

Communities of Health

stats and facts about Nevada and Las Vegas

- Nevada's economic decline is the worst in the nation, at 7.6%
- Far fewer Nevada students graduate from high school than students in other states
- Nevada tops the national list of home foreclosures – one foreclosure for every 62 homes in October 2008
- Fatalities in Nevada involving high blood alcohol concentrations is 5.6% higher than the national average
- In Las Vegas, a city of 591,536:
 - 7% of people are unemployed
 - 11.9 % live below the poverty line
 - 10% do not have access to a car
- Las Vegas was recently named by Men's Fitness magazine as the "fattest city in America." Prevailing social and environmental conditions such as crushing commutes, lack of open space, excessive TV watching and extreme temperatures are all underlying causes as they are linked to the lack of physical activity and poor diet.
- In Ward 5 of Las Vegas, a district of 96,654:
 - 10.2% are unemployed
 - 18.7% live below the poverty line
 - 17% of residents do not have access to a car
- Until recently, residents of Ward 5 in Las Vegas had been without a full-service supermarket since August 2004



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