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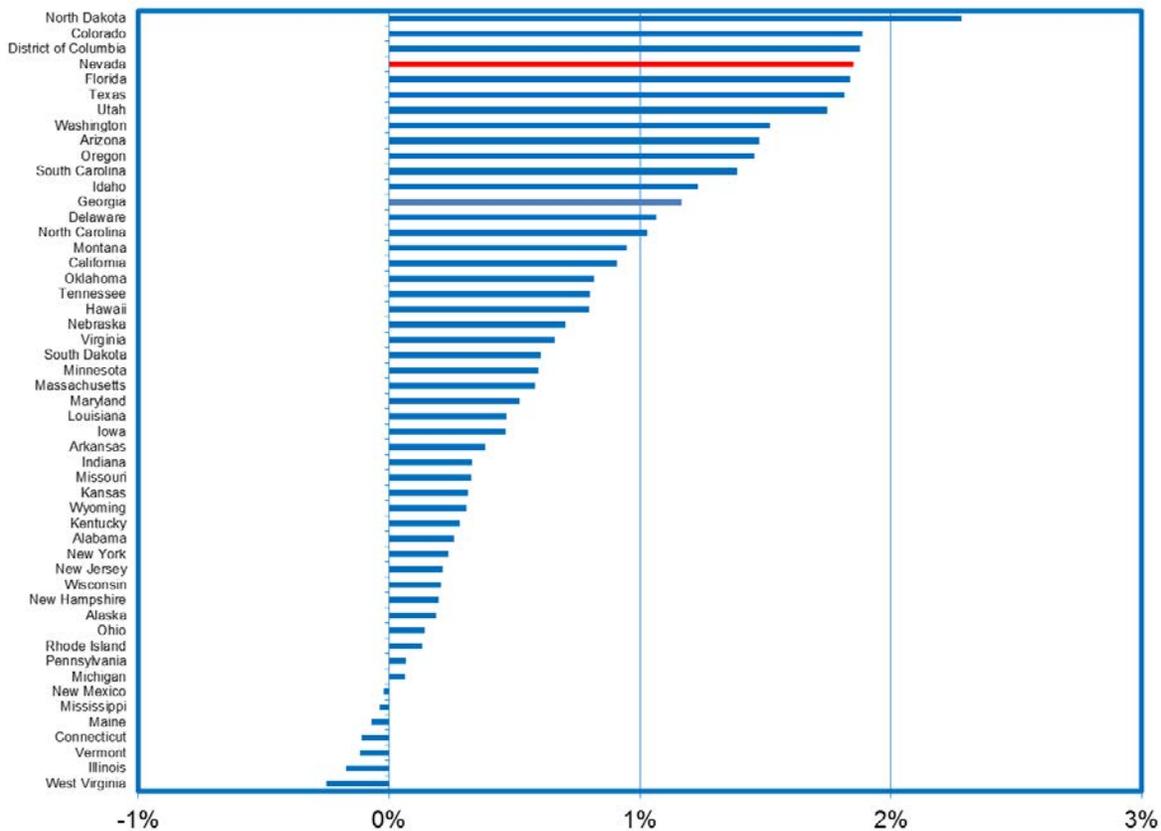
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Population Growth
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Nevada has 4th-Fastest Population Growth in the U.S. (2015 Census Bureau Estimates)



- The Census Bureau produces population estimates each year, allowing the public to gauge the growth and demographic composition of the nation, states and communities. 2015 state estimates have recently been released.
- Estimates show Nevada's population at 2.89 million in 2015, up from 2.84 million in 2014, an increase of 52,600. This translates into a 1.85% increase, fourth-strongest in the nation.
- The three fastest-growing States are North Dakota at 2.28%, Colorado at 1.89% and the District of Columbia at 1.88%. Seven states show a decline in population.
- Population growth often correlates with the overall health of the economy. Prior to the recession, Nevada's population growth consistently ranked at the top, as our economy boomed. 2015's ranking is most likely due, at least in part, to the Silver State's improving economy and labor market.