2010 Census: Nevada Profile

Population Density by Census Tract

State Race Breakdown:
- Black or African American (8.1%)
- American Indian and Alaska Native (1.2%)
- Asian (7.2%)
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander (0.8%)
- Some other race (12.0%)
- Two or more races (4.7%)

Hispanic or Latino (of any race) makes up 26.5% of the state population.

Population by Sex and Age:
- Total Population: 2,700,551
- Hispanic or Latino makes up 26.5% of the state population.

Housing Tenure:
- Total Occupied Housing Units: 1,006,250
  - 58.8% Owner Occupied
  - 41.2% Renter Occupied

Average Household Size:
- Average Household Size of Owner-Occupied Units: 2.66 people
- Average Household Size of Renter-Occupied Units: 2.63 people

People per Square Mile by Census Tract:
- U.S. density is 88.4
- Nevada Population 1970 to 2010:
  - 2010: 2,700,551
  - 2000: 1,998,257
  - 1990: 1,201,833
  - 1980: 800,493
  - 1970: 488,738

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BASIC INFORMATION

Nevada

2010 Census Population: 2,700,551 (35th)
Land Area: 109,781.2 square miles (7th)
Density: 24.6 persons per square mile (42nd)
Capital: Carson City

Became a State: October 31, 1864 (36th)
Bordering States: Arizona, California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah
Abbreviation: NV
ANSI/ FIPS Code: 32

HISTORY

The United States acquired the area of Nevada from Mexico in 1848. Nevada Territory was organized from the western part of Utah Territory on March 2, 1861. The territory added area along the eastern boundary from Utah Territory in 1862. Nevada was admitted to the Union on October 31, 1864, as the 36th state. In 1866, additional territory on the east and southeast was added from Utah and Arizona territories, and the state assumed generally the same boundary as the present state.

Although the territory had not yet been legally established, census data for Nevada are available beginning with the 1860 census. The 1860 census population is for the area of present- day Nevada formed from Utah Territory. (The portion of present- day Nevada, then in New Mexico Territory, was not enumerated in 1860.) The population of the entire legally established Utah Territory (of which the area of Nevada was a part) in 1860 was 47,130. For an explanation of the revision to the 1870 population of Nevada, see Richard L. Forstall, Population of States and Counties of the United States: 1790-1990, Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1996, page 104.

Data for the legally established state of Nevada are available beginning with the 1870 census.

AMERICAN INDIAN AREAS

Nevada has 28 federally recognized American Indian areas. There are 27 reservations, four with off-reservation trust land. There is also one trust land.

METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITIAN STATISTICAL AREAS AND RELATED STATISTICAL AREAS

Nevada has three metropolitan statistical areas, five micropolitan statistical areas, and three combined statistical areas.

COUNTIES

There are 17 counties and equivalents in Nevada. There are 16 counties, each governed by a board of county commissioners. Carson City is an independent city that is a functioning governmental unit at the place level and a county equivalent.

COUNTY SUBDIVISIONS

There are 71 county subdivisions in Nevada. They are all census county divisions (CCDs), which are delineated for statistical purposes, have no legal function, and are not governmental units.

PLACES

Nevada has 129 places; 19 incorporated places and 110 census designated places (CDPs). There are 18 cities and 1 place with no legal descriptor, Carson City.