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# All Oklahoma counties report lower unemployment rates in April

Oklahoma's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 2.9 percent in April 2008. Sequoyah County reported the state's highest county rate, and Beaver, Roger Mills and Woodward counties shared Oklahoma's lowest county rate. Unemployment rates were down in all 77 of Oklahoma's counties, with Greer County reporting the largest over-the-month rate drop.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT RATES\***

<b>APRIL 2008</b>	Area	Unemp. rate	Monthly change	Annual change
RATE	Statewide	2.9%	<b>₽ 0.4%</b>	<b>∄ 1.0%</b>
Highest county	Sequoyah Co.	4.8%	<b>□</b> 0.1%	₽ 0.7%
Lowest county	Beaver Co.	1.7%	<b>□</b> 0.1%	<b>₽ 0.7%</b>
(tie)	Roger Mills Co.	1.7%	□ 0.3%	<b>∄ 1.0%</b>
	Woodward Co.	1.7%	₽ 0.3%	₽ 0.8%
Biggest % gain	None (all county r	)		
Biggest % loss	Greer Co.	3.0%	₽ 0.8%	

<sup>\*</sup>non-seasonally adjusted

### Statewide unemployment, unemployment rate down in April

In April, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** dropped by 0.4 percent to 2.9 percent for the month. Statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force** and **employment** expanded over the month, as **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** contracted by more than 11.0 percent. Since April 2007, statewide **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** has dropped by more than 27.0 percent.

#### **REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT\***

	<b>APRIL 2008</b>			UNEMP	LOYME	NT RATI	<u> </u>
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07
Oklahoma	1,718,500	1,669,100	49,400	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
United States	153,208,000	145,921,000	7,287,000	4.8%	5.2%	5.2%	4.3%
Region							
Arkansas	1,374,160	1,311,910	62,250	4.5%	5.0%	5.7%	5.0%
Kansas	1,478,230	1,424,410	53,810	3.6%	4.4%	4.0%	3.7%
Louisiana	2,010,220	1,940,550	69,670	3.5%	4.3%	3.5%	3.3%
Missouri	3,006,490	2,858,730	147,760	4.9%	6.0%	6.0%	4.4%
<b>New Mexico</b>	946,720	914,130	32,590	3.4%	3.7%	3.5%	3.4%
Texas	11,628,480	11,179,800	448,680	3.9%	4.2%	4.3%	4.0%

<sup>\*</sup>non-seasonally adjusted

### Sequoyah County claims state's highest county rate

In April, **Sequoyah County** reported Oklahoma's highest county unemployment rate of 4.8 percent. **McCurtain County** claimed the state's second highest county rate, and **Hughes County** held the third highest rate for April.

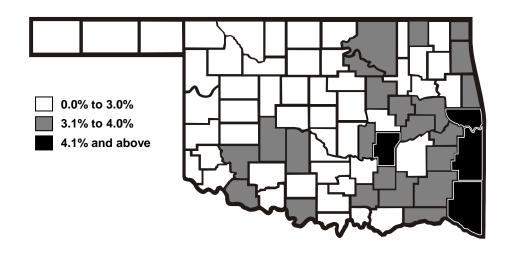
	APRIL 2008	APRIL 2008				UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07				
Sequoyah County	17,950	17,090	850	4.8%	4.9%	6.1%	5.5%				
McCurtain County	13,960	13,300	660	4.7%	5.4%	5.9%	6.0%				
<b>Hughes County</b>	4,670	4,460	210	4.5%	5.1%	5.3%	5.7%				

### Three counties share April's lowest county rate

Three counties (**Beaver, Roger Mills** and **Woodward**) tied for April's lowest county unemployment rate of 1.7 percent. **Beckham, Ellis** and **Kingfisher counties** each reported an April rate of 1.8 percent, the second lowest county rate for the month. **Major County** rounded out the three lowest county rates in April at 1.9 percent.

	APRIL 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07		
Beaver County	3,160	3,110	60	1.7%	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%		
Roger Mills County	1,900	1,870	30	1.7%	2.0%	2.3%	2.7%		
<b>Woodward County</b>	12,350	12,130	220	1.7%	2.0%	2.1%	2.5%		
Beckham County	12,060	11,850	210	1.8%	1.9%	2.1%	2.3%		
Ellis County	2,390	2,350	40	1.8%	2.1%	2.2%	2.6%		
Kingfisher County	8,400	8,250	150	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%	2.5%		
Major County	4,050	3,980	80	1.9%	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%		

## DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary data for April 2008



#### NOTE:

Each month, Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) data for the previous month is revised. The following data is marked in the table heading as either preliminary (not revised) or revised.

### LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data) County rankings

		<b>APRIL 2008</b>			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
		Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07
1.	Sequoyah County	17,950	17,090	850	4.8%	4.9%	6.1%	5.5%
2.	McCurtain County	13,960	13,300	660	4.7%	5.4%	5.9%	6.0%
3.	Hughes County	4,670	4,460	210	4.5%	5.1%	5.3%	5.7%
4.	LeFlore County	21,140	20,250	890	4.2%	4.3%	5.2%	5.0%
5.	Adair County	11,140	10,710	430	3.9%	4.4%	4.5%	4.5%
6.	Okmulgee County	15,930	15,300	630	3.9%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
7.	Choctaw County	6,880	6,620	260	3.8%	4.5%	4.9%	4.9%
8.	Latimer County	4,220	4,060	160	3.7%	4.2%	4.6%	5.0%
9.	McIntosh County	8,360	8,050	310	3.7%	4.1%	4.5%	5.4%
10.	Pushmataha Co.	5,030	4,840	190	3.7%	4.3%	4.8%	4.4%
11.	Seminole County	10,540	10,150	390	3.7%	4.2%	4.6%	5.7%
12.	Coal County	2,510	2,420	90	3.6%	4.3%	4.5%	6.6%
13.	Muskogee County	29,510	28,450	1,060	3.6%	4.2%	4.6%	5.5%
14.	Ottawa County	16,980	16,380	600	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%	4.8%
15.	Tillman County	3,440	3,320	120	3.5%	3.9%	4.2%	5.1%
16.	Atoka County	5,910	5,710	200	3.4%	4.0%	4.3%	5.9%
17.	Caddo County	11,950	11,550	390	3.3%	3.7%	4.0%	5.3%
18.	Nowata County	4,870	4,710	160	3.3%	3.7%	4.1%	4.8%
19.	Creek County	30,610	29,620	980	3.2%	3.6%	3.8%	4.1%
20.	Delaware County	18,590	18,000	590	3.2%	3.7%	4.1%	4.2%
21.	Haskell County	5,710	5,530	180	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%
22.	Jefferson County	2,330	2,250	70	3.2%	3.5%	3.9%	4.4%
23.	Kiowa County	3,920	3,790	130	3.2%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
24.	Osage County	19,950	19,300	650	3.2%	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%
25.	Grady County	22,950	22,250	710	3.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%
26.	Johnston County	5,070	4,910	160	3.1%	3.6%	3.7%	4.4%
27.	Pawnee County	7,440	7,200	230	3.1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.4%
28.	Greer County	1,940	1,890	60	3.0%	3.8%	4.1%	4.4%
29.	Mayes County	18,310	17,760	550	3.0%	3.5%	3.8%	4.1%
30.	Oklahoma County	321,500	311,890	9,610	3.0%	3.4%	3.7%	4.3%
31.	Comanche County	45,120	43,810	1,310	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
32.	Harmon County	1,260	1,230	40	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%	3.5%
33.	Marshall County	6,340	6,150	190	2.9%	3.3%	3.8%	4.0%
34.	Okfuskee County	4,630	4,490	130	2.9%	3.5%	3.9%	4.8%
35.	Pottawatomie Co.	32,990	32,020	970	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
36.	Wagoner County	31,770	30,860	910	2.9%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%
37.	Blaine County	5,020	4,890	140	2.8%	3.0%	3.3%	3.8%
38.	Cherokee County	24,170	23,500	670	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%
39.	Craig County	7,450	7,240	210	2.8%	3.5%	4.0%	4.4%

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	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07
40. Lincoln County	14,210	13,810	410	2.8%	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%
41. Logan County	17,480	16,980	500	2.8%	3.2%	3.4%	3.8%
42. McClain County	14,560	14,150	410	2.8%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%
43. Tulsa County	284,650	276,600	8,060	2.8%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%
44. Canadian County	50,540	49,190	1,350	2.7%	3.0%	3.1%	3.7%
45. Kay County	23,340	22,710	630	2.7%	3.0%	3.4%	4.5%
46. Rogers County	39,060	38,000	1,060	2.7%	3.0%	3.3%	3.6%
47. Stephens County	21,510	20,930	580	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
48. Alfalfa County	2,330	2,270	60	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	4.4%
49. Bryan County	21,150	20,600	540	2.6%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
50. Cleveland County	115,460	112,400	3,060	2.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
51. Payne County	37,770	36,810	960	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%
52. Pittsburg County	23,130	22,550	580	2.5%	2.8%	3.1%	3.8%
53. Carter County	25,990	25,360	620	2.4%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%
54. Garvin County	14,810	14,460	350	2.4%	2.6%	2.8%	3.2%
55. Jackson County	12,560	12,260	300	2.4%	2.7%	2.9%	3.5%
56. Love County	5,220	5,100	120	2.3%	2.7%	2.8%	3.5%
57. Pontotoc County	20,240	19,790	460	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%	3.5%
58. Washington Co.	26,880	26,250	630	2.3%	2.7%	2.8%	3.3%
59. Cimarron County	1,250	1,220	30	2.2%	2.9%	3.1%	3.3%
60. Custer County	14,450	14,140	310	2.2%	2.4%	2.5%	3.1%
61. Noble County	5,940	5,820	130	2.2%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%
62. Texas County	9,370	9,160	210	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%
63. Washita County	6,030	5,890	130	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%
64. Murray County	8,480	8,300	180	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%	2.8%
65. Cotton County	4,150	4,070	80	2.0%	2.2%	2.4%	2.7%
66. Dewey County	2,510	2,460	50	2.0%	2.2%	2.4%	2.7%
67. Garfield County	30,290	29,700	600	2.0%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%
68. Grant County	2,530	2,480	50	2.0%	2.2%	2.5%	3.3%
69. Harper County	1,890	1,850	40	2.0%	2.3%	2.3%	2.8%
70. Woods County	4,390	4,300	90	2.0%	2.3%	2.5%	6.0%
71. Major County	4,050	3,980	80	1.9%	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%
72. Beckham County	12,060	11,850	210	1.8%	1.9%	2.1%	2.3%
73. Ellis County	2,390	2,350	40	1.8%	2.1%	2.2%	2.6%
74. Kingfisher County	8,400	8,250	150	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%	2.5%
75. Beaver County	3,160	3,110	60	1.7%	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%
76. Roger Mills County	1,900	1,870	30	1.7%	2.0%	2.3%	2.7%
77. Woodward County	12,350	12,130	220	1.7%	2.0%	2.1%	2.5%

### LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data) By county

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Adair County	11,140	10,710	430	3.9%	4.4%	4.5%	4.5%
Alfalfa County	2,330	2,270	60	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%	4.4%
Atoka County	5,910	5,710	200	3.4%	4.0%	4.3%	5.9%
Beaver County	3,160	3,110	60	1.7%	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%
Beckham County	12,060	11,850	210	1.8%	1.9%	2.1%	2.3%
Blaine County	5,020	4,890	140	2.8%	3.0%	3.3%	3.8%
Bryan County	21,150	20,600	540	2.6%	2.9%	3.0%	3.3%
Caddo County	11,950	11,550	390	3.3%	3.7%	4.0%	5.3%
Canadian County	50,540	49,190	1,350	2.7%	3.0%	3.1%	3.7%
Carter County	25,990	25,360	620	2.4%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%
Cherokee County	24,170	23,500	670	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%	4.0%
Choctaw County	6,880	6,620	260	3.8%	4.5%	4.9%	4.9%
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Cleveland County	115,460	112,400	3,060	2.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
Coal County	2,510	2,420	90	3.6%	4.3%	4.5%	6.6%
Comanche County	45,120	43,810	1,310	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Cotton County	4,150	4,070	80	2.0%	2.2%	2.4%	2.7%
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Grant County	2,530	2,480	50	2.0%	2.2%	2.5%	3.3%
Greer County	1,940	1,890	60	3.0%	3.8%	4.1%	4.4%
Harmon County	1,260	1,230	40	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%	3.5%
Harper County	1,890	1,850	40	2.0%	2.3%	2.3%	2.8%
Haskell County	5,710	5,530	180	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%
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Kingfisher County	8,400	8,250	150	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%	2.5%
Kiowa County	3,920	3,790	130	3.2%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
Latimer County	4,220	4,060	160	3.7%	4.2%	4.6%	5.0%

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Lincoln County	14,210	13,810	410	2.8%	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%
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Marshall County	6,340	6,150	190	2.9%	3.3%	3.8%	4.0%
Mayes County	18,310	17,760	550	3.0%	3.5%	3.8%	4.1%
McClain County	14,560	14,150	410	2.8%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%
McCurtain County	13,960	13,300	660	4.7%	5.4%	5.9%	6.0%
McIntosh County	8,360	8,050	310	3.7%	4.1%	4.5%	5.4%
Murray County	8,480	8,300	180	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%	2.8%
Muskogee County	29,510	28,450	1,060	3.6%	4.2%	4.6%	5.5%
Noble County	5,940	5,820	130	2.2%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Nowata County	4,870	4,710	160	3.3%	3.7%	4.1%	4.8%
Okfuskee County	4,630	4,490	130	2.9%	3.5%	3.9%	4.8%
Oklahoma County	321,500	311,890	9,610	3.0%	3.4%	3.7%	4.3%
Okmulgee County	15,930	15,300	630	3.9%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Osage County	19,950	19,300	650	3.2%	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%
Ottawa County	16,980	16,380	600	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%	4.8%
Pawnee County	7,440	7,200	230	3.1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.4%
Payne County	37,770	36,810	960	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%
Pittsburg County	23,130	22,550	580	2.5%	2.8%	3.1%	3.8%
Pontotoc County	20,240	19,790	460	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%	3.5%
Pottawatomie County	32,990	32,020	970	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Pushmataha County	5,030	4,840	190	3.7%	4.3%	4.8%	4.4%
Roger Mills County	1,900	1,870	30	1.7%	2.0%	2.3%	2.7%
Rogers County	39,060	38,000	1,060	2.7%	3.0%	3.3%	3.6%
Seminole County	10,540	10,150	390	3.7%	4.2%	4.6%	5.7%
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Texas County	9,370	9,160	210	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%
Tillman County	3,440	3,320	120	3.5%	3.9%	4.2%	5.1%
Tulsa County	284,650	276,600	8,060	2.8%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%
Wagoner County	31,770	30,860	910	2.9%	3.2%	3.4%	3.6%
Washington County	26,880	26,250	630	2.3%	2.7%	2.8%	3.3%
Washita County	6,030	5,890	130	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	3.0%
Woods County	4,390	4,300	90	2.0%	2.3%	2.5%	6.0%
Woodward County	12,350	12,130	220	1.7%	2.0%	2.1%	2.5%

## LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data) Workforce Investments Areas (WIAs) & Local Labor Markets (LLMs)

	APRIL 2008		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				E
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07
OKLAHOMA	1,718,500	1,669,100	49,400	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
Central WIA	389,520	378,070	11,460	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
Oklahoma City LLM	389,520	378,070	11,460	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
Cleveland County WIA	115,460	112,400	3,060	2.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
Norman LLM	115,460	112,400	3,060	2.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
East Central WIA	67,040	64,930	2,100	3.1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.5%
Holdenville LLM	9,290	8,950	340	3.7%	4.3%	4.6%	5.3%
Shawnee LLM	57,740	55,980	1,760	3.1%	3.5%	3.7%	4.4%
Eastern WIA	138,820	133,960	4,860	3.5%	3.9%	4.3%	4.7%
Muskogee LLM	69,630	67,360	2,280	3.3%	3.7%	4.0%	4.6%
Okmulgee LLM	15,930	15,300	630	3.9%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	53,260	51,300	1,950	3.7%	4.0%	4.6%	4.7%
North Central WIA	119,700	116,900	2,800	2.3%	2.6%	2.8%	3.4%
Enid LLM	52,640	51,560	1,080	2.0%	2.3%	2.5%	3.0%
Ponca City LLM	29,280	28,520	760	2.6%	2.9%	3.3%	4.2%
Stillwater LLM	37,770	36,810	960	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%
Northeast WIA	132,130	128,340	3,790	2.9%	3.3%	3.6%	3.9%
Bartlesville LLM	31,750	30,960	790	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	75,960	73,760	2,200	2.9%	3.3%	3.6%	3.9%
Miami-Vinita LLM	24,430	23,620	810	3.3%	4.0%	4.3%	4.7%
Northwest WIA	37,310	36,590	720	1.9%	2.2%	2.4%	3.1%
Guymon LLM	13,780	13,490	290	2.1%	2.3%	2.6%	2.9%
Woodward LLM	23,530	23,090	430	1.8%	2.1%	2.2%	3.3%
South Central WIA	126,000	122,320	3,670	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%
Chickasha LLM	49,460	47,950	1,510	3.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
Duncan LLM	23,840	23,180	660	2.8%	3.0%	3.2%	3.6%
Lawton LLM	52,700	51,190	1,510	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Southeast WIA	80,060	77,150	2,900	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%	4.7%
Broken Bow-Idabel- Antlers-Hugo LLM	25,870	24,760	1,100	4.3%	5.0%	5.4%	5.4%
McAlester LLM	27,350	26,620	730	2.7%	3.0%	3.3%	4.0%
Poteau LLM	26,850	25,780	1,070	4.0%	4.1%	4.8%	4.8%
Southern WIA	115,700	112,800	2,900	2.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.6%
Ada LLM	35,050	34,240	810	2.3%	2.5%	2.7%	3.4%
Ardmore LLM	39,690	38,770	920	2.3%	2.7%	2.9%	3.3%
Durant LLM	40,970	39,790	1,180	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Southwest WIA	54,120	52,900	1,210	2.2%	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%
Altus LLM	19,680	19,160	520	2.7%	3.1%	3.2%	3.8%
Elk City-Weatherford- Clinton LLM	34,430	33,740	690	2.0%	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%
Tulsa WIA	342,640	332,730	9,920	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%
Tulsa LLM	342,640	332,730	9,920	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%

### LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data) Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)

	APRIL 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Apr '08	Mar '08	Feb '08	Apr '07
OKLAHOMA	1,718,500	1,669,100	49,400	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
Oklahoma City MSA	556,710	540,680	16,040	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.0%
Tulsa MSA	429,400	416,890	12,510	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%
Lawton MSA	45,120	43,810	1,310	2.9%	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%

### LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (revised data) By county

	MARCH 200	8		UNEMP	LOYME	NT RAT	Έ
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Mar '08	Feb '08	Jan '08	Mar '07
Adair County	11,120	10,630	490	4.4%	4.5%	5.6%	4.9%
Alfalfa County	2,360	2,290	70	2.8%	3.0%	4.0%	4.6%
Atoka County	5,890	5,660	230	4.0%	4.3%	5.1%	6.3%
Beaver County	3,150	3,090	60	1.8%	2.1%	2.4%	2.7%
Beckham County	11,820	11,590	230	1.9%	2.1%	2.5%	2.6%
Blaine County	4,970	4,820	150	3.0%	3.3%	4.1%	4.5%
Bryan County	21,090	20,490	600	2.9%	3.0%	3.6%	3.5%
Caddo County	11,980	11,540	440	3.7%	4.0%	4.9%	5.3%
Canadian County	50,210	48,680	1,530	3.0%	3.1%	3.8%	4.0%
Carter County	25,660	24,940	720	2.8%	3.0%	3.6%	3.7%
Cherokee County	23,420	22,720	710	3.0%	3.5%	4.2%	4.6%
Choctaw County	6,840	6,530	310	4.5%	4.9%	6.2%	5.5%
Cimarron County	1,260	1,220	40	2.9%	3.1%	3.7%	4.2%
Cleveland County	114,610	111,230	3,390	3.0%	3.2%	3.8%	3.8%
Coal County	2,480	2,380	110	4.3%	4.5%	5.3%	6.6%
Comanche County	45,040	43,550	1,490	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%
Cotton County	4,100	4,010	90	2.2%	2.4%	3.0%	3.3%
Craig County	7,440	7,180	260	3.5%	4.0%	4.7%	4.8%
Creek County	30,690	29,600	1,090	3.6%	3.8%	4.5%	4.6%
Custer County	14,210	13,870	340	2.4%	2.5%	3.0%	3.4%
Delaware County	18,410	17,730	680	3.7%	4.1%	5.0%	4.8%
Dewey County	2,500	2,440	60	2.2%	2.4%	3.1%	3.4%
Ellis County	2,410	2,360	50	2.1%	2.2%	2.9%	2.8%
<b>Garfield County</b>	30,080	29,410	670	2.2%	2.4%	2.9%	3.1%
<b>Garvin County</b>	14,690	14,310	380	2.6%	2.8%	3.4%	3.5%
<b>Grady County</b>	22,800	22,010	780	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%	4.9%
<b>Grant County</b>	2,560	2,500	60	2.2%	2.5%	2.9%	3.6%
Greer County	1,970	1,900	70	3.8%	4.1%	4.8%	5.0%
Harmon County	1,270	1,220	40	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%
Harper County	1,890	1,850	40	2.3%	2.3%	2.8%	3.6%
Haskell County	5,680	5,480	190	3.4%	3.6%	4.5%	4.8%
<b>Hughes County</b>	4,700	4,460	240	5.1%	5.3%	6.6%	6.5%
Jackson County	12,550	12,210	340	2.7%	2.9%	3.5%	3.8%
Jefferson County	2,340	2,260	80	3.5%	3.9%	5.0%	5.2%
Johnston County	5,100	4,920	180	3.6%	3.7%	4.8%	4.4%
Kay County	23,040	22,350	700	3.0%	3.4%	4.2%	4.8%
Kingfisher County	8,400	8,220	180	2.1%	2.4%	2.7%	2.8%
Kiowa County	3,900	3,760	140	3.6%	3.9%	4.5%	5.0%
Latimer County	4,230	4,060	180	4.2%	4.6%	5.6%	4.9%

	<b>MARCH 2008</b>	3		UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Mar '08	Feb '08	Jan '08	Mar '07	
LeFlore County	21,380	20,460	920	4.3%	5.2%	5.7%	5.2%	
Lincoln County	14,130	13,660	470	3.3%	3.5%	4.4%	4.3%	
Logan County	17,370	16,810	560	3.2%	3.4%	4.2%	4.1%	
Love County	5,150	5,020	140	2.7%	2.8%	3.5%	3.4%	
Major County	4,060	3,960	90	2.3%	2.5%	2.9%	3.1%	
Marshall County	6,290	6,080	210	3.3%	3.8%	4.5%	4.3%	
Mayes County	18,270	17,630	640	3.5%	3.8%	4.6%	4.6%	
McClain County	14,470	14,000	460	3.2%	3.3%	4.0%	4.3%	
McCurtain County	13,970	13,210	760	5.4%	5.9%	7.7%	6.6%	
McIntosh County	8,400	8,050	350	4.1%	4.5%	5.6%	6.1%	
Murray County	8,340	8,150	190	2.3%	2.5%	3.2%	3.1%	
Muskogee County	29,340	28,110	1,230	4.2%	4.6%	5.7%	6.2%	
Noble County	5,930	5,780	150	2.5%	2.8%	3.5%	3.7%	
Nowata County	4,860	4,680	180	3.7%	4.1%	5.1%	4.5%	
Okfuskee County	4,620	4,450	160	3.5%	3.9%	4.6%	5.2%	
Oklahoma County	319,620	308,620	11,000	3.4%	3.7%	4.5%	4.7%	
Okmulgee County	16,030	15,290	740	4.6%	4.9%	5.9%	5.7%	
Osage County	19,990	19,280	700	3.5%	3.8%	4.8%	4.2%	
Ottawa County	16,800	16,100	700	4.2%	4.5%	5.2%	5.5%	
Pawnee County	7,470	7,200	270	3.6%	3.8%	4.6%	4.7%	
Payne County	37,880	36,810	1,070	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%	3.6%	
Pittsburg County	23,110	22,460	660	2.8%	3.1%	3.9%	4.4%	
Pontotoc County	20,410	19,900	510	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%	3.6%	
Pottawatomie County	32,910	31,840	1,080	3.3%	3.5%	4.4%	4.5%	
Pushmataha County	4,950	4,740	210	4.3%	4.8%	5.8%	4.9%	
Roger Mills County	1,890	1,850	40	2.0%	2.3%	2.6%	2.8%	
Rogers County	39,160	37,970	1,190	3.0%	3.3%	3.9%	3.9%	
Seminole County	10,570	10,120	450	4.2%	4.6%	5.5%	5.9%	
Sequoyah County	18,170	17,270	890	4.9%	6.1%	7.1%	6.2%	
Stephens County	21,510	20,870	640	3.0%	3.2%	3.9%	3.9%	
Texas County	9,380	9,150	230	2.4%	2.6%	3.1%	3.5%	
Tillman County	3,420	3,290	130	3.9%	4.2%	4.9%	5.4%	
Tulsa County	285,510	276,370	9,140	3.2%	3.4%	4.1%	4.0%	
Wagoner County	31,850	30,830	1,010	3.2%	3.4%	4.0%	4.1%	
Washington County	26,830	26,120	720	2.7%	2.8%	3.4%	3.6%	
Washita County	5,990	5,840	140	2.4%	2.6%	3.1%	3.1%	
Woods County	4,380	4,280	100	2.3%	2.5%	3.3%	7.3%	
<b>Woodward County</b>	12,320	12,080	250	2.0%	2.1%	2.8%	2.8%	

## LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (revised data) Workforce Investments Areas (WIAs) & Local Labor Markets (LLMs)

	MARCH 2008	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Mar '08	Feb '08	Jan '08	Mar '07
OKLAHOMA	1,713,580	1,657,790	55,780	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%
Central WIA	387,200	374,100	13,100	3.4%	3.6%	4.4%	4.5%
Oklahoma City LLM	387,200	374,100	13,100	3.4%	3.6%	4.4%	4.5%
Cleveland County WIA	114,610	111,230	3,390	3.0%	3.2%	3.8%	3.8%
Norman LLM	114,610	111,230	3,390	3.0%	3.2%	3.8%	3.8%
East Central WIA	66,920	64,530	2,390	3.6%	3.8%	4.7%	4.8%
Holdenville LLM	9,310	8,910	400	4.3%	4.6%	5.6%	5.9%
Shawnee LLM	57,610	55,620	1,990	3.5%	3.7%	4.6%	4.7%
Eastern WIA	138,320	132,900	5,420	3.9%	4.3%	5.3%	5.3%
Muskogee LLM	69,580	66,990	2,590	3.7%	4.0%	4.9%	5.2%
Okmulgee LLM	16,030	15,290	740	4.6%	4.9%	5.9%	5.7%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	52,710	50,620	2,090	4.0%	4.6%	5.5%	5.2%
North Central WIA	119,280	116,140	3,130	2.6%	2.8%	3.4%	3.7%
Enid LLM	52,420	51,210	1,220	2.3%	2.5%	3.0%	3.3%
Ponca City LLM	28,970	28,120	850	2.9%	3.3%	4.0%	4.6%
Stillwater LLM	37,880	36,810	1,070	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%	3.6%
Northeast WIA	131,770	127,410	4,360	3.3%	3.6%	4.3%	4.3%
Bartlesville LLM	31,700	30,800	900	2.8%	3.0%	3.7%	3.7%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	75,840	73,330	2,510	3.3%	3.6%	4.3%	4.3%
Miami-Vinita LLM	24,240	23,280	960	4.0%	4.3%	5.1%	5.3%
Northwest WIA	37,290	36,480	820	2.2%	2.4%	3.0%	3.7%
Guymon LLM	13,790	13,470	320	2.3%	2.6%	3.0%	3.4%
Woodward LLM	23,510	23,010	500	2.1%	2.2%	2.9%	3.9%
South Central WIA	125,660	121,540	4,120	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%
Chickasha LLM	49,250	47,560	1,690	3.4%	3.6%	4.3%	4.8%
Duncan LLM	23,850	23,140	720	3.0%	3.2%	4.0%	4.0%
Lawton LLM	52,560	50,850	1,710	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.4%
Southeast WIA	80,170	76,940	3,230	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%	5.2%
Broken Bow-Idabel- Antlers-Hugo LLM	25,760	24,480	1,280	5.0%	5.4%	7.0%	6.0%
McAlester LLM	27,350	26,510	830	3.0%	3.3%	4.2%	4.5%
Poteau LLM	27,060	25,950	1,110	4.1%	4.8%	5.5%	5.1%
Southern WIA	115,110	111,840	3,270	2.8%	3.0%	3.7%	3.8%
Ada LLM	35,100	34,220	880	2.5%	2.7%	3.3%	3.6%
Ardmore LLM	39,160	38,100	1,050	2.7%	2.9%	3.5%	3.6%
Durant LLM	40,850	39,520	1,330	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%
Southwest WIA	53,600	52,240	1,350	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%	3.5%
Altus LLM	19,690	19,090	600	3.1%	3.2%	3.8%	4.2%
Elk City-Weatherford- Clinton LLM	33,910	33,160	750	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%	3.1%
Tulsa WIA	343,650	332,450	11,200	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.0%
Tulsa LLM	343,650	332,450	11,200	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.0%

### LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (revised data) Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs)

	<b>MARCH 2008</b>	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Mar '08	Feb '08	Jan '08	Mar '07
OKLAHOMA	1,713,580	1,657,790	55,780	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%
Oklahoma City MSA	553,210	535,010	18,200	3.3%	3.5%	4.3%	4.4%
Tulsa MSA	430,690	416,550	14,150	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.1%
Lawton MSA	45,040	43,550	1,490	3.3%	3.5%	4.2%	4.5%