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OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT - May 2008

Oklahoma's statewide unemployment rate up in May

In May, Oklahoma's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 3.5 percent. For the May-to-May period, the statewide non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped by 0.9 percent.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS*

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
MAY '08	1,735,360	1,674,120	61,240	3.5%
Apr '08	1,718,150	1,668,730	49,420	2.9%
May '07	1,731,720	1,655,620	76,100	4.4%

^{*}non-seasonally adjusted

May job counts up for state as well as both MSAs

- ➡ Oklahoma's statewide TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT grew by 8,400 jobs (+0.5 percent) in May. More than 40 percent of the jobs gained for the month came from outside of the Oklahoma City and Tulsa MSAs.
- ⇒ The largest monthly addition in May was provided by Leisure & Hospitality. This industry has expanded each month since January 2008.
- Government was the only statewide industry to report an over-the-year loss in May. This is the second straight month that the industry has shed jobs compared to the same time last year.

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

	May '08	Apr '08	May '07
OKLAHOMA	1,594,000	1,585,600	1,572,100
OKC MSA	577,700	574,400	568,600
Tulsa MSA	428,600	426,900	427,500

CHANGE in TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	o May '08
OKLAHOMA	8,400	0.5%	21,900	1.4%
OKC MSA	3,300	0.6%	9,100	1.6%
Tulsa MSA	1,700	0.4%	1,100	0.3%

^{*}non-seasonally adjusted

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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

The statistics in this section are gathered from the **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)** program. LAUS produces labor force, employment, unemployment and unemployment rate estimates for the state and its subdivisions based on where workers live. Data is taken from a monthly household survey, and all LAUS numbers refer to individual persons rather than their jobs.

State unemployment, unemployment rate increase in May

In May, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** expanded by 0.6 percent to 3.5 percent for the month. Statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force**, **employment** and **unemployment** all expanded over the month, with **unemployment's** 23.9 percent increase leading to the monthly unemployment rate gain. Since May 2007, statewide **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** has dropped by more than 19.0 percent.

	MAY 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	May '08	Apr '08	Mar '08	May '07	
OKLAHOMA	1,735,360	1,674,120	61,240	3.5%	2.9%	3.3%	4.4%	
United States	154,003,000	145,926,000	8,076,000	5.2%	4.8%	5.2%	4.3%	

	NON-SEASONA	ALLY ADJUSTE	D	SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	
MAY 2008	1,735,360	1,674,120	61,240	1,735,130	1,674,080	61,050	
Monthly change (#)	17,200	5,390	11,820	11,570	6,030	5,540	
Monthly change (%)	1.0%	0.3%	23.9%	0.7%	0.4%	10.0%	
Annual change (#)	3,640	18,500	-14,860	640	16,920	-16,280	
Annual change (%)	0.2%	1.1%	-19.5%	0.0%	1.0%	-21.1%	
Participation rate*	62.9%	60.7%		62.9%	60.7%		

^{*} Participation rate represents the ratio of labor force or employment compared to the general population of Oklahoma.

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

The **Current Employment Statistics (CES)** program uses a monthly payroll survey of businesses to provide current non-farm establishment employment statistics. Non-farm employment is an estimate of employment by place of work. It does not include the self-employed, unpaid family members or agricultural workers. CES numbers refer to jobs instead of persons.

STATE of OKLAHOMA*

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Oklahoma employment continues to increase in May

Oklahoma **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** expanded by 8,400 jobs over the month in May. The month's largest employment increase of 2,300 jobs came from **Leisure & Hospitality**. Only two sectors, **Natural Resources & Mining** and **Educational & Health Services**, reported monthly employment losses in May.

Over the year, statewide employment grew by 21,900 jobs. The only industry that failed to add jobs over the year was **Government**, where large losses in **Local Government** hindered annual growth.

	NUMBER O	CHANGE	i I				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '0		May '07 to May '08	
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	1,594,000	1,585,600	1,572,100	8,400	0.5%	21,900	1.4%
Goods Producing Industries	276,300	274,500	266,200	1,800	0.7%	10,100	3.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	51,000	51,100	45,200	-100	-0.2%	5,800	12.8%
Construction	74,000	72,800	70,800	1,200	1.6%	3,200	4.5%
Manufacturing	151,300	150,600	150,200	700	0.5%	1,100	0.7%
Service Providing Industries	1,317,700	1,311,100	1,305,900	6,600	0.5%	11,800	0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	288,800	287,400	287,300	1,400	0.5%	1,500	0.5%
Financial Activities	84,600	84,200	83,500	400	0.5%	1,100	1.3%
Professional & Business Svcs.	183,300	182,200	180,800	1,100	0.6%	2,500	1.4%
Educational & Health Services	196,400	196,900	191,900	-500	-0.3%	4,500	2.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	145,300	143,000	142,000	2,300	1.6%	3,300	2.3%
Government	326,700	325,200	328,600	1,500	0.5%	-1,900	-0.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Natural Resources & Mining down slightly in May

Statewide **Natural Resources & Mining** shed 100 jobs in May. The industry added 5,800 jobs, or 12.8 percent, over the year.

	NUMBER C	NUMBER OF JOBS (CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08		
Natural Resources & Mining	51,000	51,100	45,200	-100	-0.2%	5,800	12.8%	
Support Activities for Mining	27,600	27,600	25,300	0	0.0%	2,300	9.1%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

Statewide Construction continues to grow in May

In May, employment in statewide **Construction** expanded by 1,200 jobs over the month and 3,200 jobs over the year. **Specialty Trade Contractors** contributed a majority of the monthly and annual gains.

	NUMBER C	NUMBER OF JOBS				CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08			
Construction	74,000	72,800	70,800	1,200	1.6%	3,200	4.5%		
Construction of Buildings	15,900	15,600	15,300	300	1.9%	600	3.9%		
Heavy & Civil Engineering	11,800	11,800	11,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Specialty Trade Contractors	46,300	45,400	43,700	900	2.0%	2,600	5.9%		
				Johs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

Statewide Manufacturing up for month, year

Oklahoma **Manufacturing** expanded by 700 jobs in May due to the **Non-durable Goods Manufacturing** sector. **Durable Goods Manufacturing** contributed a majority of the 1,100 jobs added for the year.

	NUMBER C	NUMBER OF JOBS 0			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08		
Manufacturing	151,300	150,600	150,200	700	0.5%	1,100	0.7%	
Durable Goods Manufacturing	103,300	103,300	102,500	0	0.0%	800	0.8%	
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	48,000	47,300	47,700	700	1.5%	300	0.6%	
				Johs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

Retail Trade provides most TTU monthly growth in May

Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU) gained 1,400 jobs in May due in large part to **Retail Trade**. Overthe-year losses in **Wholesale Trade** tempered annual additions for **TTU**.

	NUMBER O	NUMBER OF JOBS				CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08			
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	288,800	287,400	287,300	1,400	0.5%	1,500	0.5%		
Wholesale Trade	58,600	58,500	59,700	100	0.2%	-1,100	-1.8%		
Retail Trade	172,300	171,200	170,600	1,100	0.6%	1,700	1.0%		
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	57,900	57,700	57,000	200	0.3%	900	1.6%		
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.		

Financial Activities up over month and year in May

Financial Activities added 400 jobs over the month in May. **Real Estate and Rental & Leasing** provided three-quarters of the monthly gain, while **Finance & Insurance** contributed all of the annual expansion.

	NUMBER OF JOBS 0			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Financial Activities	84,600	84,200	83,500	400	0.5%	1,100	1.3%
Finance & Insurance	60,400	60,300	59,300	100	0.2%	1,100	1.9%
Real Estate and Rental & Leasing	24,200	23,900	24,200	300	1.3%	0	0.0%
				Johs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Professional & Business Services adds jobs for month, year

Professional & Business Services grew by 1,100 jobs over the month and 2,500 jobs over the year in May. **Professional & Scientific Services** and **Administrative & Support Services** shared the monthly growth and provided nearly nine out of every 10 jobs added over the year.

	NUMBER C	F JOBS	CHANGE				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Professional & Business Services	183,300	182,200	180,800	1,100	0.6%	2,500	1.4%
Professional & Scientific Services	63,600	63,300	62,600	300	0.5%	1,000	1.6%
Management of Companies	13,400	13,400	13,100	0	0.0%	300	2.3%
Administrative & Support Services	106,300	105,500	105,100	800	0.8%	1,200	1.1%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Monthly losses reported in Educational & Health Services

Educational & Health Services was one of only two statewide industries to shed jobs in May. The industry's 500-job monthly loss came from **Educational Services**, while **Health Care & Social Assistance** contributed more than 85 percent of the jobs added over the year.

	NUMBER O	CHANGE					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Educational & Health Services	196,400	196,900	191,900	-500	-0.3%	4,500	2.3%
Educational Services	19,900	20,700	19,300	-800	-3.9%	600	3.1%
Health Care & Social Assistance	176,500	176,200	172,600	300	0.2%	3,900	2.3%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Statewide Leisure & Hospitality up for month, year in May

Oklahoma **Leisure & Hospitality** continued its expansion in May with additions of 2,300 jobs for the month and 3,300 jobs for the year. **Accommodation & Food Services** provided most of the growth.

	NUMBER O	CHANGE					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
Leisure & Hospitality	145,300	143,000	142,000	2,300	1.6%	3,300	2.3%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	18,800	18,200	18,300	600	3.3%	500	2.7%
Accommodation & Food Services	126,500	124,800	123,700	1,700	1.4%	2,800	2.3%
				Johs	Pct.	Johs	Pct.

Government gains jobs back in May

Oklahoma **Government** rebounded from April's monthly job losses with a gain of 1,500 jobs in May. **Local Government** contributed most of the monthly addition and all of the annual loss.

	NUMBER C	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08	
Government	326,700	325,200	328,600	1,500	0.5%	-1,900	-0.6%	
Federal Government	45,600	45,600	45,400	0	0.0%	200	0.4%	
State Government	86,500	86,400	84,500	100	0.1%	2,000	2.4%	
Local Government	194,600	193,200	198,700	1,400	0.7%	-4,100	-2.1%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

Monthly, annual growth continues in Oklahoma City MSA

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT in the Oklahoma City metropolitan statistical area (MSA) expanded by 3,300 jobs in May, as all industries posted gains for the month. Much of the monthly growth came from the **Service Providing Industries**.

For the May-to-May period, the Oklahoma City MSA grew by 9,100 jobs. The big annual gainers in May were **Educational & Health Services** and **Leisure & Hospitality**. The only industries to report job losses for the year were **Manufacturing** and **Government**.

	NUMBER O	F JOBS		CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	577,700	574,400	568,600	3,300	0.6%	9,100	1.6%
Goods Producing Industries	80,500	79,900	77,400	600	0.8%	3,100	4.0%
Natural Resources & Mining	15,600	15,500	14,000	100	0.6%	1,600	11.4%
Construction	28,300	28,100	26,400	200	0.7%	1,900	7.2%
Manufacturing	36,600	36,300	37,000	300	0.8%	-400	-1.1%
Service Providing Industries	497,200	494,500	491,200	2,700	0.5%	6,000	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	103,100	102,800	101,100	300	0.3%	2,000	2.0%
Professional & Business Svcs.	75,900	75,600	74,000	300	0.4%	1,900	2.6%
Educational & Health Services	75,600	75,300	72,200	300	0.4%	3,400	4.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	58,800	58,100	55,900	700	1.2%	2,900	5.2%
Government	113,500	113,200	117,800	300	0.3%	-4,300	-3.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKC Natural Resources & Mining adds jobs for year

Oklahoma City Natural Resources & Mining grew by 100 jobs in May and 1,600 jobs over the year.

	NUMBER C	F JOBS		CHANGE				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08	
Natural Resources & Mining	15,600	15,500	14,000	100	0.6%	1,600	11.4%	_
				Johs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

OKC Construction reports growth for month, year

In May, Oklahoma City **Construction** gained back the 200 jobs it dropped in April. For the year, the industry added 1,900 jobs, a majority of which came from the **Specialty Trade Contractors** sector.

	NUMBER O	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE				
	May '08	May '08 Apr '08 Ma		Apr '08 to May '08		B May '07 to May '0			
Construction	28,300	28,100	26,400	200	0.7%	1,900	7.2%		
Specialty Trade Contractors	18,000	17,700	16,700	300	1.7%	1,300	7.8%		
				Johs	Pct.	.lobs	Pct		

OKC TTU up for month, year in May

Oklahoma City **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities (TTU)** grew by 300 jobs in May, driven by gains in **Retail Trade**. The **Retail Trade** sector also provided three of every four jobs added during the May-to-May period.

	NUMBER O	CHANGE					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	103,100	102,800	101,100	300	0.3%	2,000	2.0%
Wholesale Trade	23,500	23,500	23,100	0	0.0%	400	1.7%
Retail Trade	62,700	62,300	61,200	400	0.6%	1,500	2.5%
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	16,900	17,000	16,800	-100	-0.6%	100	0.6%
				Johs	Pct.	Johs	Pct

OKC Professional & Business Services expands in May

Oklahoma City **Professional & Business Services** added 300 jobs for the month and 1,900 jobs for the year in May. The **Administrative & Support Services** sector provided a majority of the industry's gains.

	NUMBER C	F JOBS	CHANGE				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Professional & Business Services	75,900	75,600	74,000	300	0.4%	1,900	2.6%
Professional & Scientific Services	27,100	27,100	26,900	0	0.0%	200	0.7%
Management of Companies	6,000	6,100	5,600	-100	-1.6%	400	7.1%
Administrative & Support Services	42,800	42,400	41,500	400	0.9%	1,300	3.1%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Educational & Health Services adds jobs for month, year

In May, Oklahoma City **Educational & Health Services** posted gains of 300 jobs for the month and 3,400 jobs for the year. The **Health Care & Social Assistance** sector provided all of the monthly and annual growth.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE				
	May '08 Apr '08 May '07		Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08		
Educational & Health Services	75,600	75,300	72,200	300	0.4%	3,400	4.7%	
Health Care & Social Assistance	67,400	67,100	64,000	300	0.4%	3,400	5.3%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

OKC Leisure & Hospitality continues growth in May

Oklahoma City **Leisure & Hospitality** expanded by 700 jobs in May. **Food Services & Drinking Places** contributed most of the growth for the month and all growth for the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08	
Leisure & Hospitality	58,800	58,100	55,900	700	1.2%	2,900	5.2%	
Food Svcs. & Drinking Places	47,600	47,000	43,900	600	1.3%	3,700	8.4%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

OKC Government reports additions for month, losses for year

Oklahoma City **Government** added 300 jobs for the month in May due entirely to **Local Government**. For the year, this industry shed 4,300 jobs, as all sectors contracted during the May-to-May period.

	NUMBER C	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08	
Government	113,500	113,200	117,800	300	0.3%	-4,300	-3.7%	
Federal Government	26,100	26,100	26,400	0	0.0%	-300	-1.1%	
State Government	39,200	39,200	41,800	0	0.0%	-2,600	-6.2%	
Local Government	48,200	47,900	49,600	300	0.6%	-1,400	-2.8%	
				Johs	Pct.	Johs	Pct.	

TULSA MSA*

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Tulsa MSA recovers from April losses in May

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT in the Tulsa metropolitan statistical area (MSA) rebounded from April's losses with a monthly gain of 1,700 jobs in May. Although a number of industries reported no change for the month, no losses were reported. **Leisure & Hospitality** claimed May's largest over-the-month gain.

For the year, Tulsa **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** added 1,100 jobs, due mostly to gains under the **Goods Producing Industries**. Although **Educational & Health Services** reported a large annual gain, losses in **Professional & Business Services** and **Government** led to a net annual loss for the **Service Providing Industries** in May.

	NUMBER O	CHANGE					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	428,600	426,900	427,500	1,700	0.4%	1,100	0.3%
Goods Producing Industries	81,700	81,000	79,200	700	0.9%	2,500	3.2%
Natural Resources & Mining	7,000	7,000	6,500	0	0.0%	500	7.7%
Construction	23,000	22,700	21,500	300	1.3%	1,500	7.0%
Manufacturing	51,700	51,300	51,200	400	0.8%	500	1.0%
Service Providing Industries	346,900	345,900	348,300	1,000	0.3%	-1,400	-0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	85,700	85,700	85,100	0	0.0%	600	0.7%
Professional & Business Svcs.	59,400	59,400	62,800	0	0.0%	-3,400	-5.4%
Educational & Health Services	59,200	59,200	57,400	0	0.0%	1,800	3.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	35,300	34,700	35,800	600	1.7%	-500	-1.4%
Government	52,900	52,800	54,200	100	0.2%	-1,300	-2.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Construction adds jobs for month, year

Construction in Tulsa grew by 300 jobs in May and expanded by 1,500 jobs over the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Construction	23,000	22,700	21,500	300	1.3%	1,500	7.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	14,800	14,500	14,000	300	2.1%	800	5.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa TTU even for month, up for year in May

Tulsa **Trade**, **Transportation & Utilities (TTU)** reported no change from April. For the year, additions to **Retail Trade** and **Transportation**, **Warehouse & Utilities** led to annual growth.

	NUMBER O	NUMBER OF JOBS					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	85,700	85,700	85,100	0	0.0%	600	0.7%
Wholesale Trade	17,900	17,900	18,300	0	0.0%	-400	-2.2%
Retail Trade	45,600	45,500	45,000	100	0.2%	600	1.3%
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	22,200	22,300	21,800	-100	-0.4%	400	1.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Professional & Business Services down over year

Tulsa's **Professional & Business Services** industry held steady over the month in May. The **Administrative & Support Services** sector provided nearly four of every five jobs shed during the May-to-May period.

	NUMBER O	NUMBER OF JOBS					
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May '08	
Professional & Business Services	59,400	59,400	62,800	0	0.0%	-3,400	-5.4%
Professional & Scientific Services	19,700	19,800	20,100	-100	-0.5%	-400	-2.0%
Management of Companies	5,600	5,600	5,900	0	0.0%	-300	-5.1%
Administrative & Support Services	34,100	34,000	36,800	100	0.3%	-2,700	-7.3%
				Johs	Pct.	Johs	Pct.

Tulsa Educational & Health Services up for year

Tulsa **Educational & Health Services** reported no change over the month in May, but added 1,800 jobs for the year. The annual gain came entirely from the **Health Care & Social Assistance** sector.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08		May '07 to May	
Educational & Health Services	59,200	59,200	57,400	0	0.0%	1,800	3.1%
Educational Services	7,200	7,300	7,300	-100	-1.4%	-100	-1.4%
Health Care & Social Assistance	52,000	51,900	50,100	100	0.2%	1,900	3.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Annual loss reported again for Tulsa Leisure & Hospitality

Tulsa **Leisure & Hospitality** continued to add jobs over the month in May. The industry reported a loss of 500 jobs for the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
Leisure & Hospitality	35,300	34,700	35,800	600	1.7%	-500	-1.4%
				Johs	Pct.	Johs	Pct.

Tulsa Government up slightly for month, down for year

Tulsa **Government** gained 100 jobs in May due to **Local Government**. This sector also provided 1,100 of the 1,300 jobs dropped during the May-to-May period.

	NUMBER O	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08	
Government	52,900	52,800	54,200	100	0.2%	-1,300	-2.4%	
Federal Government	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
State Government	7,100	7,100	7,300	0	0.0%	-200	-2.7%	
Local Government	41,100	41,000	42,200	100	0.2%	-1,100	-2.6%	
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.	

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – State of Oklahoma

	NUMBER EMPLOYED		CHANGE				
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
Total Non-farm Employment	1,594,000	1,585,600	1,572,100	8,400	0.5%	21,900	1.4%
Total Private Employment*	1,267,300	1,260,400	1,243,500	6,900	0.5%	23,800	1.9%
Private Service Providers**	991,000	985,900	977,300	5,100	0.5%	13,700	1.4%
Goods Producing Industries	276,300	274,500	266,200	1,800	0.7%	10,100	3.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	51,000	51,100	45,200	-100	-0.2%	5,800	12.8%
Support Activities for Mining	27,600	27,600	25,300	0	0.0%	2,300	9.1%
Construction	74,000	72,800	70,800	1,200	1.6%	3,200	4.5%
Construction of Buildings	15,900	15,600	15,300	300	1.9%	600	3.9%
Residential Buildings	6,300	6,100	6,100	200	3.3%	200	3.3%
Non-residential Buildings	9,600	9,500	9,200	100	1.1%	400	4.3%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	11,800	11,800	11,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	46,300	45,400	43,700	900	2.0%	2,600	5.9%
Bldg. Equip. Contractors	21,800	21,400	20,400	400	1.9%	1,400	6.9%
Manufacturing	151,300	150,600	150,200	700	0.5%	1,100	0.7%
Durable Goods Mfg.	103,300	103,300	102,500	0	0.0%	800	0.8%
Fabricated Metal Products	24,300	24,000	23,500	300	1.3%	800	3.4%
Other Fabricated Metal	4,900	4,900	4,700	0	0.0%	200	4.3%
Machinery Manufacturing	30,200	30,400	29,500	-200	-0.7%	700	2.4%
Electrical Equipment Mfg.	3,300	3,300	3,200	0	0.0%	100	3.1%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	15,700	15,800	16,300	-100	-0.6%	-600	-3.7%
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	2,300	2,400	2,700	-100	-4.2%	-400	-14.8%
Aerospace Products Mfg.	5,800	5,700	5,100	100	1.8%	700	13.7%
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	48,000	47,300	47,700	700	1.5%	300	0.6%
Food Manufacturing	19,800	19,800	19,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Paper Manufacturing	3,000	3,000	2,900	0	0.0%	100	3.4%
Plastic & Rubber Products	11,100	11,100	11,400	0	0.0%	-300	-2.6%
Service Providing Industries	1,317,700	1,311,100	1,305,900	6,600	0.5%	11,800	0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	288,800	287,400	287,300	1,400	0.5%	1,500	0.5%
Wholesale Trade	58,600	58,500	59,700	100	0.2%	-1,100	-1.8%
Retail Trade	172,300	171,200	170,600	1,100	0.6%	1,700	1.0%
Motor Vehicle & Parts	24,200	23,900	23,500	300	1.3%	700	3.0%
Automobile Dealers	15,200	15,000	14,900	200	1.3%	300	2.0%
Food & Beverage Stores	22,600	22,500	21,400	100	0.4%	1,200	5.6%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	45,400	45,300	44,600	100	0.2%	800	1.8%
Transport., Warehouse & Util.	57,900	57,700	57,000	200	0.3%	900	1.6%
Utilities	10,600	10,500	10,400	100	1.0%	200	1.9%
Transportation/Warehouse	47,300	47,200	46,600	100	0.2%	700	1.5%
Air Transportation	8,600	8,600	8,700	0	0.0%	-100	-1.1%
Truck Transportation	19,700	19,700	19,200	0	0.0%	500	2.6%
Information	28,900	28,800	28,800	100	0.3%	100	0.3%
Publishing Industries	7,100	7,100	7,200	0	0.0%	-100	-1.4%
Telecommunications	13,800	13,600	13,800	200	1.5%	0	0.0%

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to May '08	May '07 to	o May '08	
Financial Activities	84,600	84,200	83,500	400 0.5%	1,100	1.3%	
Finance & Insurance	60,400	60,300	59,300	100 0.2%	1,100	1.9%	
Credit Intermediation	32,200	32,300	31,600	-100 -0.3%	600	1.9%	
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	23,700	23,700	23,000	0 0.0%	700	3.0%	
Real Estate, Rental/Leasing	24,200	23,900	24,200	300 1.3%	0	0.0%	
Real Estate	11,500	11,300	11,300	200 1.8%	200	1.8%	
Pro. & Business Services	183,300	182,200	180,800	1,100 0.6%	2,500	1.4%	
Pro. & Scientific Services	63,600	63,300	62,600	300 0.5%	1,000	1.6%	
Legal Services	12,600	12,500	12,700	100 0.8%	-100	-0.8%	
Accounting & Tax Prep.	12,600	14,000	12,600	-1,400 -10.0%	0	0.0%	
Architecture/Engineering	12,700	12,500	12,600	200 1.6%	100	0.8%	
Management of Companies	13,400	13,400	13,100	0 0.0%	300	2.3%	
Admin. & Support Services	106,300	105,500	105,100	800 0.8%	1,200	1.1%	
Employment Services	48,600	47,500	48,200	1,100 2.3%	400	0.8%	
Business Support Svcs.	18,600	18,600	18,100	0 0.0%	500	2.8%	
Services to Buildings	15,500	15,000	14,500	500 3.3%	1,000	6.9%	
Educational & Health Svcs.	196,400	196,900	191,900	-500 -0.3%	4,500	2.3%	
Educational Services	19,900	20,700	19,300	-800 -3.9%	600	3.1%	
Health Care & Social Asst.	176,500	176,200	172,600	300 0.2%	3,900	2.3%	
Ambulatory Health Care	64,000	64,000	63,000	0 0.0%	1,000	1.6%	
Hospitals	53,200	53,100	51,000	100 0.2%	2,200	4.3%	
Nursing & Residential Care	34,500	34,500	34,000	0 0.0%	500	1.5%	
Social Assistance	24,800	24,600	24,600	200 0.8%	200	0.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	145,300	143,000	142,000	2,300 1.6%	3,300	2.3%	
Arts, Entertainment & Rec.	18,800	18,200	18,300	600 3.3%	500	2.7%	
Accommodation & Food Svc.	126,500	124,800	123,700	1,700 1.4%	2,800	2.3%	
Accommodation	11,400	11,300	11,500	100 0.9%	-100	-0.9%	
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	115,100	113,500	112,200	1,600 1.4%	2,900	2.6%	
Full-service Restaurants	52,400	51,900	51,400	500 1.0%	1,000	1.9%	
Limited-service Eating	56,300	55,400	55,300	900 1.6%	1,000	1.8%	
Other Services	63,700	63,400	63,000	300 0.5%	700	1.1%	
Repair & Maintenance	14,100	14,000	13,500	100 0.7%	600	4.4%	
Personal & Laundry Services	13,800	13,500	13,800	300 2.2%	0	0.0%	
Government	326,700	325,200	328,600	1,500 0.5%	-1,900	-0.6%	
Federal Government	45,600	45,600	45,400	0 0.0%	200	0.4%	
State Government	86,500	86,400	84,500	100 0.1%	2,000	2.4%	
Local Government	194,600	193,200	198,700	1,400 0.7%	-4,100	-2.1%	

^{*} Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT – Government) ** Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES – Government)

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Oklahoma City MSA

	NUMBER	EMPLOYE	<u> </u>	CHANG	E		
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 to	May '08
Total Non-farm Employment	577,700	574,400	568,600	3,300	0.6%	9,100	1.6%
Total Private Employment*	464,200	461,200	450,800	3,000	0.7%	13,400	3.0%
Private Service Providers**	383,700	381,300	373,400	2,400	0.6%	10,300	2.8%
Goods Producing Industries	80,500	79,900	77,400	600	0.8%	3,100	4.0%
Natural Resources & Mining	15,600	15,500	14,000	100	0.6%	1,600	11.4%
Construction	28,300	28,100	26,400	200	0.7%	1,900	7.2%
Specialty Trade Contractors	18,000	17,700	16,700	300	1.7%	1,300	7.8%
Manufacturing	36,600	36,300	37,000	300	0.8%	-400	-1.1%
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,200	27,100	27,200	100	0.4%	0	0.0%
Machinery Manufacturing	7,800	7,900	7,600	-100	-1.3%	200	2.6%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	5,300	5,400	5,800	-100	-1.9%	-500	-8.6%
Plastic & Rubber Products	1,500	1,500	1,600	0	0.0%	-100	-6.3%
Service Providing Industries	497,200	494,500	491,200	2,700	0.5%	6,000	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	103,100	102,800	101,100	300	0.3%	2,000	2.0%
Wholesale Trade	23,500	23,500	23,100	0	0.0%	400	1.7%
Retail Trade	62,700	62,300	61,200	400	0.6%	1,500	2.5%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	14,300	14,300	14,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transport, Warehouse & Util.	16,900	17,000	16,800	-100	-0.6%	100	0.6%
Information	12,300	12,200	12,400	100	0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Telecommunications	6,000	5,900	6,100	100	1.7%	-100	-1.6%
Financial Activities	34,500	34,300	34,800	200	0.6%	-300	-0.9%
Finance & Insurance	24,000	23,900	23,400	100	0.4%	600	2.6%
Rental & Leasing Services	5,800	5,700	6,100	100	1.8%	-300	-4.9%
Pro. & Business Services	75,900	75,600	74,000	300	0.4%	1,900	2.6%
Pro. & Scientific Services	27,100	27,100	26,900	0	0.0%	200	0.7%
Management of Companies	6,000	6,100	5,600	-100	-1.6%	400	7.1%
Admin. & Support Services	42,800	42,400	41,500	400	0.9%	1,300	3.1%
Employment Services	18,500	18,300	18,300	200	1.1%	200	1.1%
Business Support Svcs.	6,400	6,300	7,200	100	1.6%	-800	-11.1%
Educational & Health Svcs.	75,600	75,300	72,200	300	0.4%	3,400	4.7%
Health Care & Social Asst.	67,400	67,100	64,000	300	0.4%	3,400	5.3%
Ambulatory Health Care	25,700	25,700	24,800	0	0.0%	900	3.6%
Hospitals	20,900	20,900	19,900	0	0.0%	1,000	5.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	58,800	58,100	55,900	700	1.2%	2,900	5.2%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	47,600	47,000	43,900	600	1.3%	3,700	8.4%
Full-service Restaurants	21,200	21,000	20,400	200	1.0%	800	3.9%
Limited-service Eating	21,400	21,000	20,700	400	1.9%	700	3.4%
Other Services	23,500	23,000	23,000	500	2.2%	500	2.2%
Government	113,500	113,200	117,800	300	0.3%	-4,300	-3.7%
Federal Government	26,100	26,100	26,400	0	0.0%	-300	-1.1%
State Government	39,200	39,200	41,800	0	0.0%	-2,600	-6.2%
Local Government	48,200	47,900	49,600	300	0.6%	-1,400	-2.8%

^{*} Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT – Government)

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Tulsa MSA

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE			
	May '08	Apr '08	May '07	Apr '08 to	May '08	May '07 t	o May '08
Total Non-farm Employment	428,600	426,900	427,500	1,700	0.4%	1,100	0.3%
Total Private Employment*	375,700	374,100	373,300	1,600	0.4%	2,400	0.6%
Private Service Providers**	294,000	293,100	294,100	900	0.3%	-100	0.0%
Goods Producing Industries	81,700	81,000	79,200	700	0.9%	2,500	3.2%
Natural Resources & Mining	7,000	7,000	6,500	0	0.0%	500	7.7%
Construction	23,000	22,700	21,500	300	1.3%	1,500	7.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	14,800	14,500	14,000	300	2.1%	800	5.7%
Manufacturing	51,700	51,300	51,200	400	0.8%	500	1.0%
Machinery Manufacturing	11,400	11,300	11,200	100	0.9%	200	1.8%
Other Gen'l Purpose	5,500	5,500	5,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	5,700	5,700	5,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Service Providing Industries	346,900	345,900	348,300	1,000	0.3%	-1,400	-0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	85,700	85,700	85,100	0	0.0%	600	0.7%
Wholesale Trade	17,900	17,900	18,300	0	0.0%	-400	-2.2%
Retail Trade	45,600	45,500	45,000	100	0.2%	600	1.3%
Food & Beverage Stores	7,000	7,000	5,800	0	0.0%	1,200	20.7%
General Merchandise Store	10,300	10,300	10,700	0	0.0%	-400	-3.7%
Department Stores	4,100	4,100	4,300	0	0.0%	-200	-4.7%
Other Gen'l Merchandise	6,200	6,200	6,400	0	0.0%	-200	-3.1%
Transport, Warehouse & Util.	22,200	22,300	21,800	-100	-0.4%	400	1.8%
Utilities	3,400	3,400	3,200	0	0.0%	200	6.3%
Transportation & Warehouse	18,800	18,900	18,600	-100	-0.5%	200	1.1%
Air Transportation	7,400	7,400	7,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Information	10,300	10,200	9,900	100	1.0%	400	4.0%
Telecommunications	4,900	4,800	4,900	100	2.1%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	25,500	25,500	25,400	0	0.0%	100	0.4%
Insurance Carriers	5,100	5,200	4,900	-100	-1.9%	200	4.1%
Pro. & Business Services	59,400	59,400	62,800	0	0.0%	-3,400	-5.4%
Pro. & Scientific Services	19,700	19,800	20,100	-100	-0.5%	-400	-2.0%
Management of Companies	5,600	5,600	5,900	0	0.0%	-300	-5.1%
Admin. & Support Services	34,100	34,000	36,800	100	0.3%	-2,700	-7.3%
Employment Services	16,200	16,100	17,300	100	0.6%	-1,100	-6.4%
Business Support Svcs.	8,100	8,200	7,900	-100	-1.2%	200	2.5%
Educational & Health Svcs.	59,200	59,200	57,400	0	0.0%	1,800	3.1%
Educational Services	7,200	7,300	7,300	-100	-1.4%	-100	-1.4%
Health Care & Social Asst.	52,000	51,900	50,100	100	0.2%	1,900	3.8%
Ambulatory Health Care	17,000	17,000	17,900	0	0.0%	-900	-5.0%
Hospitals	18,500	18,400	18,000	100	0.5%	500	2.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	35,300	34,700	35,800	600	1.7%	-500	-1.4%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	30,400	29,900	30,500	500	1.7%	-100	-0.3%
Full-service Restaurants	14,700	14,500	15,100	200	1.4%	-400	-2.6%
Other Services	18,600	18,400	17,700	200	1.1%	900	5.1%
Government	52,900	52,800	54,200	100	0.2%	-1,300	-2.4%
Federal Government	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	7,100	7,100	7,300	0	0.0%	-200	-2.7%
Local Government	41,100	41,000	42,200	100	0.2%	-1,100	-2.6%

^{**} Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES – Government)

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Statewide

NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
MAY '08	1,735,360	1,674,120	61,240	3.5%
Apr '08	1,718,150	1,668,730	49,420	2.9%
Mar '08	1,713,580	1,657,790	55,780	3.3%
Feb '08	1,703,410	1,643,760	59,640	3.5%
Jan '08	1,719,400	1,646,460	72,940	4.2%
Dec '07	1,731,550	1,657,820	73,740	4.3%
Nov '07	1,746,130	1,674,650	71,480	4.1%
Oct '07	1,737,950	1,665,450	72,500	4.2%
Sep '07	1,728,950	1,658,630	70,320	4.1%
Aug '07	1,722,850	1,650,790	72,060	4.2%
Jul '07	1,746,740	1,670,430	76,310	4.4%
Jun '07	1,756,200	1,676,190	80,000	4.6%
May '07	1,731,720	1,655,620	76,100	4.4%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
MAY '08	1,735,130	1,674,080	61,050	3.5%
Apr '08	1,723,560	1,668,050	55,510	3.2%
Mar '08	1,721,700	1,668,600	53,100	3.1%
Feb '08	1,716,670	1,663,640	53,040	3.1%
Jan '08	1,733,970	1,669,740	64,230	3.7%
Dec '07	1,732,380	1,660,900	71,480	4.1%
Nov '07	1,734,630	1,660,460	74,160	4.3%
Oct '07	1,734,370	1,660,000	74,370	4.3%
Sep '07	1,734,060	1,659,480	74,580	4.3%
Aug '07	1,733,150	1,658,930	74,220	4.3%
Jul '07	1,735,290	1,658,330	76,970	4.4%
Jun '07	1,734,460	1,657,770	76,690	4.4%
May '07	1,734,480	1,657,150	77,330	4.5%