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## Oklahoma Employment Report - March 2005

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

<p><b>Oklahoma: 4.6%</b>    ↓ 0.2% for month                                  ↓ 0.5% over year</p> <p><b>MSAs</b>  <i>Oklahoma City MSA: 4.5%</i>  <i>Tulsa MSA: 4.4%</i>    <i>Lawton MSA: 4.3%</i></p>	<p><b>COUNTIES &amp; EQUIVALENTS</b>  <i>Highest rate: 8.4% (Coal County)</i>  <i>Lowest rate: 2.4% (Roger Mills County)</i>  <i>Big % gain: Blaine County    ↑ by 0.9% to 5.5%</i>  <i>Big % loss: Nowata County    ↓ by 1.3% to 5.8%</i></p>
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### AREAS OF INTEREST

<p><b>NATURAL RESOURCES &amp; MINING and PRO. &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES</b>                  ↑ more than 5% since Mar '04</p> <p><b>MANUFACTURING</b>                  ↓ 600 jobs over year</p> <p><b>NUMBER of UNEMPLOYED</b>                  ↓ more than 12% over year</p>	<p>March brought Oklahoma strong year-over-year growth in NATURAL RESOURCES &amp; MINING and PROFESSIONAL &amp; BUSINESS SERVICES. Over the year, these two industries added 1,700 jobs (+5.6%) and 8,000 jobs (+5.1%), respectively.</p> <p>Compared to March 2004, MANUFACTURING has dropped by 600 jobs (-0.4%). The NON-DURABLE GOODS sector was responsible for the year-over-year loss, as it shed 1,100 jobs for the year. The DURABLE GOODS MANUFACTURING sector actually grew by 500 jobs (+0.5%) compared to March 2004.</p> <p>The number of UNEMPLOYED Oklahomans dropped by 11,466 (-12.7%) between March 2004 and March 2005. A corresponding gain in EMPLOYMENT over the same period suggests that many of these formerly UNEMPLOYED persons re-entered the workforce.</p>
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### IN A NUTSHELL . . .

"Oklahoma's non-farm employment continued to pick up steam in March. While not quite on pace with February's strong annual growth rate, state employment is growing at a clip of 1.7 percent, much stronger than at any time in 2004. Oklahoma City virtually matched the state growth rate in March, while Tulsa saw small losses for the month. Although not directly measured, the indication is that the non-metro portions of the state are currently experiencing the strongest employment growth." – Lynn Gray, OESC Managing Economist

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## STATE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CONTINUES TO IMPROVE IN MARCH

In March 2005, the **State Unemployment Rate** dropped by two-tenths of a percent to 4.6 percent for the month. Since the 5.2 percent rate reported in January, Oklahoma's **Unemployment Rate** has decreased each month of 2005.

Oklahoma's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Employment** and **Non-seasonally Adjusted Labor Force** both held relatively steady from February to March, reporting gains of only 5,150 persons (+0.3 percent) and 1,430 persons (+0.1 percent), respectively. With two of the three factors controlling the unemployment rate at a relative stand still, the state's **Non-seasonally Adjusted Unemployment**, which dropped by 3,730 people (-4.8 percent) in March, is mostly responsible for the fluctuation in the unemployment rate.

One important point is that this does not mean that the 3,730 people who left the ranks of the unemployed all found jobs or are now counted as part of the **Employed** or **Labor Force** numbers. To be classified as unemployed for purposes of calculating the unemployment rate, one must not have a job and be actively seeking work. Those who do not actively seek work are known as "discouraged workers." People falling into this group are NOT counted as part of the employed, unemployed or labor force, and, as such, do not have any effect on the unemployment rate. Once a discouraged worker begins actively seeking work, that individual is once again part of the calculation.

In closing, it should be noted that Oklahoma's unemployment rate is at least four-tenths of the percent below any other state in our geographic region.

U.S. and Regional EMPLOYMENT		MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
		Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
OKLAHOMA		1,632,860	78,560	1,711,420	4.6%	4.8%	5.2%
United States		139,759,000	7,986,000	147,745,000	5.4%	5.8%	5.7%
REGION	Arkansas	1,250,390	71,110	1,321,500	5.4%	6.3%	6.2%
	Kansas	1,379,070	80,110	1,459,170	5.5%	5.6%	5.8%
	Louisiana	1,962,100	102,380	2,064,480	5.0%	5.9%	6.4%
	Missouri	2,824,470	183,100	3,007,570	6.1%	6.4%	6.6%
	New Mexico	873,070	54,880	927,950	5.9%	5.8%	5.4%
	Texas	10,478,250	615,320	11,093,570	5.5%	6.1%	6.2%

## TULSA & LAWTON SEE RATE DROPS, OKC HOLDS STEADY IN MARCH

Following the trend of the state, two of the three Oklahoma MSAs managed improvements in their unemployment rates for March. The **Oklahoma City MSA** was the odd man out as its unemployment rate held steady at 4.5 percent over the month. **Tulsa MSA** improved by three-tenths of a percent to 4.4 percent, as **Lawton MSA** also lost three-tenths to reach 4.3 percent for March.

Metropolitan Statistical Area EMPLOYMENT		MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
		Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Oklahoma City MSA		558,090	26,520	584,600	4.5%	4.5%	5.1%
Tulsa MSA		425,370	19,730	445,100	4.4%	4.7%	5.0%
Lawton MSA		44,860	2,040	46,900	4.3%	4.6%	5.0%

## COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST RATES SEE IMPROVEMENT OVER MONTH

**Coal County** once again claimed the state's highest unemployment rate in March, despite seeing its rate drop from 9.6 percent to 8.4 percent over the month. **Seminole County** held the second lowest rate at 8.3 percent, an improvement of half a percent. **Okfuskee County** was third for the month at 8.2 percent, also an improvement over the previous month.

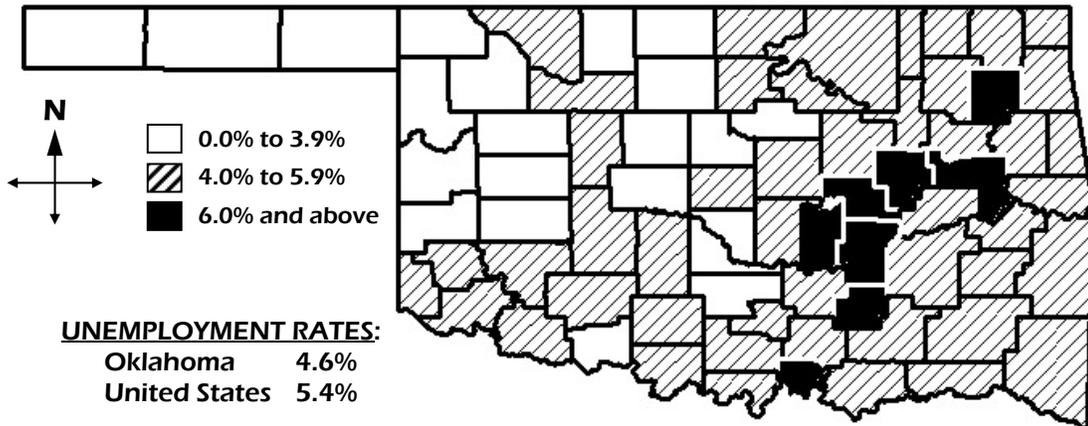
Highest County UNEMPLOYMENT	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Coal County	1,980	180	2,170	8.4%	9.6%	9.4%
Seminole County	8,560	780	9,340	8.3%	8.8%	9.8%
Okfuskee County	3,830	340	4,170	8.2%	8.6%	9.0%

## ROGER MILLS COUNTY REPORTS STATE'S LOWEST RATE IN MARCH

At 2.4 percent for the month, **Roger Mills County** held the state's lowest county unemployment rate in March. **Ellis County** came in second at 2.5 percent, and **Beckham County** rounded out the three lowest rates for the month at 2.7 percent.

Lowest County UNEMPLOYMENT	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Roger Mills County	1,760	40	1,810	2.4%	2.8%	2.9%
Ellis County	1,980	50	2,030	2.5%	3.0%	3.1%
Beckham County	10,770	300	11,070	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%

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



## STATE EMPLOYMENT LOGS STRONG GROWTH FOR MONTH, YEAR

Oklahoma's **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** added 11,000 jobs (+0.7 percent) in March, bringing the state's over-the-year gain to 24,400 jobs (+1.7 percent). For the **Goods Producing Industries, Natural Resources and Mining** was the big mover in March, growing by 1,700 jobs (+5.6 percent) over the year. The **Service Providing Industries** contributed most of the monthly and annual changes. **Trade, Transportation and Utilities** and **Professional and Business Services** provided over half of the state's monthly gain, while **Professional and Business Services** and **Government** added more than 17,000 jobs over the year.

OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.</b>	1,487,600	1,476,600	1,463,200	11,000	0.7%	24,400	1.7%
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>	233,500	233,000	232,700	500	0.2%	800	0.3%
Natural Resources & Mining	31,800	31,600	30,100	200	0.6%	1,700	5.6%
Manufacturing	140,700	141,100	141,300	-400	-0.3%	-600	-0.4%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>	1,254,100	1,243,600	1,230,500	10,500	0.8%	23,600	1.9%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	275,500	272,300	275,200	3,200	1.2%	300	0.1%
Pro. & Business Services	165,000	161,900	157,000	3,100	1.9%	8,000	5.1%
Education & Health Svcs.	181,800	181,600	178,800	200	0.1%	3,000	1.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	127,600	126,400	126,500	1,200	0.9%	1,100	0.9%
Government	313,000	312,600	303,600	400	0.1%	9,400	3.1%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING SEES BIG CHANGE OVER YEAR

**Natural Resources and Mining** across the state added 200 jobs (+0.6 percent) over the month, pushing its over-the-year gain to 1,700 jobs (+5.6 percent). The **Support Activities for Mining** sector provided around half of both the monthly and annual gains.

OKLAHOMA Natural Resources & Mining	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	31,800	31,600	30,100	200	0.6%	1,700	5.6%
Support Activities for Mining	15,800	15,700	14,900	100	0.6%	900	6.0%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## STATEWIDE CONSTRUCTION ADDS JOBS OVER MONTH IN MARCH

**Construction** gained 700 jobs (+1.2 percent) over the month, but fell 300 jobs short (-0.5 percent) of its March 2004 employment level. The **Heavy and Civil Engineering** and **Specialty Trade Contractors** sectors provided the over-the-month growth. **Specialty Trade Contractors** also provided the only annual growth seen in this industry for March. The **Construction** industry in Tulsa provided 500 of the 700 jobs gained for the month.

OKLAHOMA <b>Construction</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Construction</b>	61,000	60,300	61,300	700	1.2%	-300	-0.5%
Construction of Buildings	12,800	12,900	13,000	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.5%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	10,200	10,000	10,700	200	2.0%	-500	-4.7%
Specialty Trade Contractors	38,000	37,400	37,600	600	1.6%	400	1.1%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## OKLAHOMA MANUFACTURING DIPS IN MARCH 2005

Statewide **Manufacturing** dropped 400 jobs (-0.3 percent) in March, as the **Durable Goods** and **Non-durable Goods** sectors both lost jobs over the month. Since March 2004, **Durable Goods Manufacturing** in Oklahoma has added 500 jobs (+0.5 percent), while statewide **Non-durable Goods Manufacturing** has shed 1,100 jobs (-2.3 percent). Despite the slow month elsewhere, **Manufacturing** in Oklahoma City posted small job gains for both the month and year.

OKLAHOMA <b>Manufacturing</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Manufacturing</b>	140,700	141,100	141,300	-400	-0.3%	-600	-0.4%
Durable Goods	93,100	93,300	92,600	-200	-0.2%	500	0.5%
Non-durable Goods	47,600	47,800	48,700	-200	-0.4%	-1,100	-2.3%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## RETAIL TRADE BOUNCES BACK AFTER HOLIDAY SEASON

**Trade, Transportation and Utilities** added 3,200 jobs (+1.2 percent) in March, as the **Retail Trade** sector rebounded from seasonal losses following the holiday shopping season. The **Wholesale Trade** and **Transportation, Warehouse and Utilities** sectors both contributed over the month and year, but it was **Retail Trade** that spurred the over-the-month growth with an addition of 2,300 jobs (+1.4 percent) in March.

OKLAHOMA <b>Trade, Transport. &amp; Utils.</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Trade, Transport. &amp; Utils.</b>	275,500	272,300	275,200	3,200	1.2%	300	0.1%
Wholesale Trade	54,200	53,600	53,900	600	1.1%	300	0.6%
Retail Trade	168,100	165,800	168,200	2,300	1.4%	-100	-0.1%
Transp., Warehouse & Utils.	53,200	52,900	53,100	300	0.6%	100	0.2%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES REFLECTS HEALTHY GROWTH FOR MONTH AND YEAR IN MARCH

**Professional and Business Services** reported healthy gains for both the month and year in March 2005. The **Administrative and Support Services** sector, driven again by **Employment Services**, managed gains of 2,200 jobs (+2.4 percent) over the month and 6,500 jobs (+7.5 percent) over the year. **Professional and Scientific Services** also reported a big gain for the year, adding 1,300 jobs (+2.3 percent) between March 2004 and March 2005. Tulsa was the only MSA not contributing to the annual gain in this industry.

OKLAHOMA Pro. & Business Services	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Pro. &amp; Business Services</b>	165,000	161,900	157,000	3,100	1.9%	8,000	5.1%
Pro. & Scientific Svcs.	58,900	58,100	57,600	800	1.4%	1,300	2.3%
Management of Companies	12,500	12,400	12,300	100	0.8%	200	1.6%
Admin. & Support Services	93,600	91,400	87,100	2,200	2.4%	6,500	7.5%
Employment Services	47,000	44,900	41,900	2,100	4.7%	5,100	12.2%
Business Support Svcs.	12,200	12,400	12,000	-200	-1.6%	200	1.7%
Services to Buildings	12,200	11,900	12,200	300	2.5%	0	0.0%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES ADDS JOBS OVER YEAR

Despite recording only slight gains for the month, **Educational and Health Services** added 3,000 jobs (+1.7 percent) over the year. The **Health Care and Social Assistance** sector provided a majority of the industry's annual growth in March, expanding by 2,400 jobs (+1.5 percent) due to hiring in **Ambulatory Health Care** and **Hospitals** over the past year. The three MSAs combined to provide only one-sixth of the annual growth in this industry, leaving the rest to non-MSA areas across the state.

OKLAHOMA Education & Health Svcs.	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Education &amp; Health Svcs.</b>	181,800	181,600	178,800	200	0.1%	3,000	1.7%
Educational Services	19,200	19,100	18,600	100	0.5%	600	3.2%
Health Care & Social Asst.	162,600	162,500	160,200	100	0.1%	2,400	1.5%
Ambulatory Health Care	56,900	57,000	55,400	-100	-0.2%	1,500	2.7%
Hospitals	47,400	47,400	46,400	0	0.0%	1,000	2.2%
Nursing/Residential Care	36,100	36,000	36,300	100	0.3%	-200	-0.6%
Social Assistance	22,200	22,100	22,100	100	0.5%	100	0.5%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## LEISURE & HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY GROWS FOR MONTH & YEAR

**Leisure and Hospitality** gained 1,200 jobs (+0.9 percent) in March 2005, putting the industry up by almost the same amount over the year. The **Accommodation and Food Services** sector was the source of two-thirds of the monthly gain and almost all of the annual addition. A majority of this growth resulted from changes in the **Food Services and Drinking Places** subsector. Tulsa was the only MSA not gaining jobs in this industry over the year.

OKLAHOMA Leisure & Hospitality	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	127,600	126,400	126,500	1,200	0.9%	1,100	0.9%
Art, Entertainment & Rec.	12,700	12,300	12,600	400	3.3%	100	0.8%
Accommodation/Food Svcs.	114,900	114,100	113,900	800	0.7%	1,000	0.9%
Accommodation	9,600	9,500	10,000	100	1.1%	-400	-4.0%
Food Svcs./Drinking Place	105,300	104,600	103,900	700	0.7%	1,400	1.3%
Full-service Restaurants	49,200	49,200	48,600	0	0.0%	600	1.2%
Limited-service Eating	50,700	49,900	49,900	800	1.6%	800	1.6%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCES LARGE GAIN FOR YEAR

With a 400-job addition (+0.1 percent) over the month, **Government** across the state increased its annual growth to 9,400 jobs (+3.1 percent). The monthly gain was shared between **State Government** and **Local Government**. **Local Government** contributed 7,600 jobs (+4.3 percent) to the industry's annual gain. All MSAs reported over-the-year growth in March.

OKLAHOMA Government	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Government</b>	313,000	312,600	303,600	400	0.1%	9,400	3.1%
Federal Government	45,600	45,800	45,600	-200	-0.4%	0	0.0%
State Government	84,500	84,100	82,700	400	0.5%	1,800	2.2%
Local Government	182,900	182,700	175,300	200	0.1%	7,600	4.3%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## OKLAHOMA CITY MSA\*

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### OKLAHOMA CITY ONLY MSA TO GAIN JOBS FOR BOTH MONTH, YEAR

In March, Oklahoma City **TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** added 4,600 jobs (+0.8 percent) over the month and 8,700 jobs (+1.6 percent) over the year. The **Service Providing Industries** contributed most of the monthly growth and more than three-quarters of the jobs gained for the year. The combination of **Trade, Transportation and Utilities** and **Professional and Business Services** provided over-the-month gains, as **Government** helped push the MSA to annual growth.

OKLAHOMA CITY EMPLOYMENT	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.</b>	546,900	542,300	538,200	4,600	0.8%	8,700	1.6%
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>	70,800	70,400	68,900	400	0.6%	1,900	2.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	8,600	8,600	7,800	0	0.0%	800	10.3%
Manufacturing	38,800	38,700	38,400	100	0.3%	400	1.0%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>	476,100	471,900	469,300	4,200	0.9%	6,800	1.4%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	96,100	95,100	96,300	1,000	1.1%	-200	-0.2%
Pro. & Business Services	66,200	65,200	64,600	1,000	1.5%	1,600	2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	53,400	52,900	52,000	500	0.9%	1,400	2.7%
Government	115,100	114,700	111,700	400	0.3%	3,400	3.0%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

### NATURAL RESOURCES & MINING UP OVER YEAR IN OKC

Following the trend of the state as a whole, Oklahoma City **Natural Resources and Mining** posted an annual gain in March, adding 800 jobs (+10.3 percent) over the year. For the month, this industry held steady in the Oklahoma City MSA.

OKLAHOMA CITY Natural Resources & Mining	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	8,600	8,600	7,800	0	0.0%	800	10.3%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## OKC MANUFACTURING POSTS SMALL GAINS IN MARCH

Following a few months of ups-and-downs due to temporary work stoppages, Oklahoma City **Manufacturing** enjoyed a relatively inactive month, gaining 100 jobs (+0.3 percent) since February and 400 jobs (+1.0 percent) since March 2004. **Durable Goods Manufacturing** accounted for a quarter of the annual growth. For March, the Oklahoma City MSA was the only area reporting either over-the-month or over-the-year growth in **Manufacturing**.

OKLAHOMA CITY <b>Manufacturing</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Manufacturing</b>	38,800	38,700	38,400	100	0.3%	400	1.0%
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,300	27,300	27,200	0	0.0%	100	0.4%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## RETAIL TRADE PROVIDES CHANGES FOR TTU INDUSTRY IN OKC

In March, **Retail Trade** once again garnered the attention, as it provided a majority of the monthly gain and all of the annual loss in Oklahoma City's **Trade, Transportation and Utilities** industry. **Retail Trade's** annual loss of 1,000 jobs (-1.7 percent) was the only negative change reported by the industry's three main sectors in March. Over the month, **Trade, Transportation and Utilities** managed to add 1,000 jobs (+1.1 percent) and gain back ground lost to seasonal drops over the past few months.

OKLAHOMA CITY <b>Trade, Transport. &amp; Utils.</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Trade, Transport. &amp; Utils.</b>	96,100	95,100	96,300	1,000	1.1%	-200	-0.2%
Wholesale Trade	21,100	20,900	20,600	200	1.0%	500	2.4%
Retail Trade	59,300	58,700	60,300	600	1.0%	-1,000	-1.7%
Transport, Warehouse, Util.	15,700	15,500	15,400	200	1.3%	300	1.9%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## ADMINISTRATIVE & SUPPORT SERVICES SECTOR HELPS INDUSTRY TO GAINS FOR MONTH AND YEAR

March was a good month for **Professional and Business Services** in Oklahoma City, as the industry added 1,000 jobs (+1.5 percent) over the month and 1,600 jobs (+2.5 percent) over the year. It was the **Administrative and Support Services** sector that provided a majority of both gains. The **Employment Services** and **Business Support Services** subsectors contributed double-digit growth (+10.0 percent and +22.7 percent, respectively) to the industry's large over-the-year gain (+1,600 jobs).

OKLAHOMA CITY <b>Pro. &amp; Business Services</b>	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Pro. &amp; Business Services</b>	66,200	65,200	64,600	1,000	1.5%	1,600	2.5%
Pro. & Scientific Services	24,300	24,100	24,500	200	0.8%	-200	-0.8%
Management of Companies	4,500	4,600	4,700	-100	-2.2%	-200	-4.3%
Admin. & Support Services	37,400	36,500	35,400	900	2.5%	2,000	5.6%
Employment Services	18,700	18,100	17,000	600	3.3%	1,700	10.0%
Business Support Svcs.	5,400	5,300	4,400	100	1.9%	1,000	22.7%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## OKLAHOMA CITY LEISURE & HOSPITALITY UP FOR MONTH AND YEAR

The **Leisure and Hospitality** industry in Oklahoma City grew by 500 jobs (+0.9 percent) in March, surpassing its March 2004 employment level by 1,400 jobs (+2.7 percent). Almost all growth came from the **Food Services and Drinking Places** sector. In this sector, the **Limited-service Eating** subsector provided much of the monthly gain and combined with **Full-service Restaurants** to fuel the industry's annual additions.

OKLAHOMA CITY Leisure & Hospitality	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	53,400	52,900	52,000	500	0.9%	1,400	2.7%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	44,000	43,600	42,000	400	0.9%	2,000	4.8%
Full-service Restaurants	21,200	21,100	20,400	100	0.5%	800	3.9%
Limited-service Eating	20,200	19,700	19,300	500	2.5%	900	4.7%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## GOVERNMENT IN OKC REPORTS GROWTH FOR MONTH AND YEAR

At 115,100 jobs in March, **Government** in Oklahoma City was 3,400 jobs higher (+3.0 percent) than its March 2004 level. The industry's monthly gain was shared equally between **State Government** and **Local Government**. These two sectors also provided most of the annual gain, contributing 1,200 jobs and 1,900 jobs, respectively.

OKLAHOMA CITY Government	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Government</b>	115,100	114,700	111,700	400	0.3%	3,400	3.0%
Federal Government	27,100	27,100	26,800	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
State Government	40,700	40,500	39,500	200	0.5%	1,200	3.0%
Local Government	47,300	47,100	45,400	200	0.4%	1,900	4.2%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## TULSA MSA\*

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## TULSA EXPERIENCES ANNUAL GROWTH IN MARCH

**TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** for the Tulsa MSA gained 2,600 jobs (+0.7 percent) over the month to tie its March 2004 employment level at 397,100 jobs. **Construction** provided jobs over the month for the **Good Producing Industries**. For the **Service Providing Industries**, monthly gains were widespread, while annual losses in **Trade, Transportation and Utilities** outweighed significant annual growth in **Government**.

TULSA EMPLOYMENT	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.</b>	397,100	394,500	397,900	2,600	0.7%	-800	-0.2%
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>	69,600	69,100	70,000	500	0.7%	-400	-0.6%
Construction	18,800	18,300	18,800	500	2.7%	0	0.0%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>	327,500	325,400	327,900	2,100	0.6%	-400	-0.1%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	79,800	79,400	82,000	400	0.5%	-2,200	-2.7%
Government	51,300	51,200	49,300	100	0.2%	2,000	4.1%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## TULSA CONSTRUCTION GAINS MOMENTUM IN MARCH

Following six months of losses, Tulsa **Construction** reported gains for the second straight month in March, adding 500 jobs (+2.7 percent) over the month. Despite a 600-job gain (+5.0 percent) for the year in **Specialty Trade Contractors**, Tulsa **Construction** held steady when compared to March 2004.

TULSA Construction	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Construction</b>	18,800	18,300	18,800	500	2.7%	0	0.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	12,500	12,300	11,900	200	1.6%	600	5.0%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## ANNUAL LOSSES IN TULSA TTU LOOM LARGE IN MARCH

**Trade, Transportation and Utilities** managed to add 400 jobs (+0.5 percent) in March, but found itself 2,200 jobs shy of its March 2004 employment level. Large losses in the **Retail Trade** and **Transportation, Warehouse and Utilities** sectors overwhelmed the small gain in **Wholesale Trade**.

TULSA Trade, Transport. & Utils.	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Trade, Transport. &amp; Utils</b>	79,800	79,400	82,000	400	0.5%	-2,200	-2.7%
Wholesale Trade	16,300	16,200	16,000	100	0.6%	300	1.9%
Retail Trade	43,300	43,000	44,700	300	0.7%	-1,400	-3.1%
Transport, Warehouse, Util.	20,200	20,200	21,300	0	0.0%	-1,100	-5.2%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES UP FOR MONTH IN MARCH

Tulsa's **Professional and Business Services** added 400 jobs (+0.8 percent) over the month and dropped 200 jobs (-0.4 percent) over the year. As in the recent past, the **Administrative and Support Services** sector provided much of the monthly growth. The **Employment Services** and **Business Support Services** subsectors both recorded large gains over the past year.

TULSA Pro. & Business Services	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Pro. &amp; Business Services</b>	51,300	50,900	51,500	400	0.8%	-200	-0.4%
Pro. & Scientific Services	18,100	18,000	18,300	100	0.6%	-200	-1.1%
Management of Companies	5,600	5,700	5,900	-100	-1.8%	-300	-5.1%
Admin. & Support Services	27,600	27,200	27,300	400	1.5%	300	1.1%
Employment Services	13,000	12,800	12,000	200	1.6%	1,000	8.3%
Business Support Svcs.	6,100	6,000	5,500	100	1.7%	600	10.9%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## MARCH MOVEMENT SMALL FOR EDUCATIONAL & HEALTH SERVICES

**Educational and Health Services** added 200 jobs (+0.4 percent) over the month in March, dropping behind its March 2004 level by 100 jobs (-0.2 percent). One area of interest was the **Hospitals** subsector, which grew by 900 jobs (+6.0 percent) between March 2004 and March 2005.

TULSA Education & Health Svcs.	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Education &amp; Health Svcs.</b>	52,600	52,400	52,700	200	0.4%	-100	-0.2%
Education Services	6,800	6,700	6,400	100	1.5%	400	6.3%
Health Care & Social Asst.	45,800	45,700	46,300	100	0.2%	-500	-1.1%
Ambulatory Health Care	17,000	17,000	17,200	0	0.0%	-200	-1.2%
Hospitals	15,800	15,700	14,900	100	0.6%	900	6.0%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## TULSA GOVERNMENT GAINS 2,000 JOBS OVER YEAR

With a gain of 100 jobs over the month, Tulsa **Government** surpassed its March 2004 employment level by 2,000 jobs (+4.1 percent). The **Local Government** sector contributed 1,800 jobs to the annual gain.

TULSA Government	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Government</b>	51,300	51,200	49,300	100	0.2%	2,000	4.1%
Federal Government	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	7,400	7,400	7,200	0	0.0%	200	2.8%
Local Government	39,200	39,100	37,400	100	0.3%	1,800	4.8%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## LAWTON MSA\*

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## LAWTON REPORTS JOB GAINS OVER YEAR FOR MARCH

**TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** in the Lawton MSA held steady at 40,900 jobs in March 2005, an improvement of 400 jobs (+1.0 percent) over the previous March. It was the **Service Providing Industries**, most notably **Government**, that provided the over-the-year boost. Also contributing to the over-the-year growth were **Professional and Business Services**, **Educational and Health Services**, **Leisure and Hospitality**, and **Other Services**.

LAWTON EMPLOYMENT	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPL.</b>	40,900	40,900	40,500	0	0.0%	400	1.0%
<b>Goods Producing Industries</b>	5,100	5,100	5,400	0	0.0%	-300	-5.6%
<b>Service Providing Industries</b>	35,800	35,800	35,100	0	0.0%	700	2.0%
Trade, Transport. & Utilities	6,900	6,900	7,000	0	0.0%	-100	-1.4%
Information	500	500	500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	2,300	2,200	2,400	100	4.5%	-100	-4.2%
Pro. & Business Services	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	0.0%	100	2.7%
Education & Health Svcs.	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Other Services	1,900	1,800	2,000	100	5.6%	-100	-5.0%
Government	12,500	12,700	11,800	-200	-1.6%	700	5.9%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

## GOVERNMENT DRIVES LAWTON'S ANNUAL GROWTH IN MARCH

Despite a small over-the-month drop in employment, **Government** in Lawton managed to add 700 jobs (+5.9 percent) between March 2004 and March 2005 due to growth in the **State Government** (+26.7 percent) and **Local Government** (+4.2 percent) sectors. **Federal Government** has held steady over the past year.

LAWTON Government	NUMBER of JOBS			CHANGE			
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
<b>Government</b>	12,500	12,700	11,800	-200	-1.6%	700	5.9%
Federal Government	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	-3.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,900	2,000	1,500	-100	-5.0%	400	26.7%
Local Government	7,400	7,400	7,100	0	0.0%	300	4.2%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

STATE EMPLOYMENT March 2005	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMP.</b>	1,487,600	1,476,600	1,463,200	11,000	0.7%	24,400	1.7%
<b>Total Private Employment*</b>	1,174,600	1,164,000	1,159,900	10,600	0.9%	15,000	1.3%
<b>Private Service Providers**</b>	941,100	931,000	926,900	10,100	1.1%	14,200	1.5%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING IND.</b>	233,500	233,000	232,700	500	0.2%	800	0.3%
<b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>	31,800	31,600	30,100	200	0.6%	1,700	5.6%
<b>Support for Mining</b>	15,800	15,700	14,900	100	0.6%	900	6.0%
<b>Construction</b>	61,000	60,300	61,300	700	1.2%	-300	-0.5%
<b>Construction of Buildings</b>	12,800	12,900	13,000	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.5%
Residential Buildings	5,700	5,700	5,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Non-residential Buildings	7,100	7,200	7,300	-100	-1.4%	-200	-2.7%
<b>Heavy &amp; Civil Engineering</b>	10,200	10,000	10,700	200	2.0%	-500	-4.7%
<b>Specialty Trade Contractor</b>	38,000	37,400	37,600	600	1.6%	400	1.1%
Bldg. Equip. Contractors	18,400	18,000	18,000	400	2.2%	400	2.2%
<b>Manufacturing</b>	140,700	141,100	141,300	-400	-0.3%	-600	-0.4%
<b>Durable Goods Mfg.</b>	93,100	93,300	92,600	-200	-0.2%	500	0.5%
Wood Product Mfg.	4,200	4,200	4,000	0	0.0%	200	5.0%
Primary Metal Mfg.	4,100	4,100	4,000	0	0.0%	100	2.5%
Fabricated Metal Mfg.	21,600	21,600	22,200	0	0.0%	-600	-2.7%
Other Fabricated Metal	5,400	5,500	5,300	-100	-1.8%	100	1.9%
Machinery Manufacturing	22,900	23,000	22,200	-100	-0.4%	700	3.2%
Computer/Electronics Mfg.	4,800	4,800	4,900	0	0.0%	-100	-2.0%
Electrical Equipment Mfg.	3,000	3,000	3,100	0	0.0%	-100	-3.2%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	16,000	16,000	16,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	3,400	3,400	3,800	0	0.0%	-400	-10.5%
Motor Vehicle Body/Part	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Aerospace Products	2,900	2,900	2,800	0	0.0%	100	3.6%
<b>Non-durable Goods Mfg.</b>	47,600	47,800	48,700	-200	-0.4%	-1,100	-2.3%
Food Manufacturing	19,100	19,200	19,200	-100	-0.5%	-100	-0.5%
Paper Manufacturing	3,400	3,300	3,400	100	3.0%	0	0.0%
Plastic & Rubber Products	12,900	12,900	12,700	0	0.0%	200	1.6%
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING IND.</b>	1,254,100	1,243,600	1,230,500	10,500	0.8%	23,600	1.9%
<b>Trade, Transportation &amp; Util.</b>	275,500	272,300	275,200	3,200	1.2%	300	0.1%
<b>Wholesale Trade</b>	54,200	53,600	53,900	600	1.1%	300	0.6%
<b>Retail Trade</b>	168,100	165,800	168,200	2,300	1.4%	-100	-0.1%
Motor Vehicle & Parts	22,600	22,500	24,000	100	0.4%	-1,400	-5.8%
Auto Dealers	14,400	14,300	15,400	100	0.7%	-1,000	-6.5%
Food & Beverage Stores	23,400	23,200	23,500	200	0.9%	-100	-0.4%
Gasoline Stations	11,900	12,100	12,800	-200	-1.7%	-900	-7.0%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	42,600	42,400	42,200	200	0.5%	400	0.9%
<b>Transp., Warehouse &amp; Util.</b>	53,200	52,900	53,100	300	0.6%	100	0.2%
Utilities	10,600	10,600	10,700	0	0.0%	-100	-0.9%
Transport. & Warehouse	42,600	42,300	42,400	300	0.7%	200	0.5%
Air Transportation	9,100	9,200	9,400	-100	-1.1%	-300	-3.2%
Truck Transportation	17,200	17,000	17,000	200	1.2%	200	1.2%

STATE EMPLOYMENT March 2005	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
<b>Information</b>	31,100	30,900	31,400	200	0.6%	-300	-1.0%
<b>Publishing Industries</b>	6,400	6,400	6,500	0	0.0%	-100	-1.5%
<b>Telecommunications</b>	14,700	14,800	15,000	-100	-0.7%	-300	-2.0%
<b>Financial Activities</b>	85,300	84,400	83,900	900	1.1%	1,400	1.7%
<b>Finance &amp; Insurance</b>	61,800	61,400	61,300	400	0.7%	500	0.8%
Credit Intermediation	31,300	31,200	30,700	100	0.3%	600	2.0%
Depository Credit	23,900	23,800	23,300	100	0.4%	600	2.6%
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	26,500	26,200	26,500	300	1.1%	0	0.0%
<b>Real Estate Rental/Leasing</b>	23,500	23,000	22,600	500	2.2%	900	4.0%
Real Estate	11,100	11,100	11,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Pro. &amp; Business Services</b>	165,000	161,900	157,000	3,100	1.9%	8,000	5.1%
<b>Pro. &amp; Scientific Services</b>	58,900	58,100	57,600	800	1.4%	1,300	2.3%
Legal Services	12,600	12,500	12,700	100	0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Accounting & Tax Prep.	11,900	12,300	11,800	-400	-3.3%	100	0.8%
Architecture & Engineering	10,600	10,500	10,200	100	1.0%	400	3.9%
<b>Mgt. of Companies</b>	12,500	12,400	12,300	100	0.8%	200	1.6%
<b>Admin. &amp; Support Svcs.</b>	93,600	91,400	87,100	2,200	2.4%	6,500	7.5%
Employment Services	47,000	44,900	41,900	2,100	4.7%	5,100	12.2%
Business Support Svcs.	12,200	12,400	12,000	-200	-1.6%	200	1.7%
Building Services	12,200	11,900	12,200	300	2.5%	0	0.0%
<b>Educational &amp; Health Svcs.</b>	181,800	181,600	178,800	200	0.1%	3,000	1.7%
<b>Education Services</b>	19,200	19,100	18,600	100	0.5%	600	3.2%
<b>Health Care &amp; Social Asst.</b>	162,600	162,500	160,200	100	0.1%	2,400	1.5%
Ambulatory Health Care	56,900	57,000	55,400	-100	-0.2%	1,500	2.7%
Hospitals	47,400	47,400	46,400	0	0.0%	1,000	2.2%
Nursing/Residential Care	36,100	36,000	36,300	100	0.3%	-200	-0.6%
Social Assistance	22,200	22,100	22,100	100	0.5%	100	0.5%
<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	127,600	126,400	126,500	1,200	0.9%	1,100	0.9%
<b>Arts &amp; Entertainment</b>	12,700	12,300	12,600	400	3.3%	100	0.8%
<b>Accommodation/Food Svc.</b>	114,900	114,100	113,900	800	0.7%	1,000	0.9%
Accommodation	9,600	9,500	10,000	100	1.1%	-400	-4.0%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	105,300	104,600	103,900	700	0.7%	1,400	1.3%
Full-service Restaurants	49,200	49,200	48,600	0	0.0%	600	1.2%
Limited-service Eating	50,700	49,900	49,900	800	1.6%	800	1.6%
<b>Other Services</b>	74,800	73,500	74,100	1,300	1.8%	700	0.9%
<b>Repair &amp; Maintenance</b>	12,300	11,800	12,700	500	4.2%	-400	-3.1%
<b>Personal &amp; Laundry Svcs.</b>	12,600	12,400	12,600	200	1.6%	0	0.0%
<b>Government</b>	313,000	312,600	303,600	400	0.1%	9,400	3.1%
<b>Federal Government</b>	45,600	45,800	45,600	-200	-0.4%	0	0.0%
<b>State Government</b>	84,500	84,100	82,700	400	0.5%	1,800	2.2%
<b>Local Government</b>	182,900	182,700	175,300	200	0.1%	7,600	4.3%

\* Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT – Government)

\*\* Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES – Government)

OKC EMPLOYMENT March 2005	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMP.</b>	546,900	542,300	538,200	4,600	0.8%	8,700	1.6%
Total Private Employment*	431,800	427,600	426,500	4,200	1.0%	5,300	1.2%
Private Service Providers**	361,000	357,200	357,600	3,800	1.1%	3,400	1.0%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING IND.</b>	70,800	70,400	68,900	400	0.6%	1,900	2.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	8,600	8,600	7,800	0	0.0%	800	10.3%
Construction	23,400	23,100	22,700	300	1.3%	700	3.1%
<i>Specialty Trade Contractor</i>	14,900	14,700	14,600	200	1.4%	300	2.1%
Manufacturing	38,800	38,700	38,400	100	0.3%	400	1.0%
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,300	27,300	27,200	0	0.0%	100	0.4%
Machinery Manufacturing	5,600	5,600	5,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	8,600	8,500	8,200	100	1.2%	400	4.9%
Plastic & Rubber Products	2,900	2,900	3,000	0	0.0%	-100	-3.3%
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING IND.</b>	476,100	471,900	469,300	4,200	0.9%	6,800	1.4%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	96,100	95,100	96,300	1,000	1.1%	-200	-0.2%
Wholesale Trade	21,100	20,900	20,600	200	1.0%	500	2.4%
Retail Trade	59,300	58,700	60,300	600	1.0%	-1,000	-1.7%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	13,100	13,100	13,200	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	15,700	15,500	15,400	200	1.3%	300	1.9%
Information	13,100	13,200	13,300	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.5%
Telecommunications	5,900	6,000	5,900	-100	-1.7%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	35,800	35,300	35,100	500	1.4%	700	2.0%
Finance & Insurance	24,400	24,200	24,400	200	0.8%	0	0.0%
Rental & Leasing Services	5,900	5,800	5,600	100	1.7%	300	5.4%
Pro. & Business Services	66,200	65,200	64,600	1,000	1.5%	1,600	2.5%
Pro. & Scientific Services	24,300	24,100	24,500	200	0.8%	-200	-0.8%
Mgt. of Companies	4,500	4,600	4,700	-100	-2.2%	-200	-4.3%
Admin. & Support Svcs.	37,400	36,500	35,400	900	2.5%	2,000	5.6%
Employment Services	18,700	18,100	17,000	600	3.3%	1,700	10.0%
Business Support Svcs.	5,400	5,300	4,400	100	1.9%	1,000	22.7%
Educational & Health Svcs.	68,500	68,100	68,100	400	0.6%	400	0.6%
Education Services	8,100	8,100	7,600	0	0.0%	500	6.6%
Health Care & Social Asst.	60,400	60,000	60,500	400	0.7%	-100	-0.2%
Ambulatory Health Care	22,600	22,300	21,800	300	1.3%	800	3.7%
Hospitals	20,200	20,200	20,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	53,400	52,900	52,000	500	0.9%	1,400	2.7%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	44,000	43,600	42,000	400	0.9%	2,000	4.8%
Full-service Restaurants	21,200	21,100	20,400	100	0.5%	800	3.9%
Limited-service Eating	20,200	19,700	19,300	500	2.5%	900	4.7%
Other Services	27,900	27,400	28,200	500	1.8%	-300	-1.1%
Government	115,100	114,700	111,700	400	0.3%	3,400	3.0%
Federal Government	27,100	27,100	26,800	0	0.0%	300	1.1%
State Government	40,700	40,500	39,500	200	0.5%	1,200	3.0%
Local Government	47,300	47,100	45,400	200	0.4%	1,900	4.2%

\* Total Private Employment = (TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT - Government)

\*\* Private Service Providers = (SERVICE PROVIDING INDUSTRIES - Government)

TULSA EMPLOYMENT March 2005	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMP.</b>	397,100	394,500	397,900	2,600	0.7%	-800	-0.2%
Total Private Employment*	345,800	343,300	348,600	2,500	0.7%	-2,800	-0.8%
Private Service Providers**	276,200	274,200	278,600	2,000	0.7%	-2,400	-0.9%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING IND.</b>	69,600	69,100	70,000	500	0.7%	-400	-0.6%
Natural Resources & Mining	4,600	4,600	4,500	0	0.0%	100	2.2%
Construction	18,800	18,300	18,800	500	2.7%	0	0.0%
<i>Specialty Trade Contractor</i>	12,500	12,300	11,900	200	1.6%	600	5.0%
Manufacturing	46,200	46,200	46,700	0	0.0%	-500	-1.1%
Other Gen'l Purpose	4,700	4,700	4,500	0	0.0%	200	4.4%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	3,600	3,700	3,600	-100	-2.7%	0	0.0%
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING IND.</b>	327,500	325,400	327,900	2,100	0.6%	-400	-0.1%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	79,800	79,400	82,000	400	0.5%	-2,200	-2.7%
Wholesale Trade	16,300	16,200	16,000	100	0.6%	300	1.9%
Retail Trade	43,300	43,000	44,700	300	0.7%	-1,400	-3.1%
Food & Beverage Stores	6,400	6,300	6,100	100	1.6%	300	4.9%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	10,600	10,700	10,600	-100	-0.9%	0	0.0%
Department Stores	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	0.0%	-100	-2.4%
Other Gen'l Merchandise	6,500	6,600	6,400	-100	-1.5%	100	1.6%
Transp., Warehouse & Util.	20,200	20,200	21,300	0	0.0%	-1,100	-5.2%
Utilities	4,000	4,000	4,100	0	0.0%	-100	-2.4%
Transport. & Warehouse	16,200	16,200	17,200	0	0.0%	-1,000	-5.8%
Air Transportation	7,800	7,800	8,000	0	0.0%	-200	-2.5%
Information	11,500	11,500	11,900	0	0.0%	-400	-3.4%
Telecommunications	5,900	5,900	6,400	0	0.0%	-500	-7.8%
Financial Activities	25,100	24,900	24,900	200	0.8%	200	0.8%
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	6,000	5,900	6,100	100	1.7%	-100	-1.6%
Pro. & Business Services	51,300	50,900	51,500	400	0.8%	-200	-0.4%
Pro. & Scientific Services	18,100	18,000	18,300	100	0.6%	-200	-1.1%
Mgt. of Companies	5,600	5,700	5,900	-100	-1.8%	-300	-5.1%
Admin. & Support Svcs.	27,600	27,200	27,300	400	1.5%	300	1.1%
Employment Services	13,000	12,800	12,000	200	1.6%	1,000	8.3%
Business Support Svcs.	6,100	6,000	5,500	100	1.7%	600	10.9%
Educational & Health Svcs.	52,600	52,400	52,700	200	0.4%	-100	-0.2%
Education Services	6,800	6,700	6,400	100	1.5%	400	6.3%
Health Care & Social Asst.	45,800	45,700	46,300	100	0.2%	-500	-1.1%
Ambulatory Health Care	17,000	17,000	17,200	0	0.0%	-200	-1.2%
Hospitals	15,800	15,700	14,900	100	0.6%	900	6.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	34,000	33,800	34,000	200	0.6%	0	0.0%
Food Svc./Drinking Places	27,900	27,500	28,100	400	1.5%	-200	-0.7%
Full-service Restaurants	13,900	13,700	14,000	200	1.5%	-100	-0.7%
Other Services	21,900	21,300	21,600	600	2.8%	300	1.4%
Government	51,300	51,200	49,300	100	0.2%	2,000	4.1%
Federal Government	4,700	4,700	4,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	7,400	7,400	7,200	0	0.0%	200	2.8%
Local Government	39,200	39,100	37,400	100	0.3%	1,800	4.8%

LAWTON EMPLOYMENT March 2005	NUMBER EMPLOYED			Feb '05 to Mar '05		Mar '04 to Mar '05	
	Mar '05	Feb '05	Mar '04	Change	% Chg.	Change	% Chg.
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMP.</b>	40,900	40,900	40,500	0	0.0%	400	1.0%
Total Private Employment*	28,400	28,200	28,700	200	0.7%	-300	-1.0%
Private Service Providers**	23,300	23,100	23,300	200	0.9%	0	0.0%
<b>GOODS PRODUCING IND.</b>	5,100	5,100	5,400	0	0.0%	-300	-5.6%
N. Resources/Construction	1,300	1,300	1,500	0	0.0%	-200	-13.3%
Manufacturing	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	0.0%	-100	-2.6%
<b>SERVICE PROVIDING IND.</b>	35,800	35,800	35,100	0	0.0%	700	2.0%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	6,900	6,900	7,000	0	0.0%	-100	-1.4%
Wholesale Trade	600	600	600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	5,100	5,100	5,200	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	2,200	2,400	100	4.5%	-100	-4.2%
Pro. & Business Services	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	0.0%	100	2.7%
Educational & Health Svcs.	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	0.0%	100	2.6%
Other Services	1,900	1,800	2,000	100	5.6%	-100	-5.0%
Government	12,500	12,700	11,800	-200	-1.6%	700	5.9%
Federal Government	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	-3.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,900	2,000	1,500	-100	-5.0%	400	26.7%
Local Government	7,400	7,400	7,100	0	0.0%	300	4.2%

### OKLAHOMA PRELIMINARY LABOR STATISTICS – March 2005

Combined Statistical Areas	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Okla. City-Shawnee CSA	586,940	28,290	615,230	4.6%	4.5%	5.2%
Tulsa-Bartlesville CSA	447,890	20,760	468,660	4.4%	4.8%	5.0%

Metropolitan Statistical Areas	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Oklahoma City MSA	558,090	26,520	584,600	4.5%	4.5%	5.1%
Tulsa MSA	425,370	19,730	445,100	4.4%	4.7%	5.0%
Lawton MSA	44,860	2,040	46,900	4.3%	4.6%	5.0%

Micropolitan Statistical Areas	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Ada MicroSA	17,040	860	17,900	4.8%	4.9%	5.9%
Altus MicroSA	12,460	540	13,000	4.2%	4.5%	4.6%
Ardmore MicroSA	26,350	1,250	27,600	4.5%	4.9%	5.2%
Bartlesville MicroSA	22,530	1,030	23,560	4.4%	4.8%	5.1%
Duncan MicroSA	18,500	770	19,270	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%
Durant MicroSA	14,710	720	15,420	4.7%	4.9%	5.2%
Elk City MicroSA	10,770	300	11,070	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%
Enid MicroSA	25,970	1,050	27,010	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%
Guymon MicroSA	9,660	350	10,010	3.5%	3.9%	3.8%
McAlester MicroSA	18,700	1,010	19,720	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%

Micropolitan Statistical Areas	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Miami MicroSA	14,990	830	15,820	5.3%	5.8%	6.1%
Muskogee MicroSA	26,190	1,810	28,000	6.5%	7.1%	7.4%
Ponca City MicroSA	20,630	1,270	21,900	5.8%	6.3%	6.7%
Shawnee MicroSA	28,850	1,780	30,630	5.8%	5.6%	6.5%
Stillwater MicroSA	33,270	1,280	34,550	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Tahlequah MicroSA	20,780	880	21,660	4.1%	4.6%	4.9%
Woodward MicroSA	9,610	330	9,950	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%

Workforce Investment Areas	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
<b>Central WIA</b>	<b>391,620</b>	<b>19,360</b>	<b>410,980</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
Cleveland County WIA	115,610	4,740	120,340	3.9%	3.9%	4.4%
<b>East Central WIA</b>	<b>60,600</b>	<b>4,010</b>	<b>64,610</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>7.1%</b>
Holdenville LLM	8,600	710	9,310	7.6%	8.4%	8.4%
Shawnee LLM	52,000	3,300	55,300	6.0%	6.0%	6.8%
<b>Eastern WIA</b>	<b>127,960</b>	<b>7,240</b>	<b>135,200</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.1%</b>
Muskogee LLM	63,400	3,640	67,040	5.4%	6.0%	6.2%
Okmulgee LLM	15,940	1,190	17,130	7.0%	7.3%	7.6%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	48,620	2,410	51,030	4.7%	5.3%	5.4%
<b>North Central WIA</b>	<b>104,110</b>	<b>4,610</b>	<b>108,720</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
Enid LLM	45,540	1,840	47,380	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%
Ponca City LLM	25,300	1,500	26,800	5.6%	6.1%	6.4%
Stillwater LLM	33,270	1,280	34,550	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
<b>Northeast WIA</b>	<b>116,740</b>	<b>5,540</b>	<b>122,280</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
Bartlesville LLM	27,110	1,300	28,410	4.6%	5.1%	5.2%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	68,550	3,120	71,670	4.4%	4.8%	5.1%
Miami-Vinita LLM	21,090	1,120	22,210	5.1%	5.6%	5.9%
<b>Northwest WIA</b>	<b>33,470</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>34,730</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
Guymon LLM	13,590	490	14,080	3.5%	3.9%	3.7%
Woodward LLM	19,880	770	20,650	3.7%	4.3%	4.6%
<b>South Central WIA</b>	<b>119,720</b>	<b>5,540</b>	<b>125,260</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
Chickasha LLM	47,720	2,340	50,060	4.7%	4.8%	5.2%
Duncan LLM	20,700	880	21,580	4.1%	4.5%	4.8%
Lawton LLM	51,300	2,330	53,630	4.3%	4.6%	5.0%
<b>Southeast WIA</b>	<b>75,020</b>	<b>4,150</b>	<b>79,170</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
Broken Bow-Idabel LLM	25,440	1,560	27,000	5.8%	6.5%	6.8%
McAlester LLM	22,560	1,230	23,790	5.2%	5.8%	6.0%
Poteau LLM	27,030	1,350	28,380	4.8%	5.3%	5.1%
<b>Southern WIA</b>	<b>94,580</b>	<b>4,560</b>	<b>99,140</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
Ada LLM	30,030	1,380	31,420	4.4%	4.7%	5.3%
Ardmore LLM	32,700	1,520	34,220	4.4%	4.8%	5.1%
Durant LLM	31,850	1,650	33,500	4.9%	5.4%	5.7%
<b>Southwest WIA</b>	<b>51,030</b>	<b>1,870</b>	<b>52,900</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Altus LLM	19,680	910	20,590	4.4%	4.7%	4.9%
Elk City-Withfrd-Clinton LLM	31,350	960	32,300	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%
<b>Tulsa WIA</b>	<b>342,420</b>	<b>15,690</b>	<b>358,100</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>

COUNTY RANKING March 2005	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Coal County	1,980	180	2,170	8.4%	9.6%	9.4%
Seminole County	8,560	780	9,340	8.3%	8.8%	9.8%
Okfuskee County	3,830	340	4,170	8.2%	8.6%	9.0%
Hughes County	4,770	370	5,140	7.1%	8.1%	7.8%
Okmulgee County	15,940	1,190	17,130	7.0%	7.3%	7.6%
Muskogee County	26,190	1,810	28,000	6.5%	7.1%	7.4%
Marshall County	13,820	950	14,760	6.4%	7.1%	7.3%
Mayes County	7,260	490	7,750	6.4%	7.4%	7.4%
Pottawatomie County	28,850	1,780	30,630	5.8%	5.6%	6.5%
Woods County	4,270	260	4,530	5.8%	7.1%	8.2%
Kay County	20,630	1,270	21,900	5.8%	6.3%	6.7%
Creek County	30,690	1,870	32,560	5.7%	6.1%	6.2%
Greer County	2,020	120	2,150	5.7%	6.1%	6.5%
Choctaw County	6,060	360	6,420	5.6%	6.8%	6.7%
Blaine County	4,430	260	4,690	5.5%	4.6%	5.8%
Caddo County	11,450	670	12,110	5.5%	5.9%	5.9%
Nowata County	4,590	270	4,850	5.5%	6.5%	6.0%
Latimer County	3,860	220	4,080	5.4%	6.0%	7.1%
Sequoyah County	18,560	1,050	19,610	5.4%	5.9%	5.6%
Ottawa County	14,990	830	15,820	5.3%	5.8%	6.1%
Pawnee County	7,480	410	7,890	5.2%	5.5%	6.1%
Tillman County	3,200	170	3,370	5.2%	5.7%	5.9%
Pittsburg County	18,700	1,010	19,720	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%
Atoka County	5,190	280	5,470	5.1%	5.7%	6.2%
McIntosh County	15,320	820	16,140	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%
Johnston County	4,130	220	4,350	5.0%	5.8%	5.9%
Oklahoma County	326,020	16,960	342,980	4.9%	4.8%	5.6%
Jefferson County	2,190	110	2,310	4.9%	5.7%	6.0%
Adair County	9,280	480	9,760	4.9%	5.6%	5.9%
Osage County	19,970	1,030	20,990	4.9%	5.6%	5.6%
Lincoln County	14,590	750	15,340	4.9%	5.1%	5.6%
Le Flore County	22,210	1,140	23,340	4.9%	5.4%	5.1%
Pontotoc County	17,040	860	17,900	4.8%	4.9%	5.9%
Major County	13,930	690	14,630	4.7%	4.3%	5.0%
Kiowa County	3,860	190	4,050	4.7%	4.8%	5.3%
Noble County	4,670	230	4,900	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%
Bryan County	14,710	720	15,420	4.7%	4.9%	5.2%
Carter County	21,950	1,060	23,010	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Craig County	6,100	290	6,390	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Delaware County	16,170	770	16,950	4.6%	5.4%	5.3%
Pushmataha County	5,560	260	5,820	4.4%	5.0%	5.6%
Washington County	22,530	1,030	23,560	4.4%	4.8%	5.1%
Comanche County	44,860	2,040	46,900	4.3%	4.6%	5.0%
Haskell County	4,820	210	5,030	4.3%	5.0%	5.4%
Wagoner County	29,960	1,330	31,290	4.3%	4.6%	4.8%
Harmon County	1,340	60	1,400	4.2%	4.1%	3.8%

COUNTY RANKING March 2005	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Grady County	22,340	980	23,320	4.2%	4.4%	5.0%
Tulsa County	284,290	12,380	296,670	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%
Love County	4,400	190	4,590	4.2%	4.7%	4.3%
Jackson County	12,460	540	13,000	4.2%	4.5%	4.6%
McCurtain County	5,840	250	6,090	4.2%	4.7%	4.8%
Murray County	6,360	270	6,630	4.1%	4.3%	4.8%
Cherokee County	20,780	880	21,660	4.1%	4.6%	4.9%
Stephens County	18,500	770	19,270	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%
Rogers County	37,060	1,530	38,580	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%
Cleveland County	115,610	4,740	120,340	3.9%	3.9%	4.4%
Garvin County	12,990	530	13,510	3.9%	4.3%	4.6%
Alfalfa County	2,310	90	2,400	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%
Garfield County	25,970	1,050	27,010	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%
Cimarron County	1,190	50	1,240	3.8%	4.2%	3.9%
Grant County	2,310	90	2,400	3.7%	4.8%	4.0%
Payne County	33,270	1,280	34,550	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Canadian County	48,210	1,780	49,980	3.6%	3.7%	4.2%
Texas County	9,660	350	10,010	3.5%	3.9%	3.8%
Logan County	17,390	620	18,010	3.4%	3.9%	4.1%
Woodward County	9,610	330	9,950	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%
Cotton County	3,240	110	3,350	3.3%	3.6%	4.2%
Beaver County	2,740	90	2,830	3.3%	3.9%	3.5%
Kingfisher County	6,990	240	7,230	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%
Washita County	5,530	190	5,720	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Custer County	13,290	430	13,720	3.1%	3.2%	3.5%
Dewey County	2,370	70	2,440	3.0%	3.6%	3.3%
McClain County	3,540	110	3,640	3.0%	3.7%	3.5%
Harper County	1,660	50	1,710	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%
Beckham County	10,770	300	11,070	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%
Ellis County	1,980	50	2,030	2.5%	3.0%	3.1%
Roger Mills County	1,760	40	1,810	2.4%	2.8%	2.9%

COUNTY EMPLOYMENT March 2005	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Adair County	9,280	480	9,760	4.9%	5.6%	5.9%
Alfalfa County	2,310	90	2,400	3.9%	4.3%	4.4%
Atoka County	5,190	280	5,470	5.1%	5.7%	6.2%
Beaver County	2,740	90	2,830	3.3%	3.9%	3.5%
Beckham County	10,770	300	11,070	2.7%	3.0%	3.2%
Blaine County	4,430	260	4,690	5.5%	4.6%	5.8%
Bryan County	14,710	720	15,420	4.7%	4.9%	5.2%
Caddo County	11,450	670	12,110	5.5%	5.9%	5.9%
Canadian County	48,210	1,780	49,980	3.6%	3.7%	4.2%
Carter County	21,950	1,060	23,010	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Cherokee County	20,780	880	21,660	4.1%	4.6%	4.9%
Choctaw County	6,060	360	6,420	5.6%	6.8%	6.7%

COUNTY EMPLOYMENT March 2005	MARCH 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	Empl.	Unempl.	Labor Force	Mar '05	Feb '05	Jan '05
Cimarron County	1,190	50	1,240	3.8%	4.2%	3.9%
Cleveland County	115,610	4,740	120,340	3.9%	3.9%	4.4%
Coal County	1,980	180	2,170	8.4%	9.6%	9.4%
Comanche County	44,860	2,040	46,900	4.3%	4.6%	5.0%
Cotton County	3,240	110	3,350	3.3%	3.6%	4.2%
Craig County	6,100	290	6,390	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Creek County	30,690	1,870	32,560	5.7%	6.1%	6.2%
Custer County	13,290	430	13,720	3.1%	3.2%	3.5%
Delaware County	16,170	770	16,950	4.6%	5.4%	5.3%
Dewey County	2,370	70	2,440	3.0%	3.6%	3.3%
Ellis County	1,980	50	2,030	2.5%	3.0%	3.1%
Garfield County	25,970	1,050	27,010	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%
Garvin County	12,990	530	13,510	3.9%	4.3%	4.6%
Grady County	22,340	980	23,320	4.2%	4.4%	5.0%
Grant County	2,310	90	2,400	3.7%	4.8%	4.0%
Greer County	2,020	120	2,150	5.7%	6.1%	6.5%
Harmon County	1,340	60	1,400	4.2%	4.1%	3.8%
Harper County	1,660	50	1,710	2.9%	3.4%	3.6%
Haskell County	4,820	210	5,030	4.3%	5.0%	5.4%
Hughes County	4,770	370	5,140	7.1%	8.1%	7.8%
Jackson County	12,460	540	13,000	4.2%	4.5%	4.6%
Jefferson County	2,190	110	2,310	4.9%	5.7%	6.0%
Johnston County	4,130	220	4,350	5.0%	5.8%	5.9%
Kay County	20,630	1,270	21,900	5.8%	6.3%	6.7%
Kingfisher County	6,990	240	7,230	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%
Kiowa County	3,860	190	4,050	4.7%	4.8%	5.3%
Latimer County	3,860	220	4,080	5.4%	6.0%	7.1%
Le Flore County	22,210	1,140	23,340	4.9%	5.4%	5.1%
Lincoln County	14,590	750	15,340	4.9%	5.1%	5.6%
Logan County	17,390	620	18,010	3.4%	3.9%	4.1%
Love County	4,400	190	4,590	4.2%	4.7%	4.3%
Major County	13,930	690	14,630	4.7%	4.3%	5.0%
Marshall County	13,820	950	14,760	6.4%	7.1%	7.3%
Mayes County	7,260	490	7,750	6.4%	7.4%	7.4%
McClain County	3,540	110	3,640	3.0%	3.7%	3.5%
McCurtain County	5,840	250	6,090	4.2%	4.7%	4.8%
McIntosh County	15,320	820	16,140	5.1%	5.5%	5.9%
Murray County	6,360	270	6,630	4.1%	4.3%	4.8%
Muskogee County	26,190	1,810	28,000	6.5%	7.1%	7.4%
Noble County	4,670	230	4,900	4.7%	4.9%	5.1%
Nowata County	4,590	270	4,850	5.5%	6.5%	6.0%
Okfuskee County	3,830	340	4,170	8.2%	8.6%	9.0%
Oklahoma County	326,020	16,960	342,980	4.9%	4.8%	5.6%
Okmulgee County	15,940	1,190	17,130	7.0%	7.3%	7.6%
Osage County	19,970	1,030	20,990	4.9%	5.6%	5.6%
Ottawa County	14,990	830	15,820	5.3%	5.8%	6.1%

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Pawnee County	7,480	410	7,890	5.2%	5.5%	6.1%
Payne County	33,270	1,280	34,550	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Pittsburg County	18,700	1,010	19,720	5.1%	5.8%	5.8%
Pontotoc County	17,040	860	17,900	4.8%	4.9%	5.9%
Pottawatomie County	28,850	1,780	30,630	5.8%	5.6%	6.5%
Pushmataha County	5,560	260	5,820	4.4%	5.0%	5.6%
Roger Mills County	1,760	40	1,810	2.4%	2.8%	2.9%
Rogers County	37,060	1,530	38,580	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%
Seminole County	8,560	780	9,340	8.3%	8.8%	9.8%
Sequoyah County	18,560	1,050	19,610	5.4%	5.9%	5.6%
Stephens County	18,500	770	19,270	4.0%	4.3%	4.6%
Texas County	9,660	350	10,010	3.5%	3.9%	3.8%
Tillman County	3,200	170	3,370	5.2%	5.7%	5.9%
Tulsa County	284,290	12,380	296,670	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%
Wagoner County	29,960	1,330	31,290	4.3%	4.6%	4.8%
Washington County	22,530	1,030	23,560	4.4%	4.8%	5.1%
Washita County	5,530	190	5,720	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Woods County	4,270	260	4,530	5.8%	7.1%	8.2%
Woodward County	9,610	330	9,950	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%

REVISED EMPLOYMENT February 2005	FEBRUARY 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	
	Employment	Unemployt.	Labor Force	Feb '05	Jan '05
Adair County	9,190	550	9,740	5.6%	5.9%
Alfalfa County	2,230	100	2,330	4.3%	4.4%
Atoka County	5,150	310	5,470	5.7%	6.2%
Beaver County	2,720	110	2,830	3.9%	3.5%
Beckham County	10,680	330	11,010	3.0%	3.2%
Blaine County	4,370	210	4,590	4.6%	5.8%
Bryan County	14,790	770	15,560	4.9%	5.2%
Caddo County	11,350	720	12,060	5.9%	5.9%
Canadian County	48,050	1,850	49,900	3.7%	4.2%
Carter County	22,030	1,140	23,170	4.9%	5.3%
Cherokee County	20,360	980	21,340	4.6%	4.9%
Choctaw County	5,920	430	6,350	6.8%	6.7%
Cimarron County	1,160	50	1,210	4.2%	3.9%
Cleveland County	115,230	4,630	119,860	3.9%	4.4%
Coal County	1,970	210	2,170	9.6%	9.4%
Comanche County	45,070	2,190	47,260	4.6%	5.0%
Cotton County	3,210	120	3,330	3.6%	4.2%
Craig County	6,050	310	6,360	4.9%	5.3%
Creek County	30,690	2,000	32,690	6.1%	6.2%
Custer County	13,200	440	13,640	3.2%	3.5%
Delaware County	15,990	910	16,900	5.4%	5.3%
Dewey County	2,320	90	2,410	3.6%	3.3%
Ellis County	1,920	60	1,980	3.0%	3.1%
Garfield County	25,780	1,100	26,880	4.1%	4.3%

REVISED EMPLOYMENT February 2005	FEBRUARY 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	
	Employment	Unemployt.	Labor Force	Feb '05	Jan '05
Garvin County	12,950	590	13,540	4.3%	4.6%
Grady County	22,270	1,030	23,300	4.4%	5.0%
Grant County	2,260	110	2,380	4.8%	4.0%
Greer County	1,980	130	2,110	6.1%	6.5%
Harmon County	1,330	60	1,380	4.1%	3.8%
Harper County	1,660	60	1,720	3.4%	3.6%
Haskell County	4,740	250	4,990	5.0%	5.4%
Hughes County	4,740	420	5,160	8.1%	7.8%
Jackson County	12,330	590	12,920	4.5%	4.6%
Jefferson County	2,160	130	2,290	5.7%	6.0%
Johnston County	4,120	250	4,380	5.8%	5.9%
Kay County	20,640	1,390	22,030	6.3%	6.7%
Kingfisher County	6,910	250	7,160	3.5%	3.6%
Kiowa County	3,830	190	4,030	4.8%	5.3%
Latimer County	3,810	250	4,060	6.0%	7.1%
Le Flore County	22,220	1,260	23,480	5.4%	5.1%
Lincoln County	14,540	780	15,320	5.1%	5.6%
Logan County	17,330	700	18,040	3.9%	4.1%
Love County	4,410	220	4,630	4.7%	4.3%
Major County	13,890	630	14,520	4.3%	5.0%
Marshall County	13,720	1,040	14,760	7.1%	7.3%
Mayes County	7,210	570	7,780	7.4%	7.4%
McClain County	3,470	130	3,600	3.7%	3.5%
McCurtain County	5,790	290	6,070	4.7%	4.8%
McIntosh County	15,230	890	16,120	5.5%	5.9%
Murray County	6,270	280	6,560	4.3%	4.8%
Muskogee County	26,000	1,970	27,970	7.1%	7.4%
Noble County	4,650	240	4,890	4.9%	5.1%
Nowata County	4,560	320	4,870	6.5%	6.0%
Okfuskee County	3,830	360	4,190	8.6%	9.0%

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	Employment	Unemployt.	Labor Force	Feb '05	Jan '05
Oklahoma County	324,970	16,300	341,280	4.8%	5.6%
Okmulgee County	15,940	1,260	17,190	7.3%	7.6%
Osage County	19,960	1,180	21,140	5.6%	5.6%
Ottawa County	14,960	930	15,890	5.8%	6.1%
Pawnee County	7,480	440	7,910	5.5%	6.1%
Payne County	33,270	1,400	34,660	4.0%	4.4%
Pittsburg County	18,670	1,140	19,810	5.8%	5.8%
Pontotoc County	16,950	880	17,820	4.9%	5.9%
Pottawatomie County	28,720	1,700	30,420	5.6%	6.5%
Pushmataha County	5,530	290	5,820	5.0%	5.6%
Roger Mills County	1,730	50	1,780	2.8%	2.9%
Rogers County	37,050	1,660	38,720	4.3%	4.6%
Seminole County	8,530	820	9,350	8.8%	9.8%
Sequoyah County	18,570	1,160	19,730	5.9%	5.6%
Stephens County	18,520	840	19,360	4.3%	4.6%
Texas County	9,520	390	9,910	3.9%	3.8%
Tillman County	3,170	190	3,360	5.7%	5.9%
Tulsa County	284,260	13,200	297,460	4.4%	4.7%
Wagoner County	29,960	1,450	31,410	4.6%	4.8%
Washington County	22,500	1,140	23,640	4.8%	5.1%
Washita County	5,450	200	5,660	3.6%	3.7%
Woods County	4,240	330	4,560	7.1%	8.2%
Woodward County	9,540	360	9,910	3.7%	3.8%

REVISED EMPLOYMENT February 2005	FEBRUARY 2005			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	
	Employment	Unemployt.	Labor Force	Feb '05	Jan '05
Oklahoma City MSA	556,290	25,920	582,210	4.5%	5.1%
Tulsa MSA	425,330	21,190	446,520	4.7%	5.0%
Lawton MSA	45,070	2,190	47,260	4.6%	5.0%