



May 8, 2012

RE: Nye County Population Estimates Through the Fourth Quarter, 2011

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I am pleased to bring you population estimates through the fourth quarter of 2011 (December 31, 2011) for Nye County and its communities prepared by the Nye County Planning Department. Please note that these estimates have been benchmarked to the year 2000 Census through our recalibrated spreadsheet, and are considered "Census Consistent."

Our estimates indicate that the population of Nye County at the end of this period was 46,200 and the population of our communities—as defined by Nye County's procedures—was as follows:

• Pahrump	38,207
• Amargosa Valley	1,355
• Beatty	1,035
• Tonopah	2,908
• Smoky Valley	1,843
• Gabbs	374
• Reese River Valley	111
• Northeast Nye	367

Note that there are now zero (0) persons permanently residing on the Nevada Test Site (NTS) and Tonopah Test Range (TTR) as was determined by the 2000 Census. Our spreadsheet uses only active residential customer data from the various electrical utilities multiplied times the average number of persons per household (per the Census) for each area, which have been scaled to the estimated number of households per residential electrical meter (example: Gabbs—for the first quarter, 2000—had 168 residential hookups times 2.37 persons per household times .958 [95.8 households per every 100 residential meters] = 381 population).

For this recalibration we have also converted the quarterly count of persons in group quarters (e.g., nursing homes and detention facilities) to a trending factor that was indicated over the previous decade. These trended counts will now be monitored on an annual basis by conducting annual telephone interviews to measure consistency.

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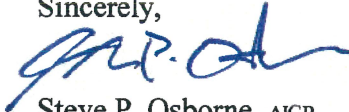
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Nye County uses its population estimates to monitor and assess baseline conditions for the Yucca Mountain Project, to prepare baseline projections for the County and its communities, to provide a basis for comparison with the estimates of others, and for public and private agency planning and management purposes. Nye County's procedure uses formulas benchmarked to the 2000 Census of Population and Housing; and these formulas include factors that, for each Nye County community, relate utility connection counts to the number of households and persons per household.

Should you have any questions or require additional information please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S.P. Osborne", is written over the typed name.

Steve P. Osborne, AICP
Director of Planning

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Attachment as noted

"CENSUS CONSISTENT" POPULATION ESTIMATES FOR NYE COUNTY AND ITS COMMUNITIES												
Community	2009Q2	2009Q3	2009Q4	2010Q1	2010Q2	2010Q3	2010Q4	2011Q1	2011Q2	2011Q3	2011Q4	2012Q1
NYE COUNTY	46,209	46,284	45,465	46,361	46,250	46,200	46,202	46,160	46,159	45,937	46,200	46,215
In Households	45,865	45,940	45,126	46,015	45,906	45,856	45,858	45,816	45,815	45,595	45,856	45,871
In Group Quarters	344	344	339	346	344	344	344	344	344	342	344	344
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-0.1%	0.2%	-1.8%	2.0%	-0.2%	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.5%	0.6%	0.0%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-1.2%	-0.6%	0.6%	0.3%	0.1%	-0.2%	1.6%	-0.4%	-0.2%	-0.6%	0.0%	0.1%
NORTHERN NYE COUNTY	5,573	5,583	5,562	5,543	5,501	5,560	5,592	5,599	5,579	5,584	5,603	5,590
In Households	5,321	5,331	5,314	5,290	5,249	5,308	5,340	5,347	5,327	5,334	5,351	5,338
In Group Quarters	252	252	248	253	252	252	252	252	252	250	252	252
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.8%	0.2%	-0.4%	-0.3%	-0.8%	1.1%	0.6%	0.1%	-0.4%	0.1%	0.3%	-0.2%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	1.3%	1.0%	0.4%	0.3%	-1.3%	-0.4%	0.5%	1.0%	1.4%	0.4%	0.2%	-0.2%
GABBS	395	392	383	383	390	395	388	390	388	383	374	379
In Households	395	392	383	383	390	395	388	390	388	383	374	379
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-1.0%	-0.8%	-2.3%	0.0%	1.8%	1.3%	-1.8%	0.5%	-0.5%	-1.3%	-2.3%	1.3%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	0.8%	-1.8%	-4.0%	-4.0%	-1.3%	0.8%	1.3%	1.8%	-0.5%	-3.0%	-3.6%	-2.8%
REESE RIVER VALLEY	114	114	114	114	114	111	111	111	111	111	111	111
In Households	114	114	114	114	114	111	111	111	111	111	111	111
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-2.6%	-2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
SMOKY VALLEY	1,788	1,798	1,806	1,792	1,771	1,798	1,808	1,814	1,794	1,817	1,843	1,825
In Households	1,788	1,798	1,806	1,792	1,771	1,798	1,808	1,814	1,794	1,817	1,843	1,825
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.0%	0.6%	0.4%	-0.8%	-1.2%	1.5%	0.6%	0.3%	-1.1%	1.3%	1.4%	-1.0%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	1.3%	0.1%	0.9%	1.2%	-1.0%	0.0%	0.1%	1.2%	1.3%	1.1%	1.9%	0.6%
TONOPAH	2,922	2,924	2,904	2,899	2,871	2,893	2,920	2,915	2,917	2,906	2,908	2,908
In Households	2,670	2,672	2,656	2,646	2,619	2,641	2,668	2,663	2,665	2,656	2,656	2,656
In Group Quarters	252	252	248	253	252	252	252	252	252	250	252	252
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.9%	0.1%	-0.7%	-0.2%	-1.0%	0.8%	0.9%	-0.2%	0.1%	-0.4%	0.1%	0.0%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	1.2%	1.7%	0.3%	0.1%	-1.7%	-1.1%	0.6%	0.6%	1.6%	0.4%	-0.4%	-0.2%
NORTHEAST NYE COUNTY	354	355	355	355	355	363	365	369	369	367	367	367
In Households	354	355	355	355	355	363	365	369	369	367	367	367
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	1.7%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	0.6%	1.1%	0.0%	-0.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	3.5%	3.8%	3.8%	2.0%	0.3%	2.3%	2.8%	3.9%	3.9%	1.1%	0.5%	-0.5%
SOUTHERN NYE COUNTY	40,636	40,701	39,903	40,818	40,749	40,640	40,610	40,561	40,580	40,353	40,597	40,625
In Households	40,544	40,609	39,812	40,725	40,657	40,548	40,518	40,469	40,488	40,261	40,505	40,533
In Group Quarters	92	92	91	93	92	92	92	92	92	92	92	92
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-0.2%	0.2%	-2.0%	2.3%	-0.2%	-0.3%	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.6%	0.6%	0.1%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-1.5%	-0.8%	0.7%	0.3%	0.3%	-0.1%	1.8%	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.7%	0.0%	0.2%
BEATTY	1,061	1,061	1,061	1,073	1,033	1,037	1,018	1,024	1,024	1,024	1,035	1,027
In Households	1,037	1,037	1,037	1,049	1,009	1,013	994	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,011	1,003
In Group Quarters	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Percentage Growth per Quarter	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	-3.7%	0.4%	-1.8%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%	-0.8%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	1.0%	2.5%	2.5%	1.6%	-2.6%	-2.3%	-4.1%	-4.6%	-0.9%	-1.3%	1.7%	0.3%
AMARGOSA VALLEY	1,381	1,365	1,365	1,416	1,400	1,360	1,390	1,379	1,386	1,339	1,355	1,360
In Households	1,381	1,365	1,365	1,416	1,400	1,360	1,390	1,379	1,386	1,339	1,355	1,360
In Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-0.6%	-1.2%	0.0%	3.7%	-1.1%	-2.9%	2.2%	-0.8%	0.5%	-3.4%	1.2%	0.4%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-1.8%	-1.5%	-0.7%	1.9%	1.4%	-0.4%	1.8%	-2.6%	-1.0%	-1.5%	-2.5%	-1.4%
PAHRUMP	38,194	38,275	37,477	38,329	38,316	38,243	38,202	38,158	38,170	37,990	38,207	38,238
In Households	38,126	38,207	37,410	38,260	38,248	38,175	38,134	38,090	38,102	37,922	38,139	38,170
In Group Quarters	68	68	67	69	68	68	68	68	68	68	68	68
Percentage Growth per Quarter	-0.2%	0.2%	-2.1%	2.3%	0.0%	-0.2%	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.5%	0.6%	0.1%
Percentage Growth per 4 Quarters	-1.6%	-0.9%	0.7%	0.2%	0.3%	-0.1%	1.9%	-0.4%	-0.4%	-0.7%	0.0%	0.2%
NTS & TTR Group Quarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0