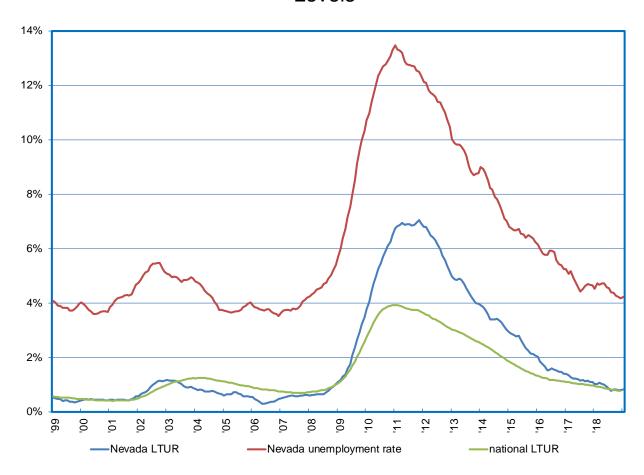
Research Notes



Long-Term Unemployment Rate Michael La Rue, Economist

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Long-Term Unemployment Rates in Nevada are Returning to Historical Levels



- Information from the monthly Current Population Survey (CPS), sponsored by the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) enables the analysis of the long-term unemployment rate (LTUR) in Nevada with comparison to the nation. Long-term unemployment is defined as being unemployed for 27 weeks or more.
- From 1999 through the end of 2008 the LTUR in Nevada averaged 0.7 percent, and the unemployment rate averaged 4.3 percent.
- In March 2011 the Nevada LTUR reached a peak of seven percent, that was higher than the national rate of approximately four percent in December 2010. This is similar to the trends of the total unemployment rate for Nevada that is also higher than the national rate.
- Since early 2017 the Nevada LTUR has returned to a rate similar to the national LTUR. In November 2018
 the Nevada and national LTUR were approximately 0.8 percent. Additionally, both rates are returning to the
 historical rates that averaged 0.7 percent for Nevada and 0.8 percent for the nation from 1999 through 2008.



