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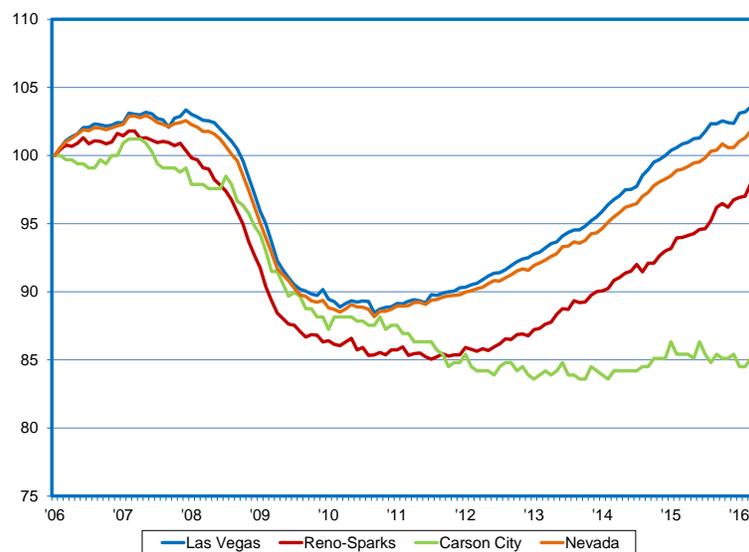
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Employment by Metro Area
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Las Vegas Employment at All-Time High; Reno Trending Up; Carson Steady (January 2006=100)



- During the recession, Statewide employment fell 14.4%, to a low of 1,111,200 jobs. Employment has increased 15.5% since the recession ended. All told, State employment is just 1.1 percent below the all-time high of 1,297,500 jobs in mid-2007.
- Over the recession, payrolls in Las Vegas declined 14.4%. Since then, 136,400 jobs have been added, resulting in a 17.1% increase. Further, Las Vegas is up 0.2% from the pre-recessionary peak in December 2007, totalling 934,600 jobs in March, a new all-time high.
- The Reno/Sparks MSA fell 16.5% during the recession, or 37,100 jobs, from the peak in early-2007 to mid-2011. Since then, 28,600 jobs have been added back, for a 15.2% increase, leaving employment 3.8% below its peak in 2007, totalling 216,900 jobs in March.
- Carson City lost 5,800 jobs, or 17.4% of total employment, from the peak in early-2007 to the trough in early-2013. Employment has remained relatively unchanged since the recession ended. In March, Carson City employment totalled 28,000 – up only 1.8% from the trough.