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## Reports & Resources

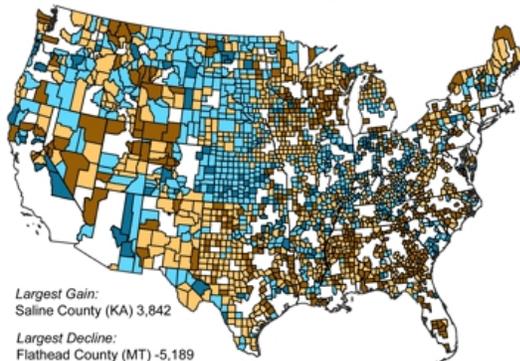
### Growth in the Great Plains

Daily Yonder | [READ STORY](#)

The Daily Yonder evaluates data presented in a recent report by the National Agricultural and Rural Development Policy Center, showing that although the Great Plains experienced higher than average unemployment rates prior to the Great Recession, recent trends show an inversion of this, with lower than average unemployment rates in many Great Plains counties.

#### Who's Gaining Jobs In Rural America?

Job Losses and Gains From June '09 to June '10 in Rural Counties



**Job Gains or Losses: June '09 to June '10**

- Major Job Losses: -500 to -5,189
- Job Losses: -1 to -500
- Job Gains: 0 to 499
- Major Job Gains: 500 to 3,842

### President's Corner

We are planning two training events for our new Montana State University [Community Foundation Education Program](#); May 14 in Bozeman and May 30 in Glendive, MT for Extension faculty and select foundation board members. We would like to welcome **Rea Lynn Hays** as the new Project Director; great to be working with you again, Rea Lynn!

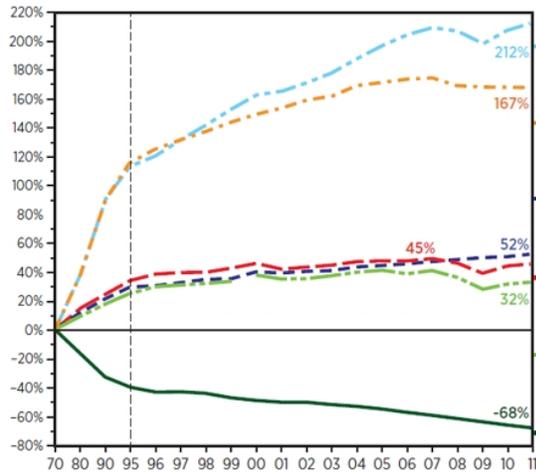
Rea Lynn will also be joined by Cathy Cooney from the Montana Community Foundation for a FREE Webinar sponsored by the North Central Regional Center for Rural Development and USDA-Rural Development titled "The Foundation: A Key Player in Rural Development" on May 7 at 10am Mountain Time. [Registration](#) is required.

The [Local Government Extension Training](#) (LGET) group will host a FREE

## State of the Air 2013

### American Lung Association | [READ STORY](#)

State of the Air 2013 presents a number of maps, charts, and graphs showcasing nation-wide research into city-by-city air quality, showing that a number of Montana cities and counties with surprisingly low scores. On the whole, however, the study shows decreasing ozone and particle pollution and increasing air quality in the United States.



## Uneven Economic Recovery

### Pew Social Trends | [READ STORY](#)

The Pew Research Center's inquiry into income and wealth during the 2009-2011 period shows that the wealthiest 7% of the country's earners gained 28% net worth per household, while the lower 93% decreased in the same area by 4%. The report evaluates the data, claiming that uneven improvements across markets may be responsible for the disparate areas of recovery.

webinar titled "The Ohio Local Government Leadership Academy" by Joseph Lucente, Ohio State University Extension. More information available at the [LGET webinar](#) page.

-Paul Lachapelle  
MACDEP President

## Upcoming Events

### ALIA Institute

June 16-21, 2013  
Halifax, Nova Scotia, CA  
Sponsor: ALIA

### 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

### Central Community Development Institute

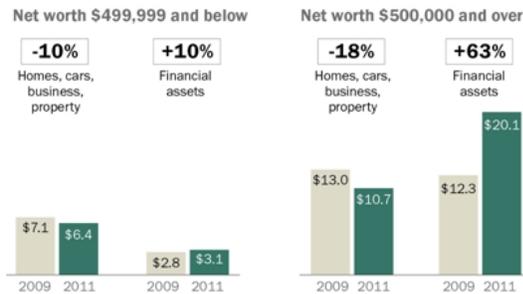
July 29-August 2, 2013  
Conway, AR  
Sponsor: University of Central Arkansas

### Midwest Community Development Institute

August 5-8, 2013  
Moline, IL  
Sponsor: Community Development Institute

### Change in Aggregate Nonfinancial and Financial Assets of Households, 2009 and 2011

In trillions of 2011 dollars

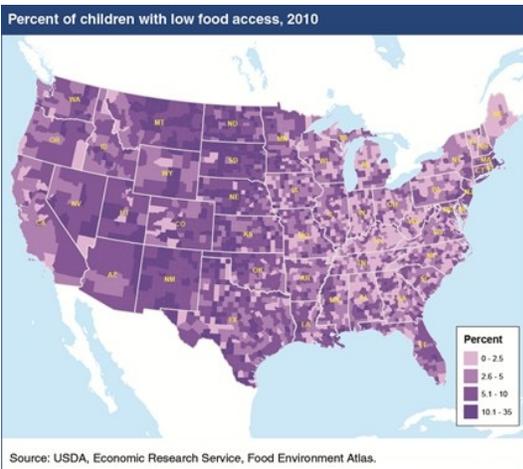


Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of Survey of Income and Program Participation wealth data  
PEW RESEARCH CENTER

## Children and Food Availability

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

This Chart of Note by the USDA's Economic Research Service shows that the number of children living in so-called *food deserts*--that is, living further than one mile from an affordable food provider--is quite low, affecting less than 10% of children age 17 or younger.



## Birth and Death in Rural America

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

Some rural counties now show more than 25% foreign-born populations, signifying a broader increase in immigration to rural areas. Although foreign-born populations in rural and exurban areas still remains lower than in urban or metropolitan areas, the rate of

## Grants, Awards & Jobs

### Flex Rural Veterans Health Access Program

Deadline: May 17, 2013  
Funder: Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA)

### Strategic Prevention Framework Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS)

Deadline: May 17, 2013  
Funder: Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

### FY 2013 National Girls Institute

Deadline: May 30, 2013  
Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

### Evidence for the Classroom

Deadline: June 11, 2013  
Funder: Spencer Foundation

### Fair Housing Initiative Program

Deadline: June 11, 2013  
Funder: Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

## National/International News

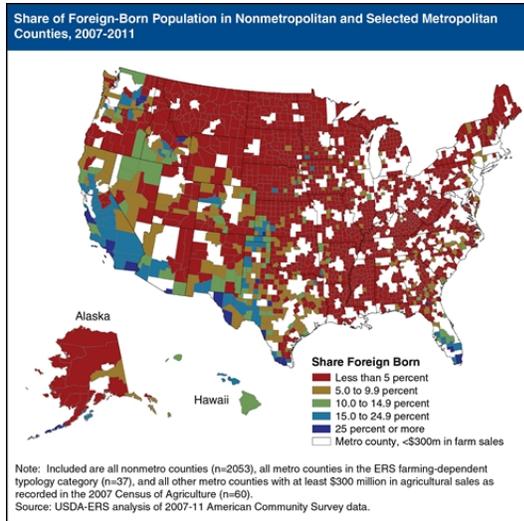
### KeystoneXL Delayed Several Months

Edmonton Journal; April 26

### Gray Wolves Dropped from Endangered List

Los Angeles Times; April 25

immigration to rural parts of the country has increased considerably since 1990.



## Pedestrian Deaths

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

The Atlantic provides a graph demonstrating the number of motor vehicle-related pedestrian deaths between 2001 and 2010. Over 47,000 pedestrians died from vehicle-related incidents during the period in question; 69% of these casualties were men, and rates are highest among low-income demographics, and people over 75.

## Rio Grande Affected by Drought

New Mexican; April 25

## New Community Agriculture Program in Utah

Salt Lake Tribune; April 23

## EPA Okayed to Veto Mining Permit

New York Times; April 23

## Montana News

### Baucus to Retire in 2014

Missoulian; April 28

### MT Organization Challenges Fracking Practices

Star Tribune; April 27

### Successful Flathead Job Fair

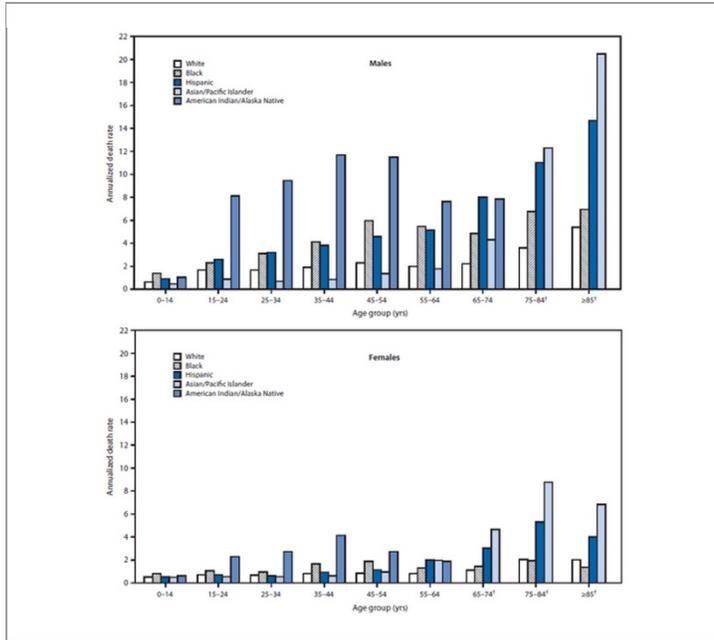
Flathead Beacon; April 24

### Early Season Wildfire Held to Four Acres

Helena; April 24

### Gov. Bullock Vetoes Six Bills

Missoulian; April 23



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