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## **Oklahoma Employment Report - July 2006**

### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

Oklahoma: 3.8% <sup>1</sup> 0.3% over month <sup>1</sup> 0.4% over year	<u>COUNTIES</u> Highest rate: 6.9% (Coal County)
MSAs	Lowest rate: 2.6% (Roger Mills County)
Oklahoma City MSA: 3.7%	Big % gain: Pontotoc County 1 0.6% to 4.4%
Tulsa MSA: 3.6% Lawton MSA: 4.3%	Big % loss: LeFlore County 🛛 🖟 0.7% to 4.6%

### **AREAS OF INTEREST**

- 1. Growth in the Goods Producing Industries slowed considerably in July, while the Service Providing Industries grew at a slightly faster pace than in past months. The two combined to largely stabilize Oklahoma's non-farm annual employment growth for the July-to-July period.
- 2. Job growth in the Tulsa MSA picked up speed in July, fueled by strong growth in Construction and Professional & Business Services. In contrast, employment in the Oklahoma City MSA grew more slowly than in previous months, showing particular weakness in Durable Goods Manufacturing.
- 3. Statewide Construction saw its first monthly employment decline for the June-to-July period since the 2001 recession. Heavy & Civil Engineering and Specialty Trade Contractors were both particularly weak in July 2006.

### IN A NUTSHELL . . .

"Even though the non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 3.8 percent in July, the overall picture reveals less of a strengthening labor market than a slowing one. Overall employment growth is losing momentum, and seasonally adjusted employment fell slightly for the month. While this month's report shows some measure of stabilization in our labor markets, there is mounting concern that a combination of factors could slow our national economy even more over the coming quarters." *Lynn Gray, OESC Chief Economist* 

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### STATE CONTINUES OVER-THE-YEAR RECOVERY IN JULY

In July, Oklahoma's statewide non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 3.8 percent, as non-seasonally adjusted employment (-5,743 persons), labor force (-10,686 persons) and unemployment (-4,943 persons) all dropped over the month.

Over the year, **non-seasonally adjusted employment** (+24,424 persons) and **labor force** (+18,211 persons) both expanded, while **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** dropped by 6,213 persons. The result was a decrease in the **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** of 0.4 percent over the year.

When examined with the seasonally adjusted data, this information reflects a labor market with overall stability that showed slight softness in July.

U.S	. and Regional	JULY 2006			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
ΕΛ	<b>MPLOYMENT</b>	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05	
ОК	LAHOMA	1,707,020	67,750	1,774,770	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.2%	
Uni	ted States	145,606,000	7,602,000	153,208,000	5.0%	4.8%	4.4%	5.2%	
	Arkansas	1,327,660	80,610	1,407,970	5.7%	5.6%	5.1%	5.2%	
Ζ	Kansas	1,428,250	75,640	1,503,890	5.0%	4.7%	4.1%	5.3%	
REGION	Louisiana	1,827,220	66,900	1,894,120	3.5%	5.8%	4.8%	6.2%	
<b>B</b>	Missouri	2,932,200	146,790	3,078,990	4.8%	5.0%	4.2%	5.5%	
R	New Mexico	913,470	46,240	959,710	4.8%	4.8%	4.1%	5.7%	
	Texas	10,945,000	634,500	11,579,490	5.5%	5.5%	4.9%	5.4%	

### MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ALL IMPROVE IN JULY

Unemployment rates for all Oklahoma metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) dropped by 0.3 percent in July 2006. The **Oklahoma City MSA unemployment rate** was 3.7 percent, and **Tulsa MSA** reported a rate of 3.6 percent. **Lawton**, the state's other MSA, saw its rate fall to 4.3 percent in July.

	JULY 2006		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
EMPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Oklahoma City MSA	574,730	22,000	596,740	3.7%	4.0%	3.9%	4.0%
Tulsa MSA	454,650	16,980	471,630	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.1%
Lawton MSA	44,780	2,000	46,770	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%

### COAL COUNTY REPORTS THE STATE'S HIGHEST COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN JULY

**Coal County** posted July's highest county unemployment rate at 6.9 percent. **Hughes** and **McCurtain counties** shared the state's second highest rate at 6.4 percent. July's third highest county unemployment rate of 5.8 percent was reported by both **Caddo** and **Seminole counties**.

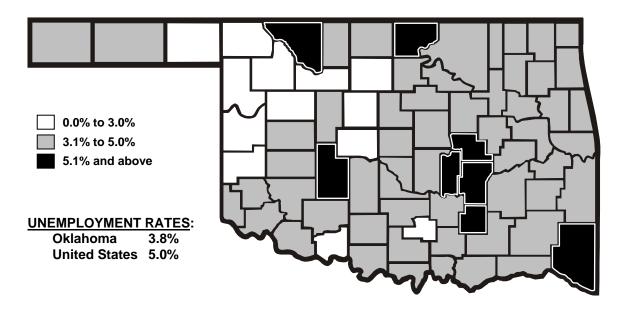
Highest County	JULY 2006		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
UNEMPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Coal County	1,890	140	2,030	6.9%	6.8%	7.1%	7.3%
Hughes County	4,690	320	5,010	6.4%	6.3%	6.0%	7.1%
McCurtain County	12,870	870	13,740	6.4%	6.5%	6.5%	6.3%
Caddo County	11,000	680	11,680	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%	6.1%
Seminole County	9,540	590	10,130	5.8%	6.0%	6.1%	6.7%

### ROGER MILLS COUNTY HOLDS ON TO LOWEST COUNTY RATE IN JULY

At 2.6 percent, the July unemployment rate for **Roger Mills County** was once again the state's lowest county rate. There was a four-way tie at 2.7 percent for the second lowest rate in the state among **Beckham**, **Harper**, **Kingfisher** and **Woodward counties**. The state's third highest rate of 2.8 percent was shared by **Cotton**, **Dewey** and **Major counties**.

Lowest County	JULY 2006			UNEM	PLOYME	NT RAT	Ξ
UNEMPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Roger Mills County	1,840	50	1,890	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	2.5%
Beckham County	10,200	280	10,480	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Harper County	1,850	50	1,900	2.7%	3.2%	3.0%	2.8%
Kingfisher County	7,810	220	8,020	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%
Woodward County	10,760	300	11,060	2.7%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%
Cotton County	3,510	100	3,610	2.8%	3.0%	2.9%	3.6%
Dewey County	2,310	70	2,370	2.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.2%
Major County	3,700	110	3,800	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%

#### DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary Data for July 2006



# **STATE OF OKLAHOMA\***

### EDUCATION LOSSES AGAIN LEAD TO EMPLOYMENT DROP

Following the lead set in June, Oklahoma's **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** again posted a monthly loss, shedding 16,500 jobs (-1.1 percent) over the month. The monthly loss came almost entirely from the **Service Providing Industries**, where seasonal losses in **Government** reflected public school and university staff on summer break. This drop is seen each year at this time.

For the year, **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** added 27,400 jobs (+1.8 percent) due to growth in many industries. The **Goods Producing Industries** managed a 3.3 percent increase for the July-to-July period.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	θE		
EMPLOYMENT	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	1,525,700	1,542,200	1,498,300	-16,500	-1.1%	27,400	1.8%
Goods Producing Industries	257,900	258,200	249,600	-300	-0.1%	8,300	3.3%
Natural Resources & Mining	39,500	39,300	36,200	200	0.5%	3,300	9.1%
Construction	70,600	71,000	67,800	-400	-0.6%	2,800	4.1%
Manufacturing	147,800	147,900	145,600	-100	-0.1%	2,200	1.5%
Service Providing Industries	1,267,800	1,284,000	1,248,700	-16,200	-1.3%	19,100	1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	281,900	282,600	278,800	-700	-0.2%	3,100	1.1%
Pro. & Business Services	176,300	176,400	171,200	-100	-0.1%	5,100	3.0%
Education & Health Svcs.	184,200	183,900	180,300	300	0.2%	3,900	2.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	135,400	137,300	135,500	-1,900	-1.4%	-100	-0.1%
Government	300,000	313,100	292,600	-13,100	-4.2%	7,400	2.5%
	-			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### STRONG ANNUAL GROWTH SEEN IN NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING

**Natural Resources & Mining** continued its year-to-year growth in July by adding 3,300 jobs (+9.1 percent) over the year. **Support Activities for Mining** provided 2,900 jobs (+14.9 percent) of the annual gain.

OKLAHOMA Natural Resources & Mining	NUMBER		CHANGE				
	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to Jul '06	
Natural Resources & Mining	39,500	39,300	36,200	200	0.5%	3,300	9.1%
Support Activities for Mining	22,300	22,400	19,400	-100	-0.4%	2,900	14.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### JULY BRINGS CONTINUED ANNUAL GROWTH IN CONSTRUCTION

Despite a small monthly loss in July, statewide **Construction** expanded by 2,800 jobs (+4.1 percent) over the year. **Specialty Trade Contractors** posted an annual a gain of 2,000 jobs (+4.8 percent) for the period.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Construction	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06	
Construction	70,600	71,000	67,800	-400	-0.6%	2,800	4.1%	
Construction of Buildings	15,100	14,900	14,400	200	1.3%	700	4.9%	
Heavy & Civil Engineering	11,600	11,700	11,500	-100	-0.9%	100	0.9%	
Specialty Trade Contractors	43,900	44,400	41,900	-500	-1.1%	2,000	4.8%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### STATEWIDE MANUFACTURING POSTS STRONG ANNUAL GAINS

The **Durable Goods Manufacturing** industry drove over-the-year growth for **Manufacturing** in July, as it provided 2,100 of the 2,200 jobs gained during the July-to-July period. **Non-durable Goods Manufacturing** provided the only monthly addition in July, growing by 200 jobs (+0.4 percent) over the month.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Manufacturing	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 to Jul '06		Jul '05 to Jul '06		
Manufacturing	147,800	147,900	145,600	-100	-0.1%	2,200	1.5%	
Durable Goods Mfg.	98,100	98,400	96,000	-300	-0.3%	2,100	2.2%	
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	49,700	49,500	49,600	200	0.4%	100	0.2%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES CONTINUES ANNUAL GROW/TH

In July, **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** shed 700 jobs (-0.2 percent) over the month, as **Wholesale Trade** and **Retail Trade** contributed strong over-the-year gains. **Wholesale Trade** provided the only monthly gain with an addition of 200 jobs (+0.3 percent).

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	CHANGE				
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to Jul '06			
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	281,900	282,600	278,800	-700	-0.2%	3,100	1.1%		
Wholesale Trade	58,700	58,500	57,200	200	0.3%	1,500	2.6%		
Retail Trade	169,800	170,400	168,600	-600	-0.4%	1,200	0.7%		
Transport., Warehouse, Utils.	53,400	53,700	53,000	-300	-0.6%	400	0.8%		
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

## **PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES REPORTS GROWTH IN JULY**

Despite posting a small monthly loss in July, **Professional & Business Services** gained 5,100 jobs (+3.0 percent) over the year. **Administrative & Support Services** (+3,600 jobs) and **Professional & Scientific Services** (+1,900 jobs) provided all of the year-to-year additions.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Pro. & Business Services	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to Jul '06		
Pro. & Business Services	176,300	176,400	171,200	-100	-0.1%	5,100	3.0%	
Pro. & Scientific Services	60,900	60,600	59,000	300	0.5%	1,900	3.2%	
Management of Companies	12,000	12,300	12,400	-300	-2.4%	-400	-3.2%	
Admin. & Support Services	103,400	103,500	99,800	-100	-0.1%	3,600	3.6%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES ADDS JOBS FOR MONTH, YEAR

In July, **Education & Health Services** shook off the effects of seasonal factors and added 300 jobs over the month, bringing its over-the-year gain to 3,900 jobs (+2.2 percent). The **Health Care & Social Assistance** industry provided all of the monthly and annual growth.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	θE		
Education & Health Svcs.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	Jun '06 to Jul '06		o Jul '06
Education & Health Svcs.	184,200	183,900	180,300	300	0.2%	3,900	2.2%
Educational Services	15,100	15,300	15,200	-200	-1.3%	-100	-0.7%
Health Care & Social Asst.	169,100	168,600	165,100	500	0.3%	4,000	2.4%
Ambulatory Health Care	60,600	60,500	59,000	100	0.2%	1,600	2.7%
Hospitals	49,300	49,200	47,900	100	0.2%	1,400	2.9%
Nursing & Residential Care	35,400	35,400	35,300	0	0.0%	100	0.3%
Social Assistance	23,800	23,500	22,900	300	1.3%	900	3.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### LEISURE & HOSPITALITY DROPS JOBS FOR THE MONTH & YEAR

Leisure & Hospitality reported monthly job losses in July, as the Accommodation & Food Services industry shed 2,200 jobs (-1.8 percent) over the month. A majority of the month-to-month loss can be attributed to a Food Services & Drinking Places subsector that shed 2,100 jobs (-1.9 percent) in July. Leisure & Hospitality reported a small loss for the year.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANC	θE		
Leisure & Hospitality	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to Jul '06	
Leisure & Hospitality	135,400	137,300	135,500	-1,900	-1.4%	-100	-0.1%
Art, Entertainment & Rec.	16,700	16,400	16,200	300	1.8%	500	3.1%
Accommodation/Food Svcs.	118,700	120,900	119,300	-2,200	-1.8%	-600	-0.5%
Accommodation	11,200	11,300	11,100	-100	-0.9%	100	0.9%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	107,500	109,600	108,200	-2,100	-1.9%	-700	-0.6%
Full-service Restaurants	50,500	52,100	50,900	-1,600	-3.1%	-400	-0.8%
Limited-service Eating	51,400	52,100	52,500	-700	-1.3%	-1,100	-2.1%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### SEASONAL EDUCATION FACTORS LEAD TO LOSSES IN GOVERNMENT

Seasonal education factors continued to affect **Government** in July, as the supersector dropped 13,100 jobs (-4.2 percent). These losses were the result of summer break for public school and university staff. The seasonal loss came almost entirely from **Local Government**. This industry combined with **State Government** to provide all of the annual gain of 7,400 jobs (+2.5 percent).

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS			ĴΕ		
Government	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to Jul '06	
Government	300,000	313,100	292,600	-13,100	-4.2%	7,400	2.5%
Federal Government	46,000	45,900	46,000	100	0.2%	0	0.0%
State Government	76,600	77,300	75,200	-700	-0.9%	1,400	1.9%
Local Government	177,400	189,900	171,400	-12,500	-6.6%	6,000	3.5%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

# OKLAHOMA CITY EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO FEEL EFFECTS OF EDUCATION-RELATED LOSSES IN JULY

In July, **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** in the Oklahoma City metropolitan statistical area (MSA) shed 6,400 jobs (-1.1 percent) for the month, as seasonal factors continued to affect employment. Almost all of the monthly loss was provided by the **Service Providing Industries**, where **Professional & Business Services** and **Government** led the way. The seasonal losses in **Government** were the result of public school and university staff on summer vacation. For the year, the MSA has grown by 9,700 jobs (+1.8 percent).

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	θE		
EMPLOYMENT	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	558,800	565,200	549,100	-6,400	-1.1%	9,700	1.8%
Goods Producing Industries	75,500	75,600	74,500	-100	-0.1%	1,000	1.3%
Construction	27,700	27,300	25,800	400	1.5%	1,900	7.4%
Manufacturing	37,500	38,100	39,000	-600	-1.6%	-1,500	-3.8%
Service Providing Industries	483,300	489,600	474,600	-6,300	-1.3%	8,700	1.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	100,900	100,500	98,600	400	0.4%	2,300	2.3%
Pro. & Business Services	72,500	73,800	71,300	-1,300	-1.8%	1,200	1.7%
Education & Health Svcs.	70,700	70,700	68,000	0	0.0%	2,700	4.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	56,500	56,700	55,900	-200	-0.4%	600	1.1%
Government	105,600	110,500	103,500	-4,900	-4.4%	2,100	2.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

## OKC CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES MONTHLY, ANNUAL GROWTH

In July, Oklahoma City **Construction** continued to grow, as the supersector added 400 jobs (+1.5 percent) over the month. For the year, **Construction** in the area expanded by 1,900 jobs (+7.4 percent).

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS		CHANGE			
Construction	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Construction	27,700	27,300	25,800	400	1.5%	1,900	7.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

## OKC MANUFACTURING DOWN OVER MONTH & YEAR IN JULY

Oklahoma City **Manufacturing** dropped 600 jobs (-1.6 percent) for the month and 1,500 jobs (-3.8 percent) for the year in July 2006. **Durable Goods Manufacturing**, a contributor to both losses, provided more than half of the supersector's annual loss.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	E		
Manufacturing	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 to	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Manufacturing	37,500	38,100	39,000	-600	-1.6%	-1,500	-3.8%
Durable Goods Mfg.	26,600	26,700	27,400	-100	-0.4%	-800	-2.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES CONTINUES TO GROW

Oklahoma City **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** continued its growth trend in July by adding 400 jobs (+0.4 percent) for the month and 2,300 jobs (+2.3 percent) for the year. **Wholesale Trade** and **Transportation, Warehouse & Utilities** both added jobs for the month, and all component industries contributed to the annual gain.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	iΕ		
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 te	Jun '06 to Jul '06		o Jul '06
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	100,900	100,500	98,600	400	0.4%	2,300	2.3%
Wholesale Trade	23,200	22,900	22,000	300	1.3%	1,200	5.5%
Retail Trade	61,000	61,000	60,700	0	0.0%	300	0.5%
Transport., Warehouse, Utils.	16,700	16,600	15,900	100	0.6%	800	5.0%
·				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES REPORTS GROWTH IN JULY**

**Professional & Business Services** dropped 1,300 jobs (-1.8 percent) for the month in July, leaving the supersector with a gain of 1,200 jobs (+1.7 percent) for the July-to-July period. All industries contributed to the monthly loss, with **Administrative & Support Services** accounting for a loss of 800 jobs. **Professional & Scientific Services** provided all of the annual gain, as it added 1,500 jobs (+5.8 percent) for the year.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS		CHANG		ĴΕ	=		
Pro. & Business Services	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 to Jul '06		Jul '05 to Jul '06		
Pro. & Business Services	72,500	73,800	71,300	-1,300	-1.8%	1,200	1.7%	
Pro. & Scientific Services	27,200	27,500	25,700	-300	-1.1%	1,500	5.8%	
Management of Companies	4,600	4,800	4,900	-200	-4.2%	-300	-6.1%	
Admin. & Support Services	40,700	41,500	40,700	-800	-1.9%	0	0.0%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### **OKC EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES UP FOR YEAR IN JULY**

Oklahoma City's **Education & Health Services** supersector held steady for the month in July, as a small gain in **Health Care & Social Assistance** was negated by a seasonal loss in **Educational Services**. **Health Care & Social Assistance** provided 2,400 of the 2,700 jobs added for the July-to-July period.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
Education & Health Svcs.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 to Jul '06		Jul '05 to Jul '00	
Education & Health Svcs.	70,700	70,700	68,000	0	0.0%	2,700	4.0%
Educational Services	6,900	7,100	6,600	-200	-2.8%	300	4.5%
Health Care & Social Asst.	63,800	63,600	61,400	200	0.3%	2,400	3.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### SEASONAL EDUCATION LOSSES AGAIN AFFECT OKC GOVERNMENT

**Government** in Oklahoma City reported a seasonal drop of 4,900 jobs (-4.4 percent) in July, as losses in **Local Government** reflected public school and university staff on summer break. **Local Government**, which dropped 4,700 jobs (-9.9 percent), also provided an annual gain of 3,100 jobs (+7.8 percent).

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
Government	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06	
Government	105,600	110,500	103,500	-4,900	-4.4%	2,100	2.0%	
Federal Government	26,100	26,200	26,500	-100	-0.4%	-400	-1.5%	
State Government	36,500	36,600	37,100	-100	-0.3%	-600	-1.6%	
Local Government	43,000	47,700	39,900	-4,700	-9.9%	3,100	7.8%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

# **TULSA MSA\***

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### TULSA CONTINUES TO POST STRONG ANNUAL GROWTH IN JULY

Despite some seasonal education losses, the Tulsa metropolitan statistical area (MSA) continued its recovery in July. Although **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** dropped 2,300 jobs (-0.5 percent) over the month, Tulsa reported an annual gain of 10,500 jobs (+2.6 percent). The **Goods Producing Industries** and the **Service Providing Industries** both contributed to the gain, as **Construction**, **Manufacturing**, **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities**, **Professional & Business Services**, and **Government** all got into the act.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	δE		
EMPLOYMENT	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	Jun '06 to Jul '06		o Jul '06
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	420,600	422,900	410,100	-2,300	-0.5%	10,500	2.6%
Goods Producing Industries	76,900	77,400	74,100	-500	-0.6%	2,800	3.8%
Construction	22,100	22,200	20,700	-100	-0.5%	1,400	6.8%
Manufacturing	47,900	48,300	46,800	-400	-0.8%	1,100	2.4%
Service Providing Industries	343,700	345,500	336,000	-1,800	-0.5%	7,700	2.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	82,200	82,300	80,900	-100	-0.1%	1,300	1.6%
Pro. & Business Services	63,300	62,500	59,400	800	1.3%	3,900	6.6%
Education & Health Svcs.	54,300	54,100	53,200	200	0.4%	1,100	2.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	36,500	36,300	36,300	200	0.6%	200	0.6%
Government	50,000	52,900	48,100	-2,900	-5.5%	1,900	4.0%
	-			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **TULSA CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ANNUAL GROWTH IN JULY**

Despite dropping 100 jobs (-0.5 percent) over the month, Tulsa **Construction** continued to add jobs for the year in July with a gain of 1,400 jobs (+6.8 percent). **Specialty Trade Contractors** contributed to the monthly and annual change.

TULSA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG			
Construction	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Construction	22,100	22,200	20,700	-100	-0.5%	1,400	6.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	14,600	14,700	13,700	-100	-0.7%	900	6.6%
	· •			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### TULSA MANUFACTURING REPORTS ANNUAL GAINS IN JULY

In July, Tulsa **Manufacturing** experienced an over-the-month loss of 400 jobs (-0.8 percent) and an over-the-year gain of 1,100 jobs (+2.4 percent).

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	ĴΕ		
Manufacturing	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Manufacturing	47,900	48,300	46,800	-400	-0.8%	1,100	2.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

# ANNUAL GROW/TH CONTINUES FOR TULSA TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES

Wholesale Trade and Retail Trade combined for a July-to-July gain of 1,300 jobs (+1.6 percent) for Trade, Transportation & Utilities. Wholesale Trade was the only industry to post monthly growth.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	θE		
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Trade, Transportation & Utils.	82,200	82,300	80,900	-100	-0.1%	1,300	1.6%
Wholesale Trade	18,300	18,200	17,600	100	0.5%	700	4.0%
Retail Trade	43,800	43,800	43,200	0	0.0%	600	1.4%
Transport., Warehouse, Utils.	20,100	20,300	20,100	-200	-1.0%	0	0.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **TULSA PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES UP FOR MONTH & YEAR**

Tulsa's **Professional & Business Services** continued to expand in July, as it added 800 jobs (+1.3 percent) for the month and 3,900 jobs (+6.6 percent) for the year. The **Administrative & Support Services** industry provided three-quarters of the monthly gain and more than half of the annual gain. **Professional & Scientific Services** added 1,300 jobs (+6.8 percent) for the July-to-July period.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANGE						
Pro. & Business Services	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 te	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	) Jul '06			
Pro. & Business Services	63,300	62,500	59,400	800	1.3%	3,900	6.6%			
Pro. & Scientific Services	20,400	20,200	19,100	200	1.0%	1,300	6.8%			
Management of Companies	6,200	6,200	5,900	0	0.0%	300	5.1%			
Admin. & Support Services	36,700	36,100	34,400	600	1.7%	2,300	6.7%			
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.			

## **TULSA EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES EXPANDS OVER YEAR**

With a small gain in July, over-the-year growth in **Education & Health Services** reached 1,100 jobs, a 2.1 percent increase from July 2005. The **Health Care & Social Assistance** industry contributed all of the monthly and annual growth.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	ĴΕ		
Education & Health Svcs.	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Education & Health Svcs.	54,300	54,100	53,200	200	0.4%	1,100	2.1%
Educational Services	5,400	5,600	5,400	-200	-3.6%	0	0.0%
Health Care & Social Asst.	48,900	48,500	47,800	400	0.8%	1,100	2.3%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### DESPITE SEASONAL LOSS, GOVERNMENT POSTS GROWTH FOR YEAR

Seasonal education factors again pushed Tulsa **Government** to shed jobs over the month, as **Local Government** provided most of the 2,900-job over-the-month loss. **State Government** also contributed to the monthly drop. Over the year, growth in **Local Government** overcame a small loss in **State Government** to provide a gain of 1,900 jobs (+4.0 percent) for the **Government** supersector.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	GE		
Government	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 t	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
Government	50,000	52,900	48,100	-2,900	-5.5%	1,900	4.0%
Federal Government	4,800	4,800	4,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	6,300	6,500	6,700	-200	-3.1%	-400	-6.0%
Local Government	38,900	41,600	36,600	-2,700	-6.5%	2,300	6.3%
-				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

## LAWTON MSA\*

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### LAWTON DROPS JOBS FOR MONTH, GAINS JOBS FOR YEAR IN JULY

Lawton's **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** dropped 300 jobs (-0.7 percent) for the month but added 500 jobs (+1.3 percent) for the year in July. Seasonal education losses continued to affect **Government** over the month. Many **Service Providing Industries**, including **Financial Activities**, **Professional & Business Services**, and **Education & Health Services**, added jobs for the July-to-July period. **Manufacturing** dropped 200 jobs (-5.1 percent) compared to July 2005.

LAWTON	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	GE		
EMPLOYMENT	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Jun '06 f	to Jul '06	Jul '05 t	o Jul '06
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	40,400	40,700	39,900	-300	-0.7%	500	1.3%
Goods Producing Industries	5,300	5,300	5,500	0	0.0%	-200	-3.6%
Manufacturing	3,700	3,700	3,900	0	0.0%	-200	-5.1%
Service Providing Industries	35,100	35,400	34,400	-300	-0.8%	700	2.0%
Trade, Transp. & Utils.	6,800	6,800	6,900	0	0.0%	-100	-1.4%
Information	500	500	400	0	0.0%	100	25.0%
Financial Activities	2,500	2,500	2,400	0	0.0%	100	4.2%
Pro. & Business Services	3,400	3,300	3,300	100	3.0%	100	3.0%
Education & Health Services	3,900	3,800	3,700	100	2.6%	200	5.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Other Services	1,800	1,800	2,000	0	0.0%	-200	-10.0%
Government	12,200	12,700	11,800	-500	-3.9%	400	3.4%
Federal Government	3,700	3,700	3,500	0	0.0%	200	5.7%
State Government	1,800	2,000	1,600	-200	-10.0%	200	12.5%
Local Government	6,700	7,000	6,700	-300	-4.3%	0	0.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Current Empl. Statistics	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Jun '06 to	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06						to Jul '06	
OKLAHOMA	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.	OKLAHOMA	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Change % Ch	g. Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	1,525,700	1,542,200	1,498,300	-16,500	-1.1%	27,400	1.8%	Information	30,100	30,000	30,400	100 0.3	6 -300	-1.0%
Total Private Employment*	1,225,700	1,229,100	1,205,700	-3,400	-0.3%	20,000	1.7%	Publishing Industries	6,800	6,900	7,200	-100 -1.4	-400	-5.6%
Private Svc. Providers**	967,800	970,900	956,100	-3,100	-0.3%	11,700	1.2%	Telecommunications	13,400	13,100	13,100	300 2.3	6 300	2.3%
GOODS PRODUCING	257,900	258,200	249,600	-300	-0.1%	8,300	3.3%	Financial Activities	85,500	85,400	84,900	100 0.1	600	0.7%
Natural Resources & Mining	39,500	39,300	36,200	200	0.5%	3,300	9.1%	Finance & Insurance	60,900	60,900	60,700	0 0.0	6 200	0.3%
Support for Mining	22,300	22,400	19,400	-100	-0.4%	2,900	14.9%	Credit Intermediation	30,700	30,800	30,300	-100 -0.3	6 400	1.3%
Construction	70,600	71,000	67,800	-400	-0.6%	2,800	4.1%	Depository Credit Int.	23,700	23,900	23,800	-200 -0.8	6 -100	-0.4%
Construction of Buildings	15,100	14,900	14,400	200	1.3%	700	4.9%	Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	25,700	25,600	25,900	100 0.4	6 -200	-0.8%
Residential Buildings	7,400	7,400	6,900	0	0.0%	500	7.2%	Real Estate, Rental/Leasing	24,600	24,500	24,200	100 0.4		
Non-residential Buildings	7,700	7,500	7,500	200	2.7%	200	2.7%	Real Estate	11,700	11,600	11,400	100 0.9	6 300	2.6%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	11,600	11,700	11,500	-100	-0.9%	100	0.9%	Pro. & Business Services	176,300	176,400	171,200	-100 -0.1	6 5,100	3.0%
Specialty Trade Contractor	43,900	44,400	41,900	-500	-1.1%	2,000	4.8%	Pro. & Scientific Services	60,900	60,600	59,000	300 0.5	6 1,900	3.2%
Bldg. Equip. Contractors	20,800	20,700	19,300	100	0.5%	1,500	7.8%	Legal Services	13,100	13,200	13,000	-100 -0.8		
Manufacturing	147,800	147,900	145,600	-100	-0.1%	2,200	1.5%	Accounting & Tax Prep.	10,500	10,700	10,500	-200 -1.9		
Durable Goods Mfg.	98,100	98,400	96,000	-300	-0.3%	2,100	2.2%	Architecture & Engineering	11,800	11,700	11,100	100 0.9		
Wood Product Mfg.	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	0.0%	-100	-2.5%	Management of Companies	12,000	12,300	12,400	-300 -2.4		
Primary Metal Mfg.	4,300	4,300	4,400	0	0.0%	-100	-2.3%	Admin. & Support Services	103,400	103,500	99,800	-100 -0.1	,	
Fabricated Metal Mfg.	23,300	23,300	21,800	0	0.0%	1,500	6.9%	Employment Services	47,000	47,600	46,300	-600 -1.3		
Other Fabricated Metal	5,000	5,000	4,600	0	0.0%	400	8.7%	Business Support Svcs.	18,500	18,300	17,200	200 1.1		
Machinery Manufacturing	25,900	25,700	24,800	200	0.8%	1,100	4.4%	Services to Buildings	13,600	13,300	14,100	300 2.3		
Computer/Electronics Mfg.	5,600	5,700	5,400	-100	-1.8%	200	3.7%	Education & Health Svcs.	184,200	183,900	180,300	300 0.2	,	
Electrical Equipment Mfg.	3,200	3,100	3,100	100	3.2%	100	3.2%	Education Services	15,100	15,300	15,200	-200 -1.3		
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	16,000	16,100	17,000	-100	-0.6%	-1,000	-5.9%	Health Care & Social Asst.	169,100	168,600	165,100	500 0.3	· ·	
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	2,700	2,900	3,500	-200	-6.9%			Ambulatory Health Care	60,600	60,500	59,000	100 0.2		
Motor Vehicle Body/Part	3,800	3,700	4,000	100	2.7%	-200	-5.0%	Hospitals	49,300	49,200	47,900	100 0.2	,	
Aerospace Products	4,000	4,000	3,700	0	0.0%	300	8.1%	Nursing/Residential Care	35,400	35,400	35,300	0 0.0		
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	49,700	49,500	49,600	200	0.4%	100	0.2%	Social Assistance	23,800	23,500	22,900	300 1.3		
Food Manufacturing	20,100	20,000	19,700	100	0.5%	400	2.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	135,400	137,300	135,500	-1,900 -1.4		
Paper Manufacturing	3,100	3,200	3,200	-100	-3.1%	-100	-3.1%	Arts, Entertainment & Rec.	16,700	16,400	16,200	300 1.8		
Plastic & Rubber Products	12,700	12,600	13,000	100	0.8%	-300	-2.3%	Accommodation/Food Svc.	118,700	120,900	119,300	-2,200 -1.8		
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,267,800	1,284,000	1,248,700	-16,200	-1.3%	19,100	1.5%	Accommodation	11,200	11,300	11,100	-100 -0.9		
Trade, Transp. & Utils.	281,900	282,600	278,800	-700	-0.2%	3,100	1.1%	Food Svc./Drinking Places	107,500	109,600	108,200	-2,100 -1.9		
Wholesale Trade	58,700	58,500	57,200	200	0.3%	1,500	2.6%	Full-service Restaurants	50,500	52,100	50,900	-1,600 -3.1		
Retail Trade	169,800	170,400	168,600	-600	-0.4%	1,200	0.7%	Limited-service Eating	51,400	52,100	52,500	-700 -1.3	,	
Motor Vehicle & Parts	24,500	24,400	24,200	100	0.4%	300	1.2%	Other Services	74,400	75,300	75,000	-900 -1.2		
Automobile Dealers	14,900	14,800	14,900	100	0.7%	0	0.0%	Repair & Maintenance	12,500	12,700	12,900	-200 -1.6		
Food & Beverage Stores	22,400	22,700	22,700	-300	-1.3%	-300	-1.3%	Personal & Laundry Svcs.	12,400	12,800	12,500	-400 -3.1		
Gasoline Stations	13,100	13,000	13,000	100	0.8%	100	0.8%	Government	300,000	313,100	292,600	-13,100 -4.2		
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	43,500	43,900	43,400	-400	-0.9%	100	0.2%	Federal Government	46,000	45,900	46,000	100 0.2		0.070
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	53,400	53,700	53,000	-300	-0.6%	400	0.8%	State Government	76,600	77,300	75,200	-700 -0.9	,	
Utilities	9,800	9,900	9,600	-100	-1.0%	200	2.1%	Local Government	177,400	189,900	171,400	-12,500 -6.6	6,000	3.5%
Transport. & Warehouse	43,600	43,800	43,400	-200	-0.5%	200								
Air Transportation	8,600	8,600	8,900	0	0.0%	-300	-3.4%	* Total Private Employment = 1				0		
Truck Transportation	17,500	17,400	17,200	100	0.6%	300	1.7%	1.7% ** Private Service Providers = SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES, excluding Government						

Current Empl. Statistics	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Jun '06 to	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	Jul '06	Current Empl. Statistics	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Jun '06 to	o Jul '06	Jul '05 to	o Jul '06
OKLA. CITY MSA	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.		Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Change			% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	558,800	565,200	549,100	-6,400	-1.1%	9,700	1.8%		420,600	422,900	410,100	-2,300	-0.5%	10,500	2.6%
Total Private Employment*	453,200	454,700	445,600	-1,500	-0.3%	7,600	1.7%	Total Private Employment*	370,600	370,000	362,000	600	0.2%	8,600	2.4%
Private Svc. Providers**	377,700	379,100	371,100	-1,400	-0.4%	6,600	1.8%	Private Service Providers** 2	293,700	292,600	287,900	1,100	0.4%	5,800	2.0%
GOODS PRODUCING	75,500	75,600	74,500	-100	-0.1%	1,000	1.3%	GOODS PRODUCING	76,900	77,400	74,100	-500	-0.6%	2,800	3.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	10,300	10,200	9,700	100	1.0%	600	6.2%	Natural Resources & Mining	6,900	6,900	6,600	0	0.0%	300	4.5%
Construction	27,700	27,300	25,800	400	1.5%	1,900	7.4%	Construction	22,100	22,200	20,700	-100	-0.5%	1,400	6.8%
Specialty Trade Contractor	16,800	17,200	16,500	-400	-2.3%	300	1.8%	Specialty Trade Contractor	14,600	14,700	13,700	-100	-0.7%	900	6.6%
Manufacturing	37,500	38,100	39,000	-600	-1.6%	-1,500	-3.8%	Manufacturing	47,900	48,300	46,800	-400	-0.8%	1,100	2.4%
Durable Goods Mfg.	26,600	26,700	27,400	-100	-0.4%	-800	-2.9%		10,600	10,400	9,800	200	1.9%	800	8.2%
Machinery Manufacturing	5,400	5,400	5,500	0	0.0%	-100	-1.8%	Other Gen'l Purpose	5,000	5,100	5,000	-100	-2.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	7,200	7,400	8,500	-200	-2.7%		-15.3%	Transportation Equip. Mfg.	4,700	4,700	4,400	0	0.0%	300	6.8%
Plastic & Rubber Products	2,900	2,900	3,000	0	0.0%	-100	-3.3%		343,700	345,500	336,000	-1,800	-0.5%	7,700	2.3%
SERVICE PROVIDING	483,300	489,600	474,600	-6,300	-1.3%	8,700	1.8%	Trade, Transportation & Util.	82,200	82,300	80,900	-100	-0.1%	1,300	1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	100,900	100,500	98,600	400	0.4%	2,300	2.3%	Wholesale Trade	18,300	18,200	17,600	100	0.5%	700	4.0%
Wholesale Trade	23,200	22,900	22,000	300	1.3%	1,200	5.5%	Retail Trade	43,800	43,800	43,200	0	0.0%	600	1.4%
Retail Trade	61,000	61,000	60,700	0	0.0% -0.7%	300	0.5%	Food & Beverage Stores	6,200	6,400	6,000	-200	-3.1% 0.0%	200	3.3%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	13,900 16,700	14,000 16,600	13,100	-100	-0.7%	800 800	6.1% 5.0%	Gen'l Merchandise Stores	10,700	10,700	10,500	0	0.0% 0.0%	200 100	1.9% 2.4%
Transp., Warehouse & Util. Information	13,600	13,600	15,900 13,800	100 0	0.0%	-200	-1.4%	Department Stores Other Gen'l Merchandise	4,200 6,500	4,200 6,500	4,100 6,400	0	0.0%	100	2.4%
Telecommunications	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	0.0%	-200	-1.7%	Transp., Warehouse & Util.	20,100	20,300	20,100	-200	-1.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	35,800	35,900	35,300	-100	-0.3%	500	1.4%	Utilities	3,000	3,000	20,100	-200	0.0%	100	3.4%
Finance & Insurance	23,900	24,000	23,900	-100	-0.4%	0	0.0%	Transport. & Warehouse	17,100	17,300	17,200	-200	-1.2%	-100	-0.6%
Rental & Leasing Services	6,000	6,100	5,800	-100	-1.6%	200	3.4%	Air Transportation	7,500	7,500	7,700	0	0.0%	-200	-2.6%
Pro. & Business Services	72,500	73,800	71,300	-1,300	-1.8%	1,200	1.7%	Information	10,000	10,100	10,400	-100	-1.0%	-400	-3.8%
Pro. & Scientific Services	27,200	27,500	25,700	-300	-1.1%	1,500	5.8%	Telecommunications	4,300	4,400	4,700	-100	-2.3%	-400	-8.5%
Management of Companies	4,600	4,800	4,900	-200	-4.2%	-300	-6.1%	Financial Activities	25,700	25,500	25,500	200	0.8%	200	0.8%
Admin. & Support Services	40,700	41,500	40,700	-800	-1.9%	0	0.0%	Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	5,500	5,500	5,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Employment Services	18,600	18,400	18,800	200	1.1%	-200	-1.1%	Pro. & Business Services	63,300	62,500	59,400	800	1.3%	3,900	6.6%
Business Support Svcs.	6,700	6,900	6,700	-200	-2.9%	0	0.0%	Pro. & Scientific Services	20,400	20,200	19,100	200	1.0%	1,300	6.8%
Education & Health Svcs.	70,700	70,700	68,000	0	0.0%	2,700	4.0%	Management of Companies	6,200	6,200	5,900	0	0.0%	300	5.1%
Education Services	6,900	7,100	6,600	-200	-2.8%	300	4.5%	Admin. & Support Services	36,700	36,100	34,400	600	1.7%	2,300	6.7%
Health Care & Social Asst.	63,800	63,600	61,400	200	0.3%	2,400	3.9%	Employment Services	16,800	16,700	15,500	100	0.6%	1,300	8.4%
Ambulatory Health Care	24,700	24,700	23,500	0	0.0%	1,200	5.1%	Business Support Svcs.	8,300	8,200	7,900	100	1.2%	400	5.1%
Hospitals	20,200	20,100	19,900	100	0.5%	300	1.5%	Education & Health Svcs.	54,300	54,100	53,200	200	0.4%	1,100	2.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	56,500	56,700	55,900	-200	-0.4%	600	1.1%	Education Services	5,400	5,600	5,400	-200	-3.6%	0	0.0%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	44,700	45,700	44,100	-1,000	-2.2%	600	1.4%	Health Care & Social Asst.	48,900	48,500	47,800	400	0.8%	1,100	2.3%
Full-service Restaurants	22,600	23,400	21,500	-800	-3.4%	1,100	5.1%	Ambulatory Health Care	18,300	18,000	17,500	300	1.7%	800	4.6%
Limited-service Eating	20,900	21,200	20,500	-300	-1.4%	400	2.0%	Hospitals	16,700	16,700	16,300	0	0.0%	400	2.5%
Other Services	27,700	27,900	28,200	-200	-0.7%	-500	-1.8%	Leisure & Hospitality	36,500	36,300	36,300	200	0.6%	200	0.6%
Government	105,600	110,500	103,500	-4,900	-4.4%	2,100	2.0%	Food Svc./Drinking Places	29,000	30,000	29,500	-1,000	-3.3%	-500	-1.7%
Federal Government	26,100	26,200	26,500	-100	-0.4%	-400	-1.5%	Full-service Restaurants	15,300	15,900	15,000	-600	-3.8%	300	2.0%
State Government	36,500	36,600	37,100	-100	-0.3% -9.9%	-600 2 1 0 0	-1.6%		21,700	21,800	22,200	-100	-0.5%	-500	-2.3%
Local Government	43,000	47,700	39,900	-4,700	-9.9%	3,100	7.8%	Government	50,000	52,900	48,100	-2,900	-5.5%	1,900	4.0%
* Total Brivate Employment - "				oveludina	Govern	mont		Federal Government State Government	4,800 6,300	4,800 6,500	4,800 6,700	0 -200	0.0% -3.1%	0 -400	0.0% -6.0%
i otar i rivate Employment =	* Total Private Employment = TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT, excluding Government							0,300	0,000	0,700	-200	-3.1%	-400	-0.0 /0	

\*\* Private Service Providers = SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES, excluding Government

Local Government

38,900

41,600

36,600

-2,700 -6.5%

2,300 6.3%

<b>Current Empl. Statistics</b>	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Jun '06 1	to Jul '06	Jul '05 t	o Jul '06
LAWTON MSA	Jul '06	Jun '06	Jul '05	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	40,400	40,700	39,900	-300	-0.7%	500	1.3%
Total Private Employment*	28,200	28,000	28,100	200	0.7%	100	0.4%
Private Svc. Providers**	22,900	22,700	22,600	200	0.9%	300	1.3%
GOODS PRODUCING	5,300	5,300	5,500	0	0.0%	-200	-3.6%
N. Resources/Construction	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	3,700	3,700	3,900	0	0.0%	-200	-5.1%
SERVICE PROVIDING	35,100	35,400	34,400	-300	-0.8%	700	2.0%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	6,800	6,800	6,900	0	0.0%	-100	-1.4%
Wholesale Trade	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0.0%	-100	-7.7%
Information	500	500	400	0	0.0%	100	25.0%
Financial Activities	2,500	2,500	2,400	0	0.0%	100	4.2%
Pro. & Business Services	3,400	3,300	3,300	100	3.0%	100	3.0%
Education & Health Svcs.	3,900	3,800	3,700	100	2.6%	200	5.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Other Services	1,800	1,800	2,000	0	0.0%	-200	-10.0%
Government	12,200	12,700	11,800	-500	-3.9%	400	3.4%
Federal Government	3,700	3,700	3,500	0	0.0%	200	5.7%
State Government	1,800	2,000	1,600	-200	-10.0%	200	12.5%
Local Government	6,700	7,000	6,700	-300	-4.3%	0	0.0%

\* Total Private Employment = TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT, excluding Government

\*\* Private Service Providers = SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES, excluding Government

LAUS		<b>JULY 200</b>	6	UN	IEMPLOY	MENT RA	TE
by MSA	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Oklahoma City MSA	574,730	22,000	596,740	3.7%	4.0%	3.9%	4.0%
Tulsa MSA	454,650	16,980	471,630	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.1%
Lawton MSA	44,780	2,000	46,770	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%

LAUS		JULY 200	6	UN	IEMPLOY	MENT RA	TE
by WIA***	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Central WIA	403,290	15,850	419,140	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.2%
Cleveland Co. WIA	118,960	3,910	122,870	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%
East Central WIA	63,330	3,170	66,490	4.8%	5.0%	4.9%	5.4%
Holdenville LLM	8,930	570	9,510	6.0%	6.1%	5.9%	7.2%
Shawnee LLM	54,390	2,590	56,980	4.5%	4.7%	4.7%	5.1%
Eastern WIA	133,960	6,040	140,000	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	4.8%
Muskogee LLM	69,340	2,910	72,250	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%
Okmulgee LLM	17,090	880	17,970	4.9%	5.4%	5.5%	6.0%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	47,530	2,250	49,780	4.5%	4.7%	4.8%	4.7%
North Central WIA	107,540	3,990	111,530	3.6%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%
Enid LLM	50,060	1,600	51,660	3.1%	3.3%	3.4%	3.4%
Ponca City LLM	24,820	1,260	26,090	4.8%	5.2%	5.5%	4.9%
Stillwater LLM	32,650	1,130	33,780	3.3%	3.5%	3.2%	3.6%
Northeast WIA	128,170	4,900	133,070	3.7%	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%
Bartlesville LLM	30,960	1,090	32,050	3.4%	3.6%	3.5%	3.9%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	74,650	2,810	77,460	3.6%	3.9%	3.8%	3.9%
Miami-Vinita LLM	22,560	1,000	23,560	4.2%	4.3%	4.4%	4.5%
Northwest WIA	34,320	1,160	35,480	3.3%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%
Guymon LLM	13,420	460	13,890	3.3%	3.6%	3.4%	3.6%
Woodward LLM	20,900	700	21,600	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%	3.7%
South Central WIA	122,430	5,400	127,830	4.2%	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%
Chickasha LLM	48,560	2,330	50,890	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.5%
Duncan LLM	22,310	820	23,130	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%	3.9%
Lawton LLM	51,560	2,250	53,810	4.2%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%
Southeast WIA	75,430	3,740	79,170	4.7%	5.0%	5.1%	5.1%
Broken Bow-Idabel- Antlers-Hugo LLM	24,500	1,450	25,950	5.6%	5.6%	5.5%	5.8%
McAlester LLM	24,530	1,060	25,590	4.1%	4.3%	4.2%	4.7%
Poteau LLM	26,400	1,240	27,640	4.5%	5.1%	5.6%	5.0%
Southern WIA	105,550	4,170	109,720	3.8%	3.9%	3.9%	4.1%
Ada LLM	31,870	1,340	33,220	4.0%	3.8%	3.8%	4.3%
Ardmore LLM	35,850	1,280	37,130	3.4%	3.7%	3.7%	4.0%
Durant LLM	37,820	1,550	39,370	3.9%	4.2%	4.1%	4.2%
Southwest WIA	49,550	1,740	51,280	3.4%	3.6%	3.5%	3.5%
Altus LLM	18,990	800	19,790	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%	4.2%
Elk City-Weatherford- Clinton LLM	30,560	940	31,500	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%	3.1%
Tulsa WIA	364,510	13,690	378,200	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.1%

\*\*\* WIA = Workforce Investment Area, LLM = Local Labor Market

LAUS		JULY 2006	;	UN	EMPLOY	MENT RA	<b>TE</b>	LAUS		JULY 2006	;	UN	EMPLOY	MENT RA	TE
County by Rank	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06		Jul '05	County by Rank	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
1. Pontotoc County	19,040	870	19,910	4.4%	3.8%	3.7%	4.6%	45. Noble County	5,280	210	5,490	3.8%	4.0%	3.8%	3.8%
2. Alfalfa County	2,210	100	2,310	4.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.3%	46. Payne County	32,650	1,130	33,780	3.3%	3.5%	3.2%	3.6%
3. Choctaw County	6,270	330	6,600	5.0%	4.8%	4.5%	5.2%	47. Seminole County	9,540	590	10,130	5.8%	6.0%	6.1%	6.7%
4. Atoka County	5,270	260	5,530	4.7%	4.6%	4.3%	5.1%	48. Stephens County	20,270	720	20,980	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%
5. Coal County	1,890	140	2,030	6.9%	6.8%	7.1%	7.3%	49. Beckham County	10,200	280	10,480	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
6. Hughes County	4,690	320	5,010	6.4%	6.3%	6.0%	7.1%	50. Blaine County	4,850	190	5,040	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%
7. Adair County	9,790	450	10,240	4.4%	4.4%	4.5%	4.7%	51. Carter County	23,530	880	24,400	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.1%
8. Caddo County	11,000	680	11,680	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%	6.1%	52. Kingfisher Co.	7,810	220	8,020	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%
9. Jefferson County	2,040	110	2,150	4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	5.0%	53. Marshall County	5,990	240	6,220	3.8%	4.1%	4.0%	4.8%
10. Murray County	7,570	230	7,790	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%	54. Sequoyah Co.	17,890	930	18,830	5.0%	5.3%	5.9%	5.4%
11. Roger Mills Co.	1,840	50	1,890	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	2.5%	55. Texas County	9,320	330	9,650	3.5%	3.8%	3.7%	3.6%
12. Washita County	5,610	190	5,800	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	56. Tulsa County	302,580	11,230	313,810	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%
13. Woods County	3,870	210	4,080	5.1%	5.1%	6.0%	6.2%	57. Bryan County	19,890	700	20,590	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%	3.4%
14. Cherokee County	19,850	870	20,720	4.2%	4.3%	4.0%	4.2%	58. Canadian County	50,510	1,570	52,070	3.0%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%
15. Craig County	6,550	290	6,840	4.2%	4.3%	4.3%	4.1%	59. Cleveland County	118,960	3,910	122,870	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%
16. Nowata County	4,810	220	5,030	4.4%	4.5%	4.2%	4.8%	60. Comanche Co.	44,780	2,000	46,770	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%
17. Ottawa County	16,010	710	16,720	4.2%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%	61. Dewey County	2,310	70	2,370	2.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.2%
18. Pittsburg County	20,740	860	21,610	4.0%	4.1%	4.1%	4.5%	62. Greer County	2,010	90	2,100	4.3%	4.6%	4.8%	5.1%
19. Beaver County	2,810	80	2,890	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	3.4%	63. Logan County	18,170	630	18,800	3.4%	3.7%	3.5%	3.8%
20. Cimarron County	1,300	50	1,350	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%	3.8%	64. Oklahoma Co.	334,620	13,640	348,260	3.9%	4.2%	4.2%	4.4%
21. Ellis County	2,120	60	2,180	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%	65. Rogers County	40,470	1,330	41,800	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%
22. Jackson County	11,750	470	12,220	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%	4.0%	66. Wagoner County	32,590	1,080	33,660	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%
23. Love County	4,760	170	4,930	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	4.4%	67. Washington Co.	26,150	880	27,020	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.7%
24. McCurtain Co.	12,870	870	13,740	6.4%	6.5%	6.5%	6.3%	68. Creek County	32,670	1,300	33,970	3.8%	4.2%	4.0%	5.4%
25. McIntosh County	8,270	400	8,670	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	5.3%	69. Haskell County	5,190	220	5,410	4.0%	4.4%	4.3%	4.3%
26. Pottawatomie Co.	29,930	1,400	31,330	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.9%	70. Kay County	19,540	1,060	20,600	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%	5.2%
27. Tillman County	3,270	160	3,430	4.5%	4.6%	4.4%	4.6%	71. McClain County	14,440	500	14,930	3.3%	3.7%	3.6%	3.9%
28. Mayes County	16,590	740	17,330	4.3%	4.4%	4.3%	4.7%	72. Okfuskee County	4,240	250	4,490	5.6%	6.0%	5.8%	7.4%
29. Pushmataha Co.	5,370	240	5,610	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.9%	73. Harper County	1,850	50	1,900	2.7%	3.2%	3.0%	2.8%
30. Garvin County	12,830	480 600	13,310	3.6%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	74. Latimer County	3,790	200	3,980	4.9% 4.9%	5.4%	5.2% 5.5%	5.4% 6.0%
31. Lincoln County	14,920 21,260	600 860	15,520 22,120	3.9% 3.9%	4.1% 4.1%	4.0% 4.0%	4.4% 4.2%	75. Okmulgee Co.	17,090	880 50	17,970 1,450	4.9% 3.6%	5.4% 4.2%	5.5% 4.2%	6.0% 3.5%
32. Osage County 33. Pawnee County	8,000	300	8,290	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%	76. Harmon County 77. LeFlore County	1,400 21,210	1,020	22,230	4.6%	4.2 <i>%</i>	4.2 <i>%</i> 5.9%	5.1%
34. Woodward Co.	10,760	300	11,060	2.7%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%	77. Leriore County	21,210	1,020	22,230	4.0 %	5.576	5.976	J.176
34. Woodward Co. 35. Cotton County	3,510	100	3,610	2.7%	3.0%	2.8%	3.6%								
36. Custer County	12,920	410	13,340	3.1%	3.3%	3.0%	3.2%								
37. Delaware County	17,590	740	18,330	4.0%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%								
38. Garfield County	28,930	900	29,830	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.4%								
39. Grady County	23,130	1,150	24,280	4.7%	4.9%	4.9%	4.1%								
40. Grant County	2,580	90	2,660	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%	3.0%								
41. Johnston County	4,790	220	5,010	4.3%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%								
42. Kiowa County	3,830	190	4,020	4.6%	4.8%	4.9%	4.3%								
43. Major County	3,700	110	3,800	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%								
44. Muskogee Co.	28,480	1,430	29,910	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.6%								

LAUS		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				LAUS	JULY 2006			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05	by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Jul '06	Jun '06	May '06	Jul '05
Adair County	9,790	450	10,240	4.4%	4.4%	4.5%	4.7%	Marshall County	5,990	240	6,220	3.8%	4.1%	4.0%	4.8%
Alfalfa County	2,210	100	2,310	4.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.3%	Mayes County	16,590	740	17,330	4.3%	4.4%	4.3%	4.7%
Atoka County	5,270	260	5,530	4.7%	4.6%	4.3%	5.1%	McClain County	14,440	500	14,930	3.3%	3.7%	3.6%	3.9%
Beaver County	2,810	80	2,890	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	3.4%	McCurtain County	12,870	870	13,740	6.4%	6.5%	6.5%	6.3%
Beckham County	10,200	280	10,480	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	McIntosh County	8,270	400	8,670	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	5.3%
Blaine County	4,850	190	5,040	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	Murray County	7,570	230	7,790	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
Bryan County	19,890	700	20,590	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%	3.4%	Muskogee County	28,480	1,430	29,910	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.6%
Caddo County	11,000	680	11,680	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%	6.1%	Noble County	5,280	210	5,490	3.8%	4.0%	3.8%	3.8%
Canadian County	50,510	1,570	52,070	3.0%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	Nowata County	4,810	220	5,030	4.4%	4.5%	4.2%	4.8%
Carter County	23,530	880	24,400	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.1%	Okfuskee County	4,240	250	4,490	5.6%	6.0%	5.8%	7.4%
Cherokee County	19,850	870	20,720	4.2%	4.3%	4.0%	4.2%	Oklahoma County	334,620	13,640	348,260	3.9%	4.2%	4.2%	4.4%
Choctaw County	6,270	330	6,600	5.0%	4.8%	4.5%	5.2%	Okmulgee County	17,090	880	17,970	4.9%	5.4%	5.5%	6.0%
Cimarron County	1,300	50	1,350	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%	3.8%	Osage County	21,260	860	22,120	3.9%	4.1%	4.0%	4.2%
Cleveland County	118,960	3,910	122,870	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%	Ottawa County	16,010	710	16,720	4.2%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%
Coal County	1,890	140	2,030	6.9%	6.8%	7.1%	7.3%	Pawnee County	8,000	300	8,290	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	4.7%
Comanche County	44,780	2,000	46,770	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%	Payne County	32,650	1,130	33,780	3.3%	3.5%	3.2%	3.6%
Cotton County	3,510	100	3,610	2.8%	3.0%	2.9%	3.6%	Pittsburg County	20,740	860	21,610	4.0%	4.1%	4.1%	4.5%
Craig County	6,550	290	6,840	4.2%	4.3%	4.3%	4.1%	Pontotoc County	19,040	870	19,910	4.4%	3.8%	3.7%	4.6%
Creek County	32,670	1,300	33,970	3.8%	4.2%	4.0%	5.4%	Pottawatomie Co.	29,930	1,400	31,330	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.9%
Custer County	12,920	410	13,340	3.1%	3.3%	3.0%	3.2%	Pushmataha County	5,370	240	5,610	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.9%
Delaware County	17,590	740	18,330	4.0%	4.2%	4.2%	4.2%	Roger Mills County	1,840	50	1,890	2.6%	2.6%	2.7%	2.5%
Dewey County	2,310	70	2,370	2.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.2%	Rogers County	40,470	1,330	41,800	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.4%
Ellis County	2,120	60	2,180	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%	Seminole County	9,540	590	10,130	5.8%	6.0%	6.1%	6.7%
Garfield County	28,930	900	29,830	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.4%	Sequoyah County	17,890	930	18,830	5.0%	5.3%	5.9%	5.4%
Garvin County	12,830	480	13,310	3.6%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	Stephens County	20,270	720	20,980	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%
Grady County	23,130	1,150	24,280	4.7%	4.9%	4.9%	4.1%	Texas County	9,320	330	9,650	3.5%	3.8%	3.7%	3.6%
Grant County	2,580	90	2,660	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%	3.0%	Tillman County	3,270	160	3,430	4.5%	4.6%	4.4%	4.6%
Greer County	2,010	90	2,100	4.3%	4.6%	4.8%	5.1%	Tulsa County	302,580	11,230	313,810	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%
Harmon County	1,400	50	1,450	3.6%	4.2%	4.2%	3.5%	Wagoner County	32,590	1,080	33,660	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%	3.6%
Harper County	1,850	50	1,900	2.7%	3.2%	3.0%	2.8%	Washington County	26,150	880	27,020	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.7%
Haskell County	5,190	220	5,410	4.0%	4.4%	4.3%	4.3%	Washita County	5,610	190	5,800	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%
Hughes County	4,690	320	5,010	6.4%	6.3%	6.0%	7.1%	Woods County	3,870	210	4,080	5.1%	5.1%	6.0%	6.2%
Jackson County	11,750	470	12,220	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%	4.0%	Woodward County	10,760	300	11,060	2.7%	2.9%	2.8%	3.1%
Jefferson County	2,040	110	2,150	4.9%	4.9%	4.8%	5.0%								
Johnston County	4,790	220	5,010	4.3%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%								
Kay County	19,540	1,060	20,600	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%	5.2%								
Kingfisher County	7,810	220	8,020	2.7%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%								
Kiowa County	3,830	190	4,020	4.6%	4.8%	4.9%	4.3%								
Latimer County	3,790	200	3,980	4.9%	5.4%	5.2%	5.4%								
Le Flore County	21,210	1,020	22,230	4.6%	5.3%	5.9%	5.1%								
Lincoln County	14,920	600	15,520	3.9%	4.1%	4.0%	4.4%								
Logan County	18,170	630	18,800	3.4%	3.7%	3.5%	3.8%								
Love County	4,760	170	4,930	3.5%	3.6%	3.5%	4.4%								
Major County	3,700	110	3,800	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%								