



INFORMATION ABOUT

Clark County Quality of Life

Clark County Public Safety

	Population	Clark County Crime Rate	Western States Crime Rate*	National Crime Rate
2008	1,954,319	4.88**	N/A	N/A
2007	1,954,319	47.34	N/A	N/A
2006	1,874,837	50.89	39.98	38.35
2005	1,796,380	50.59	42.94	39.28
2004	1,715,337	50.53	44.04	40.11

Source: State of Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety. Crime rate based on the occurrence of an index offense per 1,000 residents of the area. *Western States consist of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. **Yearly total as of January 2008.

Climate

Monthly Temperature (F)

	2005	2006*	2007*	Average
January	51.4	50.2	46.0	49.2
February	53.1	53.8	54.6	53.8
March	60.0	55.1	64.4	59.8
April	65.7	66.6	70.5	67.6
May	78.9	81.0	80.4	80.1
June	85.0	90.5	89.5	88.3
July	95.3	94.6	95.4	95.1
August	89.6	91.0	92.5	91.0
September	82.0	80.9	82.7	81.9
October	70.4	67.7	69.7	69.3
November	59.3	58.4	60.9	59.5
December	49.1	47.4	45.2	47.2
Average	70.0	69.8	71.0	70.2

Source: Nevada Climate Summaries and *National Weather Service Forecast Office, Las Vegas McCarran Airport

Housing

Housing Availability

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2006, there were 756,217 housing units in Clark County. 665,509 are occupied and 90,708 are vacant. The homeowner vacancy rate is 3.5% and the rental vacancy rate is 9.3%.

Housing Value

Year	Owner-Occupied Units	< \$99,999		\$100,000 - \$199,999		\$200,000 - \$499,999		\$500,000 - \$999,999		\$1,000,000 +	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
2006	402,947	21,907	5.4	42,906	10.6	270,062	67.0	58,537	14.5	9,535	2.4
2005	379,281	25,300	6.7	71,363	18.8	229,178	60.4	48,122	12.7	5,318	1.4
2004	369,326	43,123	11.7	133,403	36.1	161,192	43.6	27,720	7.5	3,888	1.1
2003	307,028	18,793	6.1	185,789	60.5	92,864	30.2	8,482	2.8	1,100	0.4
2002	274,898	21,844	7.9	183,269	66.7	62,891	22.9	5,892	2.1	1,002	0.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey

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Housing (con't)

NAHB-Wells Fargo Housing Opportunity Index (HOI)

Metro Area	Shares of Homes Affordable for Median Income	Median Family Income (000s)	Median Sales Price (000s)	National Affordability Ranking	Regional Affordability Ranking
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV	46.2	63.9	245	163	26
Albuquerque, NM MSA	59.4	58.0	196	118	12
Boise City-Nampa, ID	47.9	60.9	225	157	21
Denver-Aurora, CO	65.5	71.8	211	95	7
Flagstaff, AZ	35.2	56.7	263	186	39
Great Falls, MT	71.9	51.9	151	74	2
Oakland-Fremont-Hayward, CA	32.4	86.1	400	194	45
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA	39.4	67.5	269	180	35
Reno-Sparks, NV	47.6	69.5	261	158	22
Salt Lake City, UT	46.5	65.3	256	160	24
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA	32.9	81.4	367	193	44

Source: National Association of Home Builders, first quarter 2008

Housing Comparison

City	2 Bedroom Apartment Rental** <i>cost per month</i>	3 Bedroom Home Price*
Las Vegas, NV	\$867	\$415,272
Phoenix, AZ	\$804	\$310,313
Oakland, CA	\$1,540	\$681,400
Denver, CO	\$814	\$347,275
Idaho Falls, ID	\$623	\$254,900
Missoula, MT	\$725	\$302,050
Albuquerque, NM	\$778	\$307,027
Portland, OR	\$864	\$422,157
Salt Lake City, UT	\$788	\$304,356
Seattle, WA	\$1,464	\$445,920
Cheyenne, WY	\$713	\$328,58

Source: ACCRA Cost of Living Index, first quarter 2008

*2,400 sq. ft. living area new house, 8,000 sq. ft. lot, urban area with all utilities

**Two bedroom, unfurnished, excluding all utilities except water, 1 1/2 or 2 baths, 950 sq. ft.

Apartment Information

Apartment Type	Vacancy Rate (%)	Mean Rental Rate*
Studio	7.0	\$597.93
1 Bedroom	4.4	\$753.01
2 Bedroom	5.4	\$899.03
3 Bedroom	6.3	\$1,096.96

*As of June 2007

Source: 2nd Quarter 2007 Annual Apartment Survey provided by the Nevada Housing Division

Traffic

	Average Commute Time	# of Vehicles per Household*	% of Work Done at Home	Rating for Mass Transit*
Clark County	24.3 minutes	1.15	2.3	0.38

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census, *ehome.com

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Medical/Health Resources

Boulder City Hospital

Boulder City Hospital has been operating as a non-profit facility for over sixty years. The hospital seeks to earn the trust of the residents of Boulder City, neighboring communities and visitors by meeting their health care and related educational needs with compassion, integrity, sincerity, and without regard to one's ability to pay. In order to continue to excel, the hospital is constantly striving to remain on the forefront of medical technology by maintaining a state-of-the-art facility. The hospital's medical staff and support personnel are not only highly educated professionals, but are also trained to be and understand the need to be compassionate care givers.

MountainView Hospital

MountainView's open-heart surgery program began in July 2001. Two open-heart operating rooms were added last year in their \$33.5 million expansion in addition to the two cardiac catheterization labs that allow doctors to do less-invasive stenting and balloon angioplasties. They have also developed a cardiac rehabilitation program which provides patients with a comprehensive medical management regimen, including exercise, nutrition, stress and weight management, smoking cessation as well as medical and medicine monitoring. MountainView Hospital is committed to the care and improvement of human life.

Desert Springs Hospital

A 351-bed acute care facility located in southeast Las Vegas, this facility has been providing for the healthcare needs of residents since 1971. The hospital provides 24-hour emergency services, including a fast-track area in the ER to treat less acute patients, and comprehensive cardiology services. New facilities include a Maternity Center, featuring labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum suites, a third catheterization laboratory, and a 107,000 square foot Medical Office Building and Outpatient Surgery facility.

Lake Mead Hospital Medical Center

Lake Mead Hospital Medical Center has served the North Las Vegas Community since 1960. The facility now has 198 licensed beds. With the addition of a three story patient tower in 1992, and a fourth floor in 1994, Lake Mead Hospital Medical Center has provided the community with spacious and beautiful new patient rooms. The growth of the hospital, however, has not taken away from the warmth and compassion that is demonstrated on a daily basis to everyone that walks through our doors. The medical staff consists of over 800 specialists and primary care physicians. Physician staff is continually being recruited to meet the demands of the growing community. Lake Mead Hospital has developed unique services to meet these demands with ongoing quality improvement and needs assessments.

St. Rose Dominican Hospital

St. Rose Dominican Hospital is a member of Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), a leading not-for-profit healthcare system guided by Catholic values. CHW is sponsored by many communities of religious women, including the Adrian Dominican Sisters. As St. Rose Dominican Hospital continues to expand the breadth and scope of its services, its commitment to its mission grows as well with expanding outreach and education programs ranging from programs for under-served children and seniors to a full range of community classes on health and wellness topics.

Summerlin Hospital Medical Center

Located in Summerlin, one of Southern Nevada's fastest growing communities, Summerlin Hospital Medical Center features 169 licensed beds, all private patient rooms. The acute care facility has adjoining outpatient services for surgery, laboratory and radiology as well as two medical office buildings.

Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center

Rated Consumer Choice #1 by the *National Research Corporation*. Sunrise stands as the first medical facility that Southern Nevada's doctors, patients, and even other hospitals turn to in an extreme medical crisis. Many of our facilities, including our Renal Transplant Center and Sleep Disorder Center are the only ones of their kind in Southern Nevada. Their sister facility, Sunrise Children's Hospital, is Nevada's only hospital dedicated exclusively to the treatment, health and well being of children. In addition to a staff of pediatric specialists, childlife therapists and the latest in pediatric technology, the Children's Hospital provides acute intensive care in separate Level II and Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Units.

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Medical/Health Resources (con't)

American Medical Response provides advanced life-support ambulance service to Southern Nevada. Formed in 1954, the company operates through a performance-based contract with the Clark County and the cities of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas. The **City of Henderson's Fire Department** provides life support ambulance service to city residents.

Angel Plane/Miracle Flights

Angel Plane, formed in 1985, is a national non-profit charitable organization which provides flights for children and families with serious health conditions. Patients are flown, at no cost, to various treatment centers across the nation. Since its inception, Angel Plane has flown over 6.5 million miles transporting children and their families.

Airlife

Sponsored by Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center, University Medical Center, and St. Rose Dominican Hospital, Airlife is an emergency transport helicopter that serves Southern Nevada and parts of Arizona, California, and Utah. The program became operational in June of 1998.

Flight for Life

Flight for Life, Southern Nevada's first air ambulance program, is owned and operated by Valley Hospital Medical Center. Formed in 1980, the program dispatches helicopters to a four-state region including Nevada, Utah, Arizona, and California.

Education

Southern Nevada is home of the nation's sixth largest school district. Clark County School District continues to keep pace with the area's rapid growth through aggressive expansion projects and innovative programs. Currently one half of the district's elementary schools are year-round. Clark County is home to 28 private schools, and 250 public schools*. In Clark County, the average teacher/student ratio is 21.01, the average class size is 226, the dropout rate is 5.6 and the 2006-07 graduation rate for Clark County was 63.5%.**

*U.S. Census 2000, **Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability

Mathematics Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

GRADE 3

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/ Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Clark County*	24,393	0.3	9.6	35.4	33.3	21.7
Nevada*	33,430	0.3	8.8	35.5	33.7	22.1
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 5

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/ Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Clark County*	23,922	0.3	7.2	35.1	45.9	11.7
Nevada*	33,086	0.3	6.7	34.8	46.9	11.6
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 8

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/ Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Clark County*	24,211	1.5	21.5	28.5	40.6	9.3
Nevada*	33,483	1.3	19.0	28.2	43.1	9.7
National**			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

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Education (con't)

Reading Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

GRADE 3

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Science Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

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Clark County*	24,211	2.1	13.7	33.5	47.8	5.1
Nevada*	33,483	2.0	11.8	31.8	50.7	5.6
National**			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

Source: *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability, **National Center for Education Statistics Achievement (Standard)

1. Emergent/Developing - Student occasionally/does not apply skills/strategies and requires extensive remediation.
 2. Approaches Standard - Student inconsistently/incompletely applies skills/strategies and requires targeted remediation.
 3. Meets Standard - Student consistently applies skills/strategies without need for remediation.
 4. Exceeds Standard - Student comprehensively/consistently applies and generalizes skills/strategies in a variety of situations.
- Charter school data are not included in district totals.

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Education (con't)

University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)

UNLV recently moved up into the ranking defined by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as "Doctoral/Research Universities - Intensive". UNLV offers 170 undergraduate, masters, and doctoral degree programs. The colleges include: School of Medicine and School of Dentistry, as well as the finest physics, business, engineering, computer science, environmental studies, and performing arts programs in the nation. UNLV's School of Medicine is Nevada's only postgraduate institution dedicated to training new physicians and UNLV's William S. Boyd School of Law has been granted provisional accreditation from the American Bar Association.

Community College of Southern Nevada (CCSN)

CCSN serves over 35,000 students with programs on occupational training, university transfer preparation, continuing education, developmental education, and counseling and guidance. The Community College of Southern Nevada is a fully accredited member of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. This status assures that the College's organization, structure, staffing, and funding are equal to its objectives, that its governing board is functioning properly, and that all academic and financial plans are well designed to provide its students with a high level of excellence.

Education (con't)

University of Phoenix, Nevada Campus

The University of Phoenix is a private, for-profit higher education institution whose mission is to provide high quality education to working adult students. The University of Phoenix, Nevada Campus offers degree and certificate programs in Administration, Business, Counseling, Education, Human Services, Management, Nursing/Healthcare, and Technology. Courses are scheduled to meet the needs of working students.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Founded just 22 years after the Wright brothers' first flight, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, teaches the science, practice, and business of the world of aviation and aerospace. The University and its graduates have built an enviable record of achievement in every aspect of aviation and aerospace. The curriculum at Embry-Riddle covers the operation, engineering, research, manufacturing, marketing, and management of modern aircraft and the systems that support them. The University engages in extensive research, consulting, and related activities that address the unique needs of aviation, aerospace, and related industries.