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OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT - October 2008

Oklahoma's state unemployment rate climbs to 4.1 percent in October

Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** reversed course in October and rose to 4.1 percent, a gain of 0.6 percent for the month. Despite the dramatic monthly increase, October's statewide rate was 0.1 percent less than the rate reported for October 2007.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS*

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
OCT '08	1,774,610	1,701,090	73,520	4.1%
Sep '08	1,752,950	1,690,960	61,990	3.5%
Oct '07	1,737,950	1,665,450	72,500	4.2%

*non-seasonally adjusted

October job counts up for state, Tulsa MSA

- In October, Oklahoma's statewide **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** expanded by 3,000 jobs (+0.2 percent). **Government** again reported the largest gain of any statewide supersector.
- **Government** grew by 5,500 jobs in October due to seasonal additions in the **State Government** and **Local Government** industries.
- During the October-to-October period, **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** grew by 12,700 jobs despite losses in **Information** (-200 jobs), **Professional & Business Services** (-300 jobs), **Other Services** (-900 jobs) and **Government** (-1,400 jobs).

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07
OKLAHOMA	1,595,300	1,592,300	1,582,600
OKC MSA	578,800	579,300	572,600
Tulsa MSA	429,400	426,500	429,000

CHANGE in TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
OKLAHOMA	3,000	0.2%	12,700	0.8%
OKC MSA	-500	-0.1%	6,200	1.1%
Tulsa MSA	2,900	0.7%	400	0.1%

*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.

Statewide unemployment up big in October

In October 2008, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** rose by 0.6 percent to 4.1 percent for the month. Although Oklahoma's statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force, employment and unemployment** all expanded over the month, it was the 18.6 percent increase in **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** that drove the rate expansion. Compared to October 2007, statewide **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** has grown by more than 1,000 persons, while **non-seasonally adjusted labor force and employment** have each increased by more than 35,000 persons.

	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
OKLAHOMA	1,774,610	1,701,090	73,520	4.1%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
United States	155,012,000	145,543,000	9,469,000	6.1%	6.0%	6.1%	4.4%

	NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED		
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment
OCTOBER 2008	1,774,610	1,701,090	73,520	1,769,060	1,692,610	76,450
Monthly change (#)	21,660	10,120	11,530	11,320	1,060	10,270
Monthly change (%)	1.2%	0.6%	18.6%	0.6%	0.1%	15.5%
Annual change (#)	36,660	35,640	1,020	34,690	32,620	2,080
Annual change (%)	2.1%	2.1%	1.4%	2.0%	2.0%	2.8%
Participation rate*	64.0%	61.4%	--	63.8%	61.1%	--

* 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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Growth in statewide employment steady but slower in October

Oklahoma **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** continued to expand in October, although at a slower pace than in previous months. October's addition of 3,000 jobs represents growth of 0.2 percent for the month. Monthly growth came entirely from the **Service Providing Industries** where employment gains in **Government**, the largest monthly contributor in October, again reflected seasonal education factors. Monthly losses were scattered, with **Manufacturing** shedding 1,300 jobs, and **Leisure & Hospitality** contracting by 1,200 jobs. A majority of the **Manufacturing** declines came from outside of the Oklahoma City and Tulsa MSAs. Supersectors that failed to add jobs for the year included **Information, Professional & Business Services, Other Services** and **Government**.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	1,595,300	1,592,300	1,582,600	3,000	0.2%	12,700	0.8%
Goods Producing Industries	281,000	281,700	270,400	-700	-0.2%	10,600	3.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	54,500	54,000	48,300	500	0.9%	6,200	12.8%
Construction	75,500	75,400	72,500	100	0.1%	3,000	4.1%
Manufacturing	151,000	152,300	149,600	-1,300	-0.9%	1,400	0.9%
Service Providing Industries	1,314,300	1,310,600	1,312,200	3,700	0.3%	2,100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	290,100	289,200	288,500	900	0.3%	1,600	0.6%
Professional & Business Svcs.	183,100	183,600	183,400	-500	-0.3%	-300	-0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	142,900	144,100	141,300	-1,200	-0.8%	1,600	1.1%
Government	325,600	320,100	327,000	5,500	1.7%	-1,400	-0.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Natural Resources & Mining up for month, year in October

Natural Resources & Mining continued to post strong annual growth in October.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Natural Resources & Mining	54,500	54,000	48,300	500	0.9%	6,200	12.8%
Support Activities for Mining	28,700	28,400	26,700	300	1.1%	2,000	7.5%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Statewide Construction adds jobs in October

Construction managed to add jobs in October following three straight months of job losses. **Specialty Trade Contractors** provided the monthly gain and more than two-thirds of the annual growth.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Construction	75,500	75,400	72,500	100	0.1%	3,000	4.1%
Construction of Buildings	16,400	16,400	15,600	0	0.0%	800	5.1%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	47,100	47,000	44,900	100	0.2%	2,200	4.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Manufacturing reports most job losses in state for October

Statewide **Manufacturing** shed 1,300 jobs in October, with all losses provided by the **Durable Goods Manufacturing** industry. This industry also contributed all of the supersector's annual expansion. The monthly losses were reported almost exclusively outside of the Oklahoma City and Tulsa metropolitan statistical areas.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Manufacturing	151,000	152,300	149,600	-1,300	-0.9%	1,400	0.9%
Durable Goods Manufacturing	103,900	105,300	102,300	-1,400	-1.3%	1,600	1.6%
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	47,100	47,000	47,300	100	0.2%	-200	-0.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Trade, Transportation & Utilities adds jobs in October

Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU) began adding jobs again in October due to **Wholesale Trade** and **Retail Trade**. Nearly two-thirds of the supersector's 1,600-job annual gain came from **Transportation, Warehouse & Utilities**.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	290,100	289,200	288,500	900	0.3%	1,600	0.6%
Wholesale Trade	59,700	59,200	59,800	500	0.8%	-100	-0.2%
Retail Trade	171,600	171,200	171,000	400	0.2%	600	0.4%
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	58,800	58,800	57,700	0	0.0%	1,100	1.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Professional & Business Services drops jobs in October

Continuing the up-and-down trend seen this year, **Professional & Business Services** followed September's 1,000-job gain with a loss of 500 jobs in October. **Administrative & Support Services** provided the monthly contraction. This industry's annual losses also tempered gains in **Professional & Scientific Services** and led to a 300-job annual loss in October.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Professional & Business Services	183,100	183,600	183,400	-500	-0.3%	-300	-0.2%
Professional & Scientific Services	64,300	63,700	62,700	600	0.9%	1,600	2.6%
Management of Companies	13,400	13,400	13,300	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Administrative & Support Services	105,400	106,500	107,400	-1,100	-1.0%	-2,000	-1.9%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Statewide Leisure & Hospitality down again over month

Statewide **Leisure & Hospitality** continued to shed jobs in October, reporting a loss of 1,200 jobs over the month. **Accommodation & Food Services** provided two-thirds of the monthly contraction. The supersector's 1,600-job annual gain was shared evenly between the **Accommodation & Food Services** and **Arts, Entertainment & Recreation** industries.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Leisure & Hospitality	142,900	144,100	141,300	-1,200	-0.8%	1,600	1.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	18,300	18,700	17,500	-400	-2.1%	800	4.6%
Accommodation & Food Services	124,600	125,400	123,800	-800	-0.6%	800	0.6%
Accommodation	11,300	11,500	11,400	-200	-1.7%	-100	-0.9%
Food Svcs. & Drinking Places	113,300	113,900	112,400	-600	-0.5%	900	0.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Seasonal gains continue for Government in October

Government expanded by 5,500 jobs in October due to seasonal education factors. Although the gain was less than half that reported by **Government** for September 2008, it was the largest gain by any statewide supersector in October. **State Government** and **Local Government** combined for the monthly growth. **Government** shed 1,400 jobs during the October-to-October period driven solely by losses in **Local Government**.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Government	325,600	320,100	327,000	5,500	1.7%	-1,400	-0.4%
Federal Government	45,900	45,900	45,700	0	0.0%	200	0.4%
State Government	86,900	85,200	86,400	1,700	2.0%	500	0.6%
Local Government	192,800	189,000	194,900	3,800	2.0%	-2,100	-1.1%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKLAHOMA CITY MSA*

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Oklahoma City MSA sheds jobs over month in October

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT in the Oklahoma City metropolitan statistical area (MSA) for October contracted by 500 jobs over the month. Losses came from both the **Good Producing Industries** and the **Service Providing Industries**. In fact, the only supersectors to add jobs over the month were **Construction**; **Trade, Transportation & Utilities**; and **Government**.

Over the year, the Oklahoma City MSA has grown by 6,200 jobs. Three supersectors failed to add jobs over the year, with **Government** (-3,000 jobs) providing the only sizeable annual loss.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	578,800	579,300	572,600	-500	-0.1%	6,200	1.1%
Goods Producing Industries	82,000	82,100	79,300	-100	-0.1%	2,700	3.4%
Construction	29,200	29,100	27,900	100	0.3%	1,300	4.7%
Manufacturing	36,700	36,800	36,500	-100	-0.3%	200	0.5%
Service Providing Industries	496,800	497,200	493,300	-400	-0.1%	3,500	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	103,900	103,400	102,100	500	0.5%	1,800	1.8%
Professional & Business Svcs.	76,700	77,100	75,500	-400	-0.5%	1,200	1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	58,100	58,900	57,000	-800	-1.4%	1,100	1.9%
Government	112,500	111,500	115,500	1,000	0.9%	-3,000	-2.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKC Construction continues annual growth in October

Oklahoma City **Construction** added 100 jobs in October. **Specialty Trade Contractors** contributed most of the 1,300 jobs gained over the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Construction	29,200	29,100	27,900	100	0.3%	1,300	4.7%
Specialty Trade Contractors	18,500	18,500	17,500	0	0.0%	1,000	5.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Retail Trade fuels monthly, annual growth for OKC TTU

Oklahoma City **Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU)** reported monthly expansion of 500 jobs and annual growth of 1,800 jobs in October. The **Retail Trade** industry was the source of four of five jobs added for the month and nearly three of four jobs gained over the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	103,900	103,400	102,100	500	0.5%	1,800	1.8%
Wholesale Trade	23,800	23,700	23,500	100	0.4%	300	1.3%
Retail Trade	62,900	62,500	61,600	400	0.6%	1,300	2.1%
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	17,200	17,200	17,000	0	0.0%	200	1.2%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKC Professional & Business Services down in October

Oklahoma City **Professional & Business Services** shed 400 jobs in October due to losses in the **Administrative & Support Services** industry. **Professional & Scientific Services** posted growth for both the month and year in October.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Professional & Business Services	76,700	77,100	75,500	-400	-0.5%	1,200	1.6%
Professional & Scientific Services	27,800	27,400	27,100	400	1.5%	700	2.6%
Management of Companies	6,100	6,100	5,900	0	0.0%	200	3.4%
Administrative & Support Services	42,800	43,600	42,500	-800	-1.8%	300	0.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKC Leisure & Hospitality sees monthly loss, annual gain in October

Leisure & Hospitality in the Oklahoma City MSA continued to contract in October with a loss of 800 jobs over the month driven mostly by **Food Services & Drinking Places**. Despite the monthly loss, the supersector grew by 1,100 jobs during the October-to-October period, also due to **Food Services & Drinking Places**.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Leisure & Hospitality	58,100	58,900	57,000	-800	-1.4%	1,100	1.9%
Food Svcs. & Drinking Places	47,600	48,200	45,000	-600	-1.2%	2,600	5.8%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

OKC Government adds jobs for month, sheds jobs for year

Oklahoma City **Government** was one of only three supersectors to add jobs in October. The monthly increase was fueled by seasonal growth in **Local Government**. Over the year, **Government** has contracted by 3,000 jobs, reflecting losses in all three of its component industries.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Government	112,500	111,500	115,500	1,000	0.9%	-3,000	-2.6%
Federal Government	26,500	26,300	26,700	200	0.8%	-200	-0.7%
State Government	39,500	39,500	41,000	0	0.0%	-1,500	-3.7%
Local Government	46,500	45,700	47,800	800	1.8%	-1,300	-2.7%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

TULSA MSA*

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Tulsa MSA employment up for month, year in October

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT for the Tulsa metropolitan statistical area (MSA) rose by 2,900 jobs over the month in October. Bucking the trend seen for the state and Oklahoma City MSA, no supersector in the Tulsa MSA lost jobs over the month, although four of them (**Natural Resources & Mining, Information, Financial Activities** and **Other Services**) reported no change in October. Seasonal expansion in **Government** accounted for nearly half of the monthly growth.

Over-the-year growth was much more conservative in October. Annual gains in many supersectors were counteracted by losses in **Information, Professional & Business Services** and **Government**.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT	429,400	426,500	429,000	2,900	0.7%	400	0.1%
Goods Producing Industries	82,900	82,500	81,400	400	0.5%	1,500	1.8%
Construction	23,800	23,600	22,700	200	0.8%	1,100	4.8%
Service Providing Industries	346,500	344,000	347,600	2,500	0.7%	-1,100	-0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	85,700	85,500	85,200	200	0.2%	500	0.6%
Professional & Business Svcs.	59,200	58,900	61,500	300	0.5%	-2,300	-3.7%
Educational & Health Services	59,700	59,400	58,300	300	0.5%	1,400	2.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	35,100	34,800	34,700	300	0.9%	400	1.2%
Government	52,700	51,300	53,800	1,400	2.7%	-1,100	-2.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Construction adds jobs for month, year

Construction in Tulsa began to add jobs in October. **Specialty Trade Contractors** provided nearly three-quarters of the annual growth.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Construction	23,800	23,600	22,700	200	0.8%	1,100	4.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	15,000	15,100	14,200	-100	-0.7%	800	5.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa TTU up slightly for month, year in October

In October, **Retail Trade** drove a 200-job expansion in **Tulsa Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU)**. The industry also combined with **Transportation, Warehouse & Utilities** for the supersector's annual growth.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	85,700	85,500	85,200	200	0.2%	500	0.6%
Wholesale Trade	18,000	18,000	18,100	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Retail Trade	45,300	45,100	45,000	200	0.4%	300	0.7%
Transportation, Warehouse & Util.	22,400	22,400	22,100	0	0.0%	300	1.4%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Professional & Business Services contracts over year

Tulsa **Professional & Business Services** continued its see-saw course in October by adding jobs after shedding them in September. For the year, this supersector reported 2,300 jobs lost, most of which came from the **Administrative & Support Services** industry. This was the single biggest annual loss for the Tulsa MSA in October.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Professional & Business Services	59,200	58,900	61,500	300	0.5%	-2,300	-3.7%
Professional & Scientific Services	19,600	19,500	19,800	100	0.5%	-200	-1.0%
Management of Companies	5,600	5,600	5,700	0	0.0%	-100	-1.8%
Administrative & Support Services	34,000	33,800	36,000	200	0.6%	-2,000	-5.6%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Educational & Health Services up for month, year

Tulsa **Educational & Health Services** expanded over the month and year in October. **Health Care & Social Assistance** contributed both the monthly and annual growth.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Educational & Health Services	59,700	59,400	58,300	300	0.5%	1,400	2.4%
Educational Services	6,900	6,900	7,200	0	0.0%	-300	-4.2%
Health Care & Social Assistance	52,800	52,500	51,100	300	0.6%	1,700	3.3%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

Tulsa Government expansion continues into October

Tulsa **Government** once again added jobs over the month as seasonal factors drove job growth. **State Government** and **Local Government** provided almost all of the monthly additions. Over-the-year losses can also be attributed to these two industries.

	NUMBER OF JOBS			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Government	52,700	51,300	53,800	1,400	2.7%	-1,100	-2.0%
Federal Government	4,800	4,700	4,800	100	2.1%	0	0.0%
State Government	6,700	6,300	7,400	400	6.3%	-700	-9.5%
Local Government	41,200	40,300	41,600	900	2.2%	-400	-1.0%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – State of Oklahoma

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Total Non-farm Employment	1,595,300	1,592,300	1,582,600	3,000	0.2%	12,700	0.8%
Total Private Employment*	1,269,700	1,272,200	1,255,600	-2,500	-0.2%	14,100	1.1%
Private Service Providers**	988,700	990,500	985,200	-1,800	-0.2%	3,500	0.4%
Goods Producing Industries	281,000	281,700	270,400	-700	-0.2%	10,600	3.9%
Natural Resources & Mining	54,500	54,000	48,300	500	0.9%	6,200	12.8%
Support Activities for Mining	28,700	28,400	26,700	300	1.1%	2,000	7.5%
Construction	75,500	75,400	72,500	100	0.1%	3,000	4.1%
Construction of Buildings	16,400	16,400	15,600	0	0.0%	800	5.1%
Residential Buildings	6,400	6,400	6,100	0	0.0%	300	4.9%
Non-residential Buildings	10,000	10,000	9,500	0	0.0%	500	5.3%
Heavy & Civil Engineering	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	47,100	47,000	44,900	100	0.2%	2,200	4.9%
Bldg. Equip. Contractors	22,100	22,100	21,100	0	0.0%	1,000	4.7%
Manufacturing	151,000	152,300	149,600	-1,300	-0.9%	1,400	0.9%
Durable Goods Mfg.	103,900	105,300	102,300	-1,400	-1.3%	1,600	1.6%
Fabricated Metal Products	24,600	24,500	23,800	100	0.4%	800	3.4%
Other Fabricated Metal	5,000	5,000	4,700	0	0.0%	300	6.4%
Machinery Manufacturing	31,200	31,400	29,900	-200	-0.6%	1,300	4.3%
Electrical Equipment Mfg.	3,300	3,300	3,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	14,900	15,200	16,000	-300	-2.0%	-1,100	-6.9%
Motor Vehicle Mfg.	2,400	2,400	2,500	0	0.0%	-100	-4.0%
Aerospace Products Mfg.	6,100	6,100	5,400	0	0.0%	700	13.0%
Non-durable Goods Mfg.	47,100	47,000	47,300	100	0.2%	-200	-0.4%
Food Manufacturing	19,900	19,900	19,700	0	0.0%	200	1.0%
Paper Manufacturing	3,000	3,000	2,900	0	0.0%	100	3.4%
Plastic & Rubber Products	11,000	11,100	11,000	-100	-0.9%	0	0.0%
Service Providing Industries	1,314,300	1,310,600	1,312,200	3,700	0.3%	2,100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	290,100	289,200	288,500	900	0.3%	1,600	0.6%
Wholesale Trade	59,700	59,200	59,800	500	0.8%	-100	-0.2%
Retail Trade	171,600	171,200	171,000	400	0.2%	600	0.4%
Motor Vehicle & Parts	24,000	24,100	23,700	-100	-0.4%	300	1.3%
Automobile Dealers	15,100	15,200	15,000	-100	-0.7%	100	0.7%
Food & Beverage Stores	22,200	22,300	22,600	-100	-0.4%	-400	-1.8%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	45,800	45,500	44,800	300	0.7%	1,000	2.2%
Transport., Warehouse & Util.	58,800	58,800	57,700	0	0.0%	1,100	1.9%
Utilities	10,600	10,600	10,500	0	0.0%	100	1.0%
Transportation/Warehouse	48,200	48,200	47,200	0	0.0%	1,000	2.1%
Air Transportation	8,600	8,700	8,600	-100	-1.1%	0	0.0%
Truck Transportation	20,300	20,500	19,800	-200	-1.0%	500	2.5%
Information	28,700	28,600	28,900	100	0.3%	-200	-0.7%
Publishing Industries	7,100	7,100	7,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Telecommunications	13,300	13,300	13,900	0	0.0%	-600	-4.3%

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE			
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08		Oct '07 to Oct '08	
Financial Activities	84,300	84,700	84,100	-400	-0.5%	200	0.2%
Finance & Insurance	60,400	60,700	60,100	-300	-0.5%	300	0.5%
Credit Intermediation	32,400	32,500	31,800	-100	-0.3%	600	1.9%
Insurance Carriers & Rltd.	24,000	24,000	23,400	0	0.0%	600	2.6%
Real Estate, Rental/Leasing	23,900	24,000	24,000	-100	-0.4%	-100	-0.4%
Real Estate	11,400	11,400	11,500	0	0.0%	-100	-0.9%
Pro. & Business Services	183,100	183,600	183,400	-500	-0.3%	-300	-0.2%
Pro. & Scientific Services	64,300	63,700	62,700	600	0.9%	1,600	2.6%
Legal Services	12,600	12,500	12,700	100	0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Accounting & Tax Prep.	12,100	11,900	12,100	200	1.7%	0	0.0%
Architecture/Engineering	13,000	12,800	12,500	200	1.6%	500	4.0%
Management of Companies	13,400	13,400	13,300	0	0.0%	100	0.8%
Admin. & Support Services	105,400	106,500	107,400	-1,100	-1.0%	-2,000	-1.9%
Employment Services	48,500	50,400	50,200	-1,900	-3.8%	-1,700	-3.4%
Business Support Svcs.	18,200	18,300	17,500	-100	-0.5%	700	4.0%
Services to Buildings	15,400	15,600	14,400	-200	-1.3%	1,000	6.9%
Educational & Health Svcs.	197,400	197,400	195,900	0	0.0%	1,500	0.8%
Educational Services	20,200	19,800	19,600	400	2.0%	600	3.1%
Health Care & Social Asst.	177,200	177,600	176,300	-400	-0.2%	900	0.5%
Ambulatory Health Care	64,100	64,500	63,900	-400	-0.6%	200	0.3%
Hospitals	53,500	53,100	52,500	400	0.8%	1,000	1.9%
Nursing & Residential Care	34,600	34,900	34,700	-300	-0.9%	-100	-0.3%
Social Assistance	25,000	25,100	25,200	-100	-0.4%	-200	-0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	142,900	144,100	141,300	-1,200	-0.8%	1,600	1.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Rec.	18,300	18,700	17,500	-400	-2.1%	800	4.6%
Accommodation & Food Svc.	124,600	125,400	123,800	-800	-0.6%	800	0.6%
Accommodation	11,300	11,500	11,400	-200	-1.7%	-100	-0.9%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	113,300	113,900	112,400	-600	-0.5%	900	0.8%
Full-service Restaurants	51,800	52,300	51,400	-500	-1.0%	400	0.8%
Limited-service Eating	55,900	55,600	54,300	300	0.5%	1,600	2.9%
Other Services	62,200	62,900	63,100	-700	-1.1%	-900	-1.4%
Repair & Maintenance	14,000	14,000	13,900	0	0.0%	100	0.7%
Personal & Laundry Services	13,700	13,800	14,200	-100	-0.7%	-500	-3.5%
Government	325,600	320,100	327,000	5,500	1.7%	-1,400	-0.4%
Federal Government	45,900	45,900	45,700	0	0.0%	200	0.4%
State Government	86,900	85,200	86,400	1,700	2.0%	500	0.6%
Local Government	192,800	189,000	194,900	3,800	2.0%	-2,100	-1.1%

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Oklahoma City MSA

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE	
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08	Oct '07 to Oct '08
	Total Non-farm Employment	578,800	579,300	572,600	-500 -0.1%
Total Private Employment*	466,300	467,800	457,100	-1,500 -0.3%	9,200 2.0%
Private Service Providers**	384,300	385,700	377,800	-1,400 -0.4%	6,500 1.7%
Goods Producing Industries	82,000	82,100	79,300	-100 -0.1%	2,700 3.4%
Natural Resources & Mining	16,100	16,200	14,900	-100 -0.6%	1,200 8.1%
Construction	29,200	29,100	27,900	100 0.3%	1,300 4.7%
Specialty Trade Contractors	18,500	18,500	17,500	0 0.0%	1,000 5.7%
Manufacturing	36,700	36,800	36,500	-100 -0.3%	200 0.5%
Durable Goods Mfg.	27,600	27,700	27,100	-100 -0.4%	500 1.8%
Machinery Manufacturing	8,000	8,000	7,700	0 0.0%	300 3.9%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	4,800	5,000	5,600	-200 -4.0%	-800 -14.3%
Plastic & Rubber Products	1,400	1,400	1,500	0 0.0%	-100 -6.7%
Service Providing Industries	496,800	497,200	493,300	-400 -0.1%	3,500 0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	103,900	103,400	102,100	500 0.5%	1,800 1.8%
Wholesale Trade	23,800	23,700	23,500	100 0.4%	300 1.3%
Retail Trade	62,900	62,500	61,600	400 0.6%	1,300 2.1%
Gen'l Merchandise Stores	14,600	14,600	14,700	0 0.0%	-100 -0.7%
Transport, Warehouse & Util.	17,200	17,200	17,000	0 0.0%	200 1.2%
Information	12,200	12,300	12,300	-100 -0.8%	-100 -0.8%
Telecommunications	5,700	5,700	6,100	0 0.0%	-400 -6.6%
Financial Activities	34,100	34,300	34,400	-200 -0.6%	-300 -0.9%
Finance & Insurance	24,200	24,100	23,600	100 0.4%	600 2.5%
Rental & Leasing Services	5,700	5,700	5,800	0 0.0%	-100 -1.7%
Pro. & Business Services	76,700	77,100	75,500	-400 -0.5%	1,200 1.6%
Pro. & Scientific Services	27,800	27,400	27,100	400 1.5%	700 2.6%
Management of Companies	6,100	6,100	5,900	0 0.0%	200 3.4%
Admin. & Support Services	42,800	43,600	42,500	-800 -1.8%	300 0.7%
Employment Services	18,900	19,900	18,800	-1,000 -5.0%	100 0.5%
Business Support Svcs.	6,100	6,200	6,700	-100 -1.6%	-600 -9.0%
Educational & Health Svcs.	76,200	76,400	73,800	-200 -0.3%	2,400 3.3%
Health Care & Social Asst.	67,700	67,700	65,300	0 0.0%	2,400 3.7%
Ambulatory Health Care	25,900	25,900	25,300	0 0.0%	600 2.4%
Hospitals	21,600	21,500	20,500	100 0.5%	1,100 5.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	58,100	58,900	57,000	-800 -1.4%	1,100 1.9%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	47,600	48,200	45,000	-600 -1.2%	2,600 5.8%
Full-service Restaurants	21,400	21,400	20,700	0 0.0%	700 3.4%
Limited-service Eating	21,700	21,600	20,500	100 0.5%	1,200 5.9%
Other Services	23,100	23,300	22,700	-200 -0.9%	400 1.8%
Government	112,500	111,500	115,500	1,000 0.9%	-3,000 -2.6%
Federal Government	26,500	26,300	26,700	200 0.8%	-200 -0.7%
State Government	39,500	39,500	41,000	0 0.0%	-1,500 -3.7%
Local Government	46,500	45,700	47,800	800 1.8%	-1,300 -2.7%

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

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Tulsa MSA

	NUMBER EMPLOYED			CHANGE	
	Oct '08	Sep '08	Oct '07	Sep '08 to Oct '08	Oct '07 to Oct '08
	Total Non-farm Employment	429,400	426,500	429,000	2,900 0.7%
Total Private Employment*	376,700	375,200	375,200	1,500 0.4%	1,500 0.4%
Private Service Providers**	293,800	292,700	293,800	1,100 0.4%	0 0.0%
Goods Producing Industries	82,900	82,500	81,400	400 0.5%	1,500 1.8%
Natural Resources & Mining	7,100	7,100	6,800	0 0.0%	300 4.4%
Construction	23,800	23,600	22,700	200 0.8%	1,100 4.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	15,000	15,100	14,200	-100 -0.7%	800 5.6%
Manufacturing	52,000	51,800	51,900	200 0.4%	100 0.2%
Machinery Manufacturing	11,600	11,500	11,300	100 0.9%	300 2.7%
Other Gen'l Purpose	5,500	5,500	5,500	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
Transportation Equip. Mfg.	5,500	5,600	5,800	-100 -1.8%	-300 -5.2%
Service Providing Industries	346,500	344,000	347,600	2,500 0.7%	-1,100 -0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Util.	85,700	85,500	85,200	200 0.2%	500 0.6%
Wholesale Trade	18,000	18,000	18,100	0 0.0%	-100 -0.6%
Retail Trade	45,300	45,100	45,000	200 0.4%	300 0.7%
Food & Beverage Stores	7,100	7,100	6,800	0 0.0%	300 4.4%
General Merchandise Store	10,400	10,400	10,400	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
Department Stores	4,100	4,100	4,100	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
Other Gen'l Merchandise	6,300	6,300	6,300	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
Transport, Warehouse & Util.	22,400	22,400	22,100	0 0.0%	300 1.4%
Utilities	3,400	3,400	3,300	0 0.0%	100 3.0%
Transportation & Warehouse	19,000	19,000	18,800	0 0.0%	200 1.1%
Air Transportation	7,300	7,300	7,400	0 0.0%	-100 -1.4%
Information	9,800	9,800	10,500	0 0.0%	-700 -6.7%
Telecommunications	4,800	4,800	4,800	0 0.0%	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	25,600	25,600	25,500	0 0.0%	100 0.4%
Insurance Carriers	5,200	5,300	5,000	-100 -1.9%	200 4.0%
Pro. & Business Services	59,200	58,900	61,500	300 0.5%	-2,300 -3.7%
Pro. & Scientific Services	19,600	19,500	19,800	100 0.5%	-200 -1.0%
Management of Companies	5,600	5,600	5,700	0 0.0%	-100 -1.8%
Admin. & Support Services	34,000	33,800	36,000	200 0.6%	-2,000 -5.6%
Employment Services	16,900	17,300	17,600	-400 -2.3%	-700 -4.0%
Business Support Svcs.	8,100	8,100	7,800	0 0.0%	300 3.8%
Educational & Health Svcs.	59,700	59,400	58,300	300 0.5%	1,400 2.4%
Educational Services	6,900	6,900	7,200	0 0.0%	-300 -4.2%
Health Care & Social Asst.	52,800	52,500	51,100	300 0.6%	1,700 3.3%
Ambulatory Health Care	17,100	17,200	17,500	-100 -0.6%	-400 -2.3%
Hospitals	18,500	18,500	18,600	0 0.0%	-100 -0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	35,100	34,800	34,700	300 0.9%	400 1.2%
Food Svcs./Drinking Places	29,600	29,800	29,800	-200 -0.7%	-200 -0.7%
Full-service Restaurants	14,400	14,600	14,400	-200 -1.4%	0 0.0%
Other Services	18,700	18,700	18,100	0 0.0%	600 3.3%
Government	52,700	51,300	53,800	1,400 2.7%	-1,100 -2.0%
Federal Government	4,800	4,700	4,800	100 2.1%	0 0.0%
State Government	6,700	6,300	7,400	400 6.3%	-700 -9.5%
Local Government	41,200	40,300	41,600	900 2.2%	-400 -1.0%

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Statewide

NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
OCT '08	1,774,610	1,701,090	73,520	4.1%
Sep '08	1,752,950	1,690,960	61,990	3.5%
Aug '08	1,745,530	1,679,020	66,510	3.8%
Jul '08	1,754,150	1,683,660	70,490	4.0%
Jun '08	1,758,950	1,685,650	73,300	4.2%
May '08	1,735,310	1,674,070	61,250	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%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemp. Rate
OCT '08	1,769,060	1,692,610	76,450	4.3%
Sep '08	1,757,740	1,691,560	66,180	3.8%
Aug '08	1,745,140	1,675,270	69,870	4.0%
Jul '08	1,736,680	1,665,010	71,670	4.1%
Jun '08	1,733,390	1,665,730	67,660	3.9%
May '08	1,735,090	1,674,030	61,060	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%