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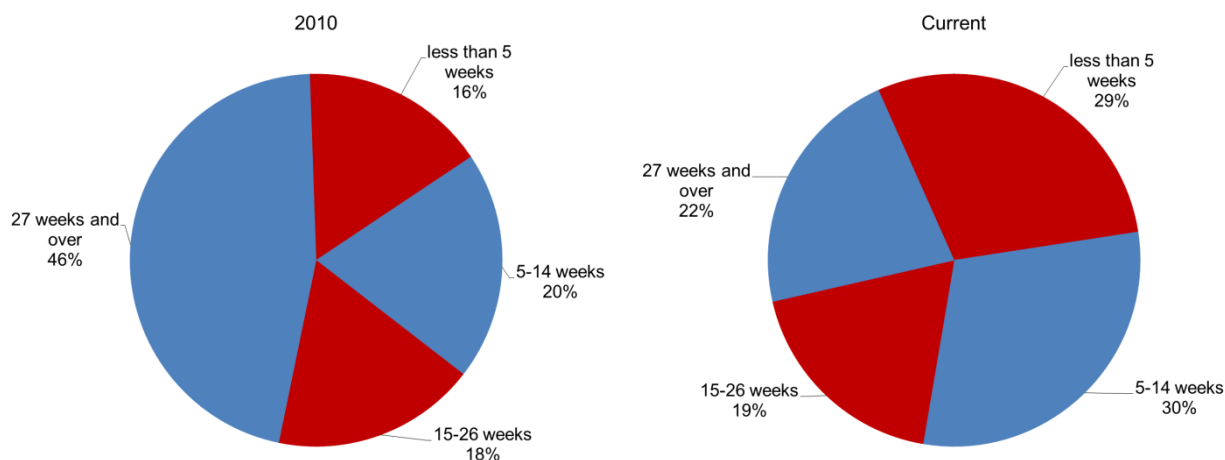
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Unemployment Duration
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Long-Term Unemployment has Decreased During the Recovery; 46% of All Unemployed in 2010 vs. Just 22% Currently



- Information from the monthly Current Population Survey (CPS), sponsored by the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, allows for the analysis of unemployment duration¹ in the Silver State.
- On average there were 191,100 Nevadans unemployed in 2010. The long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks or longer) averaged 88,300 for the year, accounting for 46% of the total.
- As the recovery unfolded, there has been considerable improvement as it pertains to long-term unemployment. During the last 12 months, the number of long-term unemployed averaged 18,200, 22% of the total. This is less than half of the 2010 share, and represents a decline of 70,100 over the period.
- This analysis is consistent with other signs of improvement in the health of the labor market since the end of the recession—record levels of employment and wages, increases in hiring activity, declines in unemployment insurance claims, etc.

¹ Unemployment duration refers to the number of weeks an individual is without a job.