

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

The Department of Business and Industry (B&I) was created by the Nevada Legislature in the 1933 session as part of a reorganization of the executive branch of state government. B&I was originally comprised of twenty-nine units - divisions, commissions, and special agencies directed and coordinated by a Director who is a member of the Governor's Cabinet. Subsequently some agencies were eliminated or assigned to other areas of government, such as Unclaimed Property which is now part of the State Treasurer's Office.

The main function of the Department is to promote the growth and development of commerce and industry for the benefit of the citizens of Nevada. This task is accomplished by means of regulatory, financial, workplace safety, consumer services, and educational programs. These programs are provided to businesses and professions, commercial and industrial enterprises, employees in the work place, and the general public.

The divisions of the Department of Business and Industry are divided between Carson City, Reno, and Las Vegas, and consist of:

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| Agriculture | Athletic Commission |
| Consumer Affairs | Beef Council |
| Housing | Dairy Commission |
| Industrial Relations | Post secondary Education Commission |
| Insurance | Predatory Animal and Rodent Control Committee |
| Labor Commissioner | Rural Housing Authority |
| Manufactured Housing | Sheep Commission |
| Minerals | |
| Real Estate | |
| Taxicab Authority | |
| Unclaimed Property | |
- Special Agencies
- Attorney for Injured Workers
 - Employment Management Relations Board
 - Grazing Boards
 - High School Rodeo Association

Industrial Development and Planning
Insurance Advocate
Nevada Energy Office
Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board
Office of Hospital Patients
Protection and Advocacy

The twenty-nine units are arranged into operational units or clusters (sometimes called work groups) that include:

Business Regulations
Industrial Relations
Consumer Services
Finance and Industrial Development Services
Rural Services and Agriculture

RECORDS

The administrative records of the Department consist of 21.5 cubic feet and date from 1980-2000; bulk dates 1990-1998. They include some pre-consolidation agency records (pre-1993). The records document pre-reorganization activities, the consolidation project, and post 1993 operations at the administrative level. The records include policy statements, correspondence, subject files, reports and reader files (correspondence from agencies to the Director or division heads). Some budget and legislative information was retained when it documented agency structures and plans. Only selected Financial Division case files (Lemmon and Associates) and general legal materials were retained as those files are available elsewhere.

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