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### **Nevada Adding Jobs at Double the Pace of Any Other State**

Carson City, NV — Nevada continues to lead the nation in job growth, expanding its workforce at more than double the rate of the second-fastest-growing state, according to data released Wednesday by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. From February 2025 to February 2026, Nevada added 34,500 jobs, a 2.2% increase, with the second-fastest-growing state growing by 0.8% in the same period.

In addition to leading the nation in the *rate* of job growth, Nevada also ranks among the top five states in the *number* of jobs added over the past year. This is a rare distinction for a state with a comparatively smaller population. It is the first time Nevada ranks in the top five for total jobs added over a twelve-month period since the early 2000s.

“Nevada added jobs at an elevated pace, while many states experienced slower job gains or lost jobs over the last twelve months” said **DETR Chief Economist David Schmidt**. “Nevada has more jobs today than at any point in its history, and employers are adding positions at a pace unmatched anywhere else in the country.”

“I’m excited to see Nevada far outpacing the rest of the nation in job growth, reflecting the strength of our expanding and increasingly diverse economy,” said **Governor Joe Lombardo**. “We are creating real opportunities for Nevadans across every industry and every community. Nevada is not only a premier destination to visit, but a thriving place to live, work, and call home.”

Nevada added jobs at a particularly rapid pace in Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (7.9%, #2 nationally), Information (7.2%, #1 nationally), Professional and Business Services (4.9%, #1 nationally), and Health Care and Social Assistance (4.4%, #1 nationally) in the last twelve months, reflecting the broad diversity of industries experiencing this growth in the past year.

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