



Unemployment Rate

- 5.5% in October, seasonally adjusted
 - down 0.3 point from September
 - down from 6.5% a year ago
 - off from a recession peak of 13.7%
- Compares to a 4.9% rate for the U.S.
 - 0.6 percentage point higher
 - smallest gap since the recovery began
 - NV's rate was 4.4 points higher than the nation's at the height of the recession

Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance

- 10,800 claims in October
 - down 7.1% from a year ago
- Activity essentially at pre-recession levels
- Trending down since 2010; hovering around 10,000/month

Jobs

- October job levels hovering at 1.3 million, seasonally adjusted
 - up 1,000 from September
 - up 28,800 (+2.3%) from a year ago
 - 70 consecutive months of year-over-year growth
 - over the past year, eight month-to-month job gains, four losses
- 2.3% gain compares to the nation's 1.7%
- Growth is broad-based across nearly all sectors
 - trade/transportation/utilities leads the way with 9,100 new jobs year-to-date compared to the same period in 2015
 - construction up 6,800
 - education/health services up 4,800
 - professional/business services up 4,200
- Nevada added nearly 140,000 private sector jobs over the 2010-2015 period

Wages

- \$874 per week in 2016:IIQ
 - up 2.3% from a year ago
 - a record-high for the quarter
 - year over year gains in 12 of the past 13 quarters
- Underlying trends improving of late
- Trending above inflation

Number of Employers

- 67,000 Nevada employers in 2016:IIIQ
 - highest reading for the quarter on record
 - up 6.9% (4,300) from a year ago
 - 21st-straight quarterly gain

Taxable Sales

- \$4.62 billion in August
 - up 10.6% from a year ago
 - 74th-straight month of growth

Gaming Win

- \$949 million in September
 - up 3.5% from a year ago

Visitor Volume

- 3.66 million Las Vegas visitors in September
 - up 3.2 % from a year ago
 - gains recorded in 17 of the past 18 months
- 473,800 Reno visitors in September
 - up 6.9% from a year ago
 - gains recorded in all but two months this year

Housing Starts

- Totaled 12,900 during first nine months of 2016
 - up 27.2% from the same period in 2015
 - compares to a 3.6% gain in the U.S.

Export Activity

- Nevada exports valued at \$946.7 million in September
 - up 22.9% from year ago
- Nevada exports valued at \$7 billion so far in 2016.
 - up 7.8% compared to 2015

Personal Income

- \$125.9 billion in 2016:IIQ.
 - up 4.3% from year ago
 - compares to 3.2% for the nation
 - growth in 24 of past 25 quarters