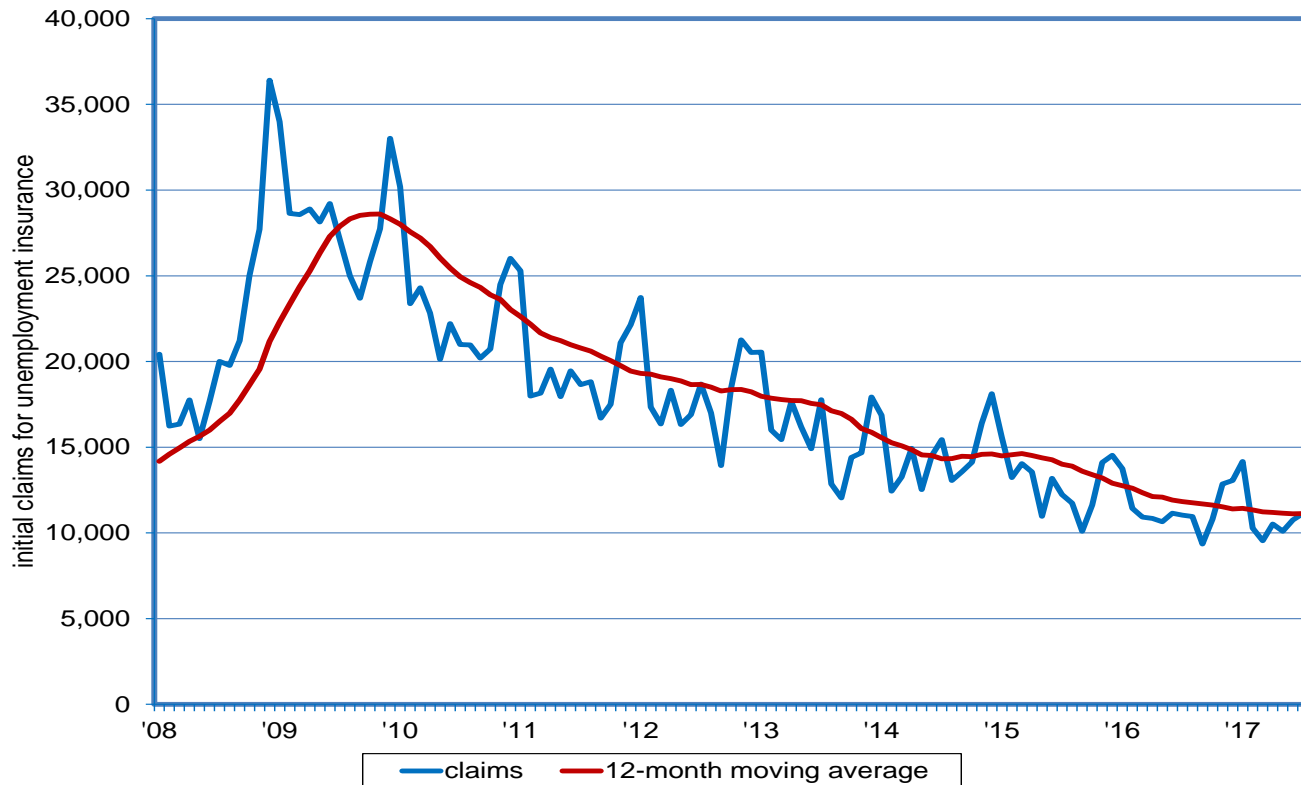




# NV's Multiple-Jobholding Rate, at 4% of Total Employment in 2016, has Consistently Been Below that for the U.S. as a Whole (5%)

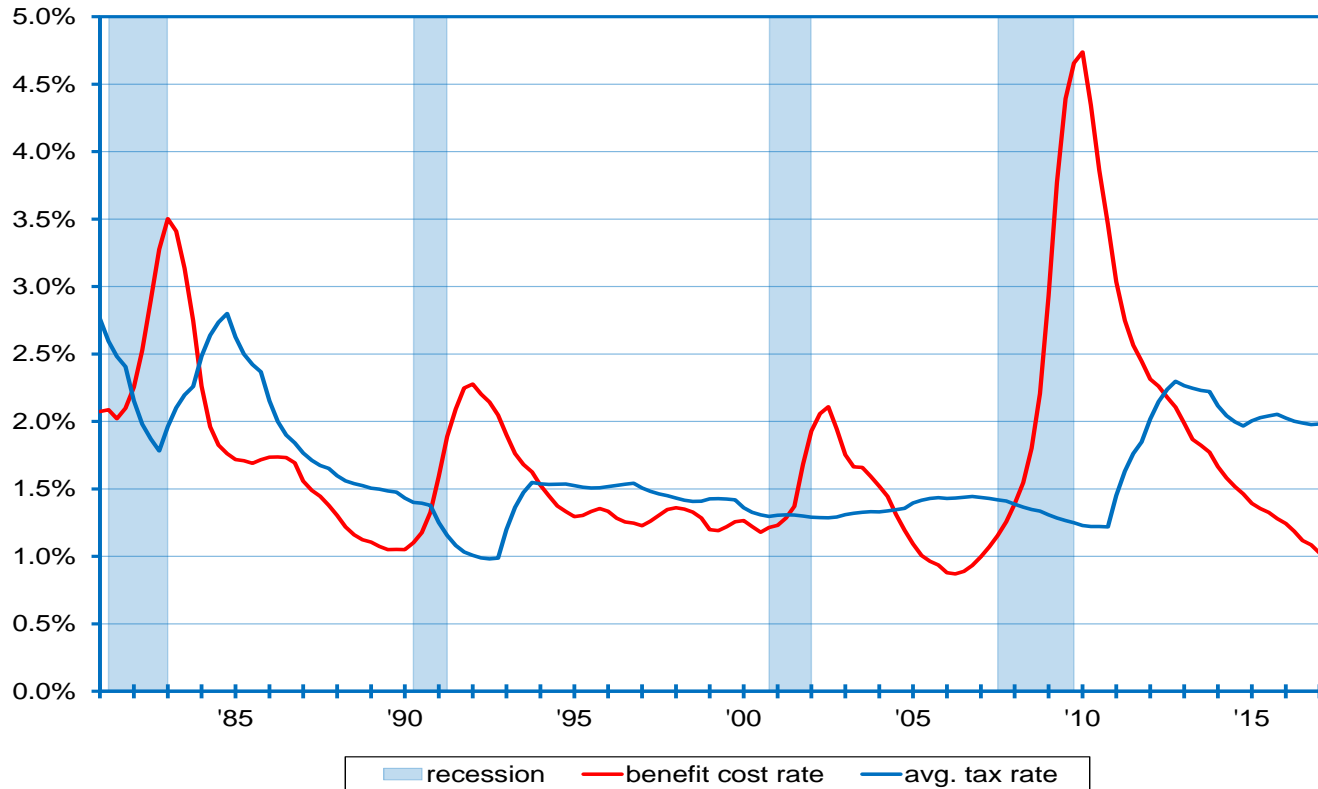


# Initial Claims May be Leveling Off at Pre-Recessionary Levels





# Nevada's UI Tax Rate Steady While Benefit Cost Rate Continues to Decline; Allowing for Trust Fund Growth





## State Employment (SA)

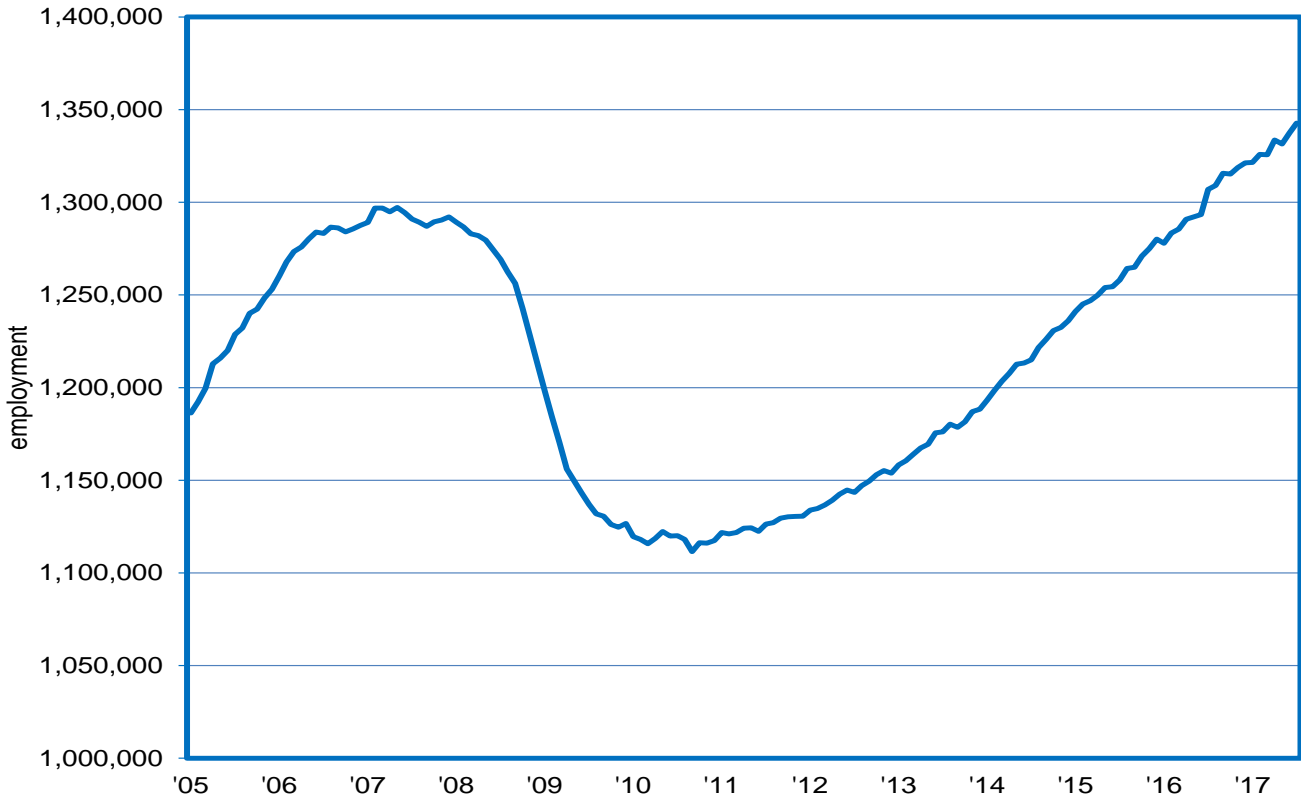
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- ❑ Non-Farm Job Levels Up 35,700 Relative to a Year Ago in July
  - ❑ a tough comparison...July of 2016 was very strong
  - ❑ another record-high
  - ❑ 79 consecutive months of year-over-year gains
  - ❑ 2.7% gain compares to 1.5% in the nation
    - ❑ 60 straight months in which Nevada > U.S.
- ❑ Up 5,300 Over the Month
  - ❑ 11,400 (NSA<sup>2</sup>) jobs were expected to be lost based upon historical trends (more than half in the public sector), but just 6,100 jobs were actually lost, resulting in the seasonally adjusted increase

<sup>2</sup>not seasonally adjusted

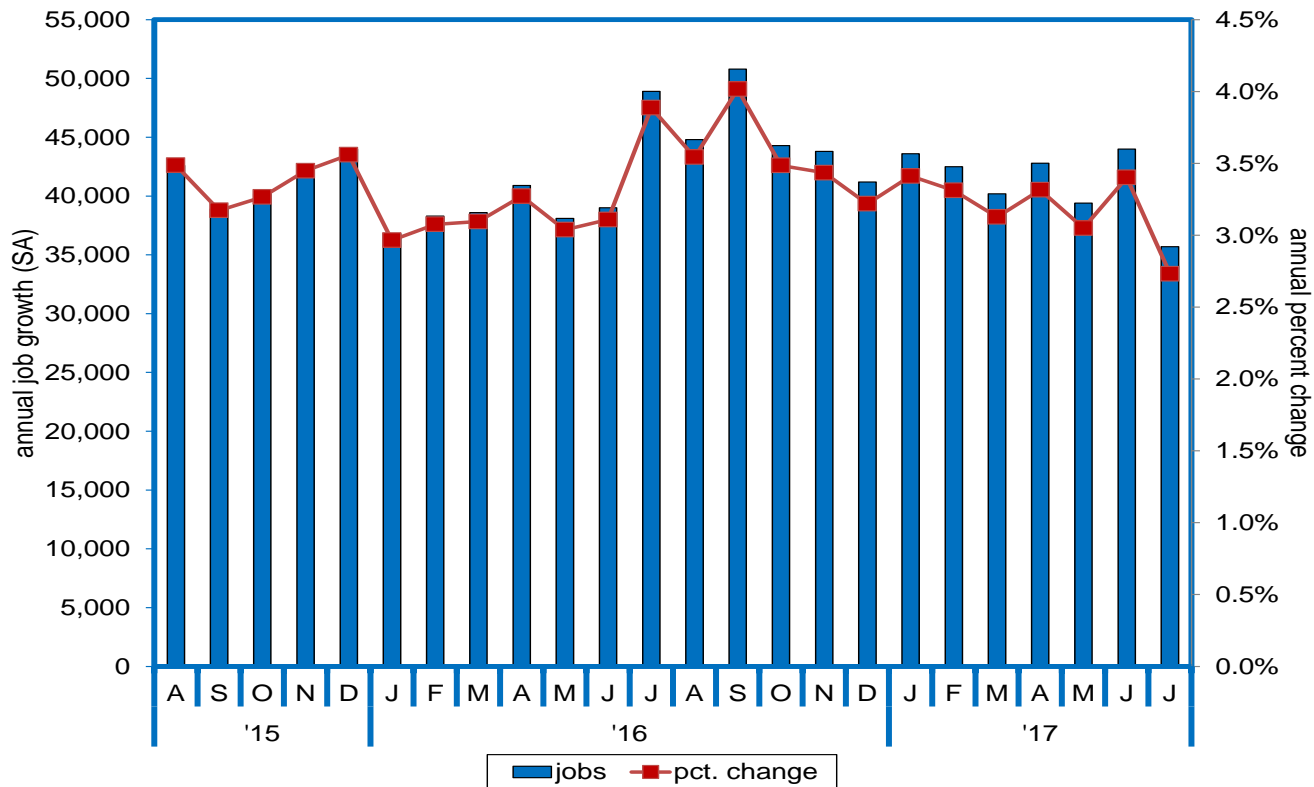


# Employment Continues to Shatter Records in Nevada; 231,200 Jobs Added Since Recession (+21%); US Jobs up 13%

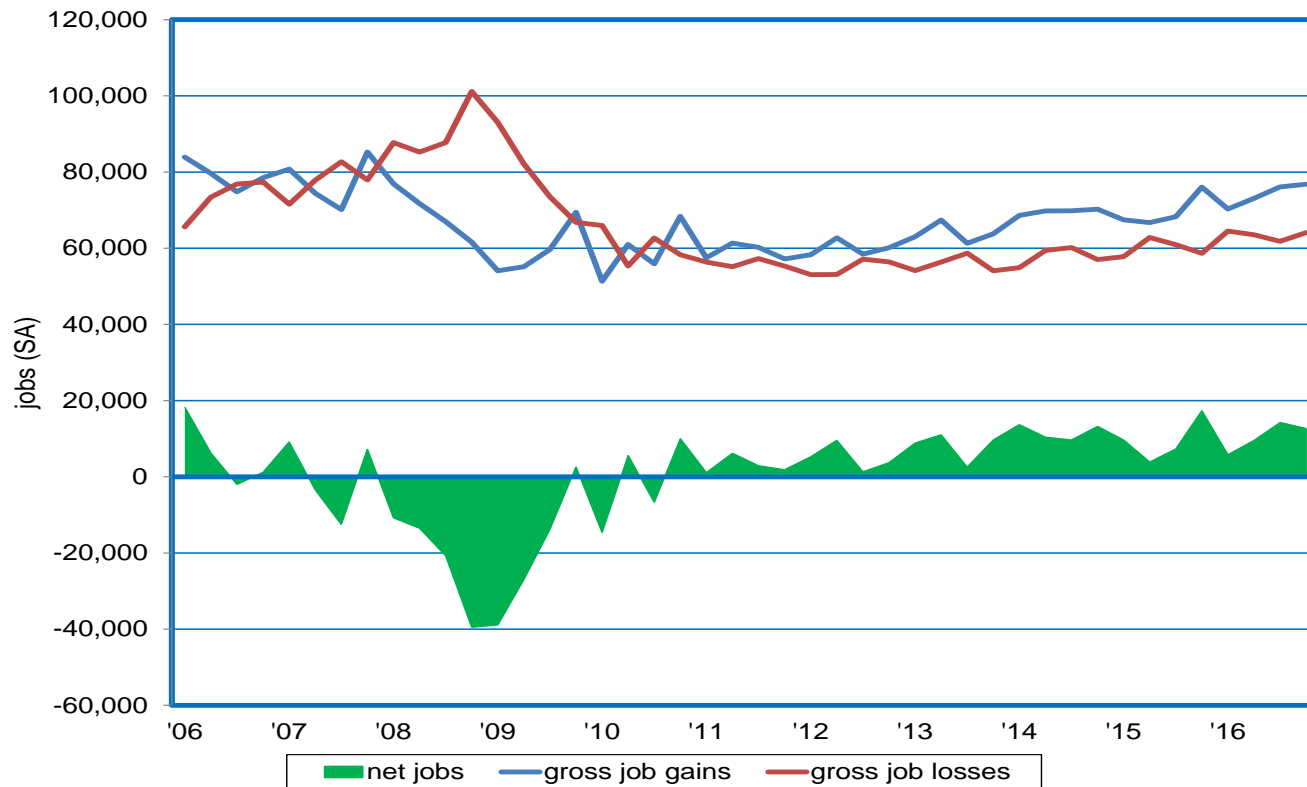


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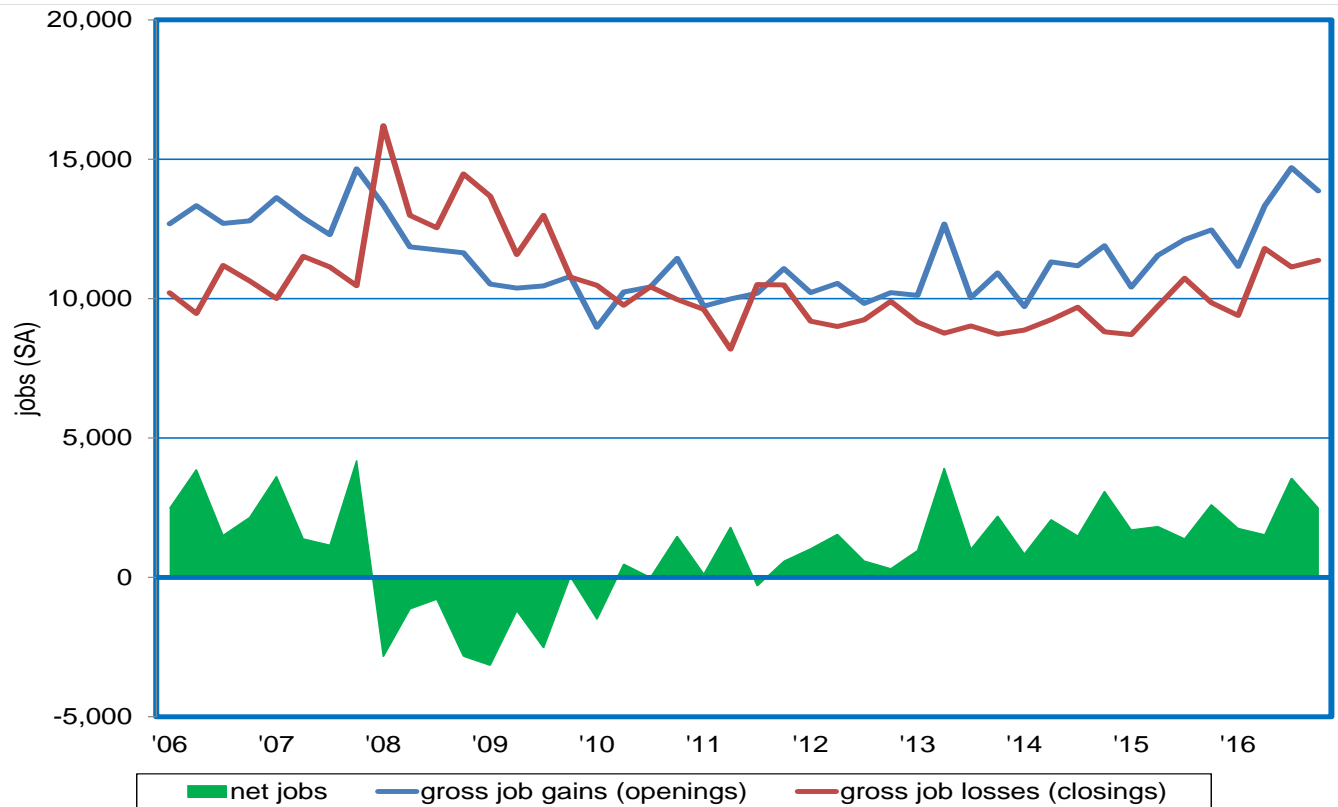
# Annual Job Growth Appears to be Settling in the 35,000-40,000 Range



# Job Gains > Losses in 25 Straight Quarters; 2016:IVQ Net Gain = 12,700 Jobs...5th- Strongest Gain Since Pre-Recession

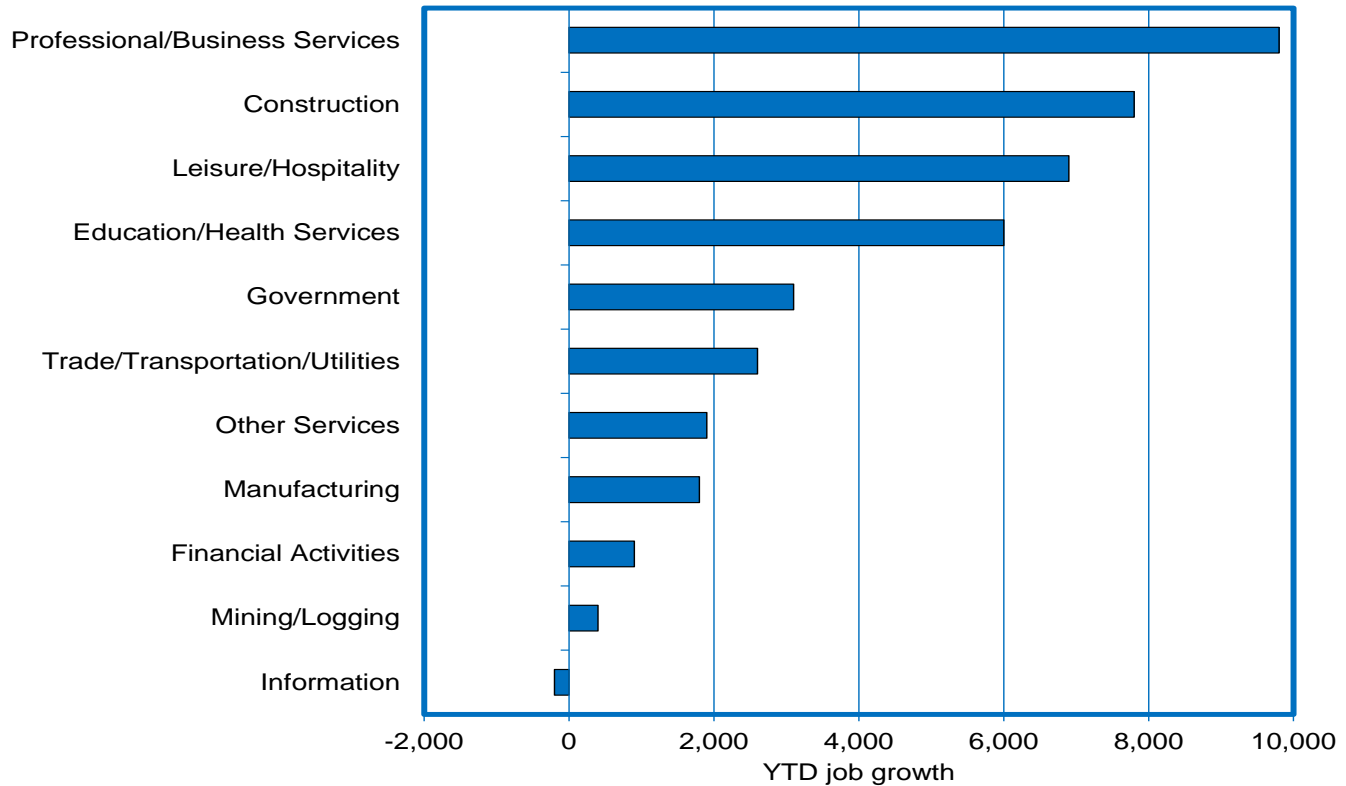


# Opening Gains > Closing Losses Last 21 Quarters; 2016:IVQ Net Gain=2,500; Job Gains From Openings 3<sup>rd</sup>-Highest Since 2004





# Professional Services Leads the Way With Nearly 10,000 New Jobs So Far This Year; Construction Adds Close to 8,000



# Nevada's Recovery Has Closely Mirrored the Nation's; Growth in Business Services Stands Out

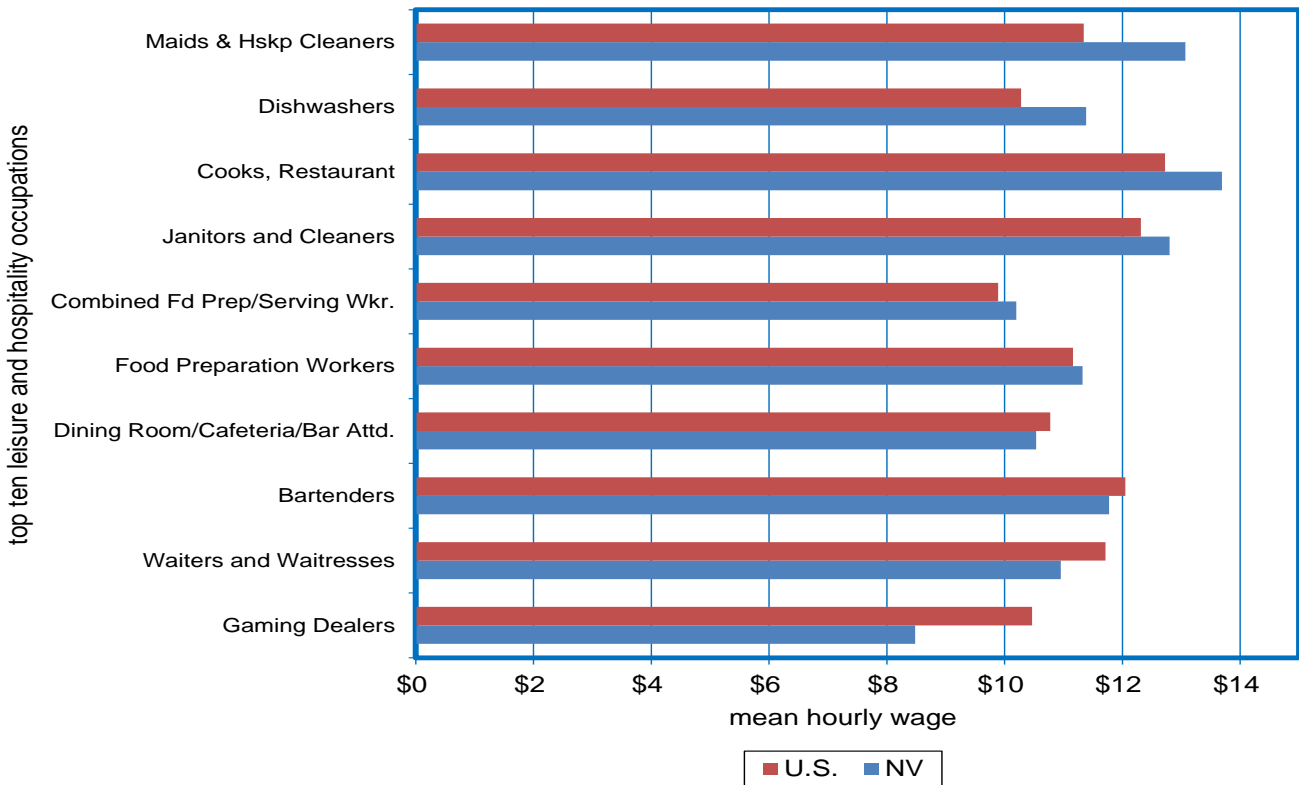
Sector	Pre-recession Peak		Recessionary Low		% Employment Lost		Current Employment (July 2017)		Employment as % of previous peak	
	Nevada	U.S.	Nevada	U.S.	Nevada	U.S.	Nevada	U.S.	Nevada	U.S.
Professional and business services	161.9	18,051	132.3	16,386	(18.3)	(9.2)	189.0	20,745	116.7	114.9
Other services	37.5	5,540	32.1	5,315	(14.4)	(4.1)	42.4	5,761	113.1	104.0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	235.3	26,725	209.6	24,473	(10.9)	(8.4)	244.5	27,388	103.9	102.5
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>1,297.2</b>	<b>138,430</b>	<b>1,111.5</b>	<b>129,733</b>	<b>(14.3)</b>	<b>(6.3)</b>	<b>1,342.7</b>	<b>146,615</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>105.9</b>
Leisure and hospitality	342.9	13,550	304.0	12,927	(11.3)	(4.6)	349.8	15,998	102.0	118.1
Financial activities	65.8	8,394	52.4	7,676	(20.4)	(8.6)	63.4	8,448	96.4	100.6
Information	15.9	3,144	12.0	2,633	(24.5)	(16.3)	14.2	2,730	89.3	86.8
Manufacturing	50.9	14,345	37.6	11,453	(26.1)	(20.2)	45.3	12,425	89.0	86.6
Construction	146.4	7,726	50.1	5,427	(65.8)	(29.8)	85.7	6,899	58.5	89.3

*Employment in thousands*

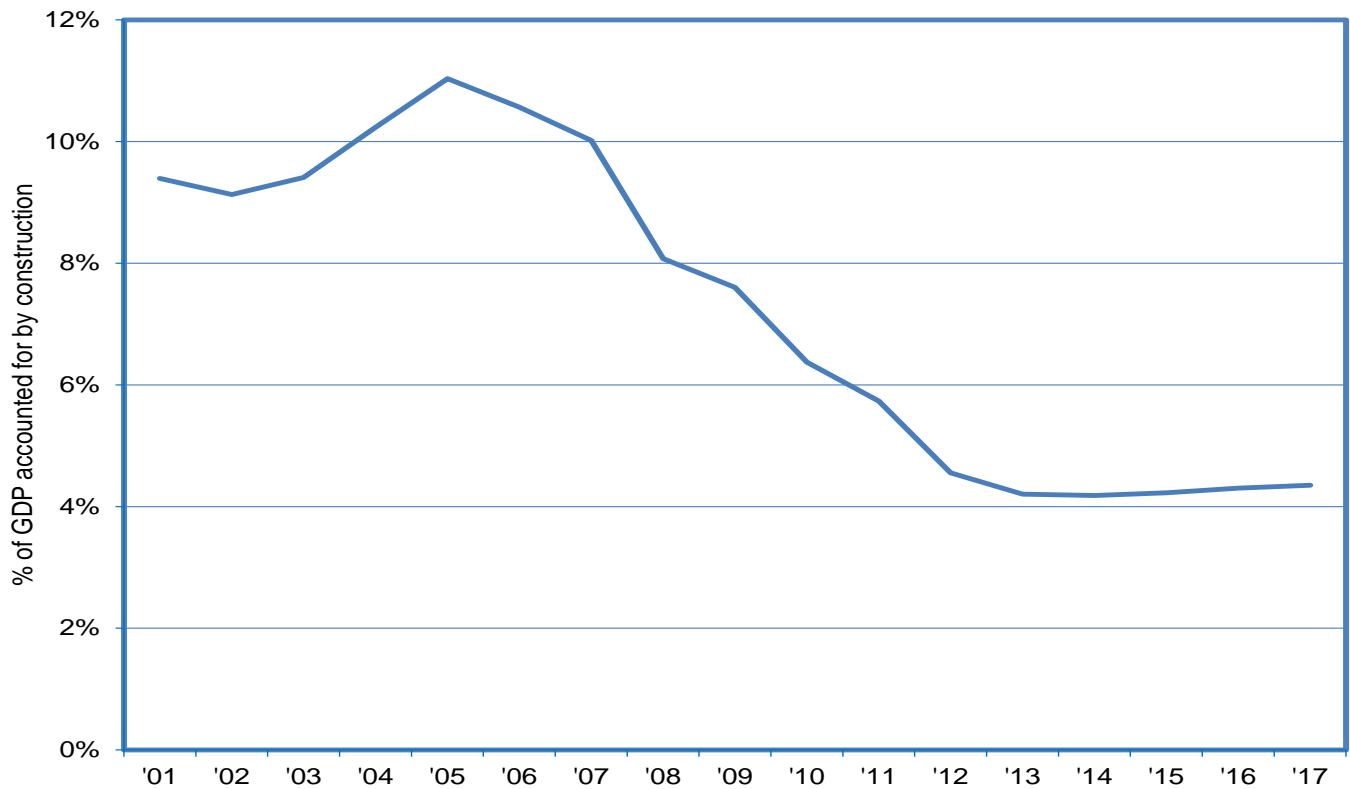


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# Nevada Leisure/Hospitality Wages Differ from Nation Across Occupations; Maids Earn More; Waiters/Waitresses Earn Less

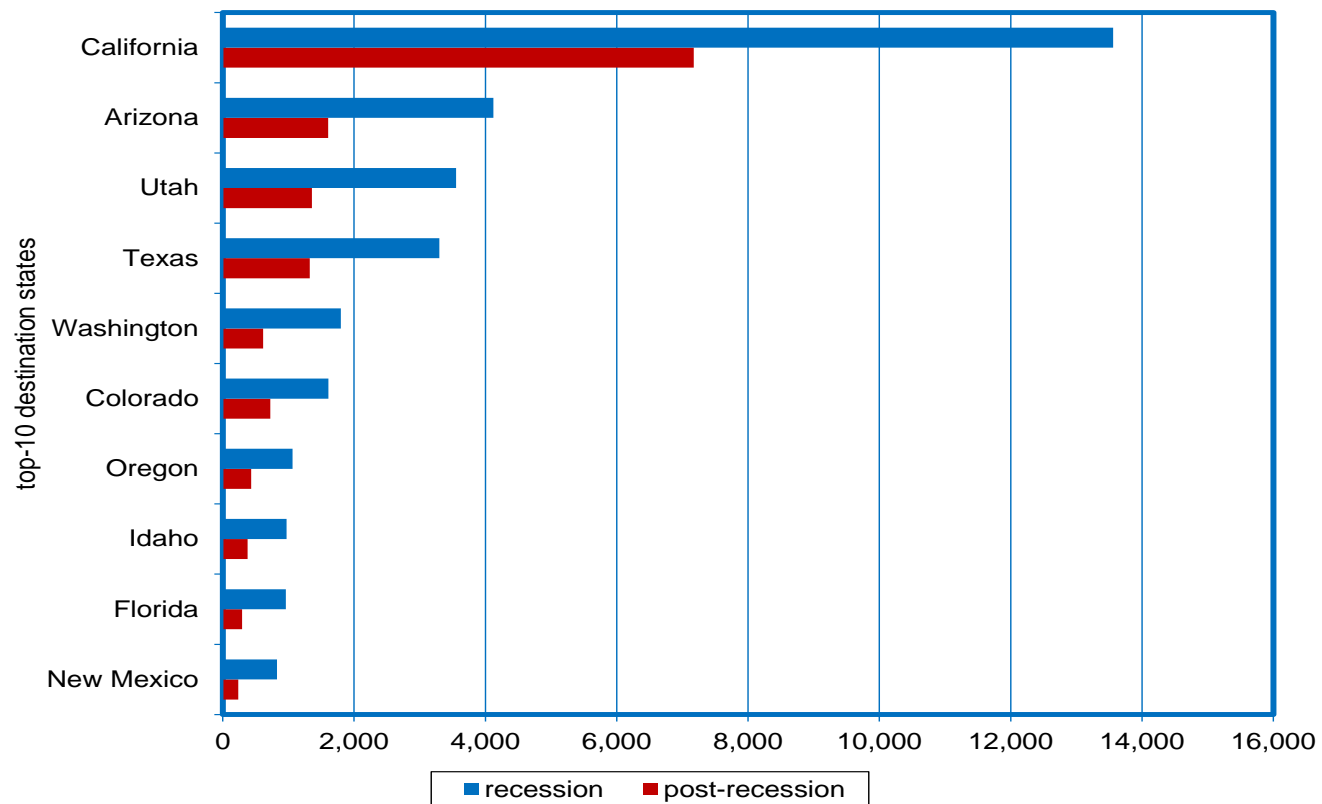


# Construction Accounts for a Smaller Share of Private Sector Economic Activity in Nevada Relative to Pre-Recession

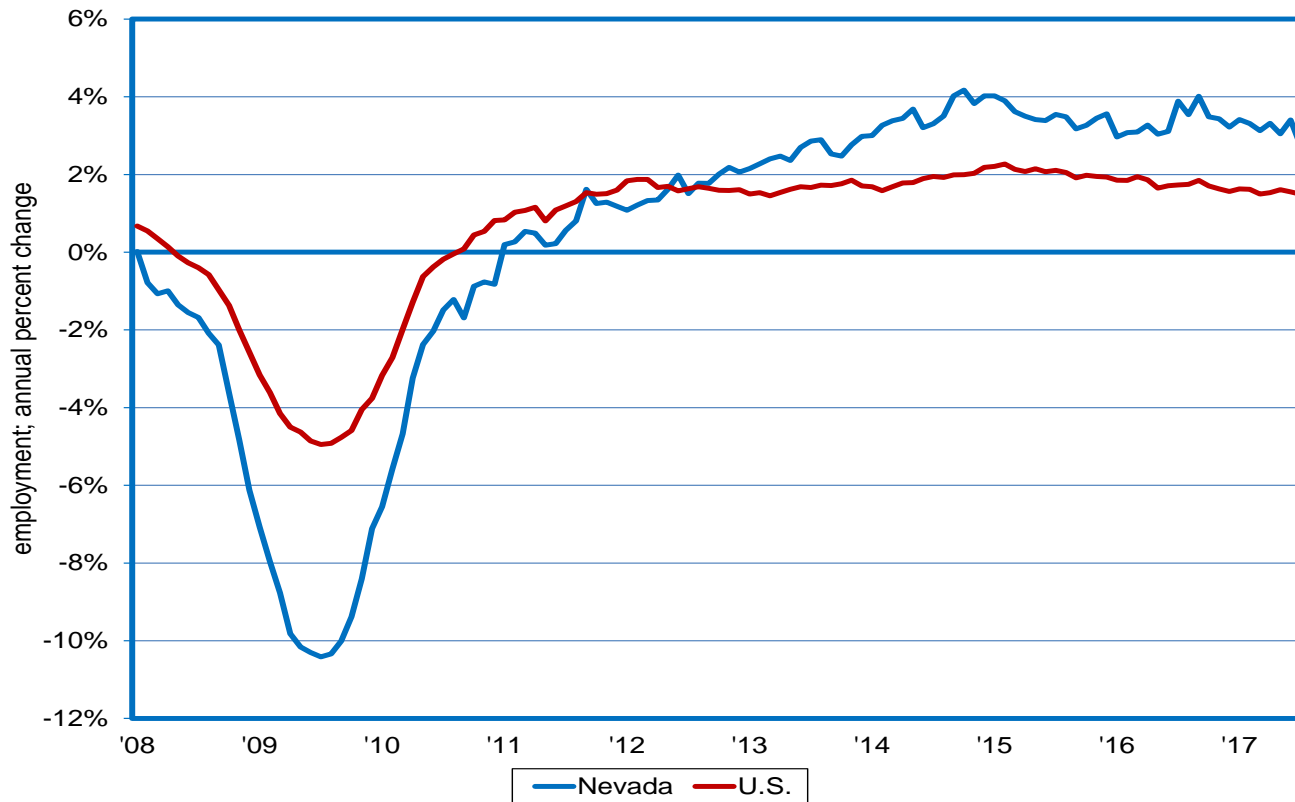


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# Nevada Construction Workers Tend to Move to Our Western Neighbors; Out-Migration has Slowed Considerably Post-Recession



# Nevada Job Growth has Exceeded the U.S. Every Month Over the Past Five Years



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