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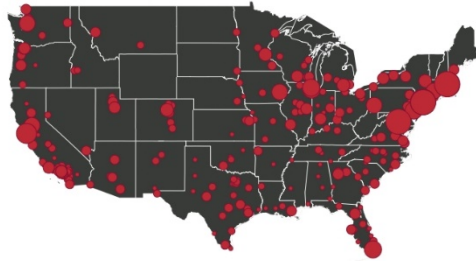
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Reports & Resources

Walking, Biking and Obesity

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This study of census and CDC health risk data draws a strong correlation between the practice of walking or biking to work and lower-than-average rates of obesity.



Effects of Immigration Policy on U.S. Agriculture

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Changes to immigration policy under consideration by policymakers may have significant effects on U.S. agriculture; this story explains possible implications.

President's Corner

The 2012 [NACDEP](#) and [CDS](#) Conferences took place in May and July with MACDEP members attending and presenting. Check out the websites for conference highlights and new Facebook pages for [CDS](#) and [NACDEP](#) for additional member communications.

Also, apologies for missing the July MACDEP E-newsletter; the first miss in 4 years but the busy summer necessitated this one-time break.

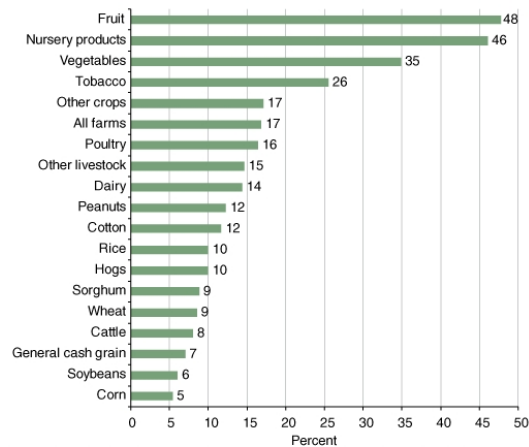
-Paul Lachapelle
MACDEP President

Upcoming Events

The Future of Workforce Development

September 19-20, 2012
Kansas City, MO
Sponsor: Federal Reserve
Bank of Kansas City

Hired labor accounts for a large share of production costs for some crops



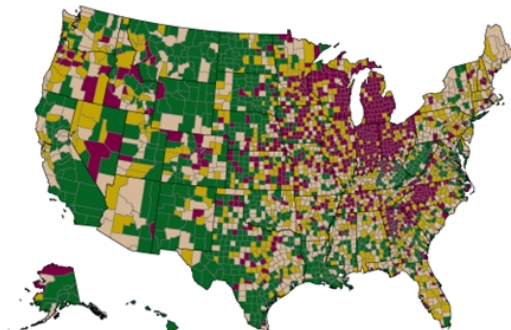
Source: USDA, Economic Research Service using data from USDA's 2006-10 Agricultural Resource Management Survey.

National Poverty Rate Increases

USDA | [READ STORY](#)

The overall U.S. poverty rate increased during the past decade, and many rural areas--particularly manufacturing areas in the Midwest and South--saw sharp increases.

Percent change in the poverty rate, 2000 to 2006-10



■ No change or decline
■ 1- to 15-percent increase
■ 15- to 30-percent increase
■ Above 30 percent

Source: USDA, Economic Research Service using data from the 2000 Census of Population and the 2006-2010 American Community Survey.

YouTube and Online News Viewership

Journalism.org | [READ STORY](#)

This evaluation of online video news coverage shows that online audiences--now a major force in news viewership--differ widely from traditional television news audiences.

International Economic Development Council

September 30-October 3, 2012
Houston, TX
Sponsor: IEDC

Under Western Skies 2

October 10-13, 2012
Calgary, AB, CA
Sponsor: Mount Royal University

NCDD Seattle: A National Gathering of Civic Innovators

October 12-14, 2012
Seattle, WA
Sponsor: Community Forums Network & Healthy Democracy

Northeast Conference on Public Administration

November 2-3, 2012
Boston, MA
Sponsor: UMass Boston, MassASP & Suffolk University

Grants, Awards & Jobs

Women Offenders: Developing an Agencywide Approach

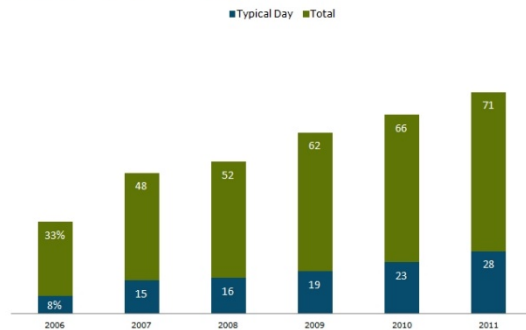
Deadline: August 15, 2012
Funder: National Institute of Corrections

Support for Projects That Are Led By and Benefit Women and Girls

Deadline: August 15, 2012
Funder: The Open Meadows Foundation

Shared Services Learning Community Grants

Use of Video-sharing Sites Over Time
 Percentage of internet users who visit video-sharing sites



Source: Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project
 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S PROJECT FOR EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM

Deadline: August 29, 2012
 Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)

Rural Health Fellows Program

Deadline: August 31, 2012
 Funder: National Rural Health Association (NRHA)

Community Grants Program

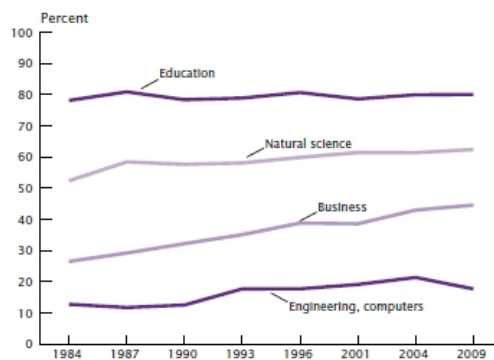
Deadline: October 31, 2012
 Funder: CVS Caremark

Male and Female Wages

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Data from a February 2012 study by the U.S. Census Bureau confirms that women employed full-time, in every field, across all education levels, are still paid less than their male counterparts.

Figure 4c.
Percentage Female for Selected Fields: 1984-2009
Bachelor's Degree
 (Population aged 18 and older with a bachelor's degree)



Note: Only selected fields displayed.
 Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Survey of Income and Program Participation, 1984, 1987, 1990, 1993, 1996, 2001, 2004, and 2008 Panels.

National/International News

New Program to Fight Rural Brain Drain

Education Week; July 18

Grizzlies Delisted by 2014

Flathead Beacon; July 23

Stark Resistance to Powder River Basin Coal Exports

High Country News; July 23

Food Stamps Spur Farm Bill Debate

Oregonian; July 22

Received Views on Forest Fires Challenged

RGJ; July 20

Rural and Urban Wages

Daily Yonder | [READ STORY](#)

The disparity in wages between rural and urban workers invites a lot of questions. Three economists show the most likely culprit to be a familiar one: rural brain drain.

Montana News

Wildfires Merge and Rage in Bob Marshall

Daily Interlake; July 31

Montana Lags on Children's Wellbeing

