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STATE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE HOLDS STEADY AT 4.1 PERCENT IN JUNE

- In June, Oklahoma's statewide **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** held steady at 4.1 percent, as **non-seasonally adjusted employment** (+27,412 persons), **labor force** (+28,505 persons) and **unemployment** (+1,093 persons) all grew over the month.
- Compared to June 2005, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted employment** added 35,453 persons (+2.1 percent), and **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** dropped 9,996 (-12.1 percent). This led the state's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** to drop from 4.7 percent to 4.1 percent over the year.
- Although the changes aren't as dramatic in Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted data, over-the-year changes in **employment**, **labor force** and **unemployment** followed a similar pattern during the June-to-June period.

Month	Non-seasonally Adjusted				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
Jun '05	1,759,996	1,677,309	82,687	4.7%	1,742,730	1,664,656	78,074	4.5%
Jul '05	1,756,556	1,682,595	73,961	4.2%	1,743,447	1,667,333	76,114	4.4%
Aug '05	1,743,431	1,671,191	72,240	4.1%	1,746,832	1,669,933	76,899	4.4%
Sep '05	1,746,485	1,674,549	71,936	4.1%	1,749,834	1,672,385	77,449	4.4%
Oct '05	1,759,920	1,689,483	70,437	4.0%	1,751,626	1,674,685	76,941	4.4%
Nov '05	1,762,998	1,693,150	69,848	4.0%	1,751,850	1,676,846	75,004	4.3%
Dec '05	1,753,184	1,683,787	69,397	4.0%	1,752,851	1,678,843	74,008	4.2%
Jan '06	1,738,918	1,661,983	76,935	4.4%	1,753,575	1,685,258	68,317	3.9%
Feb '06	1,739,826	1,668,661	71,165	4.1%	1,754,172	1,690,413	63,759	3.6%
Mar '06	1,747,693	1,674,488	73,205	4.2%	1,757,040	1,686,672	70,368	4.0%
Apr '06	1,750,408	1,687,676	62,732	3.6%	1,757,866	1,688,833	69,033	3.9%
May '06	1,756,948	1,685,350	71,598	4.1%	1,758,053	1,686,010	72,043	4.1%
Jun '06	1,785,453	1,712,762	72,691	4.1%	1,760,923	1,692,838	68,085	3.9%

June 2006		Non-seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment
		1,785,453	1,712,762	72,691	1,760,923	1,692,838	68,085
CHANGE	Monthly #	28,505	27,412	1,093	2,870	6,828	-3,958
	Monthly %	1.6%	1.6%	1.5%	0.2%	0.4%	-5.5%
	Annual #	25,457	35,453	-9,996	18,193	28,182	-9,989
	Annual %	1.4%	2.1%	-12.1%	1.0%	1.7%	-12.8%
Participation rate*		65.3%	62.7%	--	64.4%	61.9%	--

* Participation rate represents the ratio of Labor Force or Employment compared to the general population of Oklahoma.