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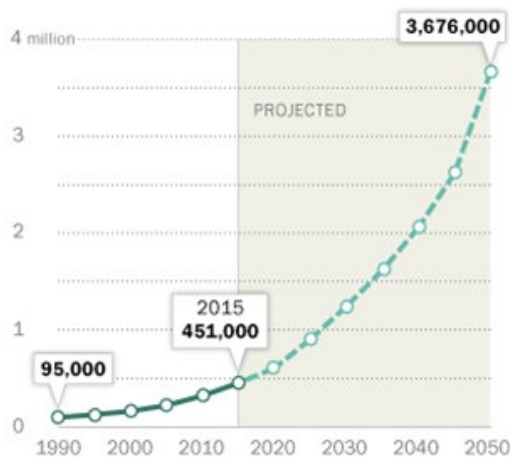
May 2016

## Reports & Resources

### World's Centenarian Population Projected to Grow Eightfold by 2050

**Pew Research | [READ STORY](#)**

While centenarians make up a small share of the world's older population, their proportion is growing. In 1990 there were 2.9 centenarians for every 10,000 adults ages 65 and older around the world. That share grew to 7.4 by 2015 and is projected to rise to 23.6 by 2050.



### President's Corner

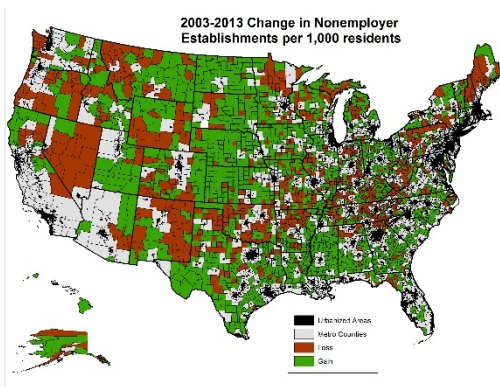
Congratulations to **MACDEP members Jennifer Anderson and Katie Weaver** for receiving 2016 NACDEP Awards; Jennifer earned honors in Excellence in Community Development - Western Region for her work with "The Community Foundation of Northern Rosebud County." Katie and her team earned honors in Excellence in Teamwork - Western Region for her work with "Leadership 49" Well-deserved recognition!

The Community Development Extension Initiative takes place May 23-25 in Jackson, WY. The Institute offers basic and advanced skill-building sessions, plus best practices sessions on community development programming. The complete schedule is available [here](#) and the

## "Gig Economy": While U.S. Gains, Rural Shows Net Loss

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

One national study finds that the proportion of "alternative work arrangements" like freelancing and self-employment is on the rise. But by one measurement, rural America's gig economy declined over a similar period. What's going on? Because of digital advancements, the "traditional" gig economy of contract workers, temps, freelancers, and other self-employed workers has converged with the sharing economy.



## Global Reservoir Storage Capacity

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Water storage, which helps buffer society against seasonal and annual fluctuations in precipitation, remains a critical and controversial question, especially as countries seek to adapt to climate change by adding new reservoirs. Most of the prime spots have already been dammed, but new reservoirs are still being proposed.

deadline for [registration](#) is May 6th.

Registration for the [2016 Joint International Conference: Community Development Society & the International Association for Community Development](#), July 23-27, Twin Cities, MN USA is now open. The conference will feature a [Plenary Panel](#) on the [UN's Sustainable Development Goals](#). Also, updated information has been posted on the [2016 ANREP/NACDEP Conference](#) website.

I missed the April MACDEP E-news because of my involvement with the [International Association for Community Development](#) Practice Exchange in India and Nepal; our next publication of the [IACD Practice Insights](#) will have stories from many of the 18 participants on the people and places we visited in South Asia. Stay tuned for more info.

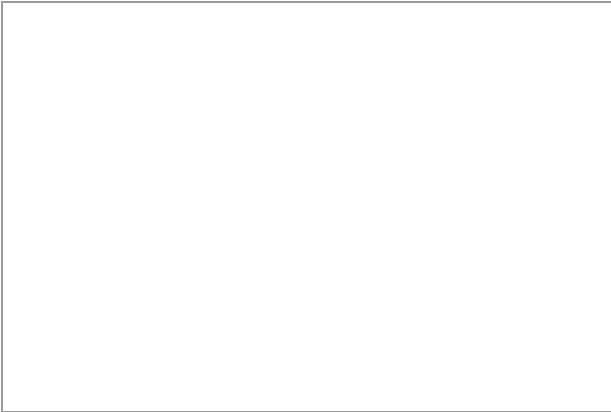
-Paul Lachapelle  
MACDEP President

### Upcoming Events

#### Growing Entrepreneurial Communities Summit

May 4-5, 2016  
Kansas City, MO  
Sponsor: Center for Rural Entrepreneurship

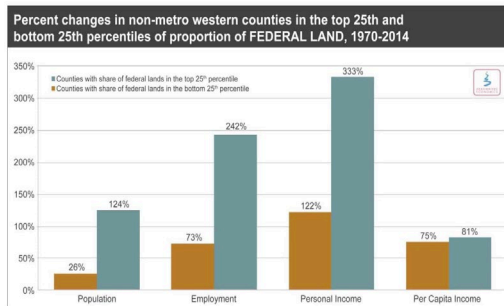
[Community Development Extension Institute](#)



## Counties with More Federal Land Fare Better, Study Says

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As the West debates federal lands policy, a new report questions the assertion that federal lands hurt local economies. Instead, Headwaters Economics finds that more federal land in a county correlates with larger populations and more jobs.



\*All income figures in this analysis adjusted for inflation.

## Mapped: The global coal trade

Crabon Brief | [READ STORY](#)

The global coal trade doubled in the decade to 2012 as a coal-fueled boom took hold in Asia. Now, the coal trade seems to have stalled, or even gone into reverse. This change of fortune has devastated the coal mining industry, with Peabody - the world's largest private coal-mining company - the latest of 50 US firms to file for bankruptcy. It could also be a turning

May 22-24, 2016  
Jackson, WY  
Sponsor: Western Rural Development Center

### 2016 NACDEP/ANREP CONFERENCE

June 26-29, 2016  
Burlington, VT  
Sponsor: NACDEP / ANREP

### Joint IACD/CDS International Conference

July 24-27, 2016  
Bloomington, MN  
Sponsor: IACD / CDS

### Grants, Awards & Jobs

#### Rural Community Investment

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: CHS, Inc.

#### Community Building Grants

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: Singing for Change

#### Sports and Community Development

Deadline: Open  
Funder: Adidas Group

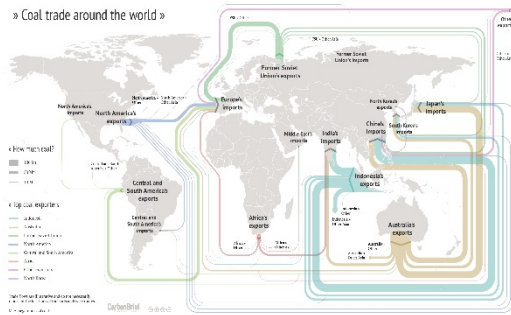
#### Developing Healthy Places

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: The Kresge Foundation

### National/International News

#### Italian, Chinese Police Forces Coordinate in Rome

point for the climate, with the continued burning of coal the biggest difference between business-as-usual emissions and avoiding dangerous climate change. Carbon Brief has produced a series of maps and interactive charts to show how the global coal trade is changing.



## When Could the Paris Agreement Take Effect? Interactive Map Sheds Light

[World Resources Institute](#) | [READ STORY](#)

The Paris Agreement Tracker enables people to monitor countries' progress toward ratifying the Paris Agreement, and allows users to create their own combinations for bringing it into force.

## Global Military Spending Rises to \$1.7 Trillion

[Belfast Telegraph](#) | [READ STORY](#)

The Guardian, May 4th

### EU Plans Sanctions for Refusing Refugees

BBC News, May 4th

### E.U. Plans Visa-Free Travel for Turks

NY Times, May 4th

### Russia Hopes for Syria Cease-Fire

USA Today, May 3rd

### Alberta Fire Causes Thousands to Flee

CNN, May 4th

## Montana News

### Montana Ranch Group Sues USDA

Billings Gazette, May 4th

### Montana Pollen Season Starts Early

NBC Montana, May 3rd

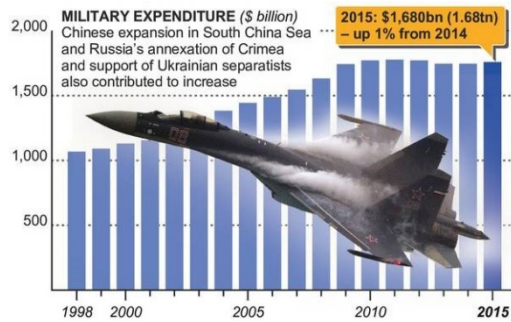
### Billings Meets Air Pollution Standards

Great Falls Tribune, May 3rd

### Group Opposes Glacier Park Helicopter Tours

The Missoulian, May 3rd

Global military spending rose in 2015 to nearly \$1.7 trillion, the first increase since 2011, driven by Middle East conflicts including the battle against the Islamic State, the Saudi-led war in Yemen, and fears about Iran.



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