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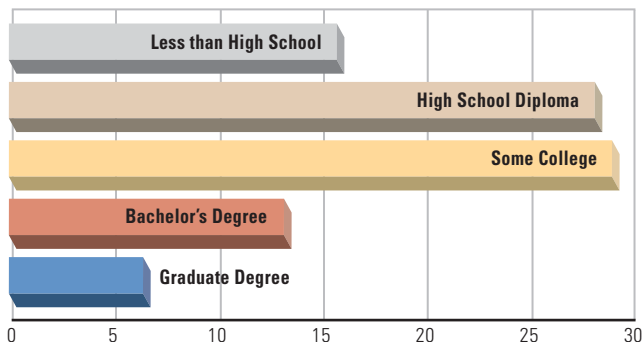


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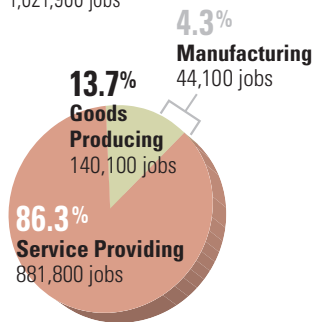
Governor: Jim Gibbons (R) expand2nevada.com
Population 2009: 2,605,714 **Population growth forecast 2009-2013: 15.42%** **Median household income: \$56,562**

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment

1,021,900 jobs



Employment by Majority-Owned U.S. Affiliates of Foreign Firms in 2007: **34,300**
 Percent of Total State Employment: **2.9**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$13.79**
 Right-to-work state? **YES**

U.S. Recovery Act Highlight:
 Nev. Dept. of Bus. and Industry
\$39.8 million

Legislative Update

- The legislature approved a bill that encourages renewable energy development, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and requires state buildings to adopt energy and water efficiency standards. At least 25 percent of electricity sold to consumers by energy companies must be from renewable sources by 2025, and car dealers are required to disclose the amount of carbon dioxide emitted by cars starting with 2012 models.

- The bill also makes it easier for renewable energy companies to come to Nevada by allowing more utility companies to sidestep part of a lengthy permitting process.
- The legislature rejected a plan by the governor to merge the Nevada Commission on Economic Development and the Commission on Tourism.