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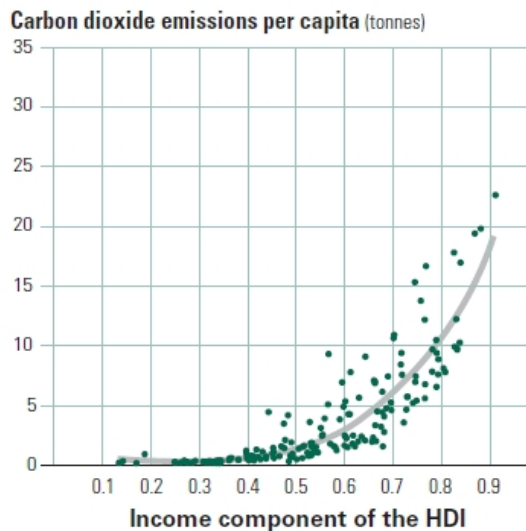
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Reports & Resources

UNDP 2011 Human Development Report

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The United Nation's Development Program's 2011 Human Development Report argues that the urgent global challenges of sustainability and equity must be addressed together - and identifies policies on the national and global level that could spur mutually reinforcing progress towards these interlinked goals.



President's Corner

Happy New Year and many thanks to MACDEP members for their 2012 membership renewals; if you haven't had a chance to renew, please contact our Treasurer [Mandie Reed](#) by Jan. 31.

The 2012 Rural Community Conference (RCC) registration page and agenda will be available soon; please go to the [RCC page](#) for more information.

-Paul Lachapelle
MACDEP President

Upcoming Events

Environment and Security Conference

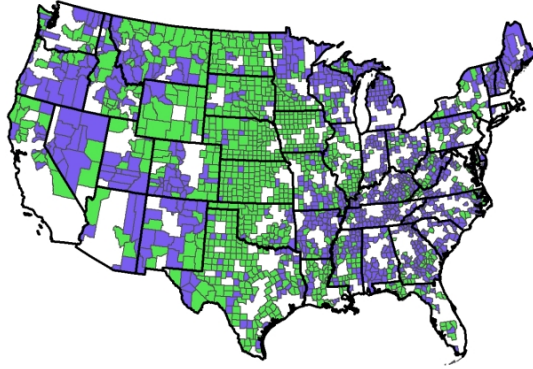
January 18-20, 2012
Washington, DC
Sponsor: National Council for Science and the Environment

5 Strategies for Active Economic Development

Economic Impact of Social Security

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

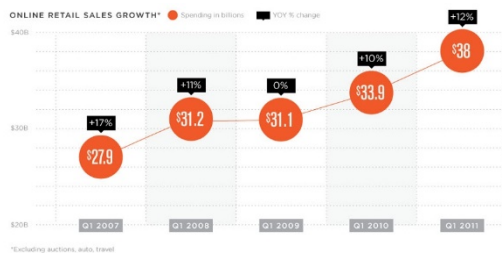
The economic impact of Social Security is huge: \$1.2 trillion in economic output and 8.4 million jobs. Social Security plays an even larger role in the economy of rural America.



The Online Customer

[The Daily Infographic](#) | [READ STORY](#)

Whether you are an online shopper or the customer service guru at an online store, this infographic contains facts and statistics about how online shopping has grown over the years and what customers want from an online shopping experience.



Rural Family Incomes Drop 2007-'10

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

With the recession, rural incomes have declined in seven out of ten counties. And incomes remain highest in metropolitan areas.

Webinars

January 25, 2012 - Capturing Outside Dollars
February 22, 2012 - Developing New Business
Sponsor: Heartland Center for Leadership Development

Leadership Summit 2012

January 29-31, 2012
San Antonio, TX
Sponsor: International Economic Development Council

NACDEP 2012 Conference

May 20-23, 2012
Park City, UT
Sponsor: National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals

ALIA Summer Institute

June 18-23, 2012
Halifax, Nova Scotia
Sponsor: ALIA Institute

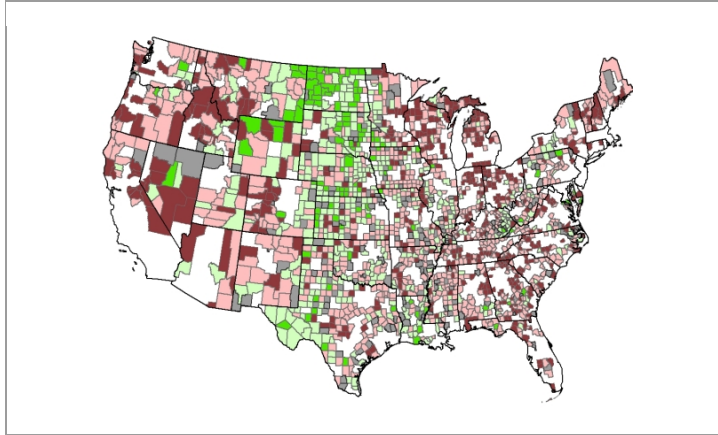
Reclaiming Vacant Properties: Remaking America for the 21st Century

June 20-22, 2012
New Orleans, LA
Sponsor: Center for Community Progress

Under Western Skies 2: Environment, Community, and Culture in North America

October 10-13, 2012
Calgary, AB, CA
Sponsor: Mount Royal University

[Grants, Awards & Jobs](#)



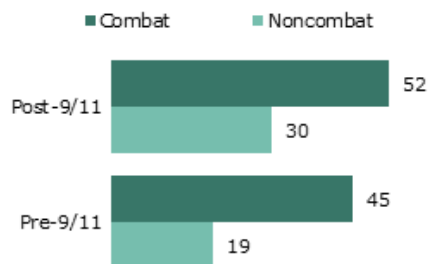
Combat Veterans and Emotional Trauma

PEW Research Center | [READ STORY](#)

A new survey from the Pew Research Center shows the challenges veterans face upon returning to civilian life are often linked to experiences they had in combat.

Combat and Trauma

% saying they had emotionally traumatic or distressing experiences while in the military



Note: Based on post-9/11 veterans, n=712, and pre-9/11 veterans, n=1,134.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER V/44

Land trusts thrive despite, and because of, the Great Recession

High Country News | [READ STORY](#)

The Great Recession, it turns out, may have been good for one thing in the West: private land conservation

CDS Grant and Scholarship Opportunities in 2012

Deadline: January 15, 2012
Funder: Community Development Society

Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program

Deadline: February 15, 2012
Funder: US Department of Veterans Affairs

Our Town Grants

Deadline: March 1, 2012
Funder: National Endowment for the Arts

Job Opportunities for Low Income Individuals Program

Deadline: March 3, 2012
Funder: Administration for Children & Families, DHHS

National/International News

New Nuclear Reactor Design Approved and Fast-tracked

New York Times; December 22

House Agrees to Payroll Tax Cut Extension

New York Times; December 22

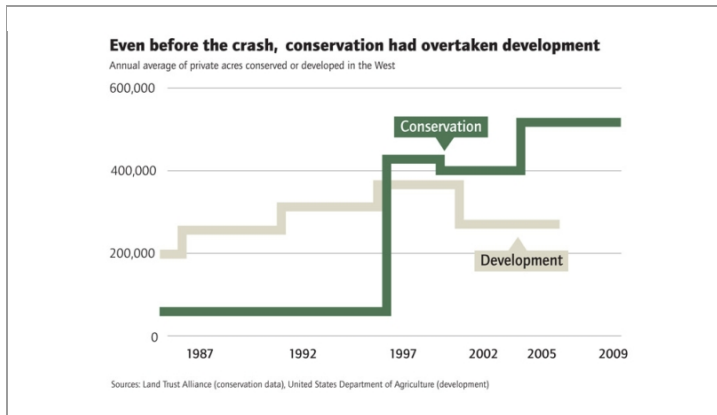
EPA Issues New Regulations on Mercury Emissions

LA Times; December 21

Controversial Wyoming-Colorado Water Pipeline

Billings Gazette; December 13

Montana News



Supreme Court Reinstates Corporate Spending Ban

Billings Gazette; December 30

35.5 Million Tons of Public Coal Re-Offered for Lease

MT Standard; December 22

Bison Hunting Conflict Delays Fish Egg Shipments

Missoulian; December 22

Postal Service Closures Postponed Until May

Missoulian; December 14



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