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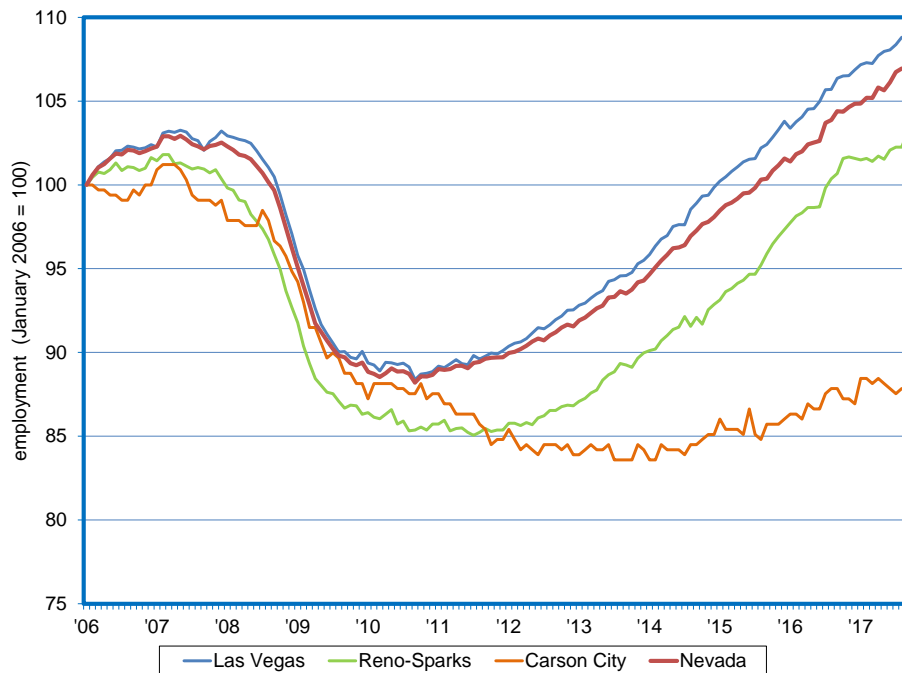
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Employment by Metro Area
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Las Vegas and Reno Employment at All-Time High; Carson Trending Up Slightly



- As the recession unfolded, Statewide employment fell 14.3%, from a pre-recession peak of 1,297,200 to a low of 1,111,500 jobs in September of 2010. Seven years later, the Silver State has surpassed the pre-recession peak by 3.9%, or 50,800 jobs.
- Las Vegas lost 134,400 jobs during the recession, a decline of 14.4%. Since bottoming out, the region has added 183,900 jobs, an increase of 23.1%. Employment currently stands 49,500 higher than the previous peak.
- Reno/Sparks lost 37,100 jobs in the recession, a decline of 16.5%. After adding back 40,100 jobs, the area stands 3,000 jobs or 1.3% higher than the previous peak.
- Finally, the recession lingered longer in Carson City than in the other metros. The Capital City lost almost 6,000 jobs, dropping from a pre-recession high of 33,300 to a low of 27,500. Carson City has added 1,400 jobs since then, but employment still remains 13.2% lower than the pre-recession peak.