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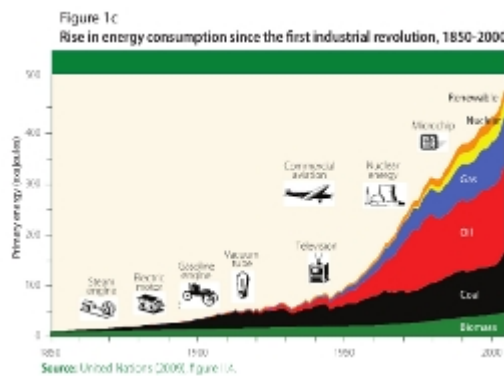
MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION PROFESSIONALS

August 2011

## Reports & Resources

### World Economic and Social Survey United Nations Development Policy and Analysis Division | [READ STORY](#)

The World Economic and Social Survey provides analysis of pressing long-term social and economic development issues, and discusses the positive and negative impact of corresponding policies.



### Energy Efficiency of Transportation Daily Good | [READ STORY](#)

This infographic compares the energy efficiency of common modes of transportation.

### President's Corner

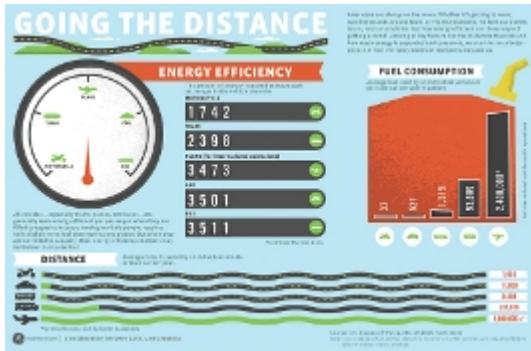
Several members of MACDEP attended the [Community Development Society](#) Conference and Western [Rural Development Center](#) CD Update in Boise, ID last week. Materials from the conference and the update should be posted on each website soon. Looking ahead, the [Mobilizing Rural Communities Conference](#), co-sponsored by MSU Extension, takes place Sept. 14-15 in Great Falls, MT and some scholarship opportunities are still available.

-Paul Lachapelle  
MACDEP President

### Upcoming Events

#### GIS Training Opportunity

August 16-18, Missoula



## Montana Economic Developers Association Fall Conference

October 6-7, Kalispell

## Mobilizing Rural Communities Conference

Sept 14-15, Great Falls

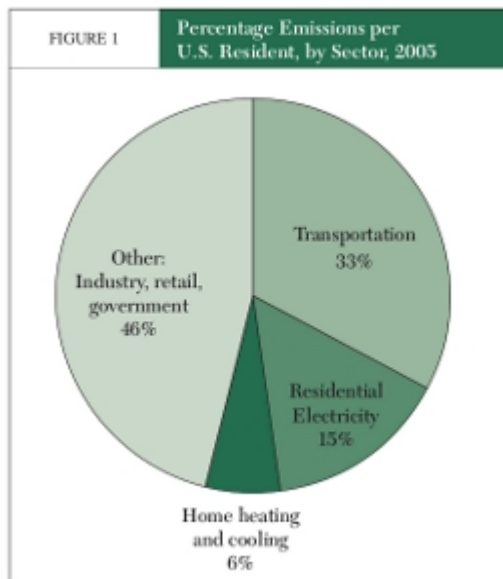
## Community Development Academy

September 19-23, St Louis

## The Social Cost of Carbon

World Resources Institute | [READ STORY](#)

This article investigates how economists and policy analysts calculate the costs of emissions.



## The Overworked American

Daily Good | [READ STORY](#)

This infographic illustrates a major component of America's increasing productivity: longer hours and lower pay.

## Grants, Awards & Jobs

### Community-Based Grant Program

Deadline: August 14, 2011  
Funder: Union Pacific

### People's Garden Grant Program

Deadline: August 26, 2011  
Funder: US Dept of Agriculture

### Environmental Grants

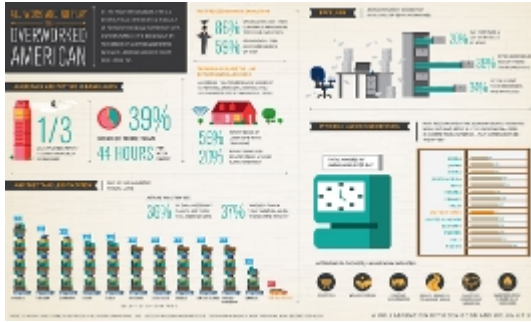
Deadline: August 31, 2011  
Funder: Patagonia

### Community Challenge Planning Grant Program

Deadline: September 9, 2011  
Funder: Dept of Housing and Urban Development

## National/International News

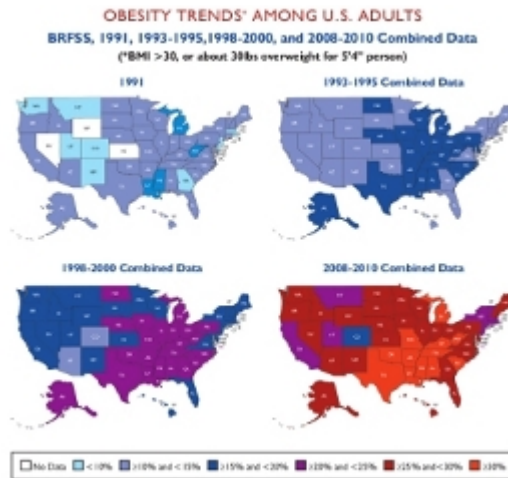
Boston Launches



## Report: How Obesity Threatens America's Future

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation | [READ STORY](#)

A new report finds that lower workforce productivity and medical costs caused by obesity may hamper America's efforts to compete in the global economy.



## 2.7 Million Jobs in Clean Economy

Daily Good | [READ STORY](#)

The "clean economy" provides 2.7 million jobs, more than the fossil fuel industry.

## Bike-Sharing Program

Planetizen; July 30

## City Park Helps Town Through Recession

NPR; July 29

## EPA Proposes Rules for Drilling Emissions

Casper Star-Tribune; July 29

## \$94 Billion Annual Funding Gap in Transportation

Planetizen; July 29

## Automakers Agree to Strict New Fuel Efficiency Rules

New York Times; July 28

## South Korea Tests 'Smart' Energy Grid

New York Times; July 28

## Rural Population Hits New Low

Durango Herald; July 27

## Obama Administration Considers New Forest Management Plan

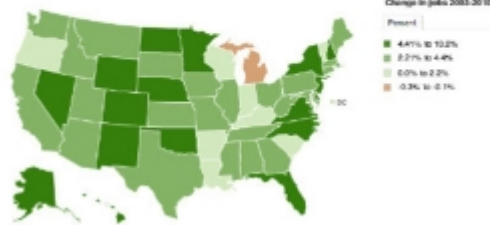
Azcentral.com; July 25

## Transportation Planning and Community Health

Planetizen; July 25

BROOKINGS

AGGREGATE CLEAN ECONOMY  
Aggregate Clean Economy  
Change in jobs 2002-2011



## Smartphone Adoption and Usage Study

Pew Internet and American Life Project | [READ STORY](#)

This report examines smartphone use, including demographic trends.

### Smartphone ownership and internet use summary

% of smartphone owners, cell owners and all adults who...

	% of smartphone owners who...	% of all cell owners who...	% of all adults who...
Own a smartphone	100%	42%	35%
Use the internet or email on smartphone	87	56	50
Use smartphone to go online on a typical day	68	28	23
Go online mostly using smartphone	25	10	8

Source: The Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project, April 26 - May 22, 2011 Spring Tracking Survey, n=2,277 adult internet users ages 18 and older, including 755 cell phone interviews. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish.

## Distracted Driving Survey

### Centers for Disease Control | [READ STORY](#)

A recent survey examines the prevalence of distracted driving.

**Former Interior Secretary Criticizes Public Lands Bill** Seattle Times; July 25

### [The Role of Infrastructure in Economic Recovery](#)

The Atlantic; July 25

### [LA Tries to Reduce Number of Cars](#)

Metropolis; July 23

### [New Study Questions Carbon-Dioxide Reductions from Wind Energy](#)

Forbes.com; July 19

### [Extinction of Predators Drastically Affect Ecosystems](#)

Fastcompany.com; July 19

### [Land Use Factors and Travel](#)

Planetizen; July 18

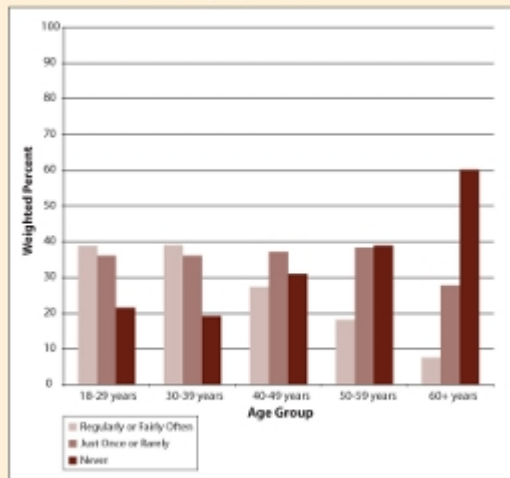
### [Designing Urban Parks to Promote Healthier Cities](#)

Planetizen; July 16

### [Study: Forest Absorb More Greenhouses Than Previously Thought](#)

Christian Science Monitor; July 15

### Self-reported cell phone use while driving in the past 30 days\* by age group, United States, 2010



\* Drivers were asked "In the past 30 days, how often have you talked on your cell phone while you were driving?" Source: Healthstyles, Fall 2010

## The Carbon Footprint of Protein Sources

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

This report compares the carbon footprints of various protein sources.

### [Proposed Interior Budget Slashes Environmental Funding](#)

Idaho Statesman; July 8

### [US Job Growth Slows in June](#)

Financial Post; July 8

### [Corn Ethanol Subsidies May End](#)

New York Times; July 7

### [EPA Releases New Coal Emissions Regulations](#)

New York Times; July 5

## Montana News

### [Montana Marketing Coal Reserves to China](#)

Missoula Independent; July 28

### [GNP Uses Human 'Mules' Due to Late Season Snowpack](#)

Flathead Beacon; July 28

### [Montana Co-op Receives \\$70M to Expand Broadband Access](#)

Montana Standard; July 28

### [Governor Creates Pipeline Safety Council](#)





**Federal Government to Create State Health Insurance Exchange**

Helena Independent Record; July 15

**Montana Congressman Attacks Lead Safety Rule**

Great Falls Tribune; July 14

**Montana Ranked 41st in Green Jobs**

Great Falls Tribune; July 13

**Economists Attack Farm Subsidies**

Billings Gazette; July 12

**Blackfeet College Building Receives Green Certification**

Great Falls Tribune; July 12

**Montana, Other States Explore Green Technology**

Billings Gazette; July 9

**Report Finds Montana Eighth-Least Obese State**

Billings Gazette; July 8

**Healthcare Spending and Life Expectancy**

Nationalgeographic.com | [READ STORY](#)

This report compares healthcare expenditures and life expectancy in different countries.





## HEALTH

**The Cost of Care** The United States spends more on medical care per person than any country, yet life expectancy is shorter than in most other developed nations and many developing ones. Lack of health insurance is a factor in life span and contributes to an estimated 45,000 deaths a year. Why the high cost? The U.S. has a fee-for-service system—paying medical providers piecemeal for appointments, surgery, and the like. That can lead to unneeded treatment that doesn't reliably improve a patient's health. Says Gerald Anderson, a professor at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health who studies health insurance worldwide, "More care does not necessarily mean better care." —Michelle Andrews



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