

# **Study: Nevada leads nation in food stamp user increase**

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Nevada had the largest increase among 30 states in the number of residents who depend on food stamps as their sole income, according to a New York Times analysis of recent welfare data released this week.

From June 2007 to June 2009, the number of Nevadans relying only on food stamps rose by 173 percent. Florida was second with a 113 percent increase.

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