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## Oklahoma Employment Report - December 2005

### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**

Oklahoma: 4.0%  $\stackrel{\upolimits}{\downarrow}$  0.1% for month  $\stackrel{\upolimits}{\downarrow}$  0.4% over year

MSAs

Oklahoma City MSA: 3.8%

Tulsa MSA: 3.9% Lawton MSA: 4.3%

**COUNTIES** 

Highest rate: 6.7% Hughes County

Lowest rate: 2.7% Ellis Co., Harper Co. (tie)
Big % gain: Woods County 1 by 0.7% to 5.4%

Big % loss: Beaver, Harmon, Lincoln, 

↓ by 0.2%

Love, Texas counties (tie)

### **AREAS OF INTEREST**

- Statewide MANUFACTURING reported its largest annual percentage employment gain since June 1999. Almost all of the increase was provided by the Durable Goods industry, in particular, Machinery Manufacturing. The number of hours worked in Machinery Manufacturing has increased well above forty-hours per week, which suggests that the gains may continue.
- 2. REAL ESTATE dropped 600 jobs during the December-to-December period. The industry could be responding to the national pattern of decline in existing homes sales. Overall, CONSTRUCTION held even for the year and added jobs in the Residential Construction sector.
- 3. The economy of the Tulsa MSA is growing rapidly. This is broad growth based across the major sectors of the workforce. Tulsa added 9,100 jobs over the year, representing a 2.3 percent increase in total nonfarm employment. This MSA has also reported monthly job gains each month since August 2005.

### IN A NUTSHELL...

"Oklahoma's labor markets showed remarkable progress throughout 2005. Both the household and establishment surveys have registered strong employment growth recently, and the number of unemployed Oklahomans fell significantly over the year. While most forecasters estimate solid growth for 2006, the combination of several anticipated layoffs will likely restrain overall employment growth."

Lynn Gray, OESC Chief Economist

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### STATE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HOVERS AT 4.0 PERCENT FOR DECEMBER

Oklahoma's December **Unemployment Rate** of 4.0 percent was one-tenth of a percent higher than the rate reported in November 2005. **Employment** and **Labor Force** levels both dropped over the month, as **Unemployment** registered a gain in December.

For the month, Oklahoma's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Employment** and **Non-seasonally Adjusted Labor Force** both dropped, losing 12,604 (-0.8 percent) and 11,843 people (-0.7 percent), respectively. In contrast, **Non-seasonally Adjusted Unemployment** grew by 1.1 percent in December with an addition of 761 persons.

When compared with December 2004, Oklahoma has performed well. Statewide **Employment** grew by 28,548 persons (+1.7 percent) over the year, and **Labor Force** added 21,812 persons (+1.3 percent). **Unemployment** showed the most improvement for the year, as it dropped by 6,736 persons (-8.8 percent) during the December-to-December period.

U.S. and Regional		DECEMBER	DECEMBER 2005				UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
E	MPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04			
Oł	(LAHOMA	1,665,180	69,410	1,734,600	4.0%	3.9%	4.1%	4.4%			
Ur	ited States	142,918,000	6,956,000	149,874,000	4.6%	4.8%	4.6%	5.1%			
	Arkansas	1,299,600	59,100	1,358,700	4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	5.5%			
z	Kansas	1,400,800	63,600	1,464,400	4.3%	5.1%	5.0%	4.7%			
0	Louisiana	1,708,000	107,700	1,815,700	5.9%	11.8%	11.7%	5.4%			
EG	Missouri	2,872,600	147,100	3,019,600	4.9%	5.3%	4.5%	5.4%			
~	New Mexico	900,800	41,000	941,800	4.4%	4.9%	5.1%	5.1%			
	Texas	10,757,600	545,200	11,302,700	4.8%	5.2%	5.1%	5.8%			

### OKC, LAWTON UNEMPLOYMENT RATES UNCHANGED OVER MONTH

In December, the unemployment rates for the **Oklahoma City MSA** and the **Lawton MSA** both held steady at 3.8 percent and 4.3 percent, respectively. Only the **Tulsa MSA** reported any change, as the area's unemployment rate rose by one-tenth of a percent to 3.9 percent.

-	DECEMBER	2005	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
Oklahoma City MSA	568,800	22,680	591,490	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%
Tulsa MSA	435,300	17,680	452,980	3.9%	3.8%	4.1%	4.5%
Lawton MSA	45,440	2,040	47,480	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%

#### **HUGHES COUNTY TAKES OVER TOP SPOT IN DECEMBER**

With an unemployment rate of 6.7 percent, **Hughes County** reported the highest county unemployment rate in the state for December. **Okfuskee County** slipped from the top spot to second place over the month. **Coal County** and **Seminole County** tied at 6.3 percent for third highest rate with over-the-month gains of two-tenths percent and a one-tenth percent, respectively.

Highest County	DECEMBER	2005	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
UNEMPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
Hughes County	4,850	350	5,200	6.7%	6.4%	6.6%	6.8%
Okfuskee County	3,790	260	4,050	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	7.0%
Coal County	1,940	130	2,070	6.3%	6.1%	5.9%	7.6%
Seminole County	8,770	590	9,360	6.3%	6.2%	6.3%	8.5%

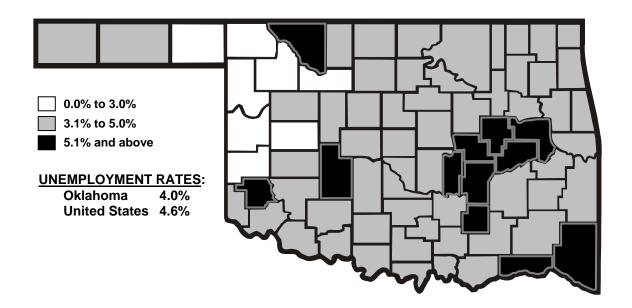
### **DECEMBER'S LOWEST COUNTY RATES SHARED BY EIGHT COUNTIES**

The list of counties with the three lowest county unemployment rates was a little longer than usual in December due to multiple counties sharing the first, second and third lowest rates for the month.

The state's lowest county unemployment rate of 2.7 percent was shared by **Ellis County** and **Harper County** in December. The three counties that claimed the state's second lowest rate of 2.8 percent were **Beaver**, **Major** and **Roger Mills**. Rounding out the three lowest county rates for the month at 3.0 percent were **Beckham**, **Custer** and **Woodward** counties.

Lowest County	DECEMBER	UNEMI	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
UNEMPLOYMENT	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
Ellis County	2,160	60	2,220	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	2.7%
Harper County	1,690	50	1,740	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%
Beaver County	2,870	80	2,950	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%
Major County	3,680	110	3,780	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%
Roger Mills County	1,900	60	1,960	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%	2.5%
Beckham County	9,720	300	10,020	3.0%	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%
Custer County	13,570	410	13,980	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%	3.1%
Woodward County	9,600	290	9,900	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	3.4%

# DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary Data for December 2005



### DESPITE SMALL MONTHLY LOSS, STATE CONTINUES ANNUAL GROWTH

Oklahoma's **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** once again reported strong over-the-year growth, as it added 22,100 jobs (+1.5 percent) in December. For the month, the state dropped 2,900 jobs (-0.2 percent).

The Service Providing Industries contributed most of the monthly drop and the annual gain. Losses in Educational & Health Services, Leisure & Hospitality, and Government overwhelmed smaller gains in Trade, Transportation & Utilities, Financial Activities, and Professional & Business Services.

Over the month, **Construction** experienced the most change of any of the **Goods Producing Industries**. This supersector was affected by seasonal factors that contributed to a loss of 1,300 jobs in December.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	ĒΕ		
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	1,515,400	1,518,300	1,493,300	-2,900	-0.2%	22,100	1.5%
Goods Producing Industries	238,600	238,800	236,000	-200	-0.1%	2,600	1.1%
Natural Resources & Mining	32,600	32,400	31,600	200	0.6%	1,000	3.2%
Construction	62,000	63,300	62,000	-1,300	-2.1%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	144,000	143,100	142,400	900	0.6%	1,600	1.1%
Service Providing Industries	1,276,800	1,279,500	1,257,300	-2,700	-0.2%	19,500	1.6%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	285,400	284,400	282,000	1,000	0.4%	3,400	1.2%
Financial Activities	86,700	86,500	84,900	200	0.2%	1,800	2.1%
Pro. & Business Services	167,600	167,400	163,900	200	0.1%	3,700	2.3%
Education & Health Svcs.	184,600	185,500	181,300	-900	-0.5%	3,300	1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	126,700	128,300	128,100	-1,600	-1.2%	-1,400	-1.1%
Government	320,600	321,800	312,200	-1,200	-0.4%	8,400	2.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING ADDS JOBS FOR BOTH MONTH & YEAR

**Natural Resources & Mining** reported gains of 200 jobs (+0.6 percent) over the month and 1,000 jobs (+3.2 percent) over the year in December. This growth was driven by the **Support Activities for Mining** industry, which added 300 jobs for the month and 1,400 jobs for the year.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG			
Natural Resources & Mining	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Nat. Resources & Mining	32,600	32,400	31,600	200	0.6%	1,000	3.2%
Support Activities for Mining	17,100	16,800	15,700	300	1.8%	1,400	8.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### SEASONAL FACTORS CONTINUE TO AFFECT STATE CONSTRUCTION

Construction across the state was once again at the mercy of seasonal factors in December. The supersector shed 1,300 jobs (-2.1 percent) over the month, leaving it at the same job level it held in December 2004. It is typical to see a slowdown at this time of year due to winter weather. All of the Construction industries contributed to the monthly loss, but the Specialty Trade Contractors industry dropped the most. Opposing job shifts in Construction of Buildings and Heavy & Civil Engineering cancelled each other to leave the annual net employment change at zero.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Construction	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to Dec '05		Dec '04 to Dec '05			
Construction	62,000	63,300	62,000	-1,300	-2.1%	0	0.0%		
Construction of Buildings	13,200	13,500	13,500	-300	-2.2%	-300	-2.2%		
Heavy & Civil Engineering	10,400	10,500	10,100	-100	-1.0%	300	3.0%		
Specialty Trade Contractors	38,400	39,300	38,400	-900	-2.3%	0	0.0%		
	· •			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

#### STATEWIDE MANUFACTURING ADDS JOBS FOR BOTH MONTH & YEAR

Oklahoma **Manufacturing** gained 900 jobs (+0.6 percent) over the month and 1,600 jobs (+1.1 percent) over the year in December. This was the third straight month that the **Durable Goods Manufacturing** industry reported monthly and annual growth. **Non-durable Goods Manufacturing** also added jobs over the month.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Manufacturing	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05	
Manufacturing	144,000	143,100	142,400	900	0.6%	1,600	1.1%	
Durable Goods Mfg.	95,900	95,500	94,200	400	0.4%	1,700	1.8%	
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	48,100	47,600	48,200	500	1.1%	-100	-0.2%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### SEASONAL FACTORS CONTINUE TO DRIVE RETAIL TRADE IN DECEMBER

Seasonal gains in **Retail Trade** continued to drive **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities** growth in December. As a result of holiday season hiring, **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities** reported 1,000 more jobs (+0.4 percent) than in November 2005. The supersector also added 3,400 jobs (+1.2 percent) for the year.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	ĒΕ		
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Nov '05 to Dec '05		Dec '05
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	285,400	284,400	282,000	1,000	0.4%	3,400	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	55,600	55,500	54,200	100	0.2%	1,400	2.6%
Retail Trade	176,900	175,700	174,500	1,200	0.7%	2,400	1.4%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	46,200	45,600	46,400	600	1.3%	-200	-0.4%
Transp., Warehouse & Utils.	52,900	53,200	53,300	-300	-0.6%	-400	-0.8%
	•			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES SEES STRONG YEAR-OVER-YEAR GAINS

**Financial Activities** continued to report strong annual growth in December 2005, as the supersector added 1,800 jobs (+2.1 percent) during the December-to-December period. For the month, the supersector gained 200 jobs (+0.2 percent). The **Finance & Insurance** industry provided the monthly and annual growth, as **Real Estate, Rental & Leasing** slipped for both the month and year.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Financial Activities	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05	
Financial Activities	86,700	86,500	84,900	200	0.2%	1,800	2.1%	
Finance & Insurance	63,700	63,200	61,500	500	0.8%	2,200	3.6%	
Real Estate, Rental/Leasing	23,000	23,300	23,400	-300	-1.3%	-400	-1.7%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES ADDS JOB FOR MONTH & YEAR

**Professional & Business Services** added 200 jobs (+0.1 percent) in December, bringing the supersector's over-the-year change to a gain of 3,700 jobs (+2.3 percent). The **Professional & Scientific Services** industry contributed the monthly growth and shared the annual growth with **Administrative & Support Services**.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	CHANGE				
Pro. & Business Services	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05		
Pro. & Business Services	167,600	167,400	163,900	200	0.1%	3,700	2.3%		
Pro. & Scientific Services	59,600	59,000	58,300	600	1.0%	1,300	2.2%		
Management of Companies	12,200	12,300	12,500	-100	-0.8%	-300	-2.4%		
Admin. & Support Services	95,800	96,100	93,100	-300	-0.3%	2,700	2.9%		
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

### **EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES CONTINUES TO GROW OVER YEAR**

In December, **Education & Health Services** dropped by 900 jobs (-0.5 percent) over the month but gained 3,300 jobs (+1.8 percent) compared with December 2004. The supersector's two main industries shared the monthly loss, but the **Health Care & Social Assistance** industry provided all of the jobs gained for the year. All of this industry's sectors helped with the over-the-year additions.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANC	ΘE		
Education & Health Svcs.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Education & Health Svcs.	184,600	185,500	181,300	-900	-0.5%	3,300	1.8%
Educational Services	18,500	19,000	18,700	-500	-2.6%	-200	-1.1%
Health Care & Social Asst.	166,100	166,500	162,600	-400	-0.2%	3,500	2.2%
Ambulatory Health Care	57,500	57,700	56,700	-200	-0.3%	800	1.4%
Hospitals	49,500	49,400	48,000	100	0.2%	1,500	3.1%
Nursing & Residential Care	36,000	36,100	35,600	-100	-0.3%	400	1.1%
Social Assistance	23,100	23,300	22,300	-200	-0.9%	800	3.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### SEASONAL FACTORS CONTINUE TO SLOW LEISURE & HOSPITALITY

Leisure & Hospitality dropped 1,600 jobs (-1.2 percent) in December, as seasonal factors continued to affect the supersector. Since December 2004, this supersector has lost 1,400 jobs (-1.1 percent), as the Accommodation & Food Services industry (-1,200 jobs) has seen a drop off due to the Food Services & Drinking Places sector (-1,000 jobs).

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Leisure & Hospitality	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05	
Leisure & Hospitality	126,700	128,300	128,100	-1,600	-1.2%	-1,400	-1.1%	
Art, Entertainment & Rec.	12,600	13,300	12,800	-700	-5.3%	-200	-1.6%	
Accomm. & Food Svcs.	114,100	115,000	115,300	-900	-0.8%	-1,200	-1.0%	
Accommodation	9,600	9,800	9,800	-200	-2.0%	-200	-2.0%	
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	104,500	105,200	105,500	-700	-0.7%	-1,000	-0.9%	
	,			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### STATEWIDE GOVERNMENT DOWN FOR MONTH, UP FOR YEAR

**Government** continued to shed jobs in December. The supersector's monthly loss of 1,200 jobs (-0.4 percent) came mostly from **State Government**, which shed 1,000 jobs (-1.1 percent) in December. **State Government** and **Local Government** accounted for most of the jobs gained over the year by **Government**.

OKLAHOMA	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS			ĒΕ		
Government	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Government	320,600	321,800	312,200	-1,200	-0.4%	8,400	2.7%
Federal Government	46,600	46,700	46,200	-100	-0.2%	400	0.9%
State Government	88,100	89,100	84,700	-1,000	-1.1%	3,400	4.0%
Local Government	185,900	186,000	181,300	-100	-0.1%	4,600	2.5%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### OKLAHOMA CITY MSA\*

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### OKLAHOMA CITY MSA CONTINUES TO IMPROVE FOR MONTH & YEAR

In December, **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** for the Oklahoma City MSA added 7,600 jobs (+1.4 percent) compared to December 2004. Although the **Service Providing Industries** contributed a majority of the jobs, the **Goods Producing Industries** also grew during the period. For the **Service Providing Industries**, monthly gains were seen in **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** and **Professional & Business Services**. Annual growth came from these two supersectors combined with **Leisure & Hospitality**.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	CHANGE				
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05		
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	559,700	559,000	552,100	700	0.1%	7,600	1.4%		
Goods Producing Industries	71,900	71,600	71,500	300	0.4%	400	0.6%		
Construction	25,200	25,300	23,600	-100	-0.4%	1,600	6.8%		
Manufacturing	37,500	37,300	39,300	200	0.5%	-1,800	-4.6%		
Service Providing Industries	487,800	487,400	480,600	400	0.1%	7,200	1.5%		
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	100,900	99,700	99,400	1,200	1.2%	1,500	1.5%		
Pro. & Business Services	69,900	69,700	66,700	200	0.3%	3,200	4.8%		
Education & Health Svcs.	67,900	68,200	69,000	-300	-0.4%	-1,100	-1.6%		
Leisure & Hospitality	56,200	56,400	53,500	-200	-0.4%	2,700	5.0%		
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

### **OKC CONSTRUCTION UP BY 1,600 JOBS OVER YEAR**

Oklahoma City **Construction** reported a small seasonal loss in December, leaving the supersector with 1,600 jobs more (+6.8 percent) than in December 2004. Three-quarters of the annual gain was provided by the **Specialty Trade Contractors** industry.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG			
Construction	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Construction	25,200	25,300	23,600	-100	-0.4%	1,600	6.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	16,200	16,200	15,000	0	0.0%	1,200	8.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **OKC MANUFACTURING DOWN BY 1,800 JOBS OVER YEAR**

While statewide **Manufacturing** reported a 1,600-job gain for the year, Oklahoma City **Manufacturing** dropped by 1,800 jobs (-4.6 percent) over the same period. The **Durable Goods Manufacturing** industry held steady for the month and contributed nearly 40 percent of the annual loss.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Manufacturing	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05	
Manufacturing	37,500	37,300	39,300	200	0.5%	-1,800	-4.6%	
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,100	27,100	27,800	0	0.0%	-700	-2.5%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### **OKC TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES UP FOR MONTH & YEAR**

Seasonal factors once again impacted **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities**, as the **Retail Trade** industry continued to add workers for the holiday shopping season in December. **Retail Trade** provided all of the monthly growth and almost half of the annual gains in **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities**. **Wholesale Trade** also recorded over-the-year growth in December.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS		CHANGE				
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	100,900	99,700	99,400	1,200	1.2%	1,500	1.5%
Wholesale Trade	21,900	22,000	21,200	-100	-0.5%	700	3.3%
Retail Trade	63,600	62,300	62,700	1,300	2.1%	900	1.4%
Transport, Warehouse, Utils.	15,400	15,400	15,500	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

#### PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES SEES GROWTH IN DECEMBER

**Professional & Business Services** in Oklahoma City reported a small gain for the month and a more robust gain for the year. **Professional & Scientific Services** contributed the monthly gain and combined with **Administrative & Support Services** for the supersector's annual addition.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG			
Pro. & Business Services	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to Dec '05		Dec '04 to Dec '05	
Pro. & Business Services	69,900	69,700	66,700	200	0.3%	3,200	4.8%
Pro. & Scientific Services	26,300	25,600	24,100	700	2.7%	2,200	9.1%
Management of Companies	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Admin. & Support Services	38,900	39,400	37,900	-500	-1.3%	1,000	2.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES REPORTS LOSSES FOR DECEMBER**

**Education & Health Services** registered a small loss for the month and a larger loss for the year in December. The **Educational Services** and **Health Care & Social Assistance** industries each contributed to the monthly and annual losses, with **Educational Services** providing most of the over-the-year losses.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE				
Education & Health Svcs.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 t	o Dec '05	
Education & Health Svcs.	67,900	68,200	69,000	-300	-0.4%	-1,100	-1.6%	
Educational Services	7,100	7,200	8,100	-100	-1.4%	-1,000	-12.3%	
Health Care & Social Asst.	60,800	61,000	60,900	-200	-0.3%	-100	-0.2%	
	•			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### LEISURE & HOSPITALITY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE OVER YEAR

**Leisure & Hospitality** continued its pattern of small monthly changes in December, as it dropped by 200 jobs (-0.4 percent) over the month. Over the year, the supersector added 2,700 jobs (+5.0 percent), with more than half coming from **Food Services & Drinking Places**.

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
Leisure & Hospitality	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Leisure & Hospitality	56,200	56,400	53,500	-200	-0.4%	2,700	5.0%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	45,100	45,000	43,500	100	0.2%	1,600	3.7%
Full-service Restaurants	22,300	22,200	21,200	100	0.5%	1,100	5.2%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### OKC GOVERNMENT DROPS JOBS FOR MONTH & YEAR IN DECEMBER

Oklahoma City **Government** reported small losses for both the month and year in December. **State Government** provided all of the monthly loss. An over-the-year loss in **Local Government** overcame small gains in **Federal Government** and **State Government**, resulting in a net annual loss of 300 jobs (-0.3 percent).

OKLAHOMA CITY	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANC	ĜΕ		
Government	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	o Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Government	115,200	115,600	115,500	-400	-0.3%	-300	-0.3%
Federal Government	27,500	27,500	27,200	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
State Government	41,300	41,700	41,100	-400	-1.0%	200	0.5%
Local Government	46,400	46,400	47,200	0	0.0%	-800	-1.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

#### TULSA'S MONTHLY & ANNUAL GROWTH CONTINUE IN DECEMBER

**TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** in the Tulsa MSA added 1,000 jobs (+0.2 percent) over the month to bring its over-the-year change to a gain of 9,100 jobs (+2.3 percent). Tulsa's employment (411,300 jobs) is at the highest level it has seen since June 2002 (411,700 jobs). The **Service Providing Industries** were the source of the monthly additions.

For the **Goods Producing Industries**, the **Construction** supersector contributed all of the 1,600 jobs gained over the year. All of the **Service Providing Industries** contributed to the monthly growth, except for **Professional & Business Services**, which posted a marginal loss for December. The group's over-the-year gain of 7,500 jobs was a result of annual growth in all of the **Service Providing Industries**, most notably **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities** (+1,400 jobs), **Professional & Business Services** (+1,900 jobs), and **Education & Health Services** (+1,800 jobs).

TULSA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	ΘE		
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	411,300	410,300	402,200	1,000	0.2%	9,100	2.3%
Goods Producing Industries	71,500	71,500	69,900	0	0.0%	1,600	2.3%
Construction	20,200	20,100	18,600	100	0.5%	1,600	8.6%
Service Providing Industries	339,800	338,800	332,300	1,000	0.3%	7,500	2.3%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	84,800	84,200	83,400	600	0.7%	1,400	1.7%
Pro. & Business Services	54,100	54,200	52,200	-100	-0.2%	1,900	3.6%
Education & Health Svcs.	54,700	54,600	52,900	100	0.2%	1,800	3.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	34,600	34,400	34,000	200	0.6%	600	1.8%
Government	52,100	52,000	51,600	100	0.2%	500	1.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

#### ANNUAL GROWTH CONTINUES IN TULSA MSA CONSTRUCTION

Although this is usually a time of the year when a seasonal slowdown is seen in **Construction**, the supersector managed a marginal gain over the month in December. Since December 2004, **Construction** has added 1,600 jobs for an annual growth rate of 8.6 percent.

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANGE			
Construction	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Construction	20,200	20,100	18,600	100	0.5%	1,600	8.6%
	•	•	•	Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **RETAIL TRADE DRIVES TULSA TRADE, TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES**

**Retail Trade**, assisted by seasonal factors, pushed Tulsa's **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities** supersector to gains of 600 jobs (+0.7 percent) for the month and 1,400 jobs (+1.7 percent) for the year. The **Wholesale Trade** industry also contributed to the monthly and annual growth. **Retail Trade** added 500 jobs (+1.1 percent) over the month, as seasonal hiring for the holiday shopping season continued. This industry has seen strong growth since December 2004, adding 1,300 jobs (+2.8 percent) during the period.

TULSA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	iΕ		
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Trade, Transport. & Utils	84,800	84,200	83,400	600	0.7%	1,400	1.7%
Wholesale Trade	17,100	16,900	16,200	200	1.2%	900	5.6%
Retail Trade	47,600	47,100	46,300	500	1.1%	1,300	2.8%
Transport., Warehouse, Utils.	20,100	20,200	20,900	-100	-0.5%	-800	-3.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES CONTINUES ANNUAL GROWTH

December was the third consecutive month that the **Administrative & Support Services** industry drove over-the-month and over-the-year changes in **Professional & Business Services**. The industry's small monthly loss was made even smaller by marginal gains in **Professional & Scientific Services**. The 1,600 jobs gained over the year provided a significant portion of the annual growth in **Professional & Business Services**.

TULSA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	ĒΕ		
Pro. & Business Services	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Pro. & Business Services	54,100	54,200	52,200	-100	-0.2%	1,900	3.6%
Pro. & Scientific Services	18,500	18,300	18,300	200	1.1%	200	1.1%
Management of Companies	5,800	5,800	5,700	0	0.0%	100	1.8%
Admin. & Support Services	29,800	30,100	28,200	-300	-1.0%	1,600	5.7%
	<u>-</u>			Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES GROWS OVER MONTH & YEAR**

The marginal monthly gain reported by Tulsa **Education & Health Services** pushed the supersector's overthe-year gain to 1,800 jobs (+3.4 percent) in December. The strong annual gain was shared equally between the **Education Services** and the **Health Care & Social Assistance** industries. The latter provided the supersector's over-the-month growth.

TULSA	NUMBER	NUMBER of JOBS			ìΕ			
Education & Health Svcs.	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to Dec '05		
Education & Health Svcs.	54,700	54,600	52,900	100	0.2%	1,800	3.4%	
Education Services	7,500	7,500	6,600	0	0.0%	900	13.6%	
Health Care & Social Asst.	47,200	47,100	46,300	100	0.2%	900	1.9%	
Ambulatory Health Care	17,500	17,500	17,200	0	0.0%	300	1.7%	
Hospitals	16,600	16,400	15,900	200	1.2%	700	4.4%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

### LEISURE & HOSPITALITY CONTINUES MONTHLY & ANNUAL GROWTH

Tulsa **Education & Health Services** reported growth for the month and year in December. The supersector's monthly addition of 200 jobs (+0.6 percent) was contributed by **Food Services & Drinking Places**. This industry was also the source of the over-the-year gain, expanding by 1,000 jobs (+3.6 percent) during the December-to-December period.

TULSA	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANG	ĒΕ		
Leisure & Hospitality	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Leisure & Hospitality	34,600	34,400	34,000	200	0.6%	600	1.8%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	28,600	28,400	27,600	200	0.7%	1,000	3.6%
Full-service Restaurants	14,500	14,600	13,700	-100	-0.7%	800	5.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **TULSA GOVERNMENT SEES SMALL IMPROVEMENTS IN DECEMBER**

A marginal gain in **Local Government** provided all of the monthly growth in Tulsa's **Government** supersector in December. The annual gain of 500 jobs (+1.0 percent) came from over-the-year gains in **Federal Government** (+100 jobs), **State Government** (+200 jobs) and **Local Government** (+200 jobs).

TULSA	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANG	Έ		
Government	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
Government	52,100	52,000	51,600	100	0.2%	500	1.0%
Federal Government	4,800	4,800	4,700	0	0.0%	100	2.1%
State Government	8,200	8,200	8,000	0	0.0%	200	2.5%
Local Government	39,100	39,000	38,900	100	0.3%	200	0.5%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

### **LAWTON MSA\***

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### LAWTON MSA CONTNIUES TO ADD JOBS OVER THE YEAR

Lawton MSA **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** continued its annual growth in December, as the MSA added 400 jobs (+1.0 percent) over the year despite a marginal loss over the month. The **Service Providing Industries** were the source of the year-over-year additions, as **Trade, Transportation & Utilities** (+100 jobs), **Leisure & Hospitality** (+300 jobs), and **Government** (+200 jobs) all improved in compared to December 2004.

LAWTON	NUMBER	of JOBS		CHANGE			
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec '04	Nov '05 to	Dec '05	Dec '04 to	Dec '05
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	41,700	41,800	41,300	-100	-0.2%	400	1.0%
Goods Producing Industries	5,200	5,300	5,200	-100	-1.9%	0	0.0%
Nat. Resources/Construction	1,300	1,400	1,300	-100	-7.1%	0	0.0%
Service Providing Industries	36,500	36,500	36,100	0	0.0%	400	1.1%
Trade, Transp. & Utils.	7,200	7,200	7,100	0	0.0%	100	1.4%
Retail Trade	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	0.0%	100	1.9%
Education & Health Svcs.	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	0.0%	-100	-2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,200	4,100	3,900	100	2.4%	300	7.7%
Other Services	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0%	-100	-5.3%
Government	12,800	12,900	12,600	-100	-0.8%	200	1.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

<b>Current Empl Statistics</b>	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Nov '05 t	o Dec '05	Dec '04 t	o Dec '05
OKLAHOMA	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec'04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	1,515,400	1,518,300	1,493,300	-2,900	-0.2%	22,100	1.5%
Total Private Employment*	1,194,800	1,196,500	1,181,100	-1,700	-0.1%	13,700	1.2%
Private Svc. Providers**	956,200	957,700	945,100	-1,500	-0.2%	11,100	1.2%
GOODS PRODUCING	238,600	238,800	236,000	-200	-0.1%	2,600	1.1%
Natural Resources & Mining	32,600	32,400	31,600	200	0.6%	1,000	3.2%
Support for Mining	17,100	16,800	15,700	300	1.8%	1,400	8.9%
Construction	62,000	63,300	62,000	-1,300	-2.1%	0	0.0%
Construction of Buildings	13,200	13,500	13,500	-300	-	-300	-2.2%
Residential Buildings	6,100	6,100	5,900	0	0.0%	200	3.4%
Non-residential Buildings	7,100	7,400	7,600	-300	-4.1%	-500	-6.6%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	10,400	10,500	10,100	-100	-1.0%	300	3.0%
Specialty Trade Contractor	38,400	39,300	38,400	-900	-2.3%	0	0.0%
Bldg. Equip. Contractors	17,800	17,900	18,400	-100	-0.6%	-600	-3.3%
Manufacturing	144,000	143,100	142,400	900	0.6%	1,600	1.1%
Durable Goods Mfg.	95,900	95,500	94,200	400	0.4%	1,700	1.8%
Wood Product Mfg.	4,300	4,300	4,200	0	0.0%	100	2.4%
Primary Metal Mfg.	4,300	4,300	4,100	0	0.0%	200	4.9%
Fabricated Metal Mfg.	21,500	21,700	22,100	-200	-0.9%	-600	-2.7%
Other Fabricated Metal	5,600	5,600	5,500	0	0.0%	100	1.8%
Machinery Manufacturing	23,800	23,800	22,900	0	0.0%	900	3.9%
Computer/Electronics Mfg.	5,100	4,800	4,900	300	6.3%	200	4.1%
Electrical Equipment Mfg.	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	16,000	15,700	16,200	300	1.9%	-200	-1.2%
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	3,300	3,200	3,700	100	3.1%	-400	-10.8%
Motor Vehicle Body/Part	4,100	4,100	4,300	0	0.0%	-200	-4.7%
Aerospace Products	3,100	3,000	2,900	100	3.3%	200	6.9%
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	48,100	47,600	48,200	500	1.1%	-100	-0.2%
Food Manufacturing	19,200	19,200	19,600	0	0.0%	-400	-2.0%
Paper Manufacturing	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Plastic & Rubber Products	12,900	12,700	12,900	200	1.6%	0	0.0%
SERVICE PROVIDING	1,276,800	1,279,500	1,257,300	-2,700	-0.2%	19,500	1.6%
Trade, Transp. & Utils.	285,400	284,400	282,000	1,000	0.4%	3,400	1.2%
Wholesale Trade	55,600	55,500	54,200	100	0.2%	1,400	2.6%
Retail Trade	176,900	175,700	174,500	1,200	0.7%	2,400	1.4%
Motor Vehicle & Parts	23,800	23,400	22,800	400	1.7%	1,000	4.4%
Auto Dealers	14,800	14,700	14,500	100	0.7%	300	2.1%
Food & Beverage Stores	24,000	23,800	24,200	200	0.8%	-200	-0.8%
Gasoline Stations	13,300	13,000	12,200	300	2.3%	1,100	9.0%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	46,200	45,600	46,400	600	1.3%	-200	-0.4%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	52,900	53,200	53,300	-300	-0.6%	-400	-0.8%
Utilities	10,700	10,700	10,600	0	0.0%	100	0.9%
Transport. & Warehouse	42,200	42,500	42,700	-300	-0.7%	-500	-1.2%
Air Transportation	8,600	8,700	9,300	-100	-1.1%	-700	-7.5%
Truck Transportation	17,000	17,300	17,200	-300	-1.7%	-200	-1.2%

<b>Current Empl. Statistics</b>	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Nov '05 t	o Dec '05	Dec '04 t	o Dec '05
OKLAHOMA	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec'04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
Information	31,100	31,100	30,900	0	0.0%	200	0.6%
Publishing Industries	6,600	6,600	6,400	0	0.0%	200	3.1%
Telecommunications	15,000	15,100	14,400	-100	-0.7%	600	4.2%
Financial Activities	86,700	86,500	84,900	200	0.2%	1,800	2.1%
Finance & Insurance	63,700	63,200	61,500	500	0.8%	2,200	3.6%
Credit Intermediation	32,500	32,400	30,900	100	0.3%	1,600	5.2%
Depository Credit	24,800	24,800	23,500	0	0.0%	1,300	5.5%
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	27,000	26,800	26,500	200	0.7%	500	1.9%
Real Estate, Rental/Leasing	23,000	23,300	23,400	-300	-1.3%	-400	-1.7%
Real Estate	10,800	11,000	11,400	-200	-1.8%	-600	-5.3%
Pro. & Business Services	167,600	167,400	163,900	200	0.1%	3,700	2.3%
Pro. & Scientific Services	59,600	59,000	58,300	600	1.0%	1,300	2.2%
Legal Services	12,800	12,800	12,700	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Accounting & Tax Prep.	11,100	10,400	11,100	700	6.7%	0	0.0%
Architecture & Engineering	10,700	10,800	10,400	-100	-0.9%	300	2.9%
Management of Companies	12,200	12,300	12,500	-100	-0.8%	-300	-2.4%
Admin. & Support Services	95,800	96,100	93,100	-300	-0.3%	2,700	2.9%
Employment Services	45,800	46,600	47,100	-800	-1.7%	-1,300	-2.8%
Business Support Svcs.	11,900	12,000	12,600	-100	-0.8%	-700	-5.6%
Building Services	12,600	13,000	12,400	-400	-3.1%	200	1.6%
Education & Health Svcs.	184,600	185,500	181,300	-900	-0.5%	3,300	1.8%
Education Services	18,500	19,000	18,700	-500	-2.6%	-200	-1.1%
Health Care & Social Asst.	166,100	166,500	162,600	-400	-0.2%	3,500	2.2%
Ambulatory Health Care	57,500	57,700	56,700	-200	-0.3%	800	1.4%
Hospitals	49,500	49,400	48,000	100	0.2%	1,500	3.1%
Nursing/Residential Care	36,000	36,100	35,600	-100	-0.3%	400	1.1%
Social Assistance	23,100	23,300	22,300	-200	-0.9%	800	3.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	126,700	128,300	128,100	-1,600	-1.2%	-1,400	-1.1%
Arts & Entertainment	12,600	13,300	12,800	-700	-5.3%	-200	-1.6%
Accommodation/Food Svc.	114,100	115,000	115,300	-900	-0.8%	-1,200	-1.0%
Accommodation	9,600	9,800	9,800	-200	-2.0%	-200	-2.0%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	104,500	105,200	105,500	-700	-0.7%	-1,000	-0.9%
Full-service Restaurants	48,800	49,400	49,100	-600	-1.2%	-300	-0.6%
Limited-service Eating	49,900	49,900	50,100	0	0.0%	-200	-0.4%
Other Services	74,100	74,500	74,000	-400	-0.5%	100	0.1%
Repair & Maintenance	12,000	12,200	12,000	-200	-1.6%	0	0.0%
Personal & Laundry Svcs.	12,200	12,300	12,400	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.6%
Government	320,600	321,800	312,200	-1,200	-0.4%	8,400	2.7%
Federal Government	46,600	46,700	46,200	-100	-0.2%	400	0.9%
State Government	88,100	89,100	84,700	-1,000	-1.1%	3,400	4.0%
Local Government	185,900	186,000	181,300	-100	-0.1%	4,600	2.5%

<sup>\*</sup> Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – Government)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES - Government)

<b>Current Empl. Statistics</b>	NUM	BER EMPL	.OYED	Nov '05 t	o Dec '05	Dec '04 t	o Dec '05
OKLA. CITY MSA	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec'04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	559,700	559,000	552,100	700	0.1%	7,600	1.4%
Total Private Employment*	444,500	443,400	436,600	1,100	0.2%	7,900	1.8%
Private Svc. Providers**	372,600	371,800	365,100	800	0.2%	7,500	2.1%
GOODS PRODUCING	71,900	71,600	71,500	300	0.4%	400	0.6%
Natural Resources & Mining	9,200	9,000	8,600	200	2.2%	600	7.0%
Construction	25,200	25,300	23,600	-100	-0.4%	1,600	6.8%
Specialty Trade Contractor	16,200	16,200	15,000	0	0.0%	1,200	8.0%
Manufacturing	37,500	37,300	39,300	200	0.5%	-1,800	-4.6%
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,100	27,100	27,800	0	0.0%	-700	-2.5%
Machinery Manufacturing	5,500	5,600	5,700	-100	-1.8%	-200	-3.5%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	7,800	7,700	8,800	100	1.3%	-1,000	-11.4%
Plastic & Rubber Products	3,100	3,100	3,000	0	0.0%	100	3.3%
SERVICE PROVIDING	487,800	487,400	480,600	400	0.1%	7,200	1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Util	100,900	99,700	99,400	1,200	1.2%	1,500	1.5%
Wholesale Trade	21,900	22,000	21,200	-100	-0.5%	700	3.3%
Retail Trade	63,600	62,300	62,700	1,300	2.1%	900	1.4%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	14,600	14,400	14,200	200	1.4%	400	2.8%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	15,400	15,400	15,500	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Information	13,800	13,900	13,100	-100	-0.7%	700	5.3%
Telecommunications	5,800	5,900	5,800	-100	-1.7%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	35,700	35,600	35,700	100	0.3%	0	0.0%
Finance & Insurance	24,500	24,500	24,300	0	0.0%	200	0.8%
Rental & Leasing Services	5,900	6,000	5,600	-100	-1.7%	300	5.4%
Pro. & Business Services	69,900	69,700	66,700	200	0.3%	3,200	4.8%
Pro. & Scientific Services	26,300	25,600	24,100	700	2.7%	2,200	9.1%
Management of Companies	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Admin. & Support Services	38,900	39,400	37,900	-500	-1.3%	1,000	2.6%
Employment Services	18,600	19,100	19,100	-500	-2.6%	-500	-2.6%
Business Support Svcs.	5,800	5,500	5,100	300	5.5%	700	13.7%
Education & Health Svcs.	67,900	68,200	69,000	-300	-0.4%	-1,100	-1.6%
Education Services	7,100	7,200	8,100	-100	-1.4%	-1,000	-12.3%
Health Care & Social Asst.	60,800	61,000	60,900	-200	-0.3%	-100	-0.2%
Ambulatory Health Care	22,900	22,700	22,400	200	0.9%	500	2.2%
Hospitals	20,500	20,500	20,400	0	0.0%	100	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	56,200	56,400	53,500	-200	-0.4%	2,700	5.0%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	45,100	45,000	43,500	100	0.2%	1,600	3.7%
Full-service Restaurants	22,300	22,200	21,200	100	0.5%	1,100	5.2%
Limited-service Eating	20,000	20,000	19,800	0	0.0%	200	1.0%
Other Services	28,200	28,300	27,700	-100	-0.4%	500	1.8%
Government	115,200	115,600	115,500	-400	-0.3%	-300	-0.3%
Federal Government	27,500	27,500	27,200	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
State Government	41,300	41,700	41,100	-400	-1.0%	200	0.5%
Local Government	46,400	46,400	47,200	0	0.0%	-800	-1.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – Government)

Current Empl. Statistics	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Nov '05 to	o Dec '05	Dec '04 t	Dec '05
TULSA MSA	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec'04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	411,300	410,300	402,200	1,000	0.2%	9,100	2.3%
Total Private Employment*	359,200	358,300	350,600	900	0.3%	8,600	2.5%
Private Service Providers**	287,700	286,800	280,700	900	0.3%	7,000	2.5%
GOODS PRODUCING	71,500	71,500	69,900	0	0.0%	1,600	2.3%
Natural Resources & Mining	4,500	4,500	4,700	0	0.0%	-200	-4.3%
Construction	20,200	20,100	18,600	100	0.5%	1,600	8.6%
Specialty Trade Contractor	12,600	12,800	12,700	-200	-1.6%	-100	-0.8%
Manufacturing	46,800	46,900	46,600	-100	-0.2%	200	0.4%
Other Gen'l Purpose	4,700	4,600	4,800	100	2.2%	-100	-2.1%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	3,800	3,800	3,600	0	0.0%	200	5.6%
SERVICE PROVIDING	339,800 84,800	338,800 84,200	332,300 83,400	1,000 600	0.3%	7,500 1,400	2.3% 1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Util.  Wholesale Trade	17,100	16,900	16,200	200	1.2%	900	5.6%
Retail Trade	47,600	47,100	46,300	500	1.1%	1,300	2.8%
Food & Beverage Stores	6,800	6,600	6,500	200	3.0%	300	4.6%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	12,100	12,000	11,800	100	0.8%	300	2.5%
Department Stores	5,000	4,900	4,700	100	2.0%	300	6.4%
Other Gen'l Merchandise	7,100	7,100	7,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	20,100	20,200	20,900	-100	-0.5%	-800	-3.8%
Utilities	3,800	3,800	4,000	0	0.0%	-200	-5.0%
Transport. & Warehouse	16,300	16,400	16,900	-100	-0.6%	-600	-3.6%
Air Transportation	7,500	7,600	7,900	-100	-1.3%	-400	-5.1%
Information	12,100	12,100	11,500	0	0.0%	600	5.2%
Telecommunications	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	25,400	25,400	25,300	0	0.0%	100	0.4%
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	6,000	5,900	5,900	100	1.7%	100	1.7%
Pro. & Business Services	54,100	54,200	52,200	-100	-0.2%	1,900	3.6%
Pro. & Scientific Services	18,500	18,300	18,300	200	1.1%	200	1.1%
Management of Companies	5,800	5,800	5,700	0	0.0%	100	1.8%
Admin. & Support Services	29,800	30,100	28,200	-300 -400	-1.0%	1,600 1,300	5.7% 9.4%
Employment Services Business Support Svcs.	15,200 7,000	15,600 7.000	13,900 6,100	-400 0	-2.6% 0.0%	900	9.4%
Education & Health Svcs.	54,700	54,600	52,900	100	0.0%	1,800	3.4%
Education Services	7,500	7,500	6,600	0	0.2%	900	13.6%
Health Care & Social Asst.	47,200	47,100	46,300	100	0.2%	900	1.9%
Ambulatory Health Care	17,500	17,500	17,200	0	0.0%	300	1.7%
Hospitals	16,600	16,400	15,900	200	1.2%	700	4.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	34,600	34,400	34,000	200	0.6%	600	1.8%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	28,600	28,400	27,600	200	0.7%	1,000	3.6%
Full-service Restaurants	14,500	14,600	13,700	-100	-0.7%	800	5.8%
Other Services	22,000	21,900	21,400	100	0.5%	600	2.8%
Government	52,100	52,000	51,600	100	0.2%	500	1.0%
Federal Government	4,800	4,800	4,700	0	0.0%	100	2.1%
State Government	8,200	8,200	8,000	0	0.0%	200	2.5%
Local Government	39,100	39,000	38,900	100	0.3%	200	0.5%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES – Government)

<b>Current Empl. Statistics</b>	NUM	BER EMPL	OYED	Nov '05 t	o Dec '05	Dec '04 t	o Dec '05
LAWTON MSA	Dec '05	Nov '05	Dec'04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.	41,700	41,800	41,300	-100	-0.2%	400	1.0%
Total Private Employment*	28,900	28,900	28,700	0	0.0%	200	0.7%
Private Svc. Providers**	23,700	23,600	23,500	100	0.4%	200	0.9%
GOODS PRODUCING	5,200	5,300	5,200	-100	-1.9%	0	0.0%
N. Resources/Construction	1,300	1,400	1,300	-100	-7.1%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	3,900	3,900	3,900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SERVICE PROVIDING	36,500	36,500	36,100	0	0.0%	400	1.1%
Trade, Transport. & Utils.	7,200	7,200	7,100	0	0.0%	100	1.4%
Wholesale Trade	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	0.0%	100	1.9%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Information	500	500	500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Pro. & Business Services	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education & Health Svcs.	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	0.0%	-100	-2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,200	4,100	3,900	100	2.4%	300	7.7%
Other Services	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	0.0%	-100	-5.3%
Government	12,800	12,900	12,600	-100	-0.8%	200	1.6%
Federal Government	3,400	3,600	3,300	-200	-5.6%	100	3.0%
State Government	1,900	1,800	2,000	100	5.6%	-100	-5.0%
Local Government	7,500	7,500	7,300	0	0.0%	200	2.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – Government)

LAUS	DECEMBER 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
by MSA	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04	
Oklahoma City MSA	568,800	22,680	591,490	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%	
Tulsa MSA	435,300	17,680	452,980	3.9%	3.8%	4.1%	4.5%	
Lawton MSA	45,440	2,040	47,480	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	
LAUS	DI	ECEMBER 2	2005	UN	EMPLOY	MENT RA	\TE	
by WIA***	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04	
Central WIA	399,140	16,540	415,680	4.0%	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%	
Cleveland Co. WIA	117,830	3,920	121,750	3.2%	3.1%	3.4%	3.5%	
East Central WIA	61,640	3,240	64,880	5.0%	5.0%	5.2%	6.0%	
Holdenville LLM	8,640	610	9,250	6.6%	6.4%	6.7%	7.3%	
Shawnee LLM	53,010	2,630	55,640	4.7%	4.7%	4.9%	5.7%	
Eastern WIA	128,110	6,150	134,260	4.6%	4.4%	4.5%	5.4%	
Muskogee LLM	64,070	3,030	67,100	4.5%	4.4%	4.6%	5.5%	
Okmulgee LLM	16,310	980	17,300	5.7%	5.2%	5.4%	6.8%	
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	47,730	2,140	49,860	4.3%	4.1%	4.2%	4.7%	
North Central WIA	107,900	4,120	112,020	3.7%	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%	
Enid LLM	47,790	1,650	49,440	3.3%	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	
Ponca City LLM	25,650	1,270	26,930	4.7%	4.5%	4.7%	5.4%	
Stillwater LLM	34,460	1,200	35,660	3.4%	3.3%	3.7%	3.7%	
Northeast WIA	119,760	4,980	124,740	4.0%	3.9%	4.1%	4.6%	
Bartlesville LLM	28,370	1,100	29,470	3.7%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%	
Claremore-Pryor LLM	69,700	2,850	72,550	3.9%	3.8%	4.1%	4.5%	
Miami-Vinita LLM	21,680	1,030	22,710	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	5.0%	
Northwest WIA	34,190	1,180	35,370	3.3%	3.3%	3.6%	3.3%	
Guymon LLM	13,890	450	14,340	3.1%	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%	
Woodward LLM	20,300	740	21,030	3.5%	3.4%	3.7%	3.2%	
South Central WIA	121,720	5,440	127,160	4.3%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	
Chickasha LLM	48,390	2,270	50,670	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%	
Duncan LLM	21,190	850	22,040	3.9%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%	
Lawton LLM	52,140	2,310	54,450	4.2%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	
Southeast WIA	73,260	3,760	77,020	4.9%	4.7%	4.8%	5.3%	
Broken Bow-Idabel- Antlers-Hugo LLM	24,450	1,450	25,910	5.6%	5.3%	5.5%	6.4%	
McAlester LLM	23,300	1,090	24,380	4.5%	4.4%	4.6%	5.1%	
Poteau LLM	25,510	1,220	26,730	4.5%	4.4%	4.2%	4.3%	
Southern WIA	100,050	4,130	104,180	4.0%	3.9%	4.1%	4.4%	
Ada LLM	29,820	1,180	31,000	3.8%	3.7%	4.0%	4.6%	
Ardmore LLM	33,970	1,350	35,320	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%	4.3%	
Durant LLM	36,270	1,600	37,860	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	4.4%	
Southwest WIA	51,180	1,760	52,930	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%	
Altus LLM	20,140	790	20,940	3.8%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%	
Elk City-Weatherford- Clinton LLM	31,030	960	31,990	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	
Tulsa WIA	350,410	14,210	364,620	3.9%	3.9%	4.1%	4.4%	

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> WIA = Workforce Investment Area, LLM = Local Labor Market

<sup>\*\*</sup> Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES - Government)

LAUS	DECEMBER 2005		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
County by Rank	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
1. Hughes County	4,850	350	5,200	6.7%	6.4%	6.6%	6.8%
2. Okfuskee County	3,790	260	4,050	6.5%	6.5%	7.0%	7.8%
3. Coal County	1,940	130	2,070	6.3%	6.1%	5.9%	7.6%
4. Seminole County	8,770	590	9,360	6.3%	6.2%	6.3%	8.5%
5. Choctaw County	5,870	360	6,240	5.8%	5.5%	5.2%	6.3%
6. McCurtain Co.	13,800	850	14,650	5.8%	5.5%	5.9%	6.7%
7. Okmulgee Co.	16,310	980	17,300	5.7%	5.2%	5.4%	6.8%
8. Caddo County	11,420	680	12,100	5.6%	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%
9. Muskogee Co.	26,100	1,530	27,630	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	6.4%
10. McIntosh County	7,310	420	7,730	5.4%	5.0%	5.3%	6.6%
11. Woods County	4,420	250	4,680	5.4%	4.7%	5.4%	3.3%
12. Greer County	2,040	110	2,150	5.1%	4.6%	5.0%	5.7%
13. Kay County	20,830	1,090	21,920	5.0%	4.7%	4.9%	5.6%
14. Atoka County	5,110	260	5,360	4.8%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
15. Johnston Co.	4,430	220	4,650	4.8%	4.6%	4.8%	5.1%
16. Latimer County	3,970	200	4,170	4.8%	4.6%	4.8%	5.3%
17. Pushmataha	4,780	240	5,020	4.8%	4.5%	4.8%	5.9%
18. Adair County	9,290	450	9,750	4.7%	4.4%	4.5%	5.3%
19. Haskell County	4,740	240	4,980	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%	4.8%
20. Grady County	22,770	1,090	23,860	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.3%
21. Mayes County	15,350	740	16,090	4.6%	4.5%	4.8%	5.2%
22. Ottawa County	15,280	740	16,030	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%	5.2%
23. Pottawatomie Co.	29,370	1,410	30,780	4.6%	4.5%	4.8%	5.3%
24. Sequoyah Co.	17,360	840	18,200	4.6%	4.5%	4.4%	5.1%
25. LeFlore County	20,770	980	21,750	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%
26. Tillman County	3,350	160	3,510	4.5%	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
27. Creek County	31,410	1,460	32,860	4.4%	4.5%	4.9%	5.4%
28. Jefferson County	2,240	100	2,340	4.4%	4.5%	4.7%	5.7%
29. Pittsburg County	19,330	890	20,210	4.4%	4.3%	4.6%	5.1%
30. Comanche Co.	45,440	2,040	47,480	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%
31. Craig County	6,400	290	6,690	4.3%	4.1%	4.4%	4.4%
32. Pawnee County	7,650	340	7,990	4.3%	4.1%	4.3%	5.5%
33. Delaware County	16,430	720	17,150	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	4.6%
34. Nowata County	4,720	210	4,930	4.2%	4.1%	4.4%	5.2%
35. Kiowa County	3,990	170	4,160	4.1%	4.1%	4.4%	5.0%
36. Oklahoma Co.	332,290	14,310	346,590	4.1%	4.0%	4.3%	4.5%
37. Osage County	20,430	870	21,300	4.1%	3.9%	4.3%	4.9%
38. Alfalfa County	2,460	100	2,560	4.0%	4.1%	4.6%	3.7%
39. Lincoln County	14,870	630	15,490	4.0%	4.2%	4.4%	4.9%
40. Pontotoc County	16,690	690	17,380	4.0%	3.8%	4.1%	5.1%
41. Blaine County	4,570	190	4,750	3.9%	4.0%	4.3%	4.0%
42. Carter County	22,880	930	23,810	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%	4.5%
43. Cherokee County	21,080	840	21,920	3.9%	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%
44. Marshall County	6,130	250	6,380	3.9%	3.9%	4.2%	4.1%

LAUS	D	ECEMBER 2	005	UN	EMPLOY	MENT RA	TE
County by Rank	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
45. Bryan County	18,670	730	19,400	3.8%	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%
46. Love County	4,580	180	4,770	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%	3.7%
47. Noble County	4,820	190	5,010	3.8%	3.6%	4.1%	4.2%
48. Stephens County	18,960	750	19,700	3.8%	3.7%	3.9%	4.1%
49. Tulsa County	290,920	11,540	302,470	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.3%
50. Washington Co.	23,650	900	24,550	3.7%	3.7%	3.9%	4.3%
51. Garvin County	13,120	490	13,610	3.6%	3.5%	3.8%	3.9%
52. Jackson County	12,720	470	13,190	3.6%	3.5%	3.7%	4.1%
53. Logan County	17,720	650	18,370	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%
54. Murray County	6,500	240	6,740	3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	4.2%
55. Rogers County	37,920	1,390	39,310	3.5%	3.5%	3.7%	4.1%
56. Cimarron County	1,320	50	1,370	3.4%	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%
57. McClain County	14,200	500	14,710	3.4%	3.5%	3.6%	4.0%
58. Payne County	34,460	1,200	35,660	3.4%	3.3%	3.7%	3.7%
59. Wagoner County	30,660	1,090	31,750	3.4%	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%
60. Cotton County	3,350	110	3,470	3.3%	3.2%	3.4%	3.7%
61. Garfield County	27,520	940	28,470	3.3%	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
62. Grant County	2,400	80	2,490	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%
63. Cleveland Co.	117,830	3,920	121,750	3.2%	3.1%	3.4%	3.5%
64. Dewey County	2,420	80	2,500	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	2.8%
65. Texas County	9,710	320	10,030	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%
66. Washita County	5,850	190	6,040	3.2%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
67. Canadian County	49,130	1,580	50,710	3.1%	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%
68. Harmon County	1,400	40	1,440	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%	3.4%
69. Kingfisher Co.	7,160	230	7,390	3.1%	3.1%	3.3%	3.1%
70. Beckham County	9,720	300	10,020	3.0%	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%
71. Custer County	13,570	410	13,980	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%	3.1%
72. Woodward Co.	9,600	290	9,900	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	3.4%
73. Beaver County	2,870	80	2,950	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%
74. Major County	3,680	110	3,780	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%
75. Roger Mills Co.	1,900	60	1,960	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%	2.5%
76. Ellis County	2,160	60	2,220	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	2.7%
77. Harper County	1,690	50	1,740	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%

LAUS	DECEMBER 2005		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
Adair County	9,290	450	9,750	4.7%	4.4%	4.5%	5.3%
Alfalfa County	2,460	100	2,560	4.0%	4.1%	4.6%	3.7%
Atoka County	5,110	260	5,360	4.8%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Beaver County	2,870	80	2,950	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%
Beckham County	9,720	300	10,020	3.0%	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%
Blaine County	4,570	190	4,750	3.9%	4.0%	4.3%	4.0%
Bryan County	18,670	730	19,400	3.8%	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%
Caddo County	11,420	680	12,100	5.6%	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%
Canadian County	49,130	1,580	50,710	3.1%	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%
Carter County	22,880	930	23,810	3.9%	3.9%	4.0%	4.5%
Cherokee County	21,080	840	21,920	3.9%	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%
Choctaw County	5,870	360	6,240	5.8%	5.5%	5.2%	6.3%
Cimarron County	1,320	50	1,370	3.4%	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%
Cleveland County	117,830	3,920	121,750	3.2%	3.1%	3.4%	3.5%
Coal County	1,940	130	2,070	6.3%	6.1%	5.9%	7.6%
Comanche County	45,440	2,040	47,480	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%
Cotton County	3,350	110	3,470	3.3%	3.2%	3.4%	3.7%
Craig County	6,400	290	6,690	4.3%	4.1%	4.4%	4.4%
Creek County	31,410	1,460	32,860	4.4%	4.5%	4.9%	5.4%
Custer County	13,570	410	13,980	3.0%	3.0%	3.2%	3.1%
Delaware County	16,430	720	17,150	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	4.6%
Dewey County	2,420	80	2,500	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	2.8%
Ellis County	2,160	60	2,220	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	2.7%
Garfield County	27,520	940	28,470	3.3%	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Garvin County	13,120	490	13,610	3.6%	3.5%	3.8%	3.9%
Grady County	22,770	1,090	23,860	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.3%
<b>Grant County</b>	2,400	80	2,490	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%
Greer County	2,040	110	2,150	5.1%	4.6%	5.0%	5.7%
Harmon County	1,400	40	1,440	3.1%	3.3%	3.5%	3.4%
Harper County	1,690	50	1,740	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%
Haskell County	4,740	240	4,980	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%	4.8%
Hughes County	4,850	350	5,200	6.7%	6.4%	6.6%	6.8%
Jackson County	12,720	470	13,190	3.6%	3.5%	3.7%	4.1%
Jefferson County	2,240	100	2,340	4.4%	4.5%	4.7%	5.7%
Johnston County	4,430	220	4,650	4.8%	4.6%	4.8%	5.1%
Kay County	20,830	1,090	21,920	5.0%	4.7%	4.9%	5.6%
Kingfisher County	7,160	230	7,390	3.1%	3.1%	3.3%	3.1%
Kiowa County	3,990	170	4,160	4.1%	4.1%	4.4%	5.0%
Latimer County	3,970	200	4,170	4.8%	4.6%	4.8%	5.3%
Le Flore County	20,770	980	21,750	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%
Lincoln County	14,870	630	15,490	4.0%	4.2%	4.4%	4.9%
Logan County	17,720	650	18,370	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%
Love County	4,580	180	4,770	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%	3.7%
Major County	3,680	110	3,780	2.8%	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%

LAUS	D	ECEMBER 2	2005	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Dec '05	Nov '05	Oct '05	Dec '04
Marshall County	6,130	250	6,380	3.9%	3.9%	4.2%	4.1%
Mayes County	15,350	740	16,090	4.6%	4.5%	4.8%	5.2%
McClain County	14,200	500	14,710	3.4%	3.5%	3.6%	4.0%
McCurtain County	13,800	850	14,650	5.8%	5.5%	5.9%	6.7%
McIntosh County	7,310	420	7,730	5.4%	5.0%	5.3%	6.6%
Murray County	6,500	240	6,740	3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	4.2%
Muskogee County	26,100	1,530	27,630	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	6.4%
Noble County	4,820	190	5,010	3.8%	3.6%	4.1%	4.2%
Nowata County	4,720	210	4,930	4.2%	4.1%	4.4%	5.2%
Okfuskee County	3,790	260	4,050	6.5%	6.5%	7.0%	7.8%
Oklahoma County	332,290	14,310	346,590	4.1%	4.0%	4.3%	4.5%
Okmulgee County	16,310	980	17,300	5.7%	5.2%	5.4%	6.8%
Osage County	20,430	870	21,300	4.1%	3.9%	4.3%	4.9%
Ottawa County	15,280	740	16,030	4.6%	4.6%	4.5%	5.2%
Pawnee County	7,650	340	7,990	4.3%	4.1%	4.3%	5.5%
Payne County	34,460	1,200	35,660	3.4%	3.3%	3.7%	3.7%
Pittsburg County	19,330	890	20,210	4.4%	4.3%	4.6%	5.1%
Pontotoc County	16,690	690	17,380	4.0%	3.8%	4.1%	5.1%
Pottawatomie Co.	29,370	1,410	30,780	4.6%	4.5%	4.8%	5.3%
Pushmataha County	4,780	240	5,020	4.8%	4.5%	4.8%	5.9%
Roger Mills County	1,900	60	1,960	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%	2.5%
Rogers County	37,920	1,390	39,310	3.5%	3.5%	3.7%	4.1%
Seminole County	8,770	590	9,360	6.3%	6.2%	6.3%	8.5%
Sequoyah County	17,360	840	18,200	4.6%	4.5%	4.4%	5.1%
Stephens County	18,960	750	19,700	3.8%	3.7%	3.9%	4.1%
Texas County	9,710	320	10,030	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%
Tillman County	3,350	160	3,510	4.5%	4.5%	4.7%	5.2%
Tulsa County	290,920	11,540	302,470	3.8%	3.8%	4.0%	4.3%
Wagoner County	30,660	1,090	31,750	3.4%	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%
Washington County	23,650	900	24,550	3.7%	3.7%	3.9%	4.3%
Washita County	5,850	190	6,040	3.2%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
Woods County	4,420	250	4,680	5.4%	4.7%	5.4%	3.3%
Woodward County	9,600	290	9,900	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	3.4%

REVISED LAUS	NOVEMBER 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Nov '05	Oct '05	Sep '05	Nov '04	
Adair County	9,460	440	9,900	4.4%	4.5%	4.6%	5.4%	
Alfalfa County	2,480	110	2,590	4.1%	4.6%	4.0%	4.0%	
Atoka County	5,170	250	5,420	4.6%	4.9%	5.0%	5.6%	
Beaver County	2,890	90	2,980	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	
Beckham County	9,810	320	10,130	3.1%	3.3%	3.1%	3.2%	
Blaine County	4,600	190	4,790	4.0%	4.3%	4.4%	4.0%	
Bryan County	18,900	680	19,580	3.5%	3.7%	3.7%	3.8%	
Caddo County	11,520	670	12,180	5.5%	5.4%	5.4%	5.5%	
Canadian County	49,400	1,580	50,980	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	
Carter County	22,930	930	23,860	3.9%	4.0%	4.2%	4.5%	
Cherokee County	21,220	800	22,020	3.6%	3.9%	3.9%	4.2%	
Choctaw County	6,070	360	6,430	5.5%	5.2%	5.6%	6.3%	
Cimarron County	1,320	40	1,360	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%	2.9%	
Cleveland County	118,470	3,850	122,320	3.1%	3.4%	3.4%	3.6%	
Coal County	1,970	130	2,100	6.1%	5.9%	6.1%	8.2%	
Comanche County	45,960	2,080	48,040	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	
Cotton County	3,380	110	3,490	3.2%	3.4%	3.5%	3.8%	
Craig County	6,490	280	6,770	4.1%	4.4%	4.4%	4.5%	
Creek County	31,600	1,490	33,080	4.5%	4.9%	5.3%	5.5%	
Custer County	13,680	430	14,110	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.1%	
Delaware County	16,700	700	17,400	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%	4.8%	
Dewey County	2,420	80	2,490	3.1%	3.2%	3.3%	3.1%	
Ellis County	2,170	60	2,230	2.7%	2.9%	2.8%	2.7%	
Garfield County	27,720	960	28,670	3.3%	3.6%	3.6%	3.7%	
Garvin County	13,160	480	13,640	3.5%	3.8%	3.8%	4.1%	
Grady County	22,900	1,100	24,000	4.6%	4.4%	4.2%	4.3%	
<b>Grant County</b>	2,410	80	2,500	3.3%	3.3%	3.4%	3.8%	
Greer County	2,050	100	2,150	4.6%	5.0%	4.9%	5.9%	
Harmon County	1,420	50	1,470	3.3%	3.5%	3.5%	3.9%	
Harper County	1,710	50	1,760	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.0%	
Haskell County	4,800	230	5,040	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.8%	
Hughes County	4,910	340	5,250	6.4%	6.6%	6.7%	6.9%	
Jackson County	12,750	470	13,220	3.5%	3.7%	3.8%	4.2%	
Jefferson County	2,250	110	2,350	4.5%	4.7%	4.8%	5.5%	
Johnston County	4,480	220	4,690	4.6%	4.8%	4.8%	5.0%	
Kay County	21,070	1,030	22,100	4.7%	4.9%	5.0%	5.4%	
Kingfisher County	7,180	230	7,410	3.1%	3.3%	3.3%	3.2%	
Kiowa County	4,040	170	4,210	4.1%	4.4%	4.1%	4.5%	
Latimer County	4,000	190	4,190	4.6%	4.8%	5.0%	5.4%	
Leflore County	21,120	950	22,080	4.3%	4.2%	5.1%	4.6%	
Lincoln County	14,950	660	15,610	4.2%	4.4%	4.4%	4.6%	
Logan County	17,820	620	18,440	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	
Love County	4,590	190	4,780	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.1%	
Major County	3,710	110	3,820	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%	3.0%	

REVISED LAUS	NOVEMBER 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
by County	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Nov '05	Oct '05	Sep '05	Nov '04	
Marshall County	6,280	250	6,540	3.9%	4.2%	4.4%	4.2%	
Mayes County	15,540	740	16,280	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%	5.3%	
McClain County	14,280	520	14,800	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	4.1%	
McCurtain County	13,800	810	14,610	5.5%	5.9%	7.1%	6.9%	
McIntosh County	7,360	390	7,740	5.0%	5.3%	5.6%	6.6%	
Murray County	6,530	240	6,780	3.6%	3.7%	3.6%	4.1%	
Muskogee County	26,280	1,490	27,770	5.4%	5.6%	5.9%	6.6%	
Noble County	4,900	180	5,080	3.6%	4.1%	4.0%	4.1%	
Nowata County	4,780	200	4,980	4.1%	4.4%	4.6%	5.4%	
Okfuskee County	3,800	260	4,060	6.5%	7.0%	7.3%	8.2%	
Oklahoma County	334,110	14,100	348,200	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%	4.5%	
Okmulgee County	16,410	900	17,310	5.2%	5.4%	5.9%	6.7%	
Osage County	20,560	830	21,380	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%	5.0%	
Ottawa County	15,400	740	16,140	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%	5.3%	
Pawnee County	7,700	330	8,030	4.1%	4.3%	4.4%	5.7%	
Payne County	34,760	1,200	35,950	3.3%	3.7%	3.6%	3.7%	
Pittsburg County	19,580	890	20,460	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	5.1%	
Pontotoc County	17,050	680	17,730	3.8%	4.1%	4.2%	5.2%	
Pottawatomie Co.	29,710	1,400	31,110	4.5%	4.8%	4.9%	5.2%	
Pushmataha County	4,880	230	5,110	4.5%	4.8%	5.0%	5.7%	
Roger Mills County	1,910	60	1,970	2.8%	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%	
Rogers County	38,150	1,370	39,520	3.5%	3.7%	3.6%	4.2%	
Seminole County	9,000	600	9,600	6.2%	6.3%	6.5%	8.4%	
Sequoyah County	17,650	840	18,490	4.5%	4.4%	5.1%	5.4%	
Stephens County	19,180	740	19,920	3.7%	3.9%	4.0%	4.2%	
Texas County	9,790	350	10,140	3.4%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	
Tillman County	3,370	160	3,530	4.5%	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%	
Tulsa County	292,700	11,510	304,210	3.8%	4.0%	4.1%	4.3%	
Wagoner County	30,850	1,070	31,920	3.4%	3.6%	3.7%	4.3%	
Washington County	23,870	910	24,780	3.7%	3.9%	4.0%	4.4%	
Washita County	5,940	180	6,120	2.9%	3.0%	3.0%	3.3%	
Woods County	4,400	220	4,620	4.7%	5.4%	6.3%	7.6%	
<b>Woodward County</b>	9,640	300	9,940	3.0%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	

REVISED LAUS	NOVEMBER 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
by MSA	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Nov '05	Oct '05	Sep '05	Nov '04	
Oklahoma City MSA	571,920	22,430	594,350	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%	4.2%	
Tulsa MSA	437,960	17,490	455,460	3.8%	4.1%	4.2%	4.6%	
Lawton MSA	45,960	2,080	48,040	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	