### **RECLAIMING PROSPERITY:** Repositioning Southern Nevada for the Next Economy **Brookings Mountain West** Las Vegas, NV / April 5, 2010



#### The Great Recession Has Been A Wake Up Call





A vision for the next American economy



2 Southern Nevada can play in the next economy



To build the next economy the U.S. must connect the macro to the metro



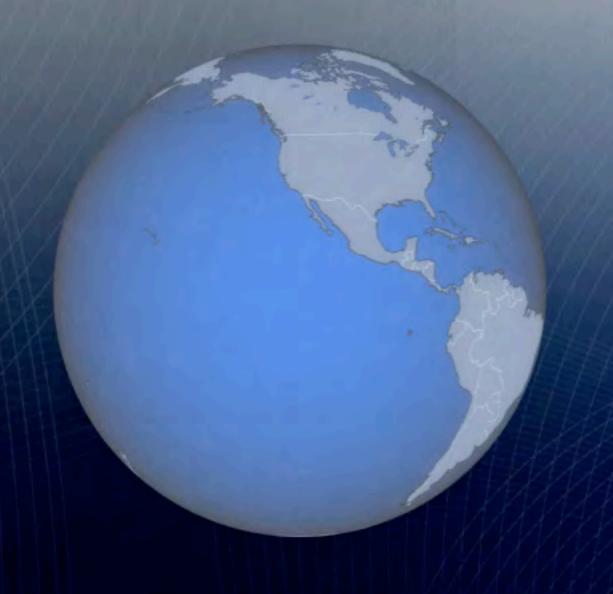
#### The Next American Economy

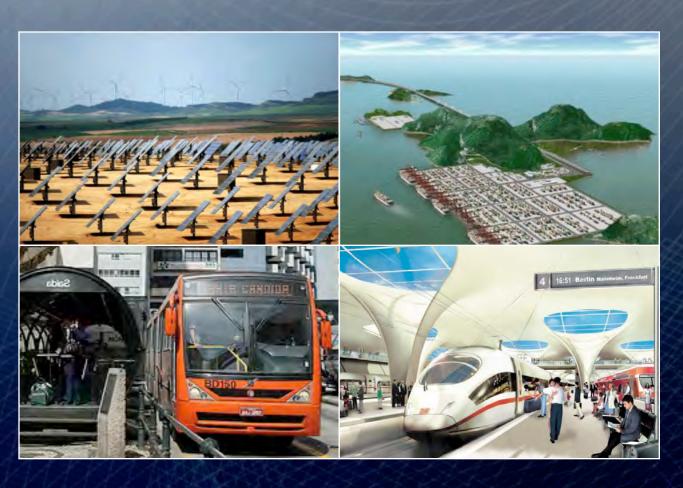


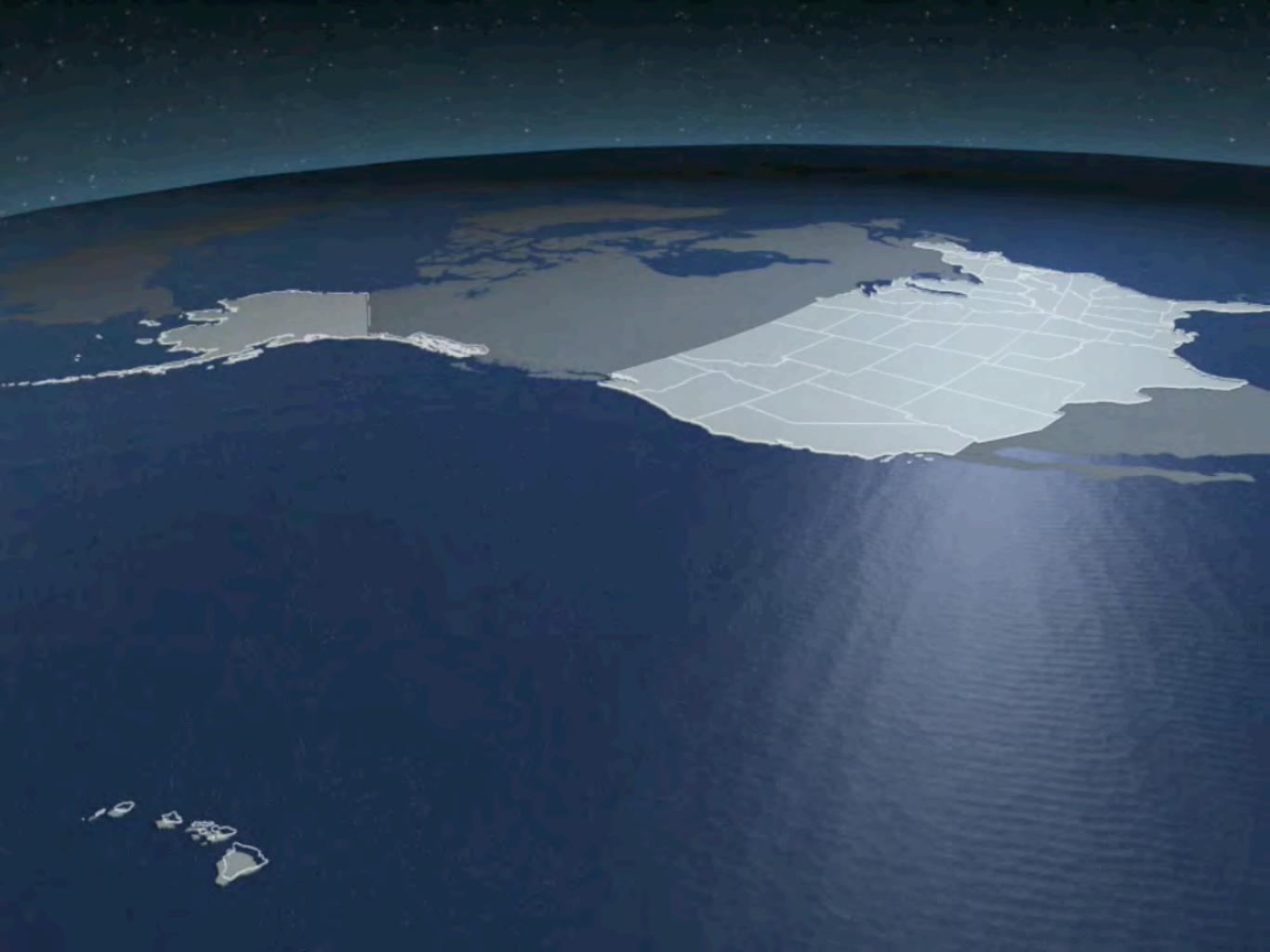


#### The Next American Economy









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#### U.S. Trade is Dominated by Imports



#### U.S. Trade Balance

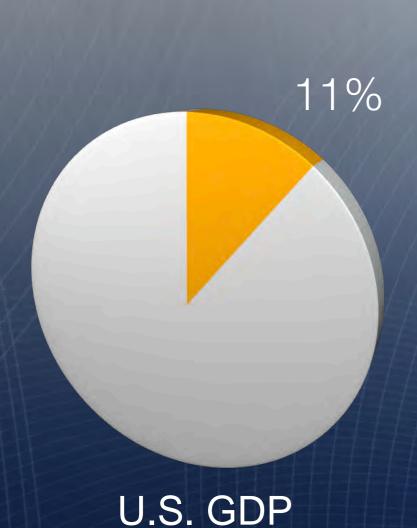


2000 2008

#### U.S. Exports Lag Our Competition

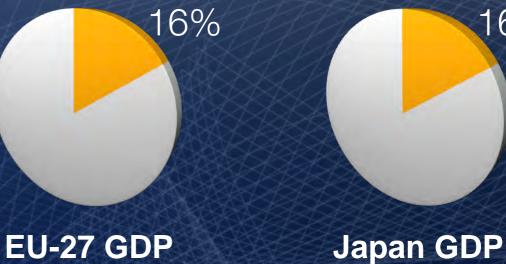


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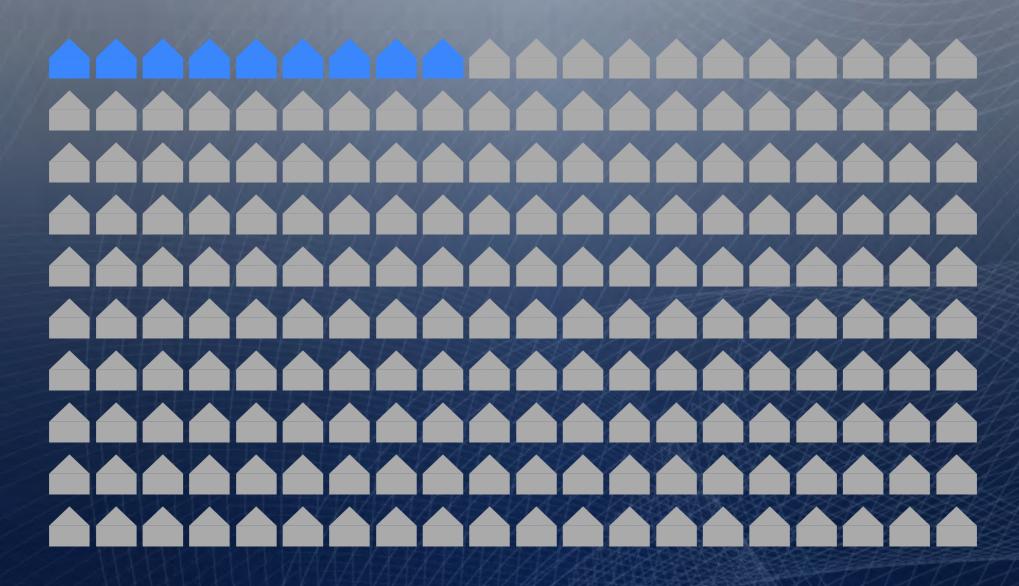




#### Exporting Is an Unnatural Act



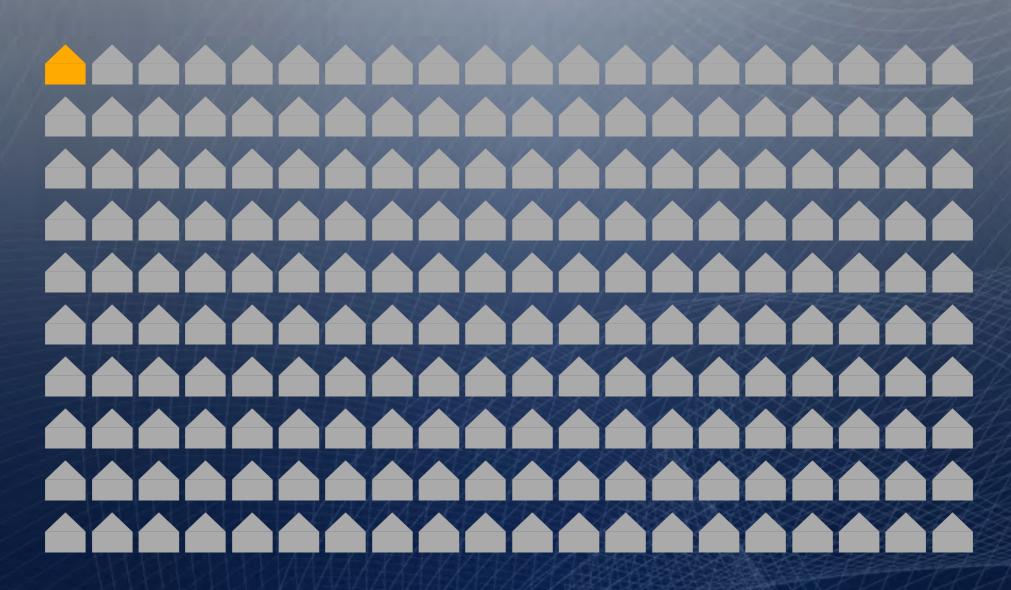
U.S. Companies that Export



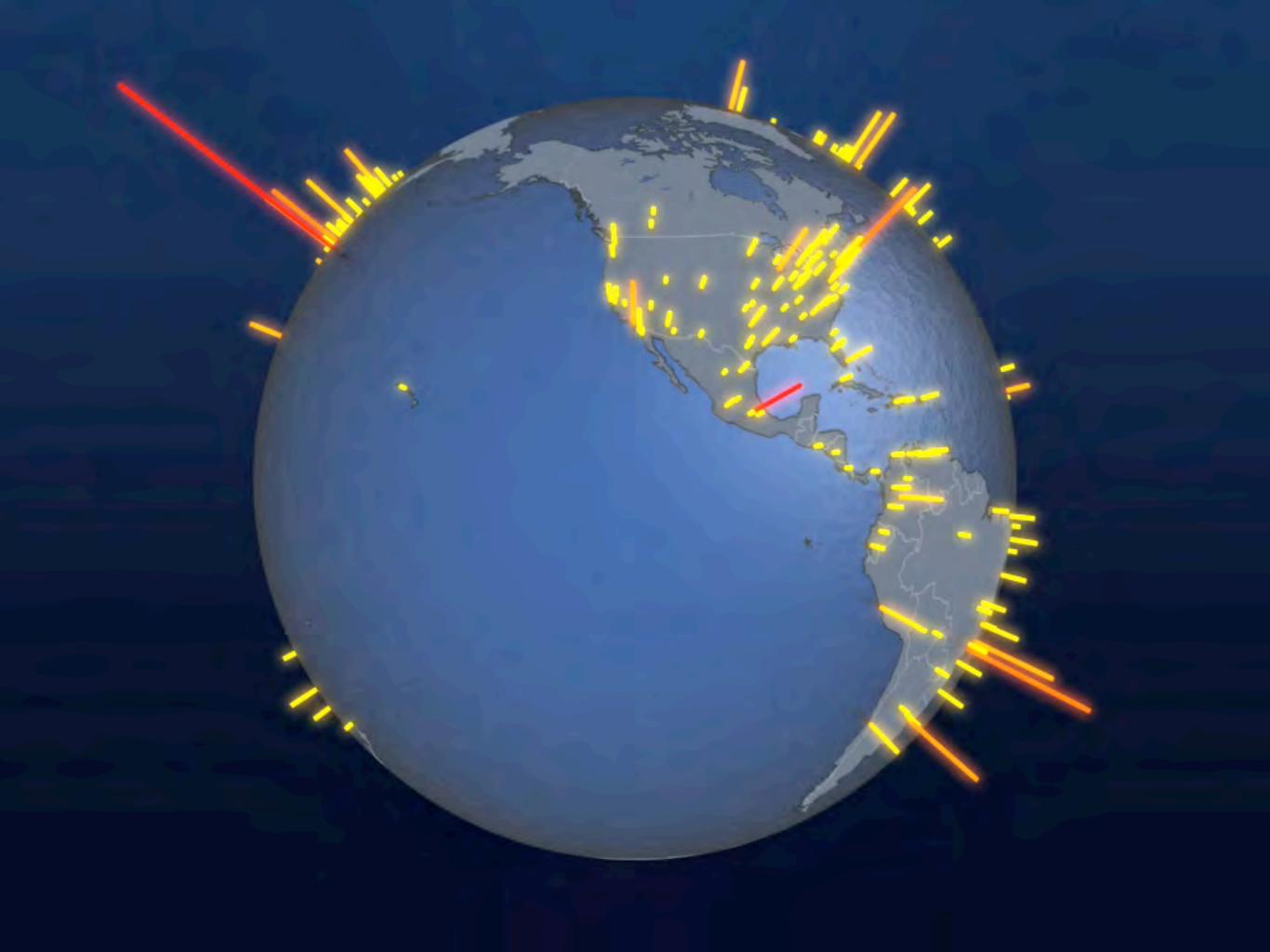
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U.S. Companies that Export to More than One Country



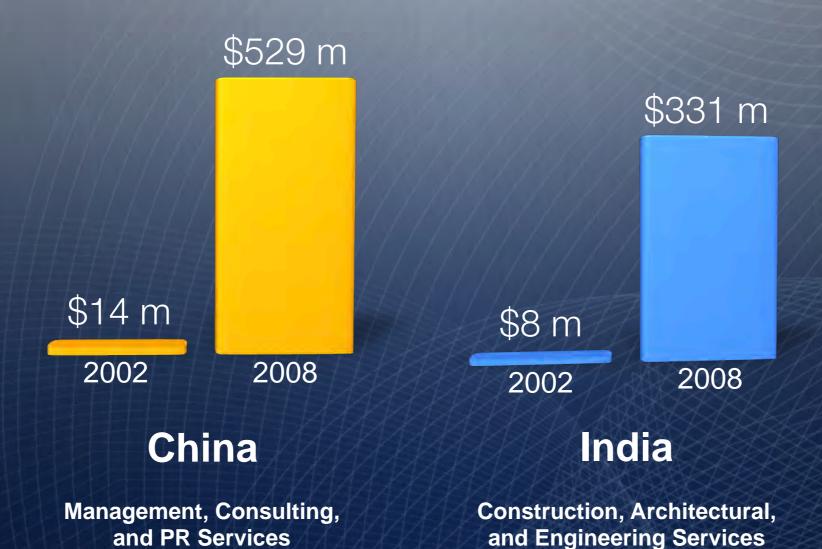
# Can we get back into the export game?





#### U.S. Service Exports To Other Countries Are Rising





U.S. Goal for Exports

"We set a new goal: We will double our exports over the next five years, an increase that will support two million jobs in America."

President Obama January 27, 2010





#### The U.S. Has Been Slow to Embrace the Green Economy





19.7 tons

9.1 tons
10.4 tons
US
UK
Germany

Source: International Energy Agency

#### China is seeking to dominate the race to green

Stimulus packages on renewable energy

\$221 billion

\$94 billion

China

U.S.



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Source: HSBC, "A Climate for Recovery" (2009)

Photo: Richard Fisher

### Low carbon economy

= Markets

#### The Energy We Use



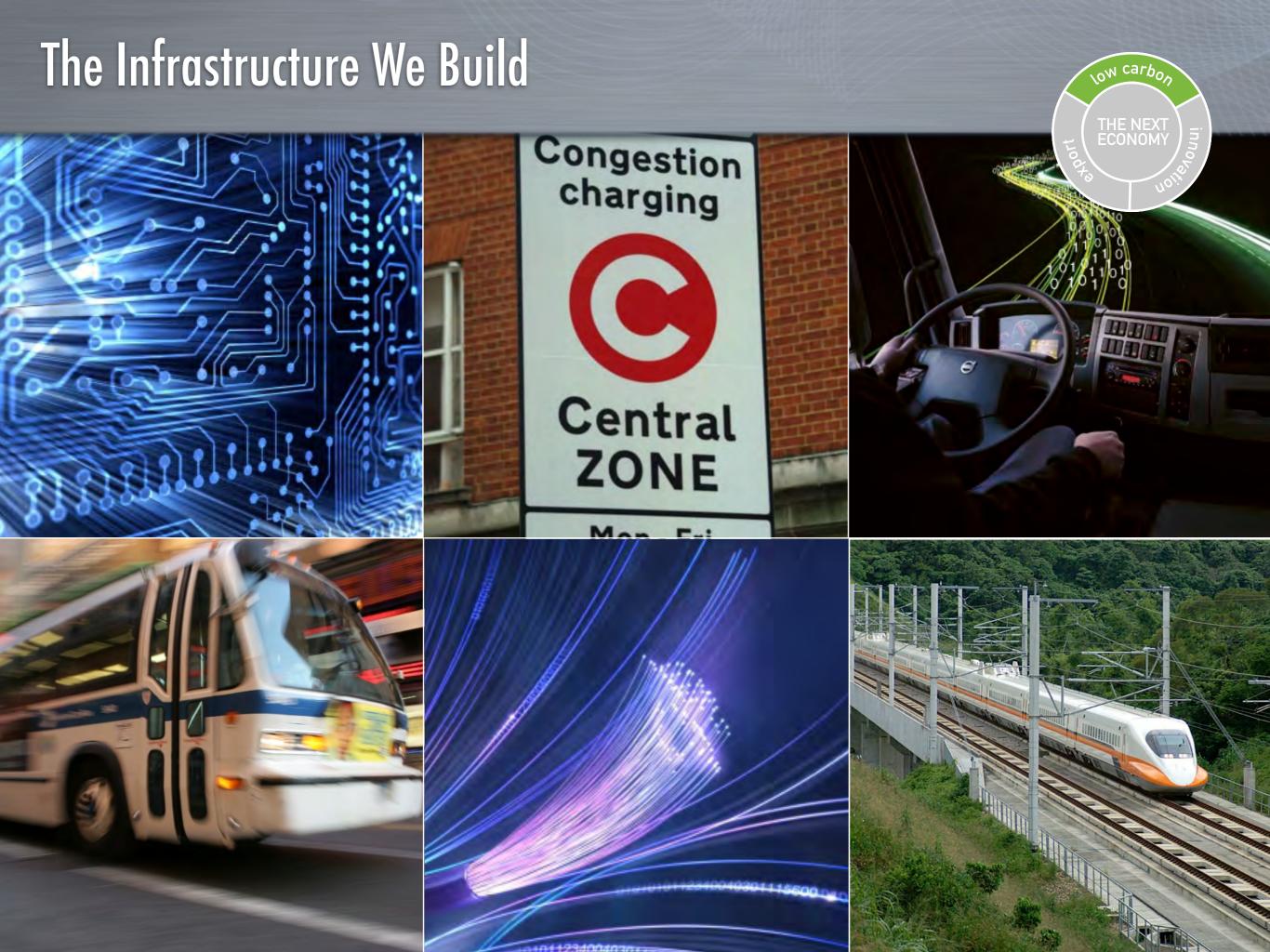












# The Products We Buy ION carbon PRIUS 06

### The Buildings We Live and Work In



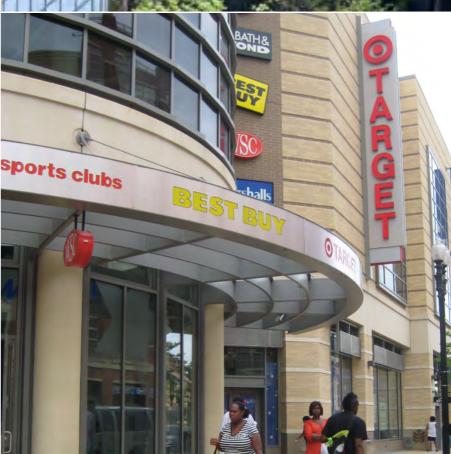




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#### Need Job Creation?



Financiers

Scientists / Engineers

Entrepreneurs

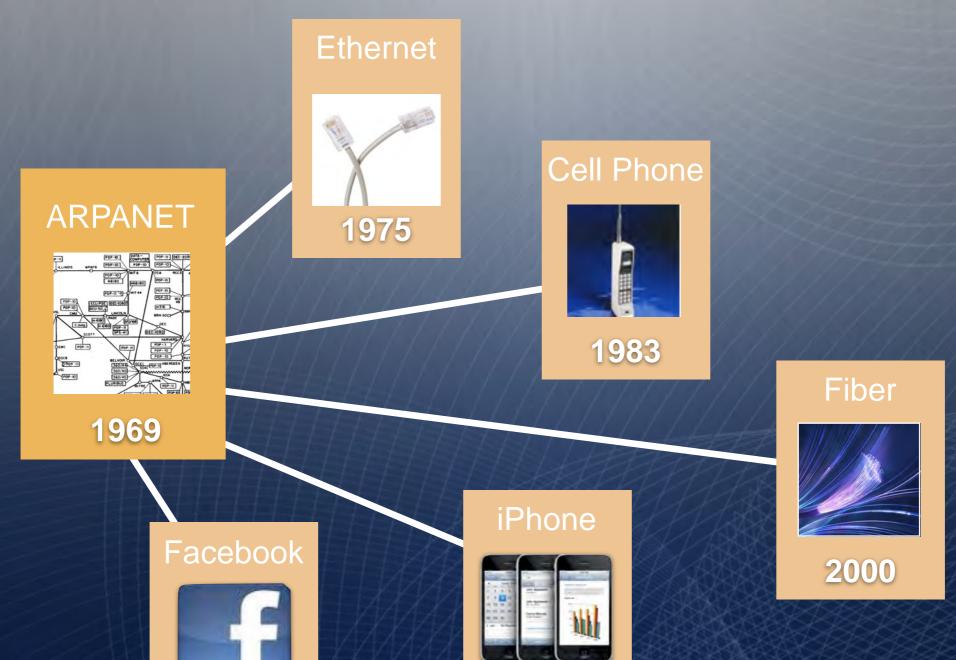
Laborers





#### Internet and Telecom Innovation

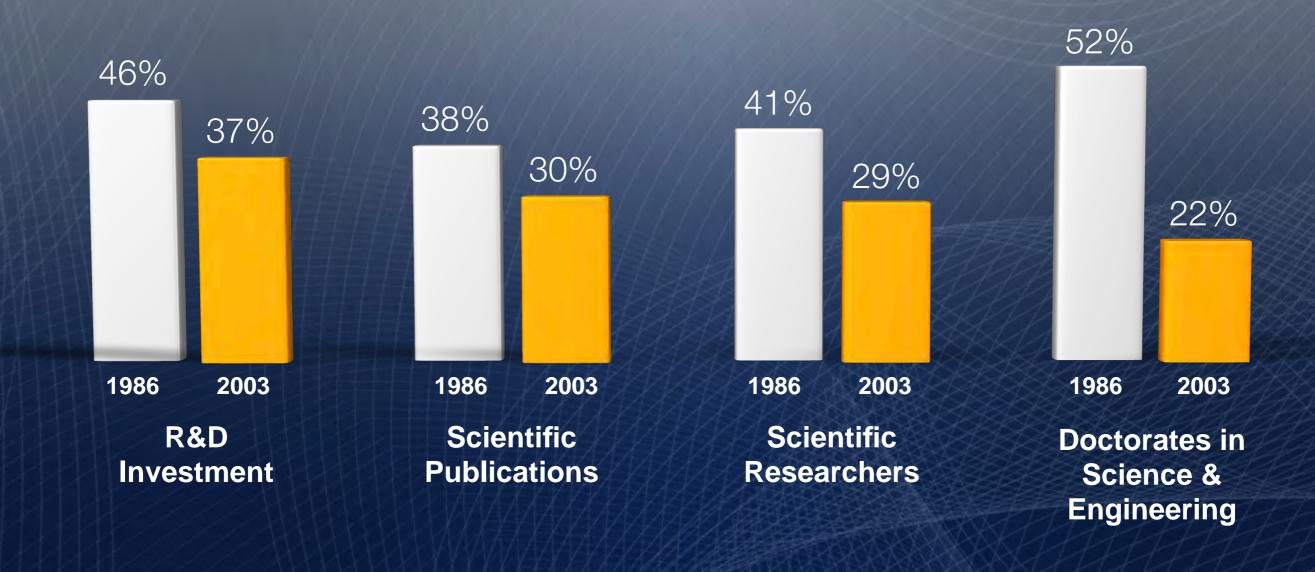




#### U.S. Leadership On Key Innovation Indicators Is Slipping



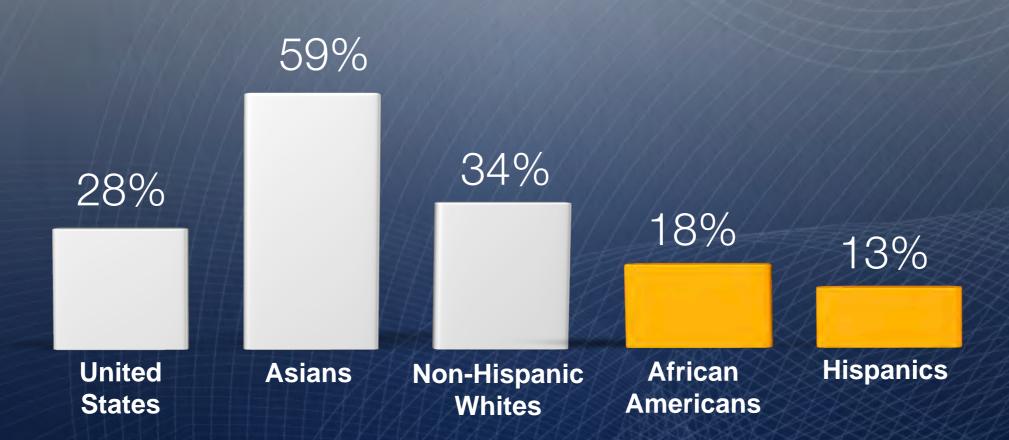
#### U.S. Share of Global Totals



#### The Next American Workforce Is III-Equipped



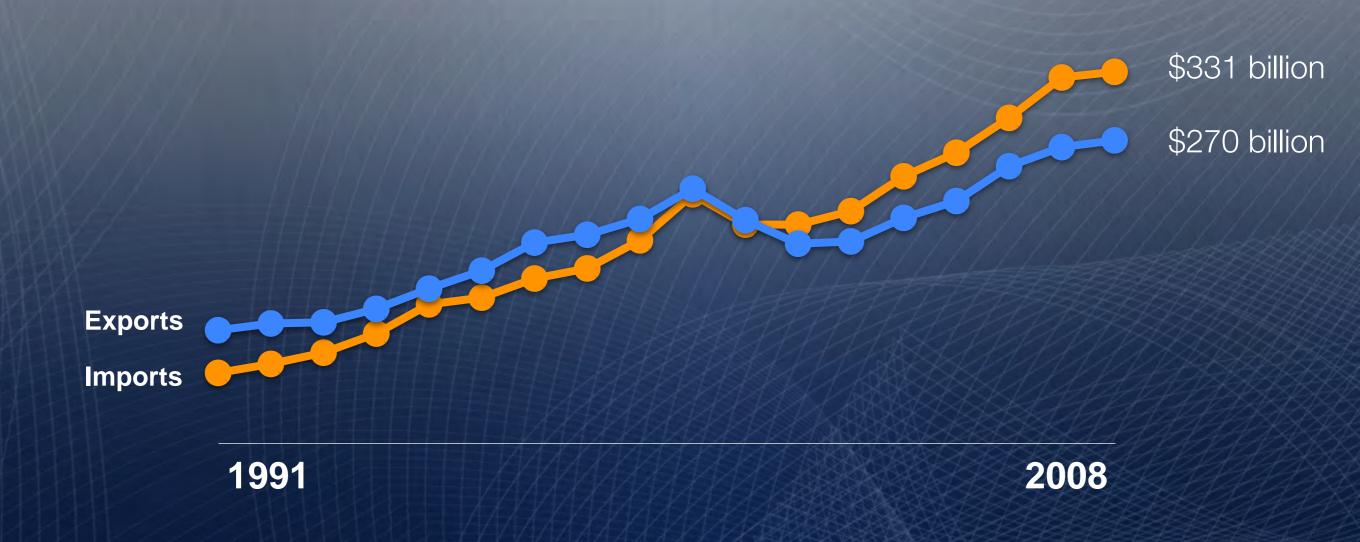
#### Bachelor's Degree Attainment



#### U.S. Lags On The Conversion Of Innovation Into Production



#### **Advanced Technology Products**



## It is time to rediscover our innovation...



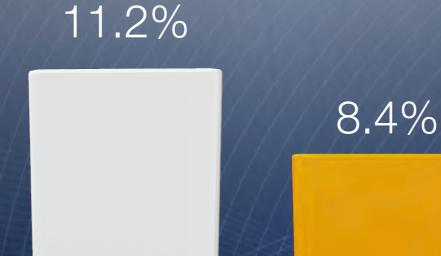
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#### Las Vegas Export Intensity



# Export Share of Gross Metropolitan Product

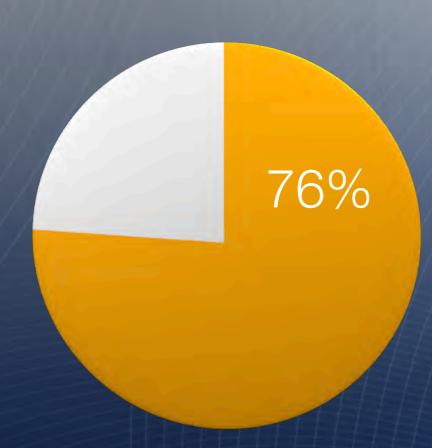


Top 100 Metros

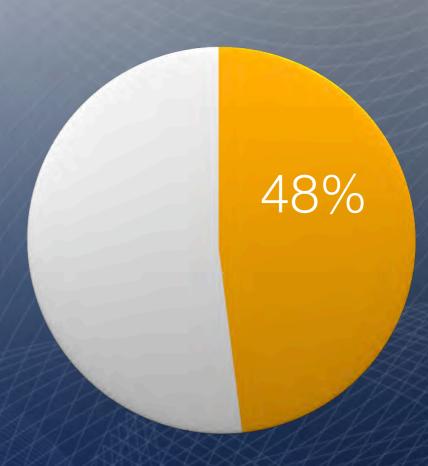


#### Las Vegas Service Export Strength





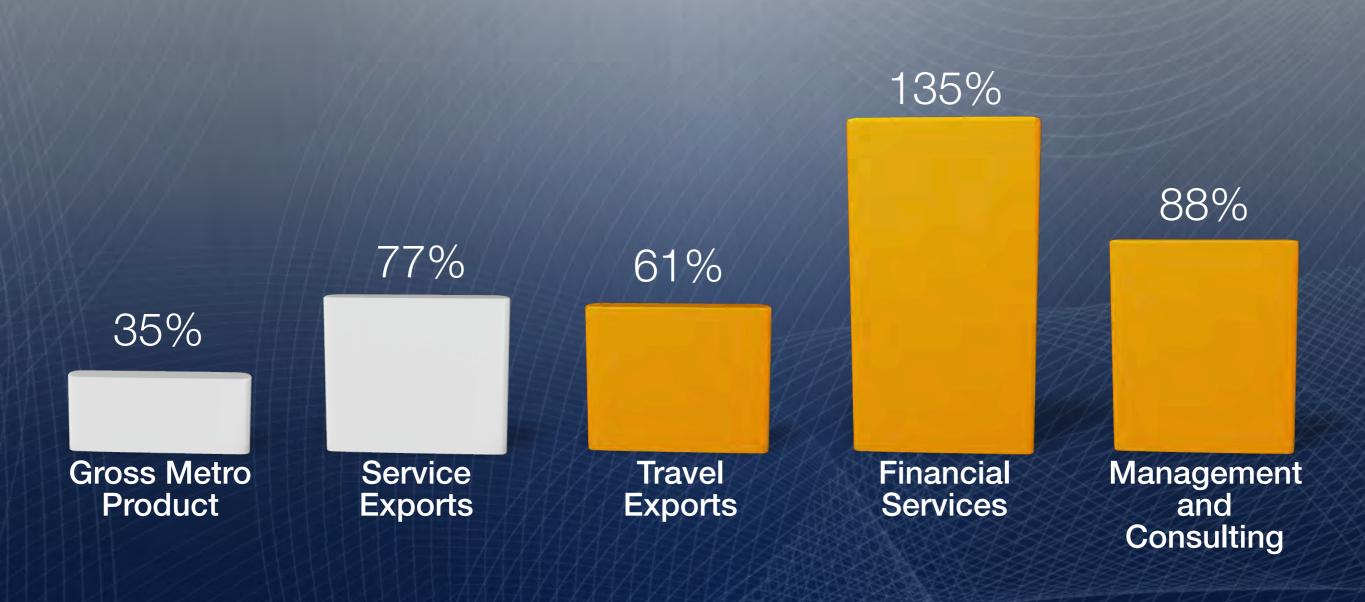
Share of Exports in All Services



Share of Exports in Travel Services

#### Las Vegas Export Growth 2003-2008









# McCarran Airport





International Flight Arrivals

8,998

430

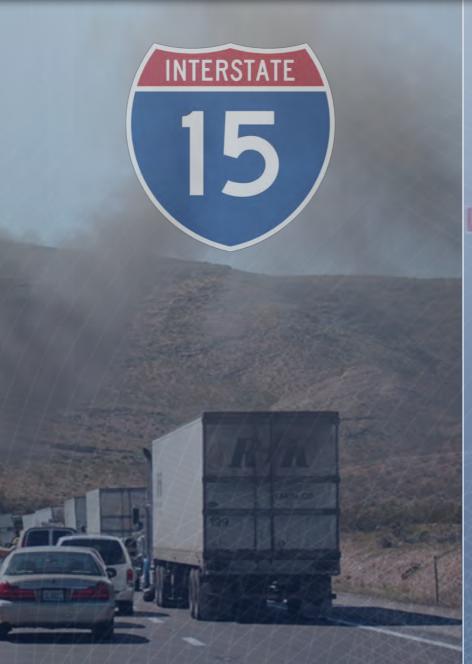
1990

2008

Source: Brookings Analysis of FAA T-100 Data

#### Regional Connections Remain Weak







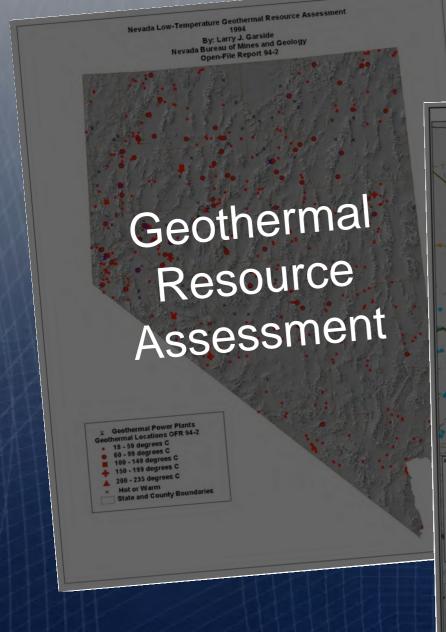


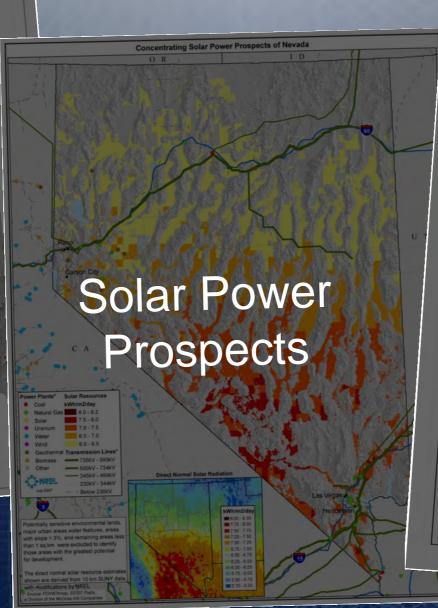
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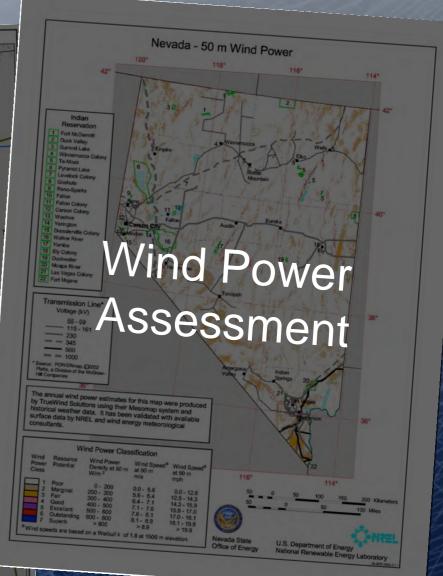
High Speed Rail Connections

#### Nevada is Positioned for Low Carbon









#### Renewable Power Generation





- 1. California
- 2. Nevada
- 3. Hawaii
- 4. Utah

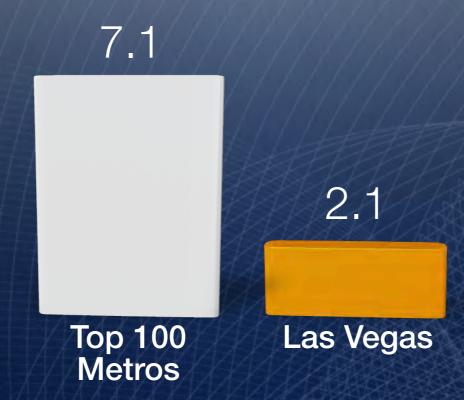


- 1. California
- 2. Nevada
- 3. Arizona
- 4. Colorado

#### Las Vegas Lags on Innovation Measures



Patents Per 1,000 Employees



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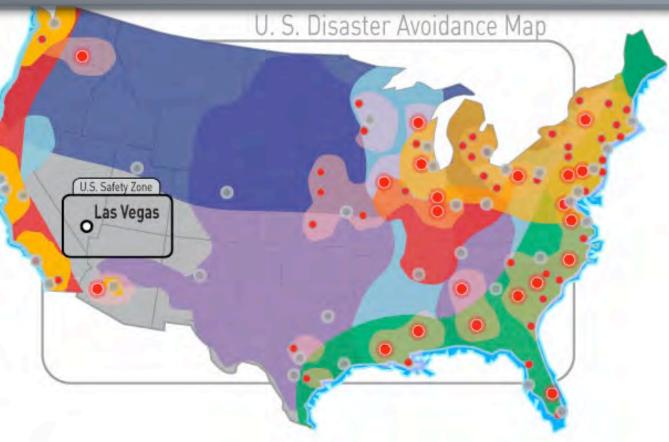


7.1
2.1
Top 100
Metros
Las Vegas

R&D Workers Per 10,000



# **Growing Innovative Sectors**











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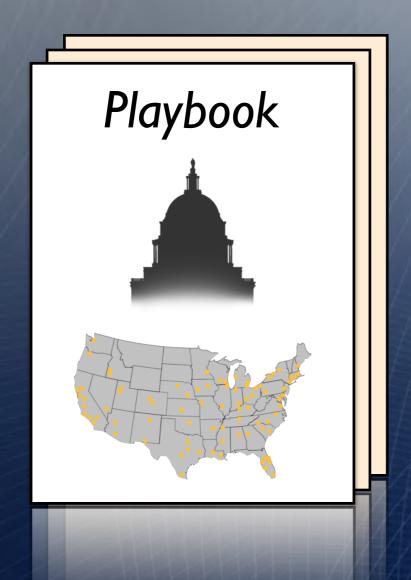


# The U.S. is Not China









Firms

Research

Government

Trade Assoc.

Labor

Philanthropy



# Federal & State Governments Lead where they must





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Lead where they must

Metropolitan Areas

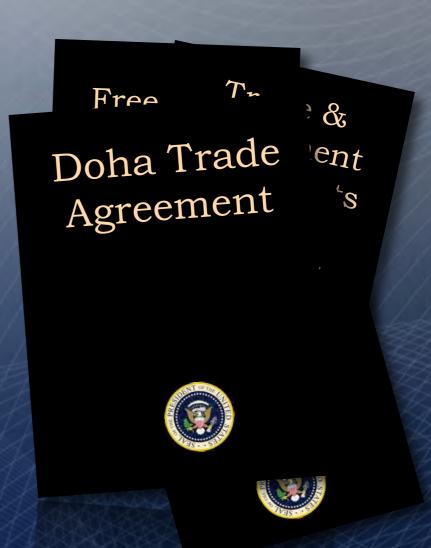
Innovate where they should



#### Macro Levers for Export Growth



Double Exports by 2015

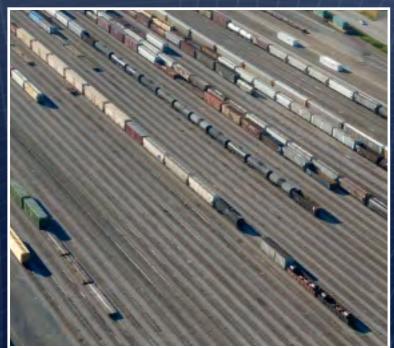


#### National Infrastructure Bank



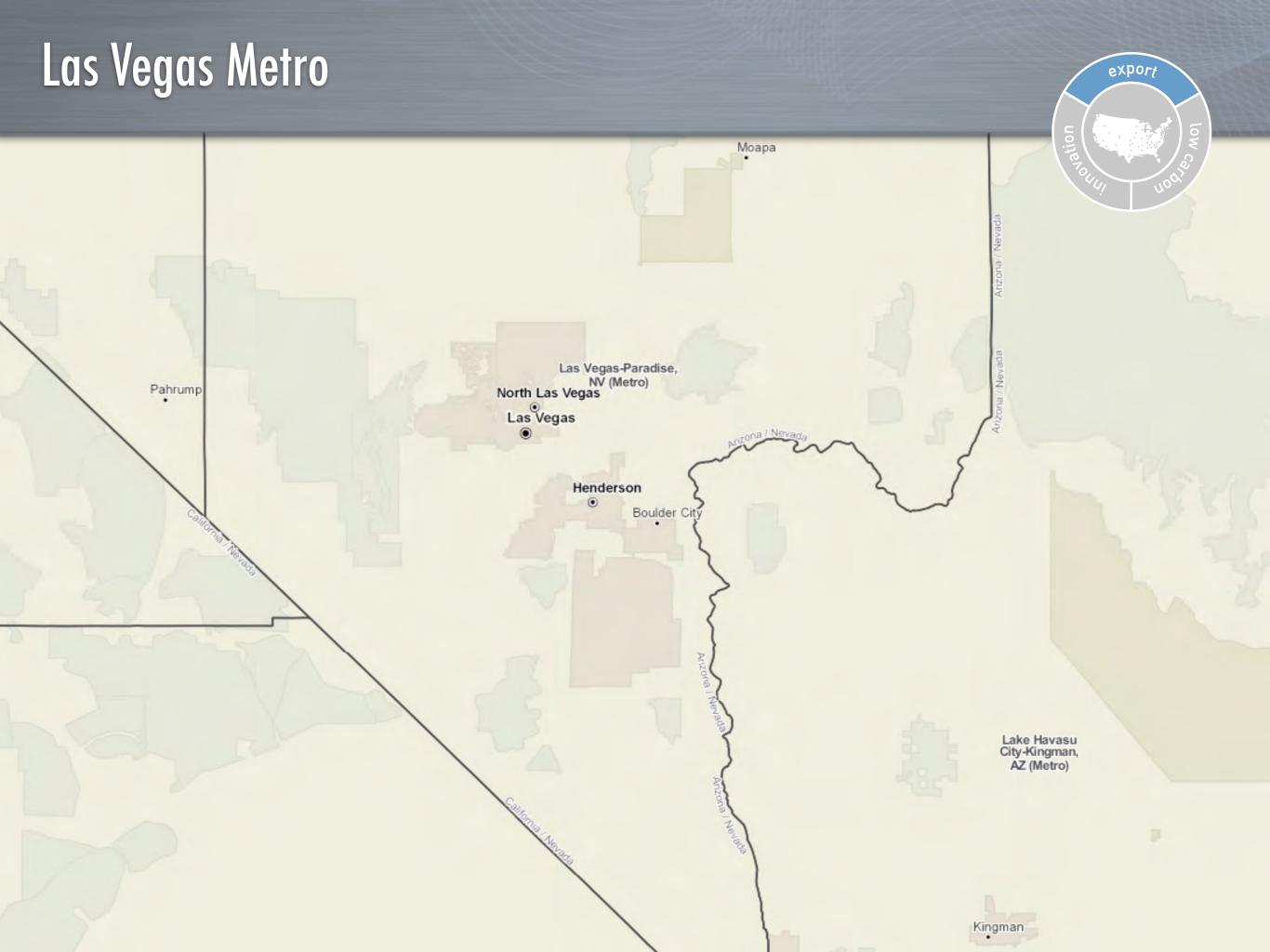












#### Las Vegas Metro







Boulder City

Moapa



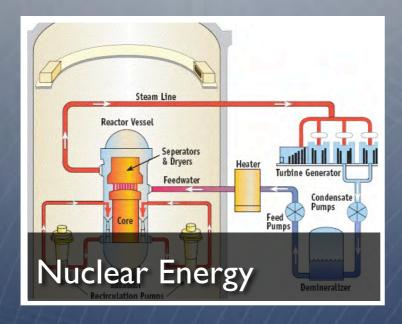




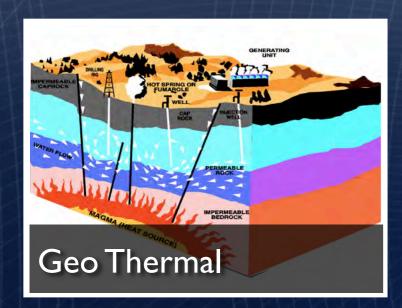


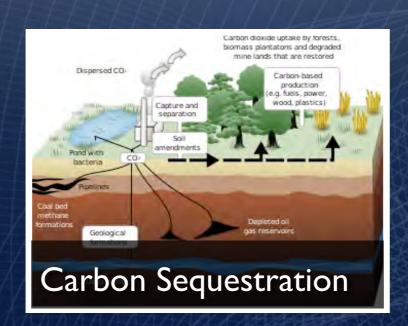
#### **Energy Discovery Innovation Institutes**

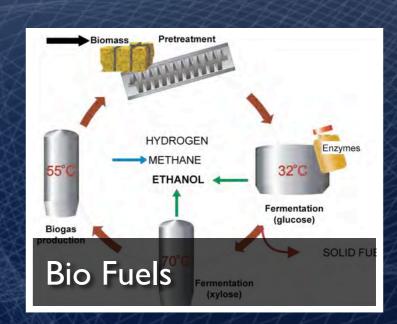












# Energy Should be Prioritized in Federal R&D Funding





\$8 billion

\$5.4 billion

1980 2008

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\$20 billion

**Proposed** 

# Metros Can Develop Livable Places





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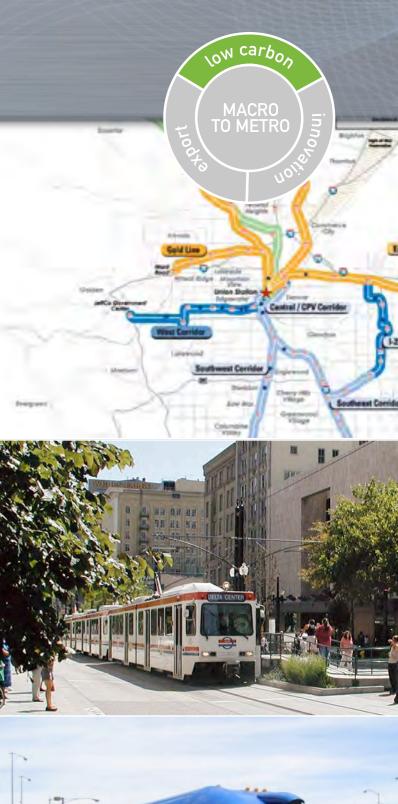




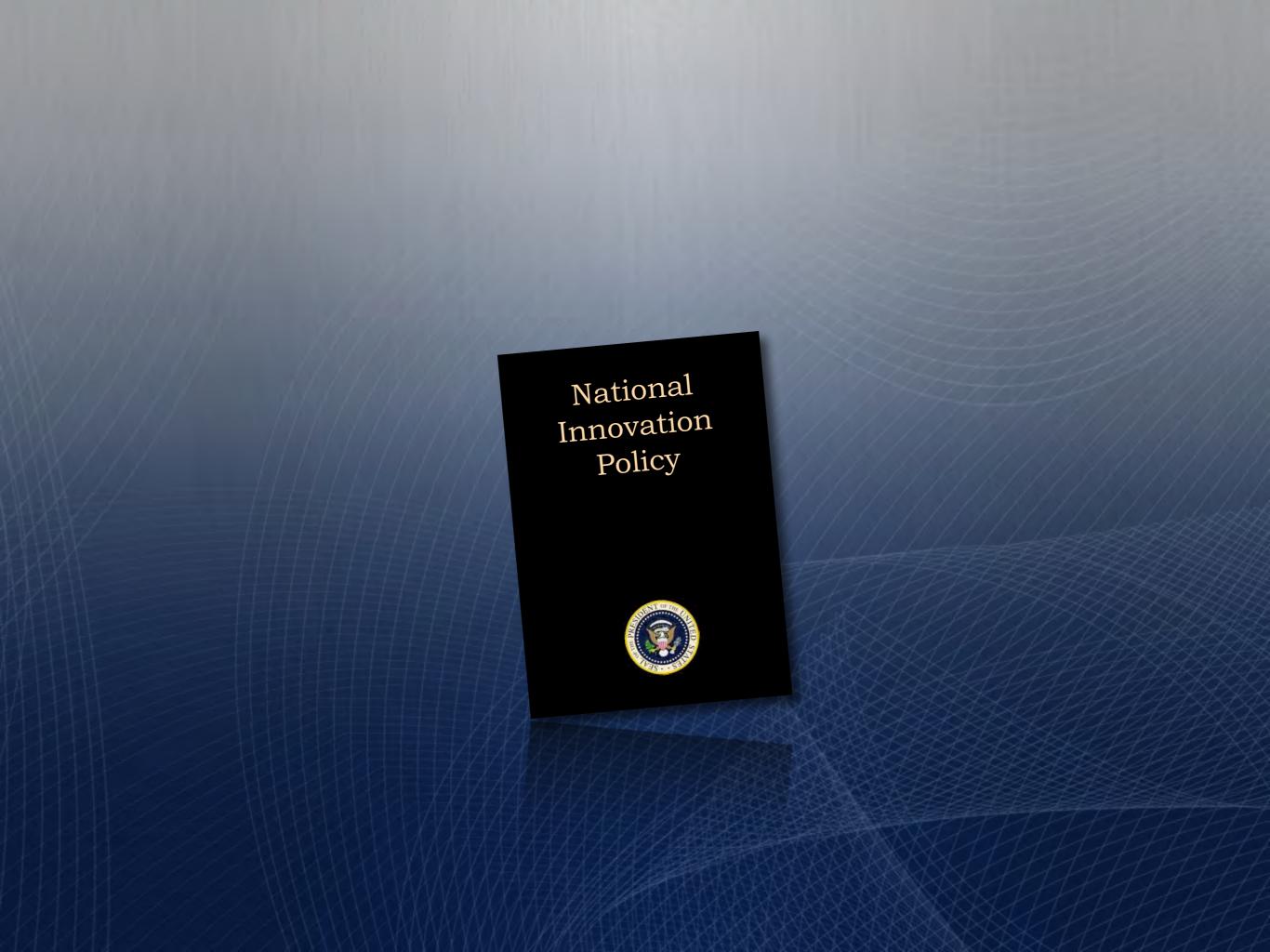


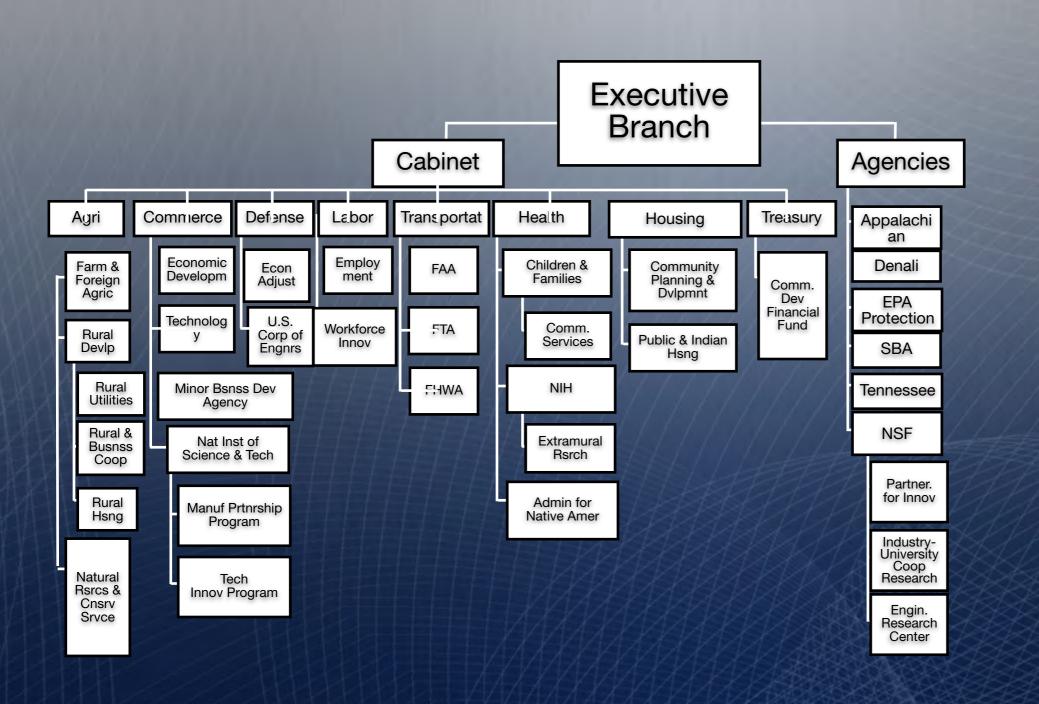
Metros Lead the Effort to Create Quality Places





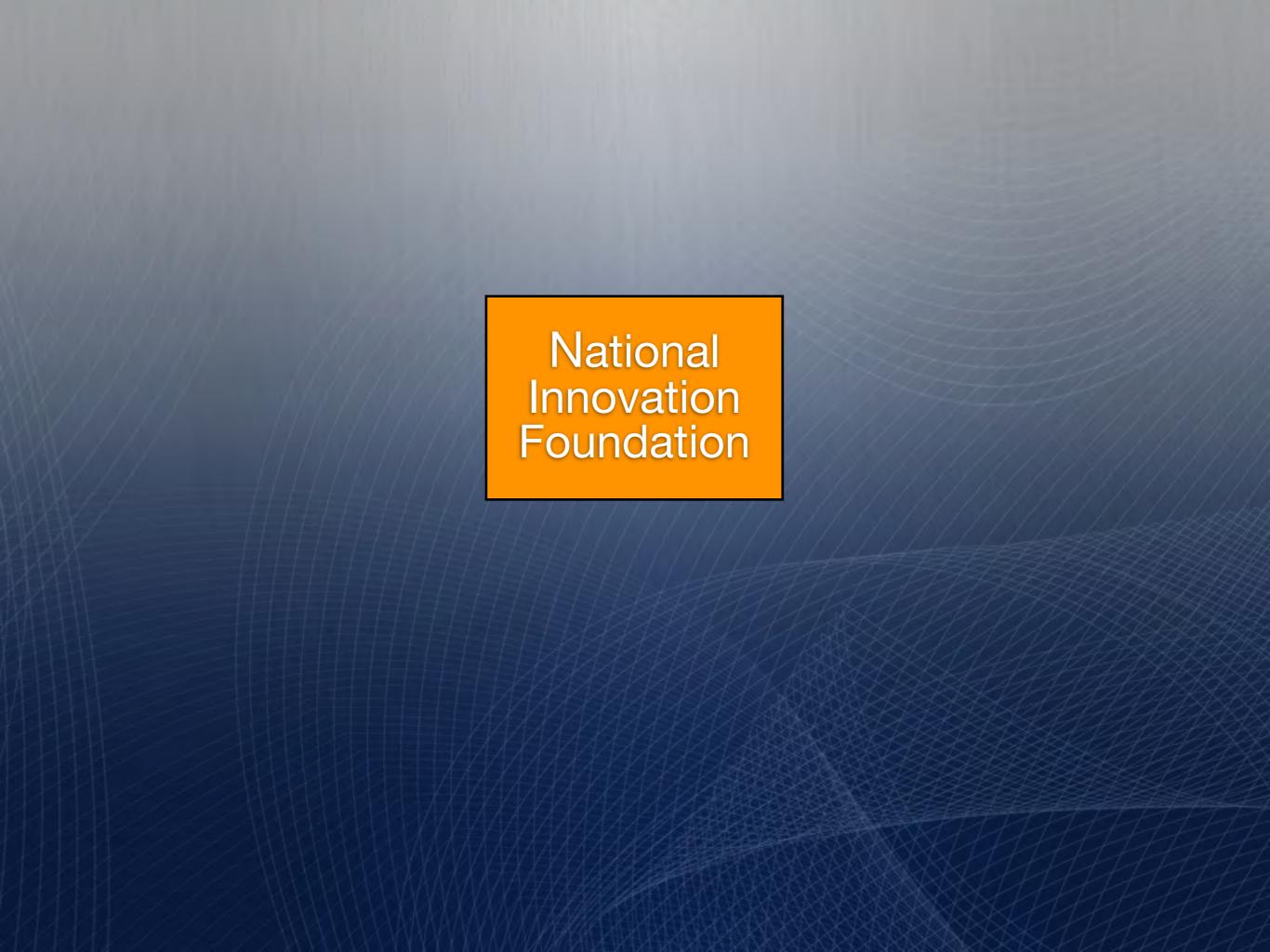






National Innovation Policy







# Building the Workforce



Community Colleges

Post-Secondary Schools

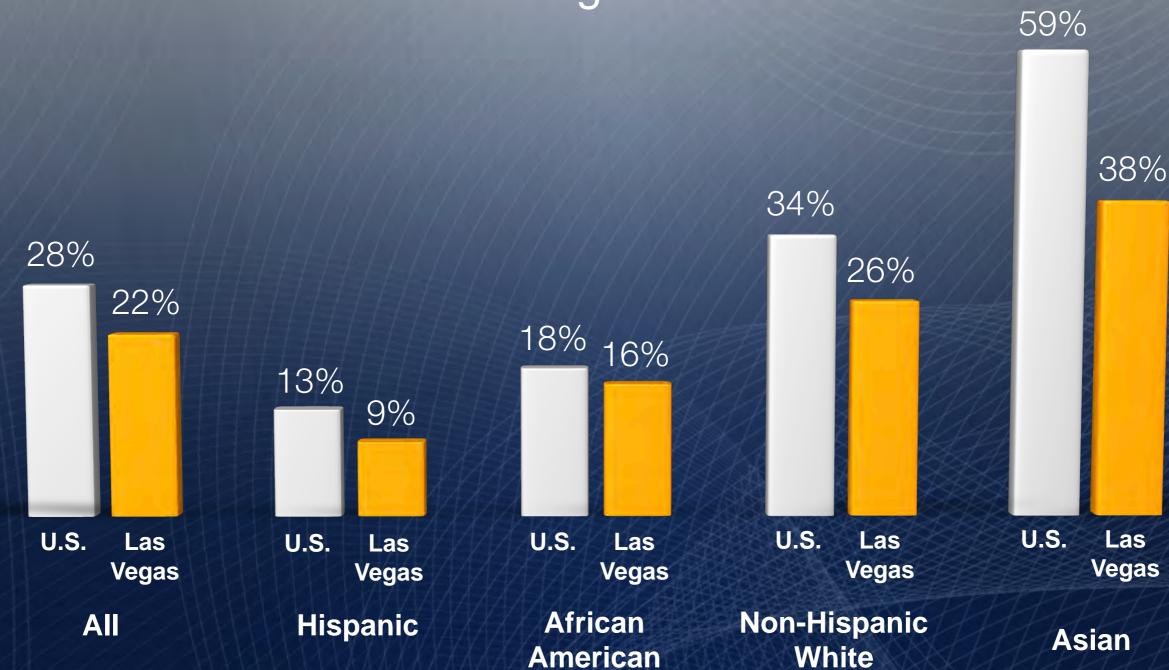
**Skills Providers** 



#### Las Vegas Lags in Educational Attainment







Source: US Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey



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Metropolitan Areas

Innovate where they should

Leverage economic clusters

Connect transportation and housing

Strengthen institutions for innovation and education





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