

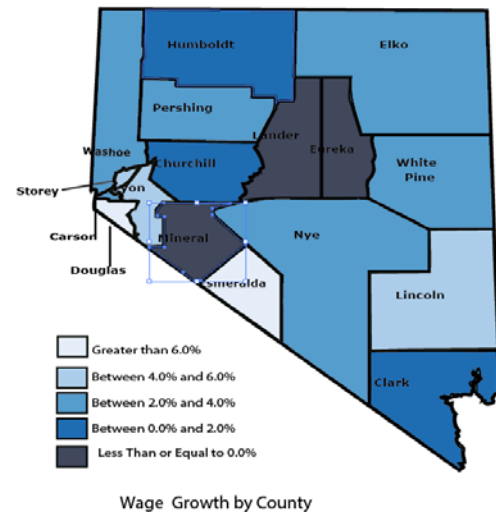
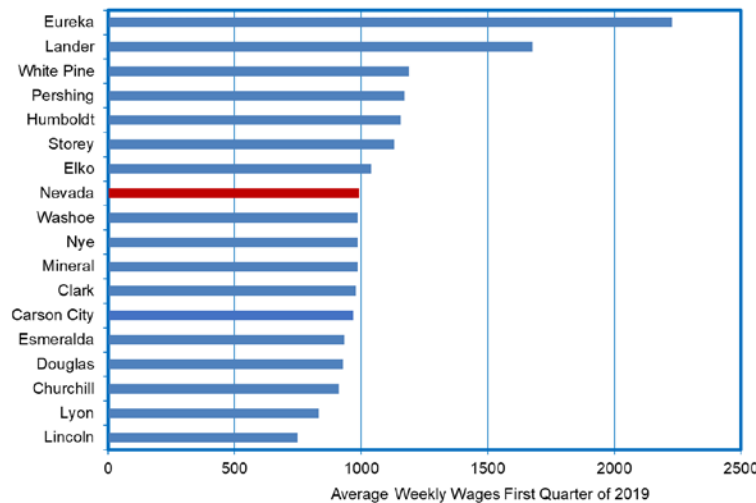
Research Notes



County Weekly Wages 2019:IQ
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Eureka/Lander/White Pine Pay the Highest Average Weekly Wages; Douglas Realizes Highest Rate of Growth



- In the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program, the Research and Analysis Bureau collects and compiles employment and wage data for workers covered by Nevada unemployment insurance laws, and federal civilian workers covered by Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees.
- Based upon this information, Nevada wages averaged \$992 per week for the first quarter of 2019. This is a 1.5 percent increase relative to the same period in 2018. Weekly wages range from \$750 (Lincoln) to \$2230 (Eureka). Seven counties have payrolls above \$1,000 per week. In six of the seven counties this is likely attributable to a relatively high concentration of mining employment. In Storey County, manufacturing contributes strongly to the relatively high wages.
- As for Nevada's major population centers, Carson City wages averaged \$969 per week for the first quarter of 2019. Washoe County, at \$986, came in just below the statewide average. Clark County was slightly below State average at \$978 per week.
- Change in weekly wages range from -5.4% (Eureka) to 9.0% (Douglas). 14 of 17 counties experienced an increase in average weekly wages in this year's first quarter. The increase in wages in Douglas County is due to wage increases in Professional, Scientific, Technical Services. The decrease in wages in Eureka is most likely attributable to decreased mining employment and a slight decrease in wages paid in that industry.
- As for Nevada's major population centers, Carson City grew at a rate faster than the Silver State at 3.5%. Washoe County experienced a wage increase higher than the statewide average at three percent. Wages in Clark County grew at a rate lower than that of the Silver State at 0.8%.

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- The following table shows the growth in average weekly wages for the last five years (2014 to 2019). Statewide, the average weekly wage has grown by 14.4%. Four Counties (Douglas, Mineral, Pershing, and Storey) rank in the top five in terms of wage growth in both time period (first quarter of 2018 to first quarter of 2019 and first quarter of 2014 to first quarter of 2019).

Average Weekly Wage Growth				
First Quarter 2014 to First Quarter 2019				
Area	2014	2019	5 Year Trend	Percentage
Storey	793	1130		42.5%
Mineral	816	986		20.8%
Douglas	781	928		18.8%
Pershing	988	1171		18.5%
White Pin	1011	1188		17.5%
Churchill	784	911		16.2%
Washoe	856	986		15.2%
Lyon	723	832		15.1%
Lincoln	653	748		14.5%
Nevada	867	992		14.4%
Clark	856	978		14.3%
Carson Cit	862	969		12.4%
Elko	924	1038		12.3%
Lander	1512	1677		10.9%
Humboldt	1055	1156		9.6%
Eureka	2050	2227		8.6%
Nye	949	986		3.9%
Esmeralda	1104	933		-15.5%

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