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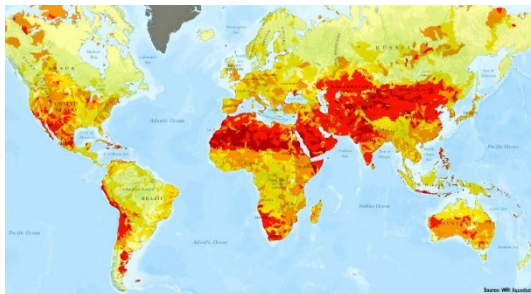
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Reports & Resources

Global Water Security

[WRI Insights](#) | [READ STORY](#)

The World Resource Institute has launched the new aqueduct water resource mapping tool. This brief introductory article provides information on the tool, as well as a few immediate conclusions--highlighting the scope, complexity, and immediacy of water stress--drawn from the data presented therein.



Farm Households and Tax Reform

[USDA](#) | [READ STORY](#)

In this report, included in the most recent edition of Amber Waves, the USDA tracks the potential influence of federal income tax reform on farm households, arguing that proposed changes to tax code could have significant effects on those operating farms, especially larger farms.

President's Corner

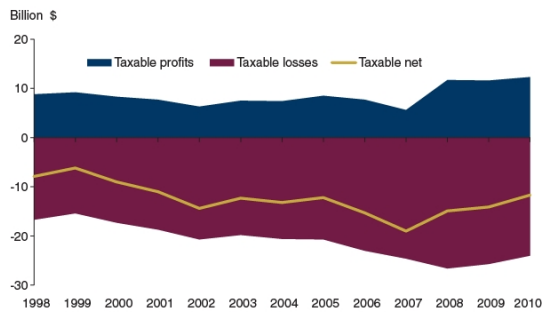
Our new Montana State University Community Foundation education project is off and running; we have developed an initial [website](#) and we are in the process of hiring a new Project Director. Working in collaboration with the [Montana Community Foundation](#), and the [Anaconda Local Development Corporation](#), and with financial assistance from [USDA Rural Development](#), our goals are to develop and offer tools, training, and mentoring to community foundations across Montana. Stay tuned for more information about upcoming trainings and resources.

Also, the [MSU Local Government Center](#) is organizing a new webinar series titled "Community Responses to Energy Development;" [download the](#)

[flyer.](#)

-Paul Lachapelle
MACDEP President

Net farm loss reported by farm sole proprietors has increased over the last decade

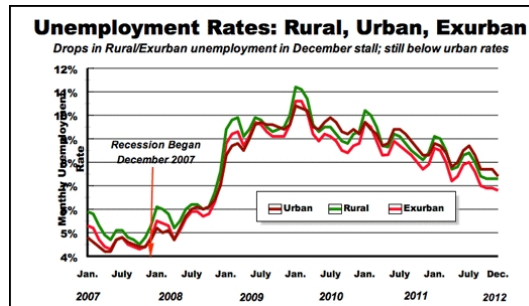


Source: USDA, Economic Research Service using data from the Internal Revenue Service.

Rural Unemployment Update

Daily Yonder | [READ STORY](#)

Rural unemployment has been steadily decreasing since 2010, and this trend continued through most of 2012. The Daily Yonder observes that, though unemployment numbers vary widely between states and counties, the drop in rural and exurban unemployment came to a general halt in December of 2012.



Municipal Bankruptcy

Governing | [READ STORY](#)

Although many local governments continue to struggle with post-recession budget-balancing, this article claims that Chapter 9 municipal bankruptcy--often forecasted to play a major role in the new municipal landscape--is far less common than many would think.

Upcoming Events

National Main Street Conference

April 14-16, 2013
New Orleans, LA
Sponsor: National Trust for Historic Preservation

Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences

June 19-22, 2013
Pittsburgh, PA
Sponsor: AESS

National Rural Assembly 2013

June 23-26, 2013
Washington D. C. Metro Area
Sponsor: National Rural Assembly

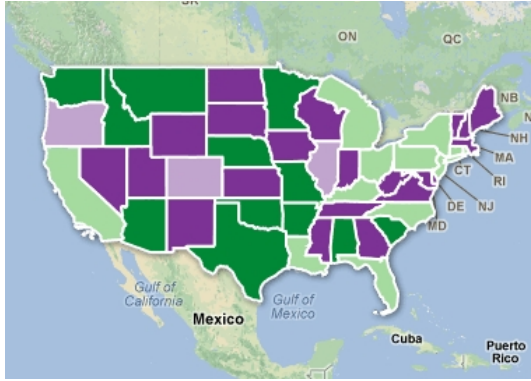
Northwest Community Development Institute

July 8-12, 2013
Boise, ID
Sponsor: Idaho Department of Commerce

Beyond the Boundaries: Creating Innovation Through Regional Collaboration

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

NACDEP Galaxy IV

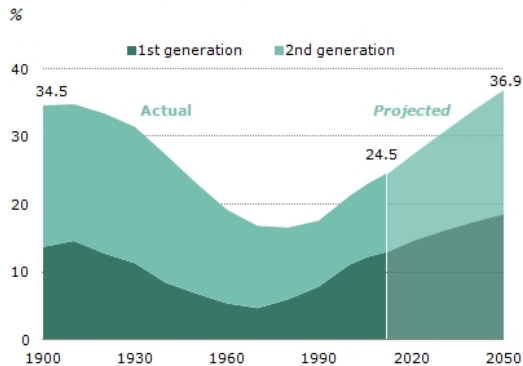


Second Generation America

Pew Research | [READ STORY](#)

This report, presented by the Pew Research Center, investigates the differences between first and second generation immigrants to the United States with respect to educational opportunity, economic success, and shared values, showing that second-generation individuals are significantly better off than their first-generation counterparts.

First- and Second-Generation Share of the Population, Actual and Projected, 1900-2050



Notes: Based on total population, including children and adults.
 Source: 2000-2012 data and all second-generation data from Pew Research Center analysis of Current Population surveys, Integrated Microdata Sample (IPUMS) files; Pew Hispanic Center projections for 2020 to 2050 from Passel and Cohn (2008); historical trend from Passel and Cohn (2008) and Edmonston and Passel (1994)

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Rental Housing in the U.S.

The Atlantic Cities | [READ STORY](#)

Demand for rental housing has been forecasted to increase markedly during the next decade. The data

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

Grants, Awards & Jobs

Cities Combating Hunger through Afterschool and Summer Meal Programs

Deadline: March 25, 2013
 Funder: National League of
 Cities (NLC)

National Farmworker Jobs Program Grants

Deadline: April 2, 2013
 Funder: Employment and
 Training Administration,
 Department of Labor

Better Health and Living Initiative Grant Program

Deadline: April 19, 2013
 Funder: WellPoint Foundation

Drug-Free Communities Mentoring Program

Deadline: April 23, 2013
 Funder: Substance Abuse &
 Mental Health Services
 Administration (SAMHSA)

Farm to School Grant Program

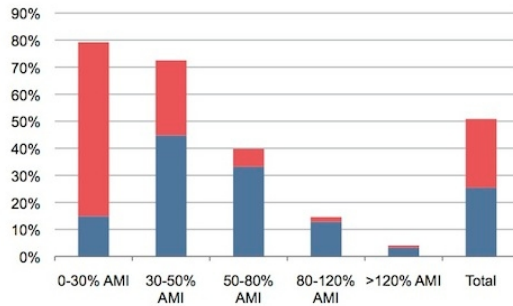
Deadline: April 24, 2013
 Funder: Food & Nutrition
 Service, USDA

Grant to Support Science or Math Education: K-5 Teachers

Deadline: September 10, 2013
 Funder: Toshiba America
 Foundation

presented in this article by The Atlantic Cities demonstrates some of the difficulties facing the U.S. housing market given this projected convergence of cross-demographic demand.

Chart 4-1: Housing Cost Burdens Among U.S. Renters, 2009

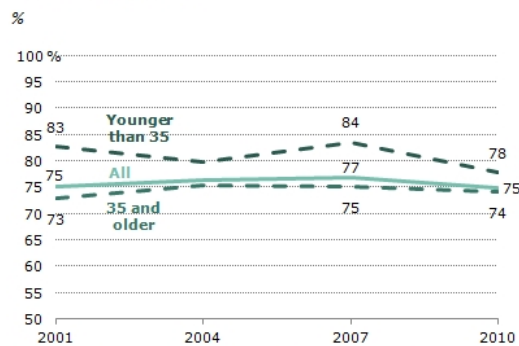


Young Adult Debt and Capital

Pew Research | [READ STORY](#)

During the recent recession, young adults incurred significantly less debt, and rid themselves of more, than did older generations. Median debt in households headed by adults younger than 35 decreased by 29% between 2007 and 2010, compared to an 8% decrease in households headed by adults over 35.

Share of Households with Any Debt, by Age of Head, 2001-2010



Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of Survey of Consumer Finances data
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Hispanic Growth and Higher Incomes

Daily Yonder | [READ STORY](#)

After School Advantage Program

Deadline: Rolling
Funder: GTECH

National/International News

Eminent Domain Alterations in WY

Star Tribune; February 27

Solar Energy Boom in CA Agricultural County

Los Angeles Times; February 27

Oil Drops to \$92 a Barrel

Calgary Herald; February 26

US Feedlots Facing Crunch After Drought

Edmonton Journal; February 24

Drought Forecasted to Persist in 2013

Los Angeles Times; February 21

Montana News

Cleanup Beginning on Clark Fork River

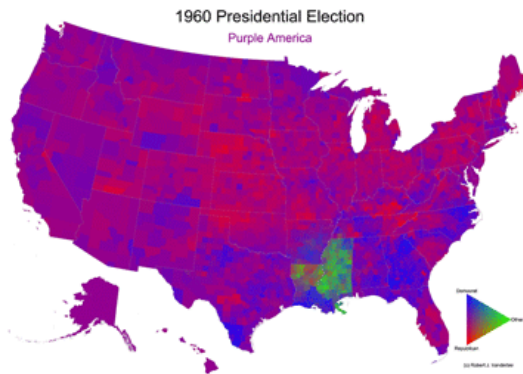
Montana Standard; February 27

Senate Hopes to Protect Environmental Tipsters

Billings Gazette; February 26

Eminent Domain Rollback Backed by Senate

The Daily Yonder reports on a new study by the Economic Research Service, showing that Hispanic populations have seen substantial growth in rural areas during the past decade, and that rural economies have benefited from this growth, seeing faster income per capita growth strongly correlated with strong increases in the size of rural Hispanic populations.



Flathead Beacon; February 26

Former Governor Targets Stillwater Mine

Flathead Beacon; February 25

Bison Plans Challenged by Senate

Ravalli Republic; February 24



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