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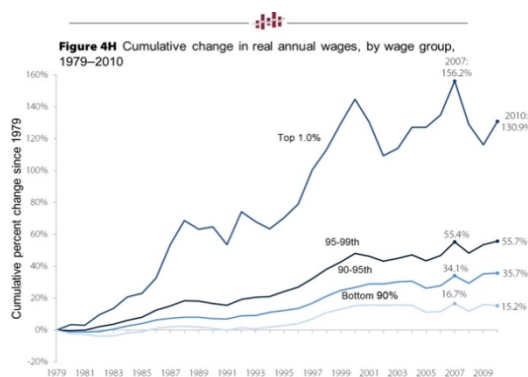
January 2013

Reports & Resources

Income Inequality in America

[The Atlantic](#) | [READ STORY](#)

The Atlantic synthesizes data derived from the EPI's *State of Working America* report, demonstrating the complexity of the ongoing economic crisis. Key points of the income inequality crisis, the effects of which are felt most saliently by the middle class, are shown through a series of annotated charts.



Rural Medical Workers

[Daily Yonder](#) | [READ STORY](#)

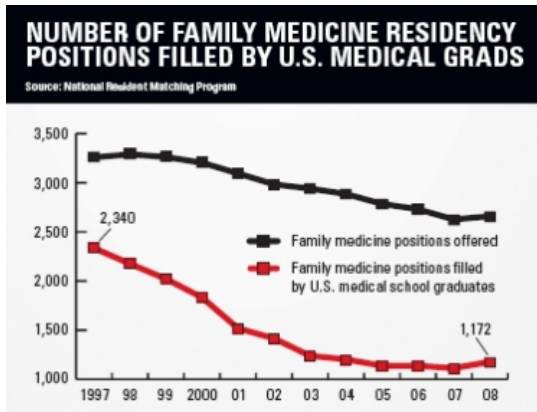
The Daily Yonder investigates the relation between overspecialization in the United States medical field and inadequate provision of general health services to rural and exurban areas, encouraging increased emphasis on the value of medical generalization.

President's Corner

Happy New Year! As a reminder, the National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals ([NACDEP](#)), in partnership with the Joint Council of Extension Professionals invites you to submit an abstract to present at the 2013 Galaxy IV Conference, held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania September 16-20, 2013. The deadline is January 10, 2013.

The [2013 Community Development Society Conference](#) will be held July 20-24, 2013 in Charleston, South Carolina, USA. [The Call for Abstracts](#) provides all the details; the deadline is Feb. 15, 2013

-Paul Lachapelle
MACDEP President

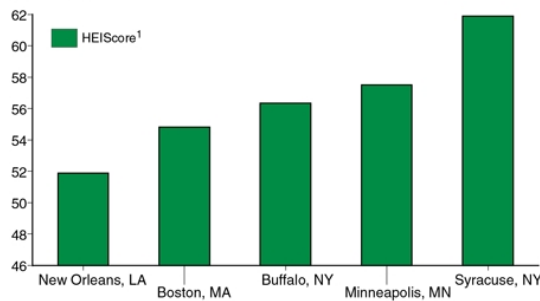


Dietary Health and Consumer Choices

USDA | [READ STORY](#)

This study by the USDA evaluates the healthfulness of American consumer choices, concluding that, though differences across key demographics are insignificant, all demographics fall short of the levels of healthfulness recommended by the Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

Food purchase healthfulness for selected geographic markets, 1998-2006



¹HEIScore is calculated via the application of the methodology of the 2005 Healthy Eating Index to the Nielsen Homescan quarterly household shopping baskets. It is a score intended to measure the extent to which the foods that households purchase, in aggregate, conform to the recommendations of USDA's MyPyramid and the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans*.
Source: USDA, Economic Research Service calculations using Nielsen Homescan data.

Government Responsibility

Pew Social Trends | [READ STORY](#)

Nearly six-in-ten Americans (57%) say government has a responsibility to take care of those who cannot take care of themselves. Do these views vary depending on whether the respondent has personally benefited from a

Upcoming Events

Disasters and Environment: Science, Preparedness, and Resilience

January 15-17, 2013
Washington, DC
Sponsor: National Council for Science and the Environment

12th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference

February 7-9, 2013
Kansas City, MO
Sponsor: Local Government Commission

Beyond the Boundaries: Creating Innovation Through Regional Collaboration

July 20-24, 2013
Charleston, SC
Sponsor: Community Development Society

2013 Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting

August 6-9, 2013
New York, NY
Sponsor: Rural Sociological Society

NACDEP Galaxy IV

September 15-22, 2013
Pittsburgh, PA
Sponsor: Joint Council of Extension Professionals

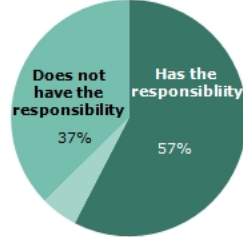
Grants, Awards & Jobs

Rural Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing Grants

government entitlement program? According to this new report, these data suggest the answer is yes.

Most Say Government Should Care for Needy

% who say the government ... to care for those who cannot take care of themselves



Note: Based on total sample, N=2,511. "Don't know/Refused" responses shown but not labeled.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER Q6

Deadline: January 22, 2013
Funder: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Youth Education Program Grants

Deadline: February 1, 2013
Funder: American Honda Foundation

Higher Education Challenge Grants Program

Deadline: February 8, 2013
Funder: U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

College Scholarship Program

Deadline: March 1, 2013
Funder: Foundation for Rural Service (FRS)

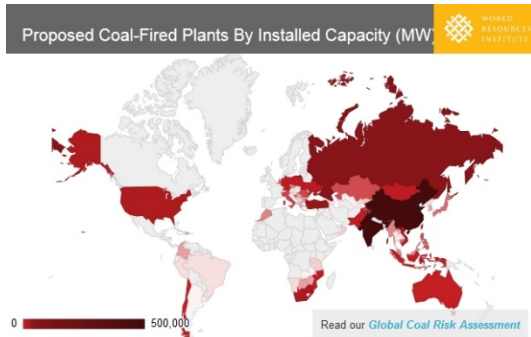
Preservation and Access Education and Training Grants

Deadline: May 1, 2013
Funder: National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

The Impact of Climate Change

WRI Insights | [READ STORY](#)

This article evaluates the combined import of new analyses by the WRI suggesting the likelihood of a 4 degree Celsius increase in world temperature during the next century, and a recent report by the World Bank examining the possible effects of such a change.



E-book and Print Reading

Pew Internet | [READ STORY](#)

The number of Americans age 16 and older who read e-books increased by 7% in the last year, and those in the same demographic reading print books fell by 6%. Pew

National/International News

Major Detroit Development Bills Passed

Detroit Free Press; December 19

CO Receives \$43M for Kids' Medicaid

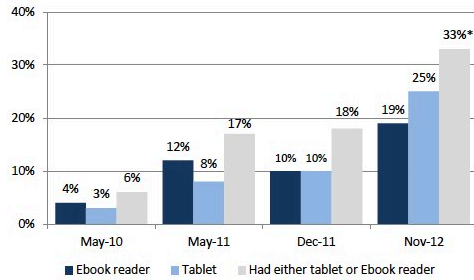
Denver Post; December 19

Increasing Young Adult Homelessness

New York Times; December 18

Internet analyzes the recent movement away from physical books toward digital reading devices.

E-reading device ownership
% of Americans who own e-book readers, tablet computers, or at least one of those devices



Source: Most recent data from Pew Research Center Internet & American Life Project Library Services survey, October 15-November 10, 2012. N=2,252 Americans ages 16 and older. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish and on landline and cell phones. Margin of error is +/- 2.3 percentage points for the total sample.
* Surveys for December 2011 and November 2012 involved those ages 16 and older. Previous samples were of adults age 18 and older.

Bridge Crew Responsible for WA Fire

Seattle Times; December 17

Natural Gas/Diesel Plant to Open in LA

New York Times; December 17

Montana News

MT Population Exceeds 1 Mil

Missoulian; December 24

State Wins Dispute Over Coal Tax

Billings Gazette; December 20

Landowners Protest Milk River Ranch Buyout

Billings Gazette; December 20

Ranchers to See Record Cattle Year

Great Falls Tribune; December 20

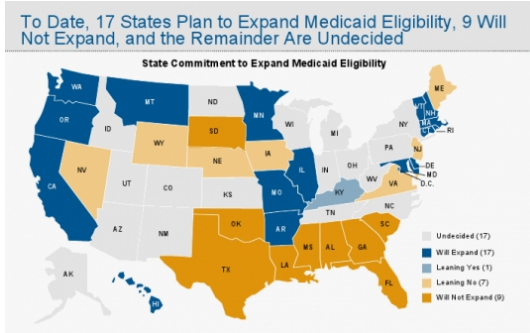
New Pipeline from TX to WY and MT

Star Tribune; December 19

Medicaid and Rural Health

Daily Yonder | [READ STORY](#)

Rural areas of the United States evince some of the highest numbers of U.S. uninsured, and many of these would receive significant benefits from expanded Medicaid coverage. This article, from the Daily Yonder, evaluates the impact-potential of gubernatorial decisions concerning federal support for expansion to Medicaid provisions.



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