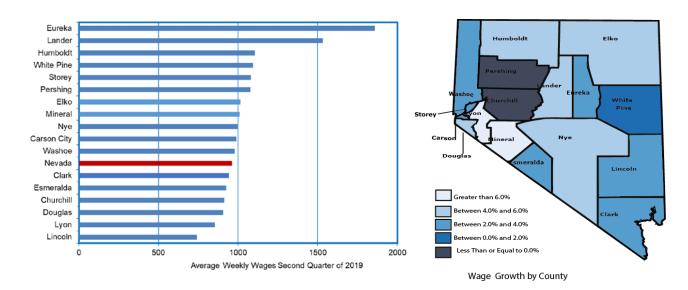
## **Research Notes**



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Eureka/Lander/Humboldt Pay the Highest Average Weekly Wages; Lyon 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 \$961 per week for the second guarter of 2019. This is an increase 3.3 percent increase relative to the same period in 2018. Weekly wages range from \$740 (Lincoln) to \$1860 (Eureka). Eight counties have payrolls above \$1,000 per week. In six of the eight 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 \$989 per week for the second quarter of • 2019. Washoe County, at \$979, came in just above the statewide average. Clark County was slightly below State average at \$943 per week.
- Change in weekly wages range from -0.7% (Churchill) to 8.5 % (Lyon). 15 of 17 counties experienced an increase in average weekly wages in this year's second quarter. The increase in wages in Lyon County is due to wage increases in Utilities and Construction.
- 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 3.7 percent. Wages in Clark County grew at a rate higher than that of the Silver State at 3.1%.

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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 15.4%. Three Counties (Douglas, Lander, and Mineral) rank in the top five in terms of wage growth in both time period (second quarter of 2018 to second quarter of 2019 and second quarter of 2014 to second quarter of 2019).

Average Weekly Wage Growth				
Second Quarter 2014 to Second Quarter 2019				
Area	2014	2019	5 Year Trend	Percentage
Storey	775	1080		39.4%
Lander	1223	1532		25.3%
Mineral	835	1009		20.8%
Douglas	751	906		20.6%
Carson City	827	989		19.6%
Lyon	719	854	$\sim$	18.8%
Washoe	827	979	~	18.4%
Churchill	783	914		16.7%
Elko	873	1014		16.2%
Eureka	1605	1859		15.8%
Nevada	833	961		15.4%
Lincoln	643	741		15.2%
Pershing	936	1076		15.0%
White Pine	953	1093		14.7%
Clark	825	943	$\sim$	14.3%
Humboldt	970	1105		13.9%
Nye	887	996	~	12.3%
Esmeralda	972	925		-4.8%

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