

# MACDEP NEWS

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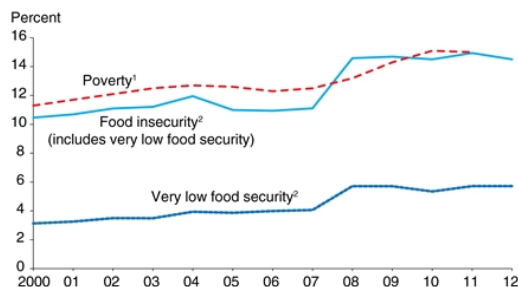
## Reports & Resources

### Agricultural Essentials

#### USDA | [READ STORY](#)

The USDA has compiled a selection of charts highlighting essential details of the contemporary world and U.S. agricultural situation. These charts include, for instance, illustrations of the portion of the U.S. economy made up by agricultural markets, the division between rural and urban areas, and price changes for at home food items.

Prevalence of food insecurity, very low food security, and poverty, 2000-2012



<sup>1</sup>Percent of U.S. population. <sup>2</sup>Percent of U.S. households.  
Source: USDA, Economic Research Service calculations based on Current Population Survey Food Security Supplement data. Poverty rates from the U.S. Census Bureau.

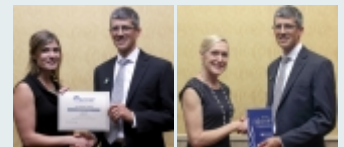
### Increases in Rural Poverty

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

Although the national poverty rate has not increased, the rural or non-metro poverty rate has, such that non-metro

### President's Corner

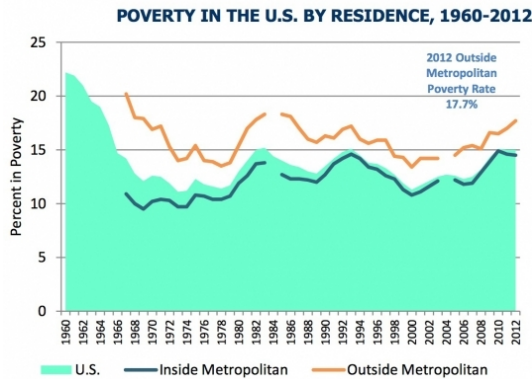
Congratulations to MACDEP members **Barb Andreozzi** for receiving the **NACDEP Distinguished Career Award** and to **Janelle Booth** and **Dan Clark** for receiving the **NACDEP Educational Piece Award** western region for their work on the [Montana Policy Review](#); both awards were presented at the Galaxy Conference in Pittsburgh, PA in September. Well Done!



Our **MACDEP annual meeting** will be Tue. Oct. 22, 12-1:30 at the MSU SUB; we will have updates from the Treasurer, President, and all our members.

MACDEP welcomes **Katie Weaver**, our new MSU Extension Economic and Community Development

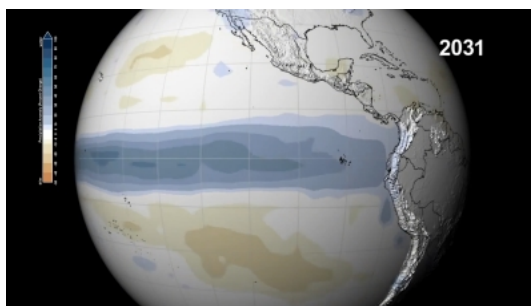
rates are now 2.7% higher than the national average. However, the number of rural uninsured decreased by approximately 58,000 individuals between 2011 and 2012.



## The Course of Global Warming

### NASA | [READ STORY](#)

In response to a recent study released by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, NASA has produced a video demonstration of predicted changes to the world climate during the 21st century. NASA reports that the sharpest temperature increases are predicted in the Northern hemisphere, and areas such as the Rocky Mountains and Northern Canada may be among the first to experience changes.



## Who Doesn't Go Online?

### Pew Internet | [READ STORY](#)

The Pew Research Center's Internet and American Life Project has published a report examining the non-internet-using portion of the American population, and why it is that they've yet to adopt the technology. About 20% of the rural population is non-internet-using,

Agent in [Park County](#). Katie brings many years of experience with business retention, recruitment, and development, as well as strategic planning, visioning, and community action processes. Welcome Katie!

-Paul Lachapelle  
MACDEP President

## Upcoming Events

### University Economic Development Association

October 27-30, 2013  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Sponsor: University Economic Development Association

### 9th Annual Community Capitals Institute

November 11-12, 2013  
Brookings, SD  
Sponsor: South Dakota State University

### 2014 National Interagency Community Reinvestment Conference

March 30-April 2, 2014  
Chicago, IL  
Sponsor: Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, et al.

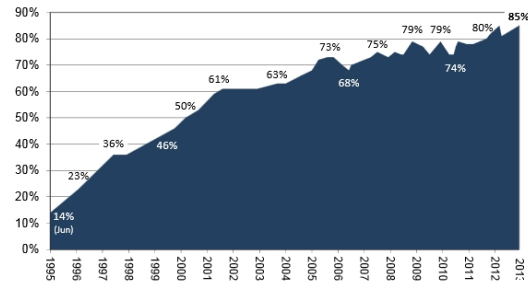
### International Association for Community Development

June 9-11, 2014  
Glasgow, Scotland  
Sponsor: International Association for Community Development

compared to only 14% of both urban and suburban populations.

### Internet adoption, 1995-2013

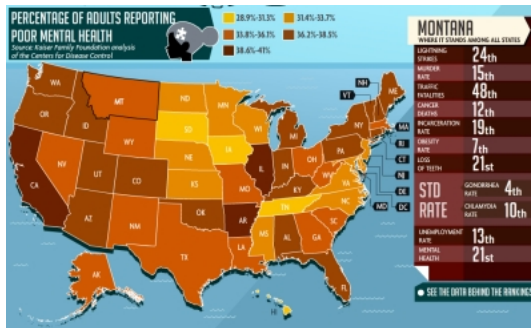
% of American adults (age 18+) who use the internet, over time. As of May 2013, 85% of adults use the internet.



## Worst Case Scenarios

### Top MS in Healthcare | [READ STORY](#)

This interactive infographic, drawing data from a number of sources, presents the worst states to live in under a number of categories: lightning strikes, loss of teeth, cancer death, and so forth. Montana figures among the worst states for traffic fatalities.



## The Frequency of Pipeline Spills

### EnergyWire | [READ STORY](#)

EnergyWire reports that the rate of spills and other accidents involving railroad transport of crude oil has spiked significantly in recent years, as corroborated by [this report](#) from Oregon Public Broadcasting. There were only one or two incidents a year in the early 1990's, whereas there were 88 separate incidents in 2012, a number of which were connected to the Bakken oil field.

## Grants, Awards & Jobs

### Grants to Support Local Graduation Matters Initiatives

Deadline: October 26, 2012  
Funder: Montana Office of Public Instruction

### [Education, Community and Health Grants for FY13](#)

Deadline: Open  
Funder: RGK Foundation

### [After School Advantage Program](#)

Deadline: Open  
Funder: GTECH

### Second Chance Fund

Deadline: Open  
Funder: American Humane Society

### Community Development Block Grant - Economic Development Program (CDBG-ED)

Deadline: Open  
Funder: MT Department of Commerce

## National/International News

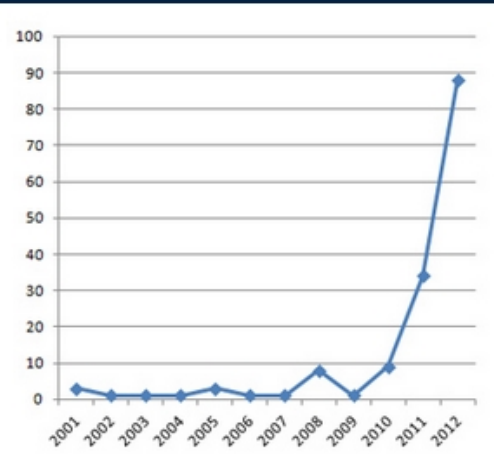
### Alberta Population Exceeds Four Million

Edmonton Journal; September 26

### New IPCC Study on Effects and Influences of Warming

Idaho Statesman; September 26

### Rail incidents involving crude oil, 2000-2012



Source: PHMSA Hazardous Materials Incident Database

### Richter-style Scale Under Development for Wildfires

Denver Post; September 24

### Three More Flood-related Oil Spills Found in Colorado

Denver Post; September 23

### BNSF Touts Sufficient Means to Handle Bakken Play

Sacramento Bee; September 18

### Montana News

#### NorthWestern Buying PPL Dams for \$900M.

Great Falls Tribune; September 26

#### Researchers Inquiring into Whitebark Beetle Damage

Billings Gazette; September 26

#### \$500k Grant to Improve U of M Internet Bandwidth

Missoulian; September 25

#### New Public Safety Laws Take Effect First of Oct

Missoulian; September 25

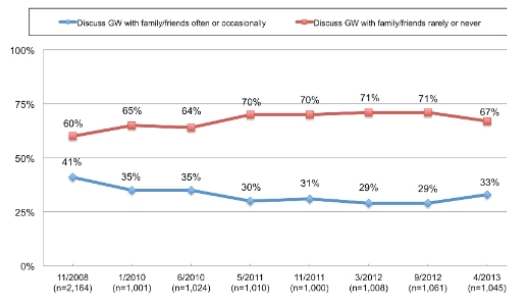
#### Missoula Mayor Pushes City to Buy Water Company

Missoulian; September 24

### Talking About Climate Change

#### Yale | [READ STORY](#)

This report by Yale's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies investigates how and by whom climate change is being discussed in America. The study shows, among other things, that approximately 10% of Americans have contacted government officials about issues related to climate change during the past year.



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