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UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Oklahoma: 4.2% ↑ 0.4%	Biggest change (county): Love County (2.6%) ↓ 1.4%
OKC MSA: 3.7% Lawton MSA: 3.5%	Highest rate (county): Coal County (11.4%)
Tulsa MSA: 4.4% Enid MSA: 2.7%	Lowest rate (county): Cimarron County (1.2%)

STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT

STATEWIDE UNEMPLOYMENT ↓ 23,000 (-24.5%) over year	Despite an almost 10 percent jump in the number of unemployed Oklahomans over the month, state unemployment has dropped by nearly 25 percent since September 2003.
BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICES ↓ 900 (-7.1%) over year	Business Support Services, a sector of PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES, continued its skid in September. This sector dropped 900 jobs compared to September 2003. Since 1998, Business Support Services has lost just over one-third of its employment.
MOTOR VEHICLE & PARTS TRADE ↓ 400 (-1.7%) over month	The Motor Vehicle & Parts subsector of RETAIL TRADE recorded its sharpest August-to-September decline since 1990 after only dropping 400 jobs (-1.7 percent) over the month.

IN A NUTSHELL . . .

“The September employment numbers reflect an improving labor market across the state. Although month-to-month employment gains have been hit and miss lately, year-over-year growth has been widespread across many industries. Although there are certainly pockets of weakness, both in terms of geography and industry, the overall employment picture in September is one of gradual growth and recovery.” – Lynn Gray, OESC Managing Economist

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STATE UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN 23,000 SINCE SEPTEMBER 2003

In September, Oklahoma's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Labor Force** posted a small gain of 2,700 people (+0.2 percent) to reach 1,704,600. Although this follows on the heels of a significant 28,000-person drop last month, the labor force has still managed to add over 9,000 persons (+0.5 percent) since September 2003.

Following a 16,000-job drop in August, Oklahoma's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Total Employment** again lost people, dropping by 3,600 (-0.2 percent) to 1,633,300 in September. These two months of loss follow a July in which we saw **Non-seasonally Adjusted Total Employment** set a record high *. Over the year, total employment has increased by 32,000 jobs (+2.0 percent).

Oklahoma's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Unemployment** increased by 6,300 people (+9.7 percent) to 71,200 following a decline of 12,000 over the previous two months. Even with additions, the September unemployed number was the second lowest of 2004. For the twelve months ending in September, unemployment decreased by nearly 25 percent (-23,000 persons) from the 94,000 reported in September 2003.

These changes combined to drive the state **Unemployment Rate** up by four-tenths of a percent to 4.2 percent in September. Despite the gain, the **Unemployment Rate** is still well below July's 5.0 percent. Over the year, the rate dropped by 1.4 percent from the 5.6 percent reported in September 2003.

* Current Oklahoma labor force data record started in January 1978.

U.S. & REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT							
SEPTEMBER 2004	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Oklahoma	1,633,300	71,200	1,704,600	4.2%	3.8%	4.4%	5.6%
United States	139,641,000	7,545,000	147,186,000	5.1%	5.4%	5.7%	5.8%
Arkansas	1,322,002	1,255,696	66,306	5.0%	5.1%	6.1%	5.9%
Kansas	1,460,325	1,395,658	64,667	4.4%	4.6%	4.7%	5.1%
Louisiana	2,051,522	1,948,449	103,073	5.0%	5.1%	6.4%	6.2%
Missouri	3,022,443	2,859,650	162,793	5.4%	5.7%	5.8%	5.4%
New Mexico	909,972	861,482	48,490	5.3%	5.4%	5.8%	6.5%
Texas	10,986,723	10,388,084	598,639	5.4%	5.8%	6.2%	6.8%
				UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			

ALL MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES UP IN SEPTEMBER

In September, all four Oklahoma MSAs saw their unemployment rates increase over the month. The unemployment rates for both **Oklahoma City** and **Tulsa** rose by 0.4 percent to 3.7 percent and 4.4 percent, respectively. **Lawton's** unemployment rate was up by 0.3 percent to 3.5 percent, and **Enid** gained 0.5 percent to 2.7 percent over the month.

MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES							
SEPTEMBER 2004	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Oklahoma City MSA	565,950	22,000	587,940	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
Tulsa MSA	402,790	18,610	421,400	4.4%	4.0%	4.5%	6.5%
Lawton MSA	40,750	1,490	42,240	3.5%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%
Enid MSA	25,520	710	26,230	2.7%	2.2%	2.5%	3.7%
				UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			

LIST OF HIGHEST COUNTY RATES CONTAINS FAMILIAR NAMES

For the fourth straight month, the top three highest county unemployment rates belonged to **Coal County** (11.4 percent), **Okfuskee County** (11.2 percent) and **Seminole County** (10.4 percent). **Coal County** has reported the highest county rate in the state since February 2003.

HIGHEST COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

SEPTEMBER 2004	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Coal County	1,650	210	1,860	11.4%	12.3%	15.2%	16.6%
Okfuskee County	3,210	410	3,620	11.2%	10.9%	12.3%	11.4%
Seminole County	9,310	1,090	10,400	10.4%	10.0%	12.0%	12.0%
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE							

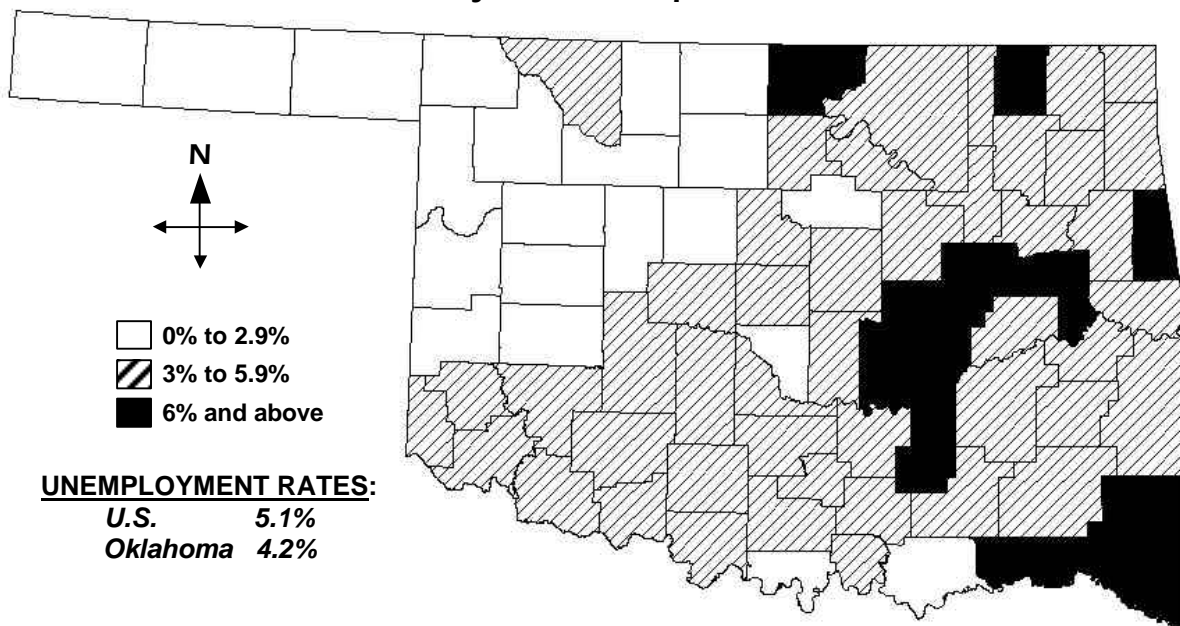
CIMARRON COUNTY, HARPER COUNTY TIE FOR STATE'S LOWEST RATE

Cimarron County and **Harper County** shared September's lowest unemployment rate at 1.2 percent. **Dewey County** (1.3 percent) and **Roger Mills County** (1.5 percent) rounded out the top three lowest rates for September.

LOWEST COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

SEPTEMBER 2004	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Cimarron County	1,620	20	1,640	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	1.9%
Harper County	1,700	20	1,720	1.2%	0.9%	1.2%	2.9%
Dewey County	2,040	30	2,070	1.3%	1.7%	2.1%	2.6%
Roger Mills County	2,140	30	2,170	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE							

DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary Data for September 2004



BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIME HAS EFFECT ON STATE EMPLOYMENT

Oklahoma's **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** continued the growth trend started last month in a big way, adding 16,400 jobs (+1.1 percent) over the month. At 1,468,000 jobs, statewide employment was 23,200 jobs (+1.6 percent) higher than its September 2003 level.

Under the **Goods Producing Industries**, both **Natural Resources and Mining** and **Construction** managed to add a significant number of jobs over the year. For the **Service Providing Industries**, **Educational and Health Services** and **Government** both contributed to seasonal gains spurred on by back-to-school activities. **Leisure and Hospitality** also experienced seasonal change in September as the end of summer forced **Arts, Entertainment and Recreation** and **Accommodation and Food Services** to shed jobs over the month.

OKLAHOMA Total Employment		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT		1,468,000	1,451,600	1,444,800	16,400	1.10%	23,200	1.60%
Goods Producing Industries		238,400	238,100	234,200	300	0.10%	4,200	1.80%
Natural Resources & Mining		31,700	31,500	29,200	200	0.60%	2,500	8.60%
Construction		64,600	65,100	63,200	-500	-0.80%	1,400	2.20%
Service Providing Industries		1,229,600	1,213,500	1,210,600	16,100	1.30%	19,000	1.60%
Educational & Health Services		178,200	176,500	174,100	1,700	1.00%	4,100	2.40%
Leisure & Hospitality Services		128,900	131,500	127,100	-2,600	-2.00%	1,800	1.40%
Government		296,300	278,100	288,600	18,200	6.50%	7,700	2.70%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

STATE NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING SEES GROWTH OVER YEAR

Despite only a marginal gain over the month, **Natural Resources and Mining** has managed to add 2,500 jobs (+8.6 percent) since September 2003. The **Support Activities for Mining** sector contributed a majority of the annual growth by gaining 1,600 jobs (+11.4 percent).

OKLAHOMA Natural Resources & Mining		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Natural Resources & Mining		31,700	31,500	29,200	200	0.60%	2,500	8.60%
Support Activities for Mining		15,600	15,600	14,000	0	0.00%	1,600	11.40%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

CONSTRUCTION SHOWS YEAR-OVER-YEAR GROWTH IN SEPTEMBER

Although **Construction** reported a small drop in September, the supersector has managed to add 1,400 jobs (+2.2 percent) over the year. The **Construction of Buildings** sector was a major contributor to the growth.

OKLAHOMA Construction		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Construction		64,600	65,100	63,200	-500	-0.80%	1,400	2.20%
Construction of Buildings		13,700	13,700	13,100	0	0.00%	600	4.60%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

STATE DURABLE GOODS MANUFACTURING ADDS JOBS OVER YEAR

Manufacturing managed small-but-steady growth for both the month and year in September 2004. The **Durable Goods** and **Non-durable Goods** sectors both contributed to the monthly gain. **Durable Goods** has managed to add 1,200 jobs (+1.3 percent) over the year, and **Non-durable Goods** has shed 900 jobs (-1.8 percent). This leaves **Manufacturing** with a slight over-the-year gain.

OKLAHOMA Manufacturing		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Manufacturing		142,100	141,500	141,800	600	0.40%	300	0.20%
Durable Goods		92,900	92,800	91,700	100	0.10%	1,200	1.30%
Non-durable Goods		49,200	48,700	50,100	500	1.00%	-900	-1.80%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES RECORDS OVER-THE-YEAR GAIN

With a 600-job gain over the month, **Professional and Business Services** managed to reach 161,000 jobs in September 2004. This represents a gain of 3,800 jobs (+2.4 percent) over the year. This annual gain was split relatively equally between the **Professional, Scientific and Technical** and **Administrative and Support** sectors, with **Management of Companies** making up the rest.

OKLAHOMA Professional & Business Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Professional & Bus. Services		161,000	160,400	157,200	600	0.40%	3,800	2.40%
Prof., Scientific & Technical		57,400	57,400	55,800	0	0.00%	1,600	2.90%
Management of Companies		12,200	12,200	12,000	0	0.00%	200	1.70%
Administrative & Support Svcs.		91,400	90,800	89,400	600	0.70%	2,000	2.20%
Employment Services		44,200	43,800	42,600	400	0.90%	1,600	3.80%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

BACK-TO-SCHOOL TIME TRANSLATES INTO GAINS FOR EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES

Educational and Health Services benefited from back-to-school time as the **Educational Services** sector added 3,100 jobs (+22.0 percent) over the month. This gain was counterbalanced by **Health Care and Social Assistance**, which lost 1,400 jobs (-0.9 percent) in September. Over the past year, both sectors have contributed to the 4,100-job addition.

OKLAHOMA Educational & Health Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Educational & Health Services		178,200	176,500	174,100	1,700	1.00%	4,100	2.40%
Educational Services		17,200	14,100	16,400	3,100	22.00%	800	4.90%
Health Care/Social Assistance		161,000	162,400	157,700	-1,400	-0.90%	3,300	2.10%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

SEASONAL FACTORS LEAD LEISURE & HOSPITALITY TO SHED JOBS

Seasonal hiring in **Leisure and Hospitality Services** reversed course in September as summer break ended and students returned to school. Over the month, **Leisure and Hospitality Services** shed 2,600 jobs (-2.0 percent). This represents over 7 percent of the **Arts, Entertainment and Recreation** workforce and more than 1 percent of **Accommodation and Food Services** workers. Over the year, this supersector has gained 1,800 jobs (+1.4 percent).

OKLAHOMA Leisure & Hospitality Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Leisure & Hospitality Services		128,900	131,500	127,100	-2,600	-2.00%	1,800	1.40%
Art, Entertainment, Recreation		13,900	15,000	13,400	-1,100	-7.30%	500	3.70%
Accommodation/Food Services		115,000	116,500	113,700	-1,500	-1.30%	1,300	1.10%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

GOVERNMENT SEES BIG GAINS AS STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Seasonal education factors were at work as students, educators and support staff returned to school in September, resulting in **Government** adding 18,200 jobs (+6.5 percent) to its workforce. **State Government** (+6,300 jobs) and **Local Government** (+11,700 jobs) provided the largest share of these jobs. Over the past year, **Government** has added 7,700 jobs (+2.7 percent).

OKLAHOMA Government		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Government		296,300	278,100	288,600	18,200	6.50%	7,700	2.70%
Federal Government		45,100	44,900	43,200	200	0.40%	1,900	4.40%
State Government		81,100	74,800	81,000	6,300	8.40%	100	0.10%
Local Government		170,100	158,400	164,400	11,700	7.40%	5,700	3.50%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

ALL MONTHLY JOB GAINS FROM SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES

In September, **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** in the Oklahoma City MSA gained 7,100 jobs (+1.3 percent) to reach 541,900, an addition of 9,300 jobs (+1.7 percent) since September 2003. The **Goods Producing Industries** provided 1,000 jobs (+1.5 percent) to the over-the-year increase, and the **Service Providing Industries** contributed 8,300 jobs (+1.8 percent). The over-the-month gain came entirely from the **Service Providing Industries**, where seasonal education factors led to big gains in **Government**.

OKLAHOMA CITY Total Employment		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT		541,900	534,800	532,600	7,100	1.30%	9,300	1.70%
Goods Producing Industries		69,000	69,100	68,000	-100	-0.10%	1,000	1.50%
Service Providing Industries		472,900	465,700	464,600	7,200	1.50%	8,300	1.80%
Professional & Business Svcs.		70,100	69,600	66,500	500	0.70%	3,600	5.40%
Educational & Health Services		69,000	68,600	66,300	400	0.60%	2,700	4.10%
Leisure & Hospitality Services		54,500	54,800	52,500	-300	-0.50%	2,000	3.80%
Government		106,900	100,000	106,700	6,900	6.90%	200	0.20%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES SEES GROWTH FOR YEAR

Professional and Business Services continued to grow in September, adding 500 jobs (+0.7 percent) over the month. The monthly gain was provided entirely by the **Administrative and Support Services** sector, which includes **Employment Services** (+500 jobs). **Professional and Business Services** has shown strong growth over the past year by gaining 3,600 jobs (+5.4 percent), also almost entirely due to **Administrative and Support Services**. Many economists interpret an active **Employment Services** sector like the one in Oklahoma City as a sign of economic recovery.

OKLAHOMA CITY Professional & Business Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Professional & Bus. Services		70,100	69,600	66,500	500	0.70%	3,600	5.40%
Prof, Scientific, Technical		25,200	25,200	24,700	0	0.00%	500	2.00%
Management of Companies		4,100	4,100	4,400	0	0.00%	-300	-6.80%
Administrative & Support Svcs.		40,800	40,300	37,400	500	1.20%	3,400	9.10%
Employment Services		18,800	18,300	17,100	500	2.70%	1,700	9.90%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES RECORDS GAINS OVER YEAR

Educational and Health Services added 400 jobs (+0.6 percent) in September 2004. Although this is relatively weak movement, the supersector's over-the-year gain of 2,700 jobs (+4.1 percent) provides much more to be positive about. The **Health Care and Social Assistance** sector contributed most of the annual gain, with **Ambulatory Health Care** adding 1,600 jobs (+7.7 percent), and **Hospitals** gaining 1,300 jobs (+6.3 percent) over the year.

OKLAHOMA CITY Educational & Health Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Educational & Health Services		69,000	68,600	66,300	400	0.60%	2,700	4.10%
Health Care/Social Assistance		60,800	61,100	58,200	-300	-0.50%	2,600	4.50%
Ambulatory Health Care		22,400	22,300	20,800	100	0.40%	1,600	7.70%
Hospitals		21,800	22,000	20,500	-200	-0.90%	1,300	6.30%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

LEISURE & HOSPITALITY SERVICES KEEPS ADDING JOBS OVER YEAR

Leisure and Hospitality Services recorded a small seasonal loss of 300 jobs (-0.5 percent) in September due to the end of summer. Over the past year, **Accommodation and Food Services** reported a 1,100-job gain (+2.4 percent), making it a major contributor to the 2,000 jobs gained in **Leisure and Hospitality Services**.

OKLAHOMA CITY Leisure & Hospitality Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Leisure & Hospitality Services		54,500	54,800	52,500	-300	-0.50%	2,000	3.80%
Accommodation/Food Svcs.		47,400	47,400	46,300	0	0.00%	1,100	2.40%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

BACK-TO-SCHOOL HELPS GOVERNMENT PASS LAST YEAR'S LEVEL

As students ended summer break and headed back to school in September, **Government** in Oklahoma City reflected this fact with a 6,900-job gain (+6.9 percent) over the month. **State Government** added 2,600 jobs (+7.3 percent), as **Local Government** contributed 4,200 jobs (+10.9 percent). Despite these large over-the-month gains, **Government** is only 200 jobs ahead (+0.2 percent) of its September 2003 employment level.

OKLAHOMA CITY Government		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Government		106,900	100,000	106,700	6,900	6.90%	200	0.20%
Federal Government		26,100	26,000	25,800	100	0.40%	300	1.20%
State Government		38,200	35,600	38,800	2,600	7.30%	-600	-1.50%
Local Government		42,600	38,400	42,100	4,200	10.90%	500	1.20%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

TULSA MSA*

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TULSA CONTINUES TO IMPROVE FOR BOTH MONTH AND YEAR

TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT in Tulsa continued to recover in September as the MSA gained 1,400 jobs (+0.4 percent) for the month and 1,800 jobs (+0.5 percent) over the year. The **Goods Producing Industries** provided 900 jobs of the monthly gain, while the **Service Providing Industries** contributed 1,600 jobs to the annual growth. **Government** was the largest contributor to the monthly gain as seasonal factors came into play.

TULSA								
Total Employment		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT		378,800	377,400	377,000	1,400	0.40%	1,800	0.50%
Goods Producing Industries		69,400	68,500	69,200	900	1.30%	200	0.30%
Manufacturing		46,800	46,100	45,500	700	1.50%	1,300	2.90%
Service Providing Industries		309,400	308,900	307,800	500	0.20%	1,600	0.50%
Professional & Business Svcs.		46,500	47,500	47,100	-1,000	-2.10%	-600	-1.30%
Government		43,500	41,600	42,700	1,900	4.60%	800	1.90%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

DESPITE SMALL GAIN, TULSA CONSTRUCTION STRUGGLES WHEN COMPARED TO SEPTEMBER 2003

The **Specialty Trade Contractors** sector was the source of **Construction's** over-the-month gain of 100 jobs. Since September 2003, **Construction** has shed 1,100 jobs (-5.6 percent).

TULSA								
Construction		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Construction		18,600	18,500	19,700	100	0.50%	-1,100	-5.60%
Specialty Trade Contractors		12,000	11,900	12,600	100	0.80%	-600	-4.80%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

MANUFACTURING LOOKING STRONG COMPARED TO YEAR AGO

By adding 700 jobs (+1.5 percent) in September, **Manufacturing** managed a 1,300-job gain (+2.9 percent) for the year. The **Durable Goods Manufacturing** sector provided 1,100 jobs to the annual gain.

TULSA								
Manufacturing		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Manufacturing		46,800	46,100	45,500	700	1.50%	1,300	2.90%
Durable Goods		37,300	37,000	36,200	300	0.80%	1,100	3.00%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES KEEPS SHRINKING IN TULSA

Trade, Transportation and Utilities dropped 200 jobs (-0.3 percent) in September. Both **Wholesale Trade** and **Retail Trade** shed a significant number of jobs compared to last year. Although **Transportation, Warehouse and Utilities** managed an over-the-year gain, it was too small to affect the supersector as a whole.

TULSA								
Trade, Transportation & Utilities		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Trade, Transportation & Utilities		78,300	78,500	79,700	-200	-0.30%	-1,400	-1.80%
Wholesale Trade		15,700	15,600	16,700	100	0.60%	-1,000	-6.00%
Retail Trade		41,500	41,800	42,200	-300	-0.70%	-700	-1.70%
Transp., Warehouse & Utilities		21,100	21,100	20,800	0	0.00%	300	1.40%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INDUSTRY GAINS GROUND OVER YEAR

Financial Activities held steady in September at 25,500 jobs after gaining jobs since June of this year. Over the past year, this supersector has added 1,100 jobs (+4.5 percent) to its workforce.

TULSA								
Financial Activities		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Financial Activities		25,500	25,500	24,400	0	0.00%	1,100	4.50%
Finance & Insurance		17,800	17,900	17,600	-100	-0.60%	200	1.10%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES CONTINUES PATTERN OF JOB GAINS ONE MONTH, LOSSES THE NEXT

Professional and Business Services continued its pattern of lose one month, gain the next by dropping 1,000 jobs (-2.1 percent) in September following a 1,200-job gain in August. The only subsector not to contribute to the over-the-month loss was **Management of Companies**. When compared to September 2003, employment in this industry is down by 600 jobs (-1.3 percent) despite continuous growth in **Employment Services**.

TULSA								
Professional & Business Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Professional & Bus. Services		46,500	47,500	47,100	-1,000	-2.10%	-600	-1.30%
Prof, Scientific, Technical		16,800	17,000	17,500	-200	-1.20%	-700	-4.00%
Management of Companies		5,200	5,200	5,800	0	0.00%	-600	-10.30%
Administrative & Support Svcs.		24,500	25,300	23,800	-800	-3.20%	700	2.90%
Employment Services		11,700	11,900	9,800	-200	-1.70%	1,900	19.40%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

SEASONAL GAINS BENEFIT EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES

Educational and Health Services experienced the effects of the back-to-school season in September as it added 700 jobs (+1.4 percent) over the month. As would be expected, **Educational Services** gained 500 jobs (+9.1 percent). This supersector came to rest at the same employment level it recorded in September 2003.

TULSA								
Educational & Health Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Educational & Health Services		50,500	49,800	50,500	700	1.40%	0	0.00%
Educational Services		6,000	5,500	5,900	500	9.10%	100	1.70%
Health Care/Social Services		44,500	44,300	44,600	200	0.50%	-100	-0.20%
		NUMBER EMPLOYED			AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

END OF SUMMER BREAK HITS LEISURE & HOSPITALITY SERVICES

Leisure and Hospitality Services was also at the mercy of seasonal factors in September as students returned to school and the summer vacation season came to a close. The supersector shed 400 jobs (-1.2 percent) over the month. Compared to September 2003, **Leisure and Hospitality Services** has added 1,700 jobs (+5.3 percent).

TULSA Leisure & Hospitality Services		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Leisure & Hospitality Services		34,000	34,400	32,300	-400	-1.20%	1,700	5.30%
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004		

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT REFLECTS SEASONAL CHANGES

As students returned to school in September, **Government** in Tulsa reported a monthly gain of 1,900 jobs (+4.6 percent). **State Government** and **Local Government** provided all of the monthly gain. These two subsectors were also responsible for the annual gain of 800 jobs (+1.9 percent).

TULSA Government		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Government		43,500	41,600	42,700	1,900	4.60%	800	1.90%
Federal Government		4,100	4,100	4,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
State Government		7,200	6,600	6,700	600	9.10%	500	7.50%
Local Government		32,200	30,900	31,900	1,300	4.20%	300	0.90%
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004		

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LAWTON GAINS EMPLOYMENT BACK OVER MONTH

TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT for the Lawton MSA added 200 jobs (+0.5 percent) in September to reach 38,400. The only supersectors to gain employment over the month were **Natural Resources and Mining**, **Manufacturing** and **Government**. Since September 2003, the **Lawton MSA** has dropped 300 jobs (-0.8 percent).

LAWTON Total Employment		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT		38,400	38,200	38,700	200	0.50%	-300	-0.80%
Goods Producing Industries		5,000	4,800	5,100	200	4.20%	-100	-2.00%
Manufacturing		3,400	3,300	3,500	100	3.00%	-100	-2.90%
Service Providing Industries		33,400	33,400	33,600	0	0.00%	-200	-0.60%
Leisure & Hospitality Services		3,900	4,000	4,000	-100	-2.50%	-100	-2.50%
Government		10,500	10,300	10,700	200	1.90%	-200	-1.90%
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004		

LAWTON MANUFACTURING SEES GAIN DUE TO NON-DURABLE GOODS

Lawton **Manufacturing** reported a gain of 100 jobs (+3.0 percent) in September, all contributed by the **Non-durable Goods** subsector. Over the year, this industry has declined by 100 jobs (-2.9 percent).

LAWTON Manufacturing	Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
	Manufacturing	3,400	3,300	3,500	100	3.00%	-100
Non-durable Goods	3,100	3,000	3,200	100	3.30%	-100	-3.10%
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

SEPTEMBER BRINGS SEASONAL CHANGE TO LEISURE & HOSPITALITY SERVICES SUPERSECTOR

Reflecting a statewide trend, **Leisure and Hospitality Services** shed 100 jobs (-2.5 percent) over the month as summer vacation season drew to a close. For the year, the supersector is down 100 jobs (-2.5 percent).

LAWTON Leisure & Hospitality Services	Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
	Leisure & Hospitality Services	3,900	4,000	4,000	-100	-2.50%	-100
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

OTHER SERVICES SEES DECLINE FOR MONTH AND YEAR

Other Services also shed jobs in September, losing 100 (-4.5 percent) both over the month and the year.

LAWTON Other Services	Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
	Other Services	2,100	2,200	2,200	-100	-4.50%	-100
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

MONTHLY GAINS REFLECT SEASONAL FACTORS IN LAWTON

Government in Lawton added 200 jobs (+1.9 percent) over the month due to students heading back to school. These jobs were produced in the **State Government** and **Local Government** subsectors. Over the past year, losses in **Local Government** have outweighed gains in **Federal Government** and **State Government**.

LAWTON Government	Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
	Government	10,500	10,300	10,700	200	1.90%	-200
Federal Government	2,900	3,000	2,800	-100	-3.30%	100	3.60%
State Government	1,600	1,400	1,300	200	14.30%	300	23.10%
Local Government	6,000	5,900	6,600	100	1.70%	-600	-9.10%
NUMBER EMPLOYED				AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

ENID EMPLOYMENT PICTURE IMPROVES IN SEPTEMBER

In September, **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** in Enid rose to 22,400 as the MSA gained 200 jobs (+0.9 percent). Over the year, Lawton employment fell by 400 jobs (-1.8 percent). The **Goods Producing Industries** provided half of the monthly gain from **Natural Resources and Mining**, while seasonal gains in **Government** contributed the **Service Providing Industries** share.

ENID								
Total Employment		Sep 2004	Aug 2004	Sep 2003	# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT		22,400	22,200	22,800	200	0.90%	-400	-1.80%
Goods Producing Industries		3,600	3,500	3,600	100	2.90%	0	0.00%
Natural Resources & Mining		700	600	600	100	16.70%	100	16.70%
Manufacturing		2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.00%	-100	-4.50%
Service Providing Industries		18,800	18,700	19,200	100	0.50%	-400	-2.10%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities		5,000	5,000	5,100	0	0.00%	-100	-2.00%
Other Services		1,400	1,400	1,500	0	0.00%	-100	-6.70%
Government		3,600	3,500	3,800	100	2.90%	-200	-5.30%
Local Government		2,300	2,200	2,500	100	4.50%	-200	-8.00%
NUMBER EMPLOYED					AUG 2004 to SEP 2004		SEP 2003 to SEP 2004	

STATEWIDE NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	TOTAL NONFARM	1,468,000	1,451,600	1,444,800	16,400	1.10%	23,200
<i>Ttl Private (Nonfarm - Gov't)</i>	1,171,700	1,173,500	1,156,200	-1,800	-0.20%	15,500	1.30%
GOODS PRODUCING	238,400	238,100	234,200	300	0.10%	4,200	1.80%
Nat. Resources/Mining	31,700	31,500	29,200	200	0.60%	2,500	8.60%
• Support for Mining	15,600	15,600	14,000	0	0.00%	1,600	11.40%
Construction	64,600	65,100	63,200	-500	-0.80%	1,400	2.20%
• Construction of Bldgs.	13,700	13,700	13,100	0	0.00%	600	4.60%
Non-residential Bldgs.	7,800	8,200	7,300	-400	-4.90%	500	6.80%
• Heavy/Civil Engineering	11,600	11,600	11,300	0	0.00%	300	2.70%
• Specialty Trade Contr.	39,300	39,800	38,800	-500	-1.30%	500	1.30%
Bldg. Equip. Contractor	18,300	18,800	18,300	-500	-2.70%	0	0.00%
Manufacturing	142,100	141,500	141,800	600	0.40%	300	0.20%
• Durable Goods Mfg.	92,900	92,800	91,700	100	0.10%	1,200	1.30%
Wood Product Mfg.	4,200	4,200	3,700	0	0.00%	500	13.50%
Primary Metal Mfg.	3,700	3,600	3,500	100	2.80%	200	5.70%
Fabricated Metal	22,400	22,300	22,700	100	0.40%	-300	-1.30%
Other Fabr. Metal	5,400	5,400	5,600	0	0.00%	-200	-3.60%
Machinery Mfg.	21,400	21,500	21,400	-100	-0.50%	0	0.00%
Computer/Electronics	5,000	5,000	5,400	0	0.00%	-400	-7.40%
Electrical Equipment	3,100	3,100	3,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Transportation Equip.	16,300	16,300	16,400	0	0.00%	-100	-0.60%
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	3,700	3,700	4,000	0	0.00%	-300	-7.50%
Mtr. Veh. Body/Part	4,500	4,600	4,500	-100	-2.20%	0	0.00%
Aerospace Products	2,900	2,900	2,900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Non-durable Goods Mfg.	49,200	48,700	50,100	500	1.00%	-900	-1.80%
Food Manufacturing	19,100	19,100	19,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Paper Manufacturing	3,200	3,200	3,400	0	0.00%	-200	-5.90%
Plastics/Rubber Prod.	12,700	12,700	13,100	0	0.00%	-400	-3.10%
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,229,600	1,213,500	1,210,600	16,100	1.30%	19,000	1.60%
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	275,500	276,000	275,200	-500	-0.20%	300	0.10%
• Wholesale Trade	54,500	54,400	54,500	100	0.20%	0	0.00%
• Retail Trade	167,700	168,000	167,900	-300	-0.20%	-200	-0.10%
Motor Vehicle/Parts	23,800	24,200	24,300	-400	-1.70%	-500	-2.10%
Auto Dealers	15,500	15,700	15,400	-200	-1.30%	100	0.60%
Food/Beverage Stores	23,600	23,900	23,800	-300	-1.30%	-200	-0.80%
Grocery Stores	21,300	21,500	21,300	-200	-0.90%	0	0.00%
Gasoline Stations	13,800	13,700	13,200	100	0.70%	600	4.50%
General Merch. Stores	42,300	42,100	42,100	200	0.50%	200	0.50%
• Transp., Warehouse & Util.	53,300	53,600	52,800	-300	-0.60%	500	0.90%
Utilities	10,900	11,200	10,700	-300	-2.70%	200	1.90%
Transp. & Warehouse	42,400	42,400	42,100	0	0.00%	300	0.70%
Air Transportation	9,300	9,400	9,500	-100	-1.10%	-200	-2.10%
Truck Transp.	17,000	17,200	16,900	-200	-1.20%	100	0.60%
Support Activities	2,600	2,700	2,500	-100	-3.70%	100	4.00%

STATEWIDE NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	Information	31,900	32,000	31,400	-100	-0.30%	500
• Publishing Industries	6,300	6,300	6,000	0	0.00%	300	5.00%
Newspaper, Periodicals	5,600	5,600	5,400	0	0.00%	200	3.70%
• Telecommunications	14,600	15,000	14,600	-400	-2.70%	0	0.00%
Financial Activities	84,200	84,800	84,100	-600	-0.70%	100	0.10%
• Finance & Insurance	62,100	62,200	61,600	-100	-0.20%	500	0.80%
Credit Intermediation	31,500	31,500	31,400	0	0.00%	100	0.30%
Depository Credit	24,100	24,300	24,200	-200	-0.80%	-100	-0.40%
Ins. Carriers & Related	26,300	26,400	26,100	-100	-0.40%	200	0.80%
• Real Est. & Rental/Leasing	22,100	22,600	22,500	-500	-2.20%	-400	-1.80%
Real Estate	11,200	11,400	11,300	-200	-1.80%	-100	-0.90%
Professional & Bus. Svcs.	161,000	160,400	157,200	600	0.40%	3,800	2.40%
• Professional & Scientific	57,400	57,400	55,800	0	0.00%	1,600	2.90%
Legal Services	12,900	12,800	12,600	100	0.80%	300	2.40%
Architecture/Engineering	10,100	10,100	10,400	0	0.00%	-300	-2.90%
• Mgt. of Companies	12,200	12,200	12,000	0	0.00%	200	1.70%
• Administrative & Support	91,400	90,800	89,400	600	0.70%	2,000	2.20%
Admin. & Support	87,900	87,500	86,300	400	0.50%	1,600	1.90%
Employment Svcs.	44,200	43,800	42,600	400	0.90%	1,600	3.80%
Bus. Supp. Svcs.	11,800	11,900	12,700	-100	-0.80%	-900	-7.10%
Building Services	13,300	13,100	13,300	200	1.50%	0	0.00%
Education & Health Svcs.	178,200	176,500	174,100	1,700	1.00%	4,100	2.40%
• Educational Services	17,200	14,100	16,400	3,100	22.00%	800	4.90%
• Health Care/Social Assist.	161,000	162,400	157,700	-1,400	-0.90%	3,300	2.10%
Ambulatory Health Care	55,900	56,600	54,000	-700	-1.20%	1,900	3.50%
Hospitals	47,200	47,800	46,800	-600	-1.30%	400	0.90%
Nursing & Residential	35,500	35,800	35,100	-300	-0.80%	400	1.10%
Social Assistance	22,400	22,200	21,800	200	0.90%	600	2.80%
Leisure & Hospitality	128,900	131,500	127,100	-2,600	-2.00%	1,800	1.40%
• Arts, Entertainment	13,900	15,000	13,400	-1,100	-7.30%	500	3.70%
• Accommodation/Food Svcs.	115,000	116,500	113,700	-1,500	-1.30%	1,300	1.10%
Accommodation	10,400	10,600	10,400	-200	-1.90%	0	0.00%
Food Svc. & Drinking	104,600	105,900	103,300	-1,300	-1.20%	1,300	1.30%
Full-Svc. Restaurant	50,100	50,500	48,100	-400	-0.80%	2,000	4.20%
Limited-Svc. Eating	50,500	50,100	50,200	400	0.80%	300	0.60%
Other Services	73,600	74,200	72,900	-600	-0.80%	700	1.00%
• Repair/Maintenance	12,500	12,600	12,800	-100	-0.80%	-300	-2.30%
• Personal/Laundry Svcs.	12,400	12,200	12,500	200	1.60%	-100	-0.80%
Government	296,300	278,100	288,600	18,200	6.50%	7,700	2.70%
• Federal Government	45,100	44,900	43,200	200	0.40%	1,900	4.40%
• State Government	81,100	74,800	81,000	6,300	8.40%	100	0.10%
• Local Government	170,100	158,400	164,400	11,700	7.40%	5,700	3.50%
• State & Local Gov't	251,200	233,200	245,400	18,000	7.70%	5,800	2.40%

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	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	TOTAL NONFARM	541,900	534,800	532,600	7,100	1.30%	9,300
<i>Ttl Private (Nonfarm – Gov't)</i>	435,000	434,800	425,900	200	0.00%	9,100	2.10%
GOODS PRODUCING	69,000	69,100	68,000	-100	-0.10%	1,000	1.50%
Nat. Resources/Mining	7,500	7,400	7,200	100	1.40%	300	4.20%
Construction	23,600	23,600	22,800	0	0.00%	800	3.50%
• Specialty Trade Contr.	15,100	15,200	14,700	-100	-0.70%	400	2.70%
Manufacturing	37,900	38,100	38,000	-200	-0.50%	-100	-0.30%
• Durable Goods	25,600	25,900	26,000	-300	-1.20%	-400	-1.50%
Computer/Electronics	1,600	1,700	2,100	-100	-5.90%	-500	-23.80%
Transport. Equipment	7,800	7,900	7,900	-100	-1.30%	-100	-1.30%
• Non-durable Goods	12,300	12,200	12,000	100	0.80%	300	2.50%
Plastics/Rubber Prods.	4,100	4,000	4,100	100	2.50%	0	0.00%
SERVICE PROVIDING	472,900	465,700	464,600	7,200	1.50%	8,300	1.80%
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	97,400	97,300	96,500	100	0.10%	900	0.90%
• Wholesale Trade	20,500	20,500	20,600	0	0.00%	-100	-0.50%
• Retail Trade	61,900	61,800	61,000	100	0.20%	900	1.50%
Food/Beverage Stores	6,800	6,800	7,500	0	0.00%	-700	-9.30%
Grocery Stores	6,000	6,000	6,400	0	0.00%	-400	-6.30%
Sporting Gds, Hobbies	2,100	2,000	2,800	100	5.00%	-700	-25.00%
General Merch. Stores	13,900	13,800	13,500	100	0.70%	400	3.00%
• Transp., Warehouse & Util.	15,000	15,000	14,900	0	0.00%	100	0.70%
Transp. & Warehouse	12,400	12,400	12,400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Information	12,800	12,900	13,400	-100	-0.80%	-600	-4.50%
• Telecommunications	5,500	5,600	5,800	-100	-1.80%	-300	-5.20%
Financial Activities	34,600	34,700	35,200	-100	-0.30%	-600	-1.70%
• Finance & Insurance	25,400	25,300	24,500	100	0.40%	900	3.70%
• Rental & Leasing Svcs.	5,600	5,500	5,400	100	1.80%	200	3.70%
Professional & Bus. Svcs.	70,100	69,600	66,500	500	0.70%	3,600	5.40%
• Professional & Scientific	25,200	25,200	24,700	0	0.00%	500	2.00%
Mgt. of Companies	4,100	4,100	4,400	0	0.00%	-300	-6.80%
Administrative/Support	40,800	40,300	37,400	500	1.20%	3,400	9.10%
Admin. & Support	39,900	39,300	36,100	600	1.50%	3,800	10.50%
Employment Svcs.	18,800	18,300	17,100	500	2.70%	1,700	9.90%
Education & Health Svcs	69,000	68,600	66,300	400	0.60%	2,700	4.10%
• Health Care/Soc. Asst.	60,800	61,100	58,200	-300	-0.50%	2,600	4.50%
Ambulatory Health Care	22,400	22,300	20,800	100	0.40%	1,600	7.70%
Hospitals	21,800	22,000	20,500	-200	-0.90%	1,300	6.30%
General Medical	20,500	20,700	19,300	-200	-1.00%	1,200	6.20%
Nursing Care Facilities	5,200	5,200	5,300	0	0.00%	-100	-1.90%
Leisure & Hospitality	54,500	54,800	52,500	-300	-0.50%	2,000	3.80%
• Accommodation & Food	47,400	47,400	46,300	0	0.00%	1,100	2.40%
Food Svcs. & Drinking	42,000	41,800	42,100	200	0.50%	-100	-0.20%
Full-Svc. Restaurant	20,500	20,200	20,200	300	1.50%	300	1.50%

OKLA. CITY NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	Limited-Svc. Eating	19,600	19,800	19,900	-200	-1.00%	-300
Other Services	27,600	27,800	27,500	-200	-0.70%	100	0.40%
Government	106,900	100,000	106,700	6,900	6.90%	200	0.20%
• Federal Government	26,100	26,000	25,800	100	0.40%	300	1.20%
• State Government	38,200	35,600	38,800	2,600	7.30%	-600	-1.50%
• Local Government	42,600	38,400	42,100	4,200	10.90%	500	1.20%
• State & Local Government	80,800	74,000	80,900	6,800	9.20%	-100	-0.10%

TULSA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	TOTAL NONFARM	378,800	377,400	377,000	1,400	0.40%	1,800
<i>Total Private (Nonfarm – Gov't)</i>	335,300	335,800	334,300	-500	-0.10%	1,000	0.30%
GOODS PRODUCING	69,400	68,500	69,200	900	1.30%	200	0.30%
Natural Resources/Mining	4,000	3,900	4,000	100	2.60%	0	0.00%
Construction	18,600	18,500	19,700	100	0.50%	-1,100	-5.60%
• Specialty Trade Contractors	12,000	11,900	12,600	100	0.80%	-600	-4.80%
Manufacturing	46,800	46,100	45,500	700	1.50%	1,300	2.90%
• Durable Goods	37,300	37,000	36,200	300	0.80%	1,100	3.00%
Other Fabr. Metal	3,000	3,000	2,600	0	0.00%	400	15.40%
Machinery Manufacturing	8,700	8,900	8,800	-200	-2.20%	-100	-1.10%
Other General Purpose	4,500	4,600	4,300	-100	-2.20%	200	4.70%
Transportation Equip.	4,000	4,000	3,800	0	0.00%	200	5.30%
SERVICE PROVIDING	309,400	308,900	307,800	500	0.20%	1,600	0.50%
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	78,300	78,500	79,700	-200	-0.30%	-1,400	-1.80%
• Wholesale Trade	15,700	15,600	16,700	100	0.60%	-1,000	-6.00%
• Retail Trade	41,500	41,800	42,200	-300	-0.70%	-700	-1.70%
Food & Beverage Store	5,900	6,000	5,900	-100	-1.70%	0	0.00%
Grocery Stores	5,900	6,200	5,300	-300	-4.80%	600	11.30%
General Merch. Stores	9,700	9,700	10,000	0	0.00%	-300	-3.00%
Department Stores	3,700	3,700	4,200	0	0.00%	-500	-11.90%
Other General Merch.	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Transp., Warehouse & Util.	21,100	21,100	20,800	0	0.00%	300	1.40%
Utilities	4,200	4,300	4,000	-100	-2.30%	200	5.00%
Transport & Warehouse	16,900	16,800	16,800	100	0.60%	100	0.60%
Air Transportation	7,900	8,000	8,200	-100	-1.30%	-300	-3.70%
Truck Transportation	4,800	4,900	4,800	-100	-2.00%	0	0.00%
General Freight	3,800	3,900	4,200	-100	-2.60%	-400	-9.50%
Information	11,400	11,600	11,800	-200	-1.70%	-400	-3.40%
• Broadcast (except Internet)	1,800	1,800	2,600	0	0.00%	-800	-30.80%
• Telecommunications	6,100	6,200	6,000	-100	-1.60%	100	1.70%
Financial Activities	25,500	25,500	24,400	0	0.00%	1,100	4.50%

TULSA NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	• Finance & Insurance	17,800	17,900	17,600	-100	-0.60%	200
Credit Intermediation	8,300	8,300	8,200	0	0.00%	100	1.20%
Ins. Carriers & Related	4,100	4,200	4,600	-100	-2.40%	-500	-10.90%
Professional & Bus. Svcs.	46,500	47,500	47,100	-1,000	-2.10%	-600	-1.30%
• Professional & Scientific	16,800	17,000	17,500	-200	-1.20%	-700	-4.00%
Mgt. of Companies	5,200	5,200	5,800	0	0.00%	-600	-10.30%
Administrative/Support	24,500	25,300	23,800	-800	-3.20%	700	2.90%
Employment Svcs.	11,700	11,900	9,800	-200	-1.70%	1,900	19.40%
Bus. Support Svcs.	5,100	5,200	5,200	-100	-1.90%	-100	-1.90%
Education & Health Svcs	50,500	49,800	50,500	700	1.40%	0	0.00%
• Educational Services	6,000	5,500	5,900	500	9.10%	100	1.70%
• Health Care/Social Asst.	44,500	44,300	44,600	200	0.50%	-100	-0.20%
Ambulatory Health Care	16,200	16,400	16,700	-200	-1.20%	-500	-3.00%
Hospitals	16,500	16,500	15,500	0	0.00%	1,000	6.50%
Leisure & Hospitality	34,000	34,400	32,300	-400	-1.20%	1,700	5.30%
Accommodation	2,900	3,000	2,600	-100	-3.30%	300	11.50%
Food Service/Drinking	27,300	27,700	26,400	-400	-1.40%	900	3.40%
Full-Svc. Restaurants	13,000	13,200	13,300	-200	-1.50%	-300	-2.30%
Other Services	19,700	20,000	19,300	-300	-1.50%	400	2.10%
Government	43,500	41,600	42,700	1,900	4.60%	800	1.90%
• Federal Government	4,100	4,100	4,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• State Government	7,200	6,600	6,700	600	9.10%	500	7.50%
• Local Government	32,200	30,900	31,900	1,300	4.20%	300	0.90%
• State & Local Gov't	39,400	37,500	38,600	1,900	5.10%	800	2.10%

LAWTON NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	TOTAL NONFARM	38,400	38,200	38,700	200	0.50%	-300
<i>Ttl Private (Nonfarm – Gov't)</i>	27,900	27,900	28,000	0	0.00%	-100	-0.40%
GOODS PRODUCING	5,000	4,800	5,100	200	4.20%	-100	-2.00%
Natural Resources/Mining	200	100	100	100	100.00%	100	100.00%
Construction	1,400	1,400	1,500	0	0.00%	-100	-6.70%
Manufacturing	3,400	3,300	3,500	100	3.00%	-100	-2.90%
• Non-durable Goods	3,100	3,000	3,200	100	3.30%	-100	-3.10%
SERVICE PROVIDING	33,400	33,400	33,600	0	0.00%	-200	-0.60%
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	6,900	6,900	6,800	0	0.00%	100	1.50%
• Wholesale Trade	500	500	500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Retail Trade	5,100	5,100	5,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Transp., Warehouse & Util.	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.00%	100	8.30%

LAWTON NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	Information	500	500	500	0	0.00%	0
Financial Activities	2,400	2,400	2,300	0	0.00%	100	4.30%
Professional & Bus. Svcs.	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Education & Health Svcs.	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Leisure & Hospitality Svcs.	3,900	4,000	4,000	-100	-2.50%	-100	-2.50%
Other Services	2,100	2,200	2,200	-100	-4.50%	-100	-4.50%
Government	10,500	10,300	10,700	200	1.90%	-200	-1.90%
• Federal Government	2,900	3,000	2,800	-100	-3.30%	100	3.60%
• State Government	1,600	1,400	1,300	200	14.30%	300	23.10%
• Local Government	6,000	5,900	6,600	100	1.70%	-600	-9.10%
• State & Local Gov't	7,600	7,300	7,900	300	4.10%	-300	-3.80%

ENID NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – September 2004	Number Employed			Aug '04 to Sep '04		Sep '03 to Sep '04	
	Sep '04	Aug '04	Sep '03	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
	TOTAL NONFARM	22,400	22,200	22,800	200	0.90%	-400
<i>Total Private (Nonfarm – Gov't)</i>	18,800	18,700	19,000	100	0.50%	-200	-1.10%
GOODS PRODUCING	3,600	3,500	3,600	100	2.90%	0	0.00%
Natural Resources/Mining	700	600	600	100	16.70%	100	16.70%
Construction	800	800	800	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Manufacturing	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.00%	-100	-4.50%
SERVICE PROVIDING	18,800	18,700	19,200	100	0.50%	-400	-2.10%
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	700	600	600	100	16.70%	100	16.70%
• Wholesale Trade	800	800	800	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Retail Trade	2,100	2,100	2,200	0	0.00%	-100	-4.50%
• Transp., Warehouse & Util.	5,000	5,000	5,100	0	0.00%	-100	-2.00%
Information	1,000	1,000	1,100	0	0.00%	-100	-9.10%
Financial Activities	3,100	3,100	3,100	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Professional & Bus. Svcs.	900	900	900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Education & Health Svcs.	200	200	200	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Leisure & Hospitality Svcs.	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Other Services	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Government	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• Federal Government	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
• State Government	1,400	1,400	1,500	0	0.00%	-100	-6.70%
• Local Government	3,600	3,500	3,800	100	2.90%	-200	-5.30%
• State & Local Gov't	400	400	400	0	0.00%	0	0.00%

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Location	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
United States	139,641,000	7,545,000	147,186,000	5.1%	5.4%	5.7%	5.8%
Oklahoma	1,633,300	71,200	1,704,600	4.2%	3.8%	4.4%	5.6%

County	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Adair County	8,660	570	9,230	6.2%	5.9%	7.4%	9.6%
Alfalfa County	2,500	50	2,550	2.1%	1.8%	2.1%	1.9%
Atoka County	5,210	230	5,430	4.2%	3.7%	5.0%	7.6%
Beaver County	2,660	50	2,710	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	2.8%
Beckham County	11,130	200	11,330	1.8%	1.6%	2.0%	3.2%
Blaine County	4,610	110	4,710	2.3%	2.3%	2.7%	3.8%
Bryan County	18,990	540	19,530	2.8%	2.7%	3.2%	4.1%
Caddo County	11,770	640	12,410	5.2%	4.8%	5.5%	4.8%
Canadian County	48,260	1,530	49,790	3.1%	2.8%	3.3%	4.5%
Carter County	22,690	1,070	23,760	4.5%	4.0%	4.5%	4.5%
Cherokee County	19,260	750	20,010	3.8%	3.7%	4.4%	5.2%
Choctaw County	5,430	470	5,900	7.9%	7.4%	9.1%	9.7%
Cimarron County	1,620	20	1,640	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	1.9%
Cleveland County	117,090	3,400	120,500	2.8%	2.4%	3.1%	3.6%
Coal County	1,650	210	1,860	11.4%	12.3%	15.2%	16.6%
Comanche County	40,750	1,490	42,240	3.5%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%
Cotton County	2,450	80	2,530	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%	4.9%
Craig County	6,260	240	6,500	3.7%	3.5%	3.9%	4.5%
Creek County	31,010	1,760	32,770	5.4%	4.6%	5.0%	7.7%
Custer County	11,640	260	11,900	2.2%	2.3%	2.7%	3.1%
Delaware County	17,480	670	18,150	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	4.5%
Dewey County	2,040	30	2,070	1.3%	1.7%	2.1%	2.6%
Ellis County	1,660	30	1,690	1.7%	1.7%	2.1%	2.1%
Garfield County	25,520	710	26,230	2.7%	2.2%	2.5%	3.7%
Garvin County	11,450	390	11,840	3.3%	2.8%	3.2%	4.5%
Grady County	20,720	880	21,600	4.1%	3.7%	4.3%	4.6%
Grant County	2,210	60	2,270	2.8%	2.7%	2.9%	3.7%
Greer County	2,240	100	2,340	4.4%	4.0%	4.8%	7.0%
Harmon County	1,170	40	1,210	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%	2.4%
Harper County	1,700	20	1,720	1.2%	0.9%	1.2%	2.9%
Haskell County	5,350	230	5,580	4.1%	3.9%	4.4%	6.9%
Hughes County	5,160	380	5,550	6.9%	7.0%	8.4%	9.2%
Jackson County	13,360	440	13,800	3.2%	2.8%	3.1%	3.2%
Jefferson County	2,260	110	2,370	4.7%	4.1%	5.5%	4.6%
Johnston County	5,260	240	5,500	4.3%	4.1%	5.0%	4.5%
Kay County	19,960	1,320	21,280	6.2%	6.1%	7.6%	7.4%

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County	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Kingfisher County	6,630	180	6,810	2.7%	2.5%	2.9%	2.9%
Kiowa County	4,170	160	4,330	3.6%	3.0%	3.7%	4.4%
Latimer County	3,540	190	3,730	5.1%	3.9%	4.6%	5.2%
Leflore County	19,250	920	20,170	4.6%	4.3%	5.2%	6.2%
Lincoln County	11,590	630	12,220	5.1%	4.8%	5.4%	5.9%
Logan County	16,040	580	16,620	3.5%	3.3%	3.6%	4.6%
Love County	4,300	120	4,410	2.6%	4.0%	5.4%	5.4%
McClain County	13,760	480	14,230	3.4%	2.9%	3.8%	4.2%
McCurtain County	12,690	1,220	13,910	8.8%	8.1%	10.0%	10.6%
McIntosh County	7,210	440	7,650	5.7%	5.9%	7.7%	7.8%
Major County	3,490	70	3,560	2.0%	1.6%	1.9%	2.2%
Marshall County	5,450	230	5,690	4.1%	4.2%	4.6%	4.5%
Mayes County	13,140	800	13,930	5.7%	5.6%	6.4%	9.2%
Murray County	5,330	210	5,530	3.8%	3.6%	4.0%	4.9%
Muskogee County	28,460	2,120	30,580	6.9%	6.2%	7.0%	7.5%
Noble County	5,080	170	5,250	3.3%	2.8%	2.9%	3.6%
Nowata County	3,880	260	4,140	6.2%	7.1%	7.3%	8.6%
Okfuskee County	3,210	410	3,620	11.2%	10.9%	12.3%	11.4%
Oklahoma County	341,180	14,510	355,690	4.1%	3.6%	4.2%	5.3%
Okmulgee County	14,590	1,170	15,770	7.4%	7.1%	8.5%	9.2%
Osage County	19,490	970	20,460	4.7%	4.2%	4.6%	6.3%
Ottawa County	12,300	740	13,040	5.7%	5.5%	6.2%	7.2%
Pawnee County	7,190	420	7,600	5.5%	5.1%	5.5%	7.2%
Payne County	35,950	790	36,740	2.2%	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%
Pittsburg County	19,280	830	20,110	4.1%	3.9%	4.6%	5.7%
Pontotoc County	18,680	1,040	19,730	5.3%	5.0%	6.6%	4.2%
Pottawatomie County	29,620	1,500	31,120	4.8%	4.4%	5.1%	6.2%
Pushmataha County	5,240	300	5,540	5.3%	4.6%	5.8%	8.3%
Roger Mills County	2,140	30	2,170	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%
Rogers County	36,170	1,500	37,670	4.0%	3.4%	4.2%	6.0%
Seminole County	9,310	1,090	10,400	10.4%	10.0%	12.0%	12.0%
Sequoyah County	16,170	890	17,060	5.2%	4.7%	5.5%	6.8%
Stephens County	18,020	670	18,690	3.6%	3.2%	3.8%	4.4%
Texas County	13,460	250	13,710	1.8%	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%
Tillman County	3,260	160	3,410	4.6%	4.2%	5.1%	3.9%
Tulsa County	287,380	12,970	300,360	4.3%	4.0%	4.5%	6.5%
Wagoner County	28,740	1,420	30,150	4.7%	3.9%	4.4%	6.2%
Washington County	19,400	940	20,340	4.6%	4.4%	5.2%	6.1%
Washita County	4,730	110	4,850	2.4%	2.0%	2.3%	2.8%
Woods County	4,090	190	4,280	4.3%	4.2%	8.7%	12.9%
Woodward County	8,590	240	8,830	2.7%	2.7%	2.8%	4.7%

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Metropolitan Statistical Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Okla. City MSA	565,950	22,000	587,940	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
Tulsa MSA	402,790	18,610	421,400	4.4%	4.0%	4.5%	6.5%
Lawton MSA	40,750	1,490	42,240	3.5%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%
Enid MSA	25,520	710	26,230	2.7%	2.2%	2.5%	3.7%

Workforce Investment Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Central WIA	430,560	17,200	447,760	3.8%	3.4%	4.0%	5.5%
Cleveland Co. WIA	92,020	2,820	94,840	3.0%	2.6%	3.2%	8.4%
East Central WIA	58,900	4,000	62,910	6.4%	6.0%	7.0%	7.7%
Holdenville LLM	8,380	790	9,170	8.6%	8.5%	10.0%	10.1%
Shawnee LLM	50,520	3,210	53,740	6.0%	5.5%	6.5%	7.3%
Eastern WIA	123,080	7,360	130,460	5.6%	5.1%	6.0%	7.2%
Muskogee LLM	64,410	3,980	68,390	5.8%	5.1%	5.9%	7.0%
Okmulgee LLM	14,590	1,170	15,770	7.4%	7.1%	8.5%	9.2%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	44,080	2,210	46,300	4.8%	4.5%	5.4%	6.7%
N. Central WIA	105,940	3,470	109,420	3.2%	3.0%	2.4%	3.0%
Enid LLM	44,950	1,190	46,140	2.6%	2.2%	2.5%	3.4%
Ponca City LLM	25,040	1,490	26,540	5.6%	5.5%	6.7%	6.6%
Stillwater LLM	35,950	790	36,740	2.2%	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%
Northeast WIA	108,630	5,150	113,770	4.5%	4.2%	4.9%	6.3%
Bartlesville LLM	23,280	1,200	24,480	4.9%	4.9%	5.5%	6.5%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	66,790	2,970	69,750	4.3%	3.8%	4.5%	6.3%
Miami-Vinita LLM	18,560	980	19,540	5.0%	4.8%	5.4%	6.3%
Northwest WIA	35,820	830	36,640	2.3%	2.2%	3.0%	4.2%
Guymon LLM	17,740	330	18,060	1.8%	1.8%	2.0%	2.2%
Woodward LLM	18,080	500	18,580	2.7%	2.7%	3.9%	6.1%
S. Central WIA	112,980	4,500	117,480	3.8%	3.5%	4.0%	4.2%
Chickasha LLM	46,240	2,000	48,240	4.1%	3.8%	4.5%	4.5%
Duncan LLM	20,280	780	21,060	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	4.4%
Lawton LLM	46,460	1,720	48,180	3.6%	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%
Southeast WIA	70,780	4,140	74,930	5.5%	5.1%	6.2%	7.4%
Broken Bow-Idabel-Antlers-Hugo LLM	23,360	1,980	25,340	7.8%	7.2%	8.9%	9.9%
McAlester LLM	22,820	1,020	23,840	4.3%	3.9%	4.6%	5.6%
Poteau LLM	24,600	1,140	25,750	4.4%	4.2%	5.0%	6.4%
Southern WIA	98,990	4,290	103,280	4.2%	3.9%	4.8%	4.9%
Ada LLM	30,130	1,440	31,560	4.6%	4.2%	5.3%	4.3%
Ardmore LLM	32,310	1,400	33,710	4.2%	3.9%	4.6%	4.7%
Durant LLM	36,550	1,450	38,010	3.8%	3.7%	4.5%	5.5%

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Workforce Investment Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Southwest WIA	50,590	1,350	51,940	2.6%	2.3%	2.7%	3.3%
Altus LLM	20,950	740	21,690	3.4%	2.9%	3.4%	3.9%
Elk City-Weatherford-Clinton LLM	29,640	610	30,250	2.0%	1.9%	2.3%	3.0%
Tulsa WIA	345,070	16,120	361,180	4.5%	4.1%	4.5%	6.6%

OKLAHOMA PRELIMINARY LABOR FORCE RANK (COUNTY) – September 2004
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

County Ranking	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate			
				Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Coal County	1,650	210	1,860	11.4%	12.3%	15.2%	16.6%
Okfuskee County	3,210	410	3,620	11.2%	10.9%	12.3%	11.4%
Seminole County	9,310	1,090	10,400	10.4%	10.0%	12.0%	12.0%
McCurtain County	12,690	1,220	13,910	8.8%	8.1%	10.0%	10.6%
Choctaw County	5,430	470	5,900	7.9%	7.4%	9.1%	9.7%
Okmulgee County	14,590	1,170	15,770	7.4%	7.1%	8.5%	9.2%
Hughes County	5,160	380	5,550	6.9%	7.0%	8.4%	9.2%
Muskogee County	28,460	2,120	30,580	6.9%	6.2%	7.0%	7.5%
Nowata County	3,880	260	4,140	6.2%	7.1%	7.3%	8.6%
Kay County	19,960	1,320	21,280	6.2%	6.1%	7.6%	7.4%
Adair County	8,660	570	9,230	6.2%	5.9%	7.4%	9.6%
McIntosh County	7,210	440	7,650	5.7%	5.9%	7.7%	7.8%
Mayes County	13,140	800	13,930	5.7%	5.6%	6.4%	9.2%
Ottawa County	12,300	740	13,040	5.7%	5.5%	6.2%	7.2%
Pawnee County	7,190	420	7,600	5.5%	5.1%	5.5%	7.2%
Creek County	31,010	1,760	32,770	5.4%	4.6%	5.0%	7.7%
Pontotoc County	18,680	1,040	19,730	5.3%	5.0%	6.6%	4.2%
Pushmataha County	5,240	300	5,540	5.3%	4.6%	5.8%	8.3%
Caddo County	11,770	640	12,410	5.2%	4.8%	5.5%	4.8%
Sequoyah County	16,170	890	17,060	5.2%	4.7%	5.5%	6.8%
Lincoln County	11,590	630	12,220	5.1%	4.8%	5.4%	5.9%
Latimer County	3,540	190	3,730	5.1%	3.9%	4.6%	5.2%
Pottawatomie County	29,620	1,500	31,120	4.8%	4.4%	5.1%	6.2%
Jefferson County	2,260	110	2,370	4.7%	4.1%	5.5%	4.6%
Osage County	19,490	970	20,460	4.7%	4.2%	4.6%	6.3%
Wagoner County	28,740	1,420	30,150	4.7%	3.9%	4.4%	6.2%
Washington County	19,400	940	20,340	4.6%	4.4%	5.2%	6.1%
Leflore County	19,250	920	20,170	4.6%	4.3%	5.2%	6.2%
Tillman County	3,260	160	3,410	4.6%	4.2%	5.1%	3.9%
Carter County	22,690	1,070	23,760	4.5%	4.0%	4.5%	4.5%
Greer County	2,240	100	2,340	4.4%	4.0%	4.8%	7.0%

OKLAHOMA PRELIMINARY LABOR FORCE RANK (COUNTY) – September 2004
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County Ranking				Unemployment Rate			
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Woods County	4,090	190	4,280	4.3%	4.2%	8.7%	12.9%
Johnston County	5,260	240	5,500	4.3%	4.1%	5.0%	4.5%
Tulsa County	287,380	12,970	300,360	4.3%	4.0%	4.5%	6.5%
Atoka County	5,210	230	5,430	4.2%	3.7%	5.0%	7.6%
Marshall County	5,450	230	5,690	4.1%	4.2%	4.6%	4.5%
Pittsburg County	19,280	830	20,110	4.1%	3.9%	4.6%	5.7%
Grady County	20,720	880	21,600	4.1%	3.7%	4.3%	4.6%
Haskell County	5,350	230	5,580	4.1%	3.9%	4.4%	6.9%
Oklahoma County	341,180	14,510	355,690	4.1%	3.6%	4.2%	5.3%
Rogers County	36,170	1,500	37,670	4.0%	3.4%	4.2%	6.0%
Cherokee County	19,260	750	20,010	3.8%	3.7%	4.4%	5.2%
Murray County	5,330	210	5,530	3.8%	3.6%	4.0%	4.9%
Craig County	6,260	240	6,500	3.7%	3.5%	3.9%	4.5%
Delaware County	17,480	670	18,150	3.7%	3.3%	3.9%	4.5%
Stephens County	18,020	670	18,690	3.6%	3.2%	3.8%	4.4%
Kiowa County	4,170	160	4,330	3.6%	3.0%	3.7%	4.4%
Logan County	16,040	580	16,620	3.5%	3.3%	3.6%	4.6%
Comanche County	40,750	1,490	42,240	3.5%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%
McClain County	13,760	480	14,230	3.4%	2.9%	3.8%	4.2%
Noble County	5,080	170	5,250	3.3%	2.8%	2.9%	3.6%
Garvin County	11,450	390	11,840	3.3%	2.8%	3.2%	4.5%
Jackson County	13,360	440	13,800	3.2%	2.8%	3.1%	3.2%
Canadian County	48,260	1,530	49,790	3.1%	2.8%	3.3%	4.5%
Cotton County	2,450	80	2,530	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%	4.9%
Harmon County	1,170	40	1,210	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%	2.4%
Grant County	2,210	60	2,270	2.8%	2.7%	2.9%	3.7%
Bryan County	18,990	540	19,530	2.8%	2.7%	3.2%	4.1%
Cleveland County	117,090	3,400	120,500	2.8%	2.4%	3.1%	3.6%
Woodward County	8,590	240	8,830	2.7%	2.7%	2.8%	4.7%
Kingfisher County	6,630	180	6,810	2.7%	2.5%	2.9%	2.9%
Garfield County	25,520	710	26,230	2.7%	2.2%	2.5%	3.7%
Love County	4,300	120	4,410	2.6%	4.0%	5.4%	5.4%
Washita County	4,730	110	4,850	2.4%	2.0%	2.3%	2.8%
Blaine County	4,610	110	4,710	2.3%	2.3%	2.7%	3.8%
Custer County	11,640	260	11,900	2.2%	2.3%	2.7%	3.1%
Payne County	35,950	790	36,740	2.2%	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%
Alfalfa County	2,500	50	2,550	2.1%	1.8%	2.1%	1.9%
Beaver County	2,660	50	2,710	2.0%	3.0%	3.5%	2.8%
Major County	3,490	70	3,560	2.0%	1.6%	1.9%	2.2%
Beckham County	11,130	200	11,330	1.8%	1.6%	2.0%	3.2%
Texas County	13,460	250	13,710	1.8%	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%
Ellis County	1,660	30	1,690	1.7%	1.7%	2.1%	2.1%

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County Ranking				Unemployment Rate			
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Sep '04	Aug '04	Jul '04	Sep '03
Roger Mills County	2,140	30	2,170	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%
Dewey County	2,040	30	2,070	1.3%	1.7%	2.1%	2.6%
Harper County	1,700	20	1,720	1.2%	0.9%	1.2%	2.9%
Cimarron County	1,620	20	1,640	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%	1.9%

OKLAHOMA REVISED LABOR FORCE STATISTICS – August 2004
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August 2004 Revised Data				Unemployment Rate		
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Aug '04	Jul '04	Aug '03
United States	140,226,000	7,940,000	148,166,000	5.4%	5.7%	6.0%
Oklahoma	1,636,900	65,000	1,701,900	3.8%	4.4%	5.5%

August 2004 by County				Unemployment Rate		
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Aug '04	Jul '04	Aug '03
Adair County	8,790	550	9,340	5.9%	7.4%	9.6%
Alfalfa County	2,510	50	2,560	1.8%	2.1%	2.5%
Atoka County	5,310	200	5,510	3.7%	5.0%	7.1%
Beaver County	2,640	80	2,720	3.0%	3.5%	3.3%
Beckham County	11,410	180	11,590	1.6%	2.0%	2.4%
Blaine County	4,670	110	4,780	2.3%	2.7%	3.6%
Bryan County	18,730	520	19,250	2.7%	3.2%	4.0%
Caddo County	11,670	590	12,260	4.8%	5.5%	5.0%
Canadian County	48,310	1,400	49,710	2.8%	3.3%	4.6%
Carter County	22,750	950	23,700	4.0%	4.5%	4.7%
Cherokee County	19,120	730	19,850	3.7%	4.4%	5.3%
Choctaw County	5,310	420	5,730	7.4%	9.1%	9.9%
Cimarron County	1,640	20	1,660	1.0%	1.4%	2.1%
Cleveland County	117,210	2,930	120,140	2.4%	3.1%	3.7%
Coal County	1,600	230	1,830	12.3%	15.2%	18.9%
Comanche County	41,360	1,380	42,740	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%
Cotton County	2,510	90	2,600	3.4%	4.1%	4.6%
Craig County	6,370	230	6,600	3.5%	3.9%	4.8%
Creek County	31,310	1,530	32,840	4.6%	5.0%	7.1%
Custer County	11,490	270	11,760	2.3%	2.7%	3.1%
Delaware County	17,640	610	18,250	3.3%	3.9%	4.5%
Dewey County	2,140	40	2,180	1.7%	2.1%	2.9%
Ellis County	1,750	30	1,780	1.7%	2.1%	2.3%
Garfield County	25,940	580	26,520	2.2%	2.5%	3.5%
Garvin County	11,470	330	11,800	2.8%	3.2%	5.0%
Grady County	20,210	780	20,990	3.7%	4.3%	4.5%
Grant County	2,270	60	2,330	2.7%	2.9%	3.3%
Greer County	2,320	100	2,420	4.0%	4.8%	5.9%

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August 2004 by County	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate		
				Aug '04	Jul '04	Aug '03
Harmon County	1,240	30	1,270	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%
Harper County	1,800	20	1,820	0.9%	1.2%	3.1%
Haskell County	5,380	220	5,600	3.9%	4.4%	7.0%
Hughes County	5,010	380	5,390	7.0%	8.4%	9.8%
Jackson County	13,630	390	14,020	2.8%	3.1%	3.0%
Jefferson County	2,310	100	2,410	4.1%	5.5%	5.1%
Johnston County	5,280	230	5,510	4.1%	5.0%	5.1%
Kay County	19,990	1,300	21,290	6.1%	7.6%	7.6%
Kingfisher County	6,680	170	6,850	2.5%	2.9%	3.0%
Kiowa County	4,320	140	4,460	3.0%	3.7%	4.3%
Latimer County	3,700	150	3,850	3.9%	4.6%	5.5%
Leflore County	18,600	830	19,430	4.3%	5.2%	6.6%
Lincoln County	11,440	570	12,010	4.8%	5.4%	6.2%
Logan County	16,060	550	16,610	3.3%	3.6%	4.7%
Love County	4,310	180	4,490	4.0%	5.4%	5.3%
McClain County	13,770	410	14,180	2.9%	3.8%	4.3%
McCurtain County	12,830	1,130	13,960	8.1%	10.0%	10.5%
McIntosh County	7,230	450	7,680	5.9%	7.7%	7.6%
Major County	3,550	60	3,610	1.6%	1.9%	2.3%
Marshall County	5,450	240	5,690	4.2%	4.6%	4.4%
Mayes County	13,170	790	13,960	5.6%	6.4%	9.2%
Murray County	5,410	200	5,610	3.6%	4.0%	4.9%
Muskogee County	28,530	1,870	30,400	6.2%	7.0%	7.2%
Noble County	5,140	150	5,290	2.8%	2.9%	4.0%
Nowata County	3,850	300	4,150	7.1%	7.3%	8.8%
Okfuskee County	3,150	390	3,540	10.9%	12.3%	11.2%
Oklahoma County	341,510	12,890	354,400	3.6%	4.2%	5.3%
Okmulgee County	14,300	1,090	15,390	7.1%	8.5%	9.1%

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August 2004 by County	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate		
				Aug '04	Jul '04	Aug '03
Osage County	19,670	870	20,540	4.2%	4.6%	6.3%
Ottawa County	12,100	700	12,800	5.5%	6.2%	7.8%
Pawnee County	7,380	400	7,780	5.1%	5.5%	6.9%
Payne County	34,080	750	34,830	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%
Pittsburg County	19,030	770	19,800	3.9%	4.6%	6.0%
Pontotoc County	18,550	980	19,530	5.0%	6.6%	4.3%
Pottawatomie Co.	29,640	1,350	30,990	4.4%	5.1%	5.9%
Pushmataha Co.	5,360	260	5,620	4.6%	5.8%	7.5%
Roger Mills County	2,250	30	2,280	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%
Rogers County	36,520	1,290	37,810	3.4%	4.2%	5.9%
Seminole County	9,250	1,030	10,280	10.0%	12.0%	11.8%
Sequoyah County	16,390	810	17,200	4.7%	5.5%	6.4%
Stephens County	18,010	590	18,600	3.2%	3.8%	4.4%
Texas County	13,410	220	13,630	1.6%	1.8%	2.3%
Tillman County	3,330	150	3,480	4.2%	5.1%	5.9%
Tulsa County	290,120	11,990	302,110	4.0%	4.5%	6.3%
Wagoner County	29,010	1,180	30,190	3.9%	4.4%	5.9%
Washington County	19,240	880	20,120	4.4%	5.2%	5.9%
Washita County	4,670	100	4,770	2.0%	2.3%	2.7%
Woods County	4,110	180	4,290	4.2%	8.7%	9.1%
Woodward County	8,770	240	9,010	2.7%	2.8%	4.6%

Metropolitan Statistical Area	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate		
				Aug '04	Jul '04	Aug '03
Oklahoma City MSA	566,490	19,530	586,030	3.3%	3.9%	4.9%
Tulsa MSA	406,630	16,860	423,490	4.0%	4.5%	6.3%
Lawton MSA	41,360	1,380	42,740	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%
Enid MSA	25,940	580	26,520	2.2%	2.5%	3.5%