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OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT - August 2008

Oklahoma's statewide unemployment rate drops in August

Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** continued to decrease in August, slipping to 3.8 percent for the month. This represents a monthly drop of 0.2 percent and an annual drop of 0.4 percent.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS*

| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Unemp. Rate |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| AUG '08 | 1,745,220 | 1,678,990 | 66,230 | 3.8% |
| Jul '08 | 1,754,150 | 1,683,660 | 70,490 | 4.0% |
| Aug '07 | 1,722,850 | 1,650,790 | 72,060 | 4.2% |

*non-seasonally adjusted

Job counts up for state, both MSAs in August

- Oklahoma's statewide **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** expanded by 8,100 jobs (+0.5 percent) in August 2008. **Government** reported the largest gain of any statewide supersector.
- **Government** expanded by 4,700 jobs in August. This seasonal addition reflects public schools and universities starting the school year.
- For the August-to-August period, Oklahoma **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** grew by 10,900 jobs. The only supersector that failed to add jobs for the year was **Professional & Business Services**.

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| OKLAHOMA | 1,576,600 | 1,568,500 | 1,565,700 |
| OKC MSA | 572,100 | 569,200 | 564,300 |
| Tulsa MSA | 425,700 | 424,000 | 428,300 |

CHANGE in TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT*

| | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
|------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| OKLAHOMA | 8,100 | 0.5% | 10,900 | 0.7% |
| OKC MSA | 2,900 | 0.5% | 7,800 | 1.4% |
| Tulsa MSA | 1,700 | 0.4% | -2,600 | -0.6% |

*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.

Monthly losses reported again for statewide labor force, employment and unemployment

In August 2008, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** dropped by 0.2 percent to 3.8 percent for the month. Statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force, employment and unemployment** all contracted in August, but it was the 6.0 percent drop in **unemployment** that fueled the over-the-month unemployment rate improvement. Since August 2007, statewide **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** has shed more than 5,800 persons, while **non-seasonally adjusted labor force** and **employment** have both expanded.

| | AUGUST 2008 | | | UNEMPLOYMENT RATE | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Jun '08 | Aug '07 |
| OKLAHOMA | 1,745,220 | 1,678,990 | 66,230 | 3.8% | 4.0% | 4.2% | 4.2% |
| United States | 155,387,000 | 145,909,000 | 9,479,000 | 6.1% | 6.0% | 5.7% | 4.6% |

| | NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED | | | SEASONALLY ADJUSTED | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment |
| AUGUST 2008 | 1,745,220 | 1,678,990 | 66,230 | 1,744,830 | 1,675,230 | 69,600 |
| Monthly change (#) | -8,930 | -4,670 | -4,260 | 8,150 | 10,220 | -2,080 |
| Monthly change (%) | -0.5% | -0.3% | -6.0% | 0.5% | 0.6% | -2.9% |
| Annual change (#) | 22,370 | 28,190 | -5,830 | 11,680 | 16,300 | -4,630 |
| Annual change (%) | 1.3% | 1.7% | -8.1% | 0.7% | 1.0% | -6.2% |
| Participation rate* | 63.1% | 60.7% | -- | 63.1% | 60.6% | -- |

* 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.

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Oklahoma's statewide employment up in August

Following two months of job losses, Oklahoma **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** expanded by 8,100 jobs (+0.5 percent) in August. This movement follows the trend seen each year during the July-to-August period. **Government** was the big contributor to this monthly gain, reflecting the beginning of the school year for public schools and universities. Supersectors that reported monthly job losses were **Construction**, **Manufacturing**, and **Professional & Business Services**. The only supersector that failed to add jobs for the year was **Professional & Business Services**.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT | 1,576,600 | 1,568,500 | 1,565,700 | 8,100 | 0.5% | 10,900 | 0.7% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 280,100 | 279,400 | 272,900 | 700 | 0.3% | 7,200 | 2.6% |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 53,100 | 52,000 | 47,700 | 1,100 | 2.1% | 5,400 | 11.3% |
| Construction | 75,600 | 75,900 | 73,800 | -300 | -0.4% | 1,800 | 2.4% |
| Service Providing Industries | 1,296,500 | 1,289,100 | 1,292,800 | 7,400 | 0.6% | 3,700 | 0.3% |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 290,100 | 289,100 | 289,300 | 1,000 | 0.3% | 800 | 0.3% |
| Financial Activities | 84,900 | 84,600 | 84,200 | 300 | 0.4% | 700 | 0.8% |
| Professional & Business Svcs. | 182,600 | 183,000 | 184,700 | -400 | -0.2% | -2,100 | -1.1% |
| Educational & Health Services | 195,300 | 194,100 | 193,600 | 1,200 | 0.6% | 1,700 | 0.9% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 146,200 | 145,600 | 144,400 | 600 | 0.4% | 1,800 | 1.2% |
| Government | 305,200 | 300,500 | 304,600 | 4,700 | 1.6% | 600 | 0.2% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Natural Resources & Mining expands in August

In August, statewide **Natural Resources & Mining** rebounded from July's losses with an addition of 1,100 jobs over the month. The supersector added 5,400 jobs compared with August 2007.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 53,100 | 52,000 | 47,700 | 1,100 | 2.1% | 5,400 | 11.3% |
| Support Activities for Mining | 28,300 | 27,800 | 26,600 | 500 | 1.8% | 1,700 | 6.4% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Statewide Construction losses continue in August

Construction shed jobs for the second straight month in August. Despite the over-the-month 300-job loss, this supersector has added 1,800 jobs compared to August 2007.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Construction | 75,600 | 75,900 | 73,800 | -300 | -0.4% | 1,800 | 2.4% |
| Construction of Buildings | 16,100 | 16,200 | 15,900 | -100 | -0.6% | 200 | 1.3% |
| Heavy & Civil Engineering | 12,000 | 12,000 | 12,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -0.8% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 47,500 | 47,700 | 45,800 | -200 | -0.4% | 1,700 | 3.7% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Wholesale Trade drives TTU growth for August

Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU) reported growth in the amount of 1,000 jobs in August. **Wholesale Trade** led the charge with an addition of 700 jobs. From August 2007 to August 2008, TTU expanded by 800 jobs, with **Wholesale Trade** as the lone industry to shed jobs for the period.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 290,100 | 289,100 | 289,300 | 1,000 | 0.3% | 800 | 0.3% |
| Wholesale Trade | 59,600 | 58,900 | 60,200 | 700 | 1.2% | -600 | -1.0% |
| Retail Trade | 171,900 | 171,800 | 171,300 | 100 | 0.1% | 600 | 0.4% |
| Transportation, Warehouse & Util. | 58,600 | 58,400 | 57,800 | 200 | 0.3% | 800 | 1.4% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Statewide Financial Activities up for month, year

Financial Activities countered last month's losses with a gain of 300 jobs in August. The **Finance & Insurance** industry provided all of the monthly and annual additions.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Financial Activities | 84,900 | 84,600 | 84,200 | 300 | 0.4% | 700 | 0.8% |
| Finance & Insurance | 60,500 | 60,100 | 59,800 | 400 | 0.7% | 700 | 1.2% |
| Real Estate and Rental & Leasing | 24,400 | 24,500 | 24,400 | -100 | -0.4% | 0 | 0.0% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Losses continue to mount for statewide Professional & Business Services in August

Professional & Business Services followed up July's job losses by shedding 400 more jobs in August. Although it reported no change for the month, the **Administrative & Support Services** industry provided almost all of the annual loss.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Professional & Business Services | 182,600 | 183,000 | 184,700 | -400 | -0.2% | -2,100 | -1.1% |
| Professional & Scientific Services | 63,200 | 63,400 | 63,100 | -200 | -0.3% | 100 | 0.2% |
| Management of Companies | 13,300 | 13,500 | 13,500 | -200 | -1.5% | -200 | -1.5% |
| Administrative & Support Services | 106,100 | 106,100 | 108,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -2,000 | -1.9% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Educational & Health Services rebounds in August

Educational & Health Services reversed course in August by adding 1,200 jobs for the month. The **Health Care & Social Assistance** industry provided more than four of every five jobs added for the month and all of the annual expansion.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Educational & Health Services | 195,300 | 194,100 | 193,600 | 1,200 | 0.6% | 1,700 | 0.9% |
| Educational Services | 17,600 | 17,400 | 17,600 | 200 | 1.1% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 177,700 | 176,700 | 176,000 | 1,000 | 0.6% | 1,700 | 1.0% |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 64,400 | 64,200 | 63,800 | 200 | 0.3% | 600 | 0.9% |
| Hospitals | 53,500 | 53,500 | 52,200 | 0 | 0.0% | 1,300 | 2.5% |
| Nursing & Residential | 34,800 | 34,700 | 35,000 | 100 | 0.3% | -200 | -0.6% |
| Social Assistance | 25,000 | 24,300 | 25,000 | 700 | 2.9% | 0 | 0.0% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Statewide Leisure & Hospitality up for month, year

Statewide **Leisure & Hospitality** added 600 jobs in August. The **Accommodation & Food Services** industry provided all of the monthly expansion and more than three-quarters of the annual growth.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 146,200 | 145,600 | 144,400 | 600 | 0.4% | 1,800 | 1.2% |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 19,100 | 19,400 | 18,700 | -300 | -1.5% | 400 | 2.1% |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 127,100 | 126,200 | 125,700 | 900 | 0.7% | 1,400 | 1.1% |
| Accommodation | 11,800 | 11,900 | 11,800 | -100 | -0.8% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Food Svcs. & Drinking Places | 115,300 | 114,300 | 113,900 | 1,000 | 0.9% | 1,400 | 1.2% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Seasonal gains boost Government employment in August

Government provided the largest share of job growth for August, nearly four times the state's second largest monthly gain. This growth is attributed to public schools and universities kicking off the new school year. **Local Government** provided more than three of every five jobs added for the month. For the year, **Government** has grown by 600 jobs, the result of an 1,100-job loss by **Local Government** tempering gains by **Federal Government** and **State Government**.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Government | 305,200 | 300,500 | 304,600 | 4,700 | 1.6% | 600 | 0.2% |
| Federal Government | 46,000 | 45,900 | 45,800 | 100 | 0.2% | 200 | 0.4% |
| State Government | 78,300 | 76,700 | 76,800 | 1,600 | 2.1% | 1,500 | 2.0% |
| Local Government | 180,900 | 177,900 | 182,000 | 3,000 | 1.7% | -1,100 | -0.6% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKLAHOMA CITY MSA*

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Oklahoma City MSA employment up for August

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT in the Oklahoma City metropolitan statistical area (MSA) expanded by 2,900 jobs over the month in August. Most of the job gains came from the **Service Providing Industries**, where **Government** reported seasonal growth. A number of supersectors reported losses for the month, including **Construction, Manufacturing, Financial Activities, Professional & Business Services, and Other Services**.

Over the year, the Oklahoma City MSA grew by 7,800 jobs, led by a 3,900-job gain in **Educational & Health Services**. August-to-August job losses were concentrated in **Manufacturing, Information, Financial Activities, and Government**.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT | 572,100 | 569,200 | 564,300 | 2,900 | 0.5% | 7,800 | 1.4% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 81,400 | 81,200 | 79,100 | 200 | 0.2% | 2,300 | 2.9% |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 15,900 | 15,500 | 14,600 | 400 | 2.6% | 1,300 | 8.9% |
| Construction | 29,100 | 29,200 | 27,500 | -100 | -0.3% | 1,600 | 5.8% |
| Service Providing Industries | 490,700 | 488,000 | 485,200 | 2,700 | 0.6% | 5,500 | 1.1% |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 103,400 | 103,300 | 102,500 | 100 | 0.1% | 900 | 0.9% |
| Professional & Business Svcs. | 75,900 | 76,500 | 75,100 | -600 | -0.8% | 800 | 1.1% |
| Educational & Health Services | 76,200 | 75,400 | 72,300 | 800 | 1.1% | 3,900 | 5.4% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 59,200 | 58,800 | 57,400 | 400 | 0.7% | 1,800 | 3.1% |
| Government | 105,800 | 103,300 | 107,700 | 2,500 | 2.4% | -1,900 | -1.8% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Natural Resources & Mining up for month, year

Oklahoma City **Natural Resources & Mining** expanded by 400 jobs for the month in August. For the year, the supersector has added 1,300 jobs.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 15,900 | 15,500 | 14,600 | 400 | 2.6% | 1,300 | 8.9% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Construction sees small loss for month, gain for year

Despite shedding 100 jobs in August, Oklahoma City **Construction** grew by 1,600 jobs compared to August 2007. The **Specialty Trade Contractors** industry contributed much of the annual expansion.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Construction | 29,100 | 29,200 | 27,500 | -100 | -0.3% | 1,600 | 5.8% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 18,700 | 18,700 | 17,600 | 0 | 0.0% | 1,100 | 6.3% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Retail Trade drives annual growth for OKC TTU in August

Oklahoma City **Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU)** grew slightly in August, but reported a larger gain for the year. **Retail Trade** provided more than three-quarters of the jobs added for the August-to-August period.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 103,400 | 103,300 | 102,500 | 100 | 0.1% | 900 | 0.9% |
| Wholesale Trade | 23,700 | 23,600 | 23,500 | 100 | 0.4% | 200 | 0.9% |
| Retail Trade | 62,700 | 62,800 | 62,000 | -100 | -0.2% | 700 | 1.1% |
| Transportation, Warehouse & Util. | 17,000 | 16,900 | 17,000 | 100 | 0.6% | 0 | 0.0% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Professional & Business Services down for month

Oklahoma City **Professional & Business Services** shed jobs for the second straight month in August. **Administrative & Support Services** provided most of the monthly loss and much of the annual gain.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Professional & Business Services | 75,900 | 76,500 | 75,100 | -600 | -0.8% | 800 | 1.1% |
| Professional & Scientific Services | 27,300 | 27,400 | 27,200 | -100 | -0.4% | 100 | 0.4% |
| Management of Companies | 6,100 | 6,100 | 5,900 | 0 | 0.0% | 200 | 3.4% |
| Administrative & Support Services | 42,500 | 43,000 | 42,000 | -500 | -1.2% | 500 | 1.2% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Educational & Health Services up for month, year

Educational & Health Services rebounded from July's monthly loss with an 800-job gain in August. **Health Care & Social Assistance** contributed half of the monthly growth and nearly four of every five jobs added over the year.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Educational & Health Services | 76,200 | 75,400 | 72,300 | 800 | 1.1% | 3,900 | 5.4% |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 68,100 | 67,700 | 65,000 | 400 | 0.6% | 3,100 | 4.8% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Leisure & Hospitality reports gain for month, year

Leisure & Hospitality in the Oklahoma City MSA grew by 400 jobs in August. The **Food Services & Drinking Places** industry was the source of all monthly and annual expansion.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 59,200 | 58,800 | 57,400 | 400 | 0.7% | 1,800 | 3.1% |
| Food Svcs. & Drinking Places | 47,900 | 47,300 | 45,300 | 600 | 1.3% | 2,600 | 5.7% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

OKC Government adds jobs for month, sheds jobs for year in August

Employment for Oklahoma City **Government** increased by 2,500 jobs in August, due mostly to seasonal education factors. **State Government** and **Local Government** contributed nearly all of the monthly gains. For the August-to-August period, **State Government** drove the 1,900-job loss.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Government | 105,800 | 103,300 | 107,700 | 2,500 | 2.4% | -1,900 | -1.8% |
| Federal Government | 26,300 | 26,200 | 26,400 | 100 | 0.4% | -100 | -0.4% |
| State Government | 36,800 | 35,500 | 38,700 | 1,300 | 3.7% | -1,900 | -4.9% |
| Local Government | 42,700 | 41,600 | 42,600 | 1,100 | 2.6% | 100 | 0.2% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

TULSA MSA*

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Tulsa MSA employment up for month, down for year in August

TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT in the Tulsa metropolitan statistical area (MSA) reversed course in August following two months of job losses. The **Service Providing Industries** contributed nearly all of the 1,700 jobs added over the month. **Professional & Business Services** reported the largest over-the-month gain of any supersector in the Tulsa MSA.

For the year, Tulsa **TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT** contracted by 2,600 jobs. **Professional & Business Services** was also the main contributor to the MSA's year-to-year losses.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| TOTAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT | 425,700 | 424,000 | 428,300 | 1,700 | 0.4% | -2,600 | -0.6% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 82,300 | 82,500 | 81,800 | -200 | -0.2% | 500 | 0.6% |
| Construction | 23,500 | 23,600 | 22,600 | -100 | -0.4% | 900 | 4.0% |
| Manufacturing | 51,700 | 51,800 | 52,300 | -100 | -0.2% | -600 | -1.1% |
| Service Providing Industries | 343,400 | 341,500 | 346,500 | 1,900 | 0.6% | -3,100 | -0.9% |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 85,900 | 85,600 | 85,200 | 300 | 0.4% | 700 | 0.8% |
| Professional & Business Svcs. | 59,700 | 58,700 | 63,700 | 1,000 | 1.7% | -4,000 | -6.3% |
| Educational & Health Services | 59,300 | 59,000 | 58,000 | 300 | 0.5% | 1,300 | 2.2% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 35,400 | 35,400 | 36,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -700 | -1.9% |
| Government | 48,500 | 48,200 | 49,800 | 300 | 0.6% | -1,300 | -2.6% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Construction adds jobs over year for August

Construction in Tulsa contracted by 100 jobs over the month in August. **Specialty Trade Contractors** provided all of the 900 jobs added for the year.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Construction | 23,500 | 23,600 | 22,600 | -100 | -0.4% | 900 | 4.0% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 15,400 | 15,400 | 14,500 | 0 | 0.0% | 900 | 6.2% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Manufacturing down for month, year

Tulsa **Manufacturing** dropped 100 jobs in August, bringing its over-the-year change to a loss of 600 jobs.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Manufacturing | 51,700 | 51,800 | 52,300 | -100 | -0.2% | -600 | -1.1% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa TTU expands over month, year in August

Tulsa **Trade, Transportation & Utilities (TTU)** reported a 300-job gain in August due to additions in the **Retail Trade** industry. **Retail Trade** combined with **Transportation, Warehouse & Utilities** to account for **zx** annual growth.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 85,900 | 85,600 | 85,200 | 300 | 0.4% | 700 | 0.8% |
| Wholesale Trade | 18,000 | 18,100 | 18,200 | -100 | -0.6% | -200 | -1.1% |
| Retail Trade | 45,600 | 45,200 | 45,000 | 400 | 0.9% | 600 | 1.3% |
| Transportation, Warehouse & Util. | 22,300 | 22,300 | 22,000 | 0 | 0.0% | 300 | 1.4% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Professional & Business Services regains jobs over month in August

Tulsa's **Professional & Business Services** supersector countered July's losses with a gain of 1,000 jobs in August. The **Administrative & Support Services** industry fueled this monthly change. All three industries contributed to the annual loss, with **Administrative & Support Services** leading the way.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Professional & Business Services | 59,700 | 58,700 | 63,700 | 1,000 | 1.7% | -4,000 | -6.3% |
| Professional & Scientific Services | 19,600 | 19,500 | 20,100 | 100 | 0.5% | -500 | -2.5% |
| Management of Companies | 5,600 | 5,700 | 5,900 | -100 | -1.8% | -300 | -5.1% |
| Administrative & Support Services | 34,500 | 33,500 | 37,700 | 1,000 | 3.0% | -3,200 | -8.5% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Educational & Health Services up for month, year

Tulsa **Educational & Health Services** expanded by 300 jobs over the month in August. The supersector's entire annual gain was provided by the **Health Care & Social Assistance** industry.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Educational & Health Services | 59,300 | 59,000 | 58,000 | 300 | 0.5% | 1,300 | 2.2% |
| Educational Services | 6,400 | 6,300 | 6,800 | 100 | 1.6% | -400 | -5.9% |
| Health Care & Social Assistance | 52,900 | 52,700 | 51,200 | 200 | 0.4% | 1,700 | 3.3% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Leisure & Hospitality down over year in August

Leisure & Hospitality in Tulsa reported a loss of 700 jobs for the August-to-August period.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 35,400 | 35,400 | 36,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -700 | -1.9% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

Tulsa Government expands in August

Seasonal factors once again affected Tulsa **Government** over the month, this time leading to a gain of 300 jobs. **Local Government** drove the monthly growth due to public schools starting the new school year. Although over-the-year losses were shared among all industries, **Local Government** provided the majority of the jobs lost for the period.

| | NUMBER OF JOBS | | | CHANGE | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | |
| Government | 48,500 | 48,200 | 49,800 | 300 | 0.6% | -1,300 | -2.6% |
| Federal Government | 4,700 | 4,800 | 4,800 | -100 | -2.1% | -100 | -2.1% |
| State Government | 5,800 | 5,800 | 6,000 | 0 | 0.0% | -200 | -3.3% |
| Local Government | 38,000 | 37,600 | 39,000 | 400 | 1.1% | -1,000 | -2.6% |
| | | | | Jobs | Pct. | Jobs | Pct. |

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – State of Oklahoma

| | NUMBER EMPLOYED | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | | |
| Total Non-farm Employment | 1,576,600 | 1,568,500 | 1,565,700 | 8,100 | 0.5% | 10,900 | 0.7% |
| Total Private Employment* | 1,271,400 | 1,268,000 | 1,261,100 | 3,400 | 0.3% | 10,300 | 0.8% |
| Private Service Providers** | 991,300 | 988,600 | 988,200 | 2,700 | 0.3% | 3,100 | 0.3% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 280,100 | 279,400 | 272,900 | 700 | 0.3% | 7,200 | 2.6% |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 53,100 | 52,000 | 47,700 | 1,100 | 2.1% | 5,400 | 11.3% |
| Support Activities for Mining | 28,300 | 27,800 | 26,600 | 500 | 1.8% | 1,700 | 6.4% |
| Construction | 75,600 | 75,900 | 73,800 | -300 | -0.4% | 1,800 | 2.4% |
| Construction of Buildings | 16,100 | 16,200 | 15,900 | -100 | -0.6% | 200 | 1.3% |
| Residential Buildings | 6,500 | 6,400 | 6,200 | 100 | 1.6% | 300 | 4.8% |
| Non-residential Buildings | 9,600 | 9,800 | 9,700 | -200 | -2.0% | -100 | -1.0% |
| Heavy & Civil Engineering | 12,000 | 12,000 | 12,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -0.8% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 47,500 | 47,700 | 45,800 | -200 | -0.4% | 1,700 | 3.7% |
| Bldg. Equip. Contractors | 22,600 | 22,500 | 21,300 | 100 | 0.4% | 1,300 | 6.1% |
| Manufacturing | 151,400 | 151,500 | 151,400 | -100 | -0.1% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Durable Goods Mfg. | 104,300 | 104,400 | 103,800 | -100 | -0.1% | 500 | 0.5% |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 24,400 | 24,400 | 24,000 | 0 | 0.0% | 400 | 1.7% |
| Other Fabricated Metal | 5,000 | 5,000 | 4,700 | 0 | 0.0% | 300 | 6.4% |
| Machinery Manufacturing | 31,200 | 31,100 | 30,000 | 100 | 0.3% | 1,200 | 4.0% |
| Electrical Equipment Mfg. | 3,300 | 3,300 | 3,300 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Transportation Equip. Mfg. | 15,500 | 15,500 | 16,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -600 | -3.7% |
| Motor Vehicle Mfg. | 2,400 | 2,400 | 2,500 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -4.0% |
| Aerospace Products Mfg. | 6,000 | 6,000 | 5,400 | 0 | 0.0% | 600 | 11.1% |
| Non-durable Goods Mfg. | 47,100 | 47,100 | 47,600 | 0 | 0.0% | -500 | -1.1% |
| Food Manufacturing | 19,800 | 19,700 | 19,800 | 100 | 0.5% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Paper Manufacturing | 3,000 | 3,000 | 2,900 | 0 | 0.0% | 100 | 3.4% |
| Plastic & Rubber Products | 11,100 | 11,100 | 11,100 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Service Providing Industries | 1,296,500 | 1,289,100 | 1,292,800 | 7,400 | 0.6% | 3,700 | 0.3% |
| Trade, Transportation & Util. | 290,100 | 289,100 | 289,300 | 1,000 | 0.3% | 800 | 0.3% |
| Wholesale Trade | 59,600 | 58,900 | 60,200 | 700 | 1.2% | -600 | -1.0% |
| Retail Trade | 171,900 | 171,800 | 171,300 | 100 | 0.1% | 600 | 0.4% |
| Motor Vehicle & Parts | 24,300 | 24,200 | 23,900 | 100 | 0.4% | 400 | 1.7% |
| Automobile Dealers | 15,200 | 15,200 | 15,100 | 0 | 0.0% | 100 | 0.7% |
| Food & Beverage Stores | 22,200 | 22,300 | 22,500 | -100 | -0.4% | -300 | -1.3% |
| Gen'l Merchandise Stores | 45,700 | 45,700 | 44,300 | 0 | 0.0% | 1,400 | 3.2% |
| Transport., Warehouse & Util. | 58,600 | 58,400 | 57,800 | 200 | 0.3% | 800 | 1.4% |
| Utilities | 10,700 | 10,600 | 10,600 | 100 | 0.9% | 100 | 0.9% |
| Transportation/Warehouse | 47,900 | 47,800 | 47,200 | 100 | 0.2% | 700 | 1.5% |
| Air Transportation | 8,700 | 8,600 | 8,700 | 100 | 1.2% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Truck Transportation | 20,300 | 20,200 | 20,000 | 100 | 0.5% | 300 | 1.5% |
| Information | 28,800 | 28,800 | 28,600 | 0 | 0.0% | 200 | 0.7% |
| Publishing Industries | 7,100 | 7,100 | 7,100 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Telecommunications | 13,500 | 13,600 | 13,900 | -100 | -0.7% | -400 | -2.9% |

| | NUMBER EMPLOYED | | | CHANGE | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | Aug '07 to Aug '08 | | |
| Financial Activities | 84,900 | 84,600 | 84,200 | 300 | 0.4% | 700 | 0.8% |
| Finance & Insurance | 60,500 | 60,100 | 59,800 | 400 | 0.7% | 700 | 1.2% |
| Credit Intermediation | 32,400 | 32,400 | 31,700 | 0 | 0.0% | 700 | 2.2% |
| Insurance Carriers & Rltd. | 24,000 | 23,900 | 23,300 | 100 | 0.4% | 700 | 3.0% |
| Real Estate, Rental/Leasing | 24,400 | 24,500 | 24,400 | -100 | -0.4% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Real Estate | 11,600 | 11,600 | 11,700 | 0 | 0.0% | -100 | -0.9% |
| Pro. & Business Services | 182,600 | 183,000 | 184,700 | -400 | -0.2% | -2,100 | -1.1% |
| Pro. & Scientific Services | 63,200 | 63,400 | 63,100 | -200 | -0.3% | 100 | 0.2% |
| Legal Services | 12,700 | 12,600 | 12,900 | 100 | 0.8% | -200 | -1.6% |
| Accounting & Tax Prep. | 11,800 | 11,600 | 11,800 | 200 | 1.7% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Architecture/Engineering | 13,000 | 13,000 | 12,800 | 0 | 0.0% | 200 | 1.6% |
| Management of Companies | 13,300 | 13,500 | 13,500 | -200 | -1.5% | -200 | -1.5% |
| Admin. & Support Services | 106,100 | 106,100 | 108,100 | 0 | 0.0% | -2,000 | -1.9% |
| Employment Services | 49,700 | 48,800 | 50,100 | 900 | 1.8% | -400 | -0.8% |
| Business Support Svcs. | 18,300 | 18,200 | 17,900 | 100 | 0.5% | 400 | 2.2% |
| Services to Buildings | 15,700 | 15,700 | 15,000 | 0 | 0.0% | 700 | 4.7% |
| Educational & Health Svcs. | 195,300 | 194,100 | 193,600 | 1,200 | 0.6% | 1,700 | 0.9% |
| Educational Services | 17,600 | 17,400 | 17,600 | 200 | 1.1% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Health Care & Social Asst. | 177,700 | 176,700 | 176,000 | 1,000 | 0.6% | 1,700 | 1.0% |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 64,400 | 64,200 | 63,800 | 200 | 0.3% | 600 | 0.9% |
| Hospitals | 53,500 | 53,500 | 52,200 | 0 | 0.0% | 1,300 | 2.5% |
| Nursing & Residential Care | 34,800 | 34,700 | 35,000 | 100 | 0.3% | -200 | -0.6% |
| Social Assistance | 25,000 | 24,300 | 25,000 | 700 | 2.9% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 146,200 | 145,600 | 144,400 | 600 | 0.4% | 1,800 | 1.2% |
| Arts, Entertainment & Rec. | 19,100 | 19,400 | 18,700 | -300 | -1.5% | 400 | 2.1% |
| Accommodation & Food Svc. | 127,100 | 126,200 | 125,700 | 900 | 0.7% | 1,400 | 1.1% |
| Accommodation | 11,800 | 11,900 | 11,800 | -100 | -0.8% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Food Svcs./Drinking Places | 115,300 | 114,300 | 113,900 | 1,000 | 0.9% | 1,400 | 1.2% |
| Full-service Restaurants | 52,600 | 52,500 | 51,600 | 100 | 0.2% | 1,000 | 1.9% |
| Limited-service Eating | 56,500 | 55,900 | 55,900 | 600 | 1.1% | 600 | 1.1% |
| Other Services | 63,400 | 63,400 | 63,400 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Repair & Maintenance | 14,200 | 14,100 | 14,000 | 100 | 0.7% | 200 | 1.4% |
| Personal & Laundry Services | 13,700 | 13,500 | 13,700 | 200 | 1.5% | 0 | 0.0% |
| Government | 305,200 | 300,500 | 304,600 | 4,700 | 1.6% | 600 | 0.2% |
| Federal Government | 46,000 | 45,900 | 45,800 | 100 | 0.2% | 200 | 0.4% |
| State Government | 78,300 | 76,700 | 76,800 | 1,600 | 2.1% | 1,500 | 2.0% |
| Local Government | 180,900 | 177,900 | 182,000 | 3,000 | 1.7% | -1,100 | -0.6% |

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Oklahoma City MSA

| | NUMBER EMPLOYED | | | CHANGE | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | Aug '07 to Aug '08 |
| Total Non-farm Employment | 572,100 | 569,200 | 564,300 | 2,900 0.5% | 7,800 1.4% |
| Total Private Employment* | 466,300 | 465,900 | 456,600 | 400 0.1% | 9,700 2.1% |
| Private Service Providers** | 384,900 | 384,700 | 377,500 | 200 0.1% | 7,400 2.0% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 81,400 | 81,200 | 79,100 | 200 0.2% | 2,300 2.9% |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 15,900 | 15,500 | 14,600 | 400 2.6% | 1,300 8.9% |
| Construction | 29,100 | 29,200 | 27,500 | -100 -0.3% | 1,600 5.8% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 18,700 | 18,700 | 17,600 | 0 0.0% | 1,100 6.3% |
| Manufacturing | 36,400 | 36,500 | 37,000 | -100 -0.3% | -600 -1.6% |
| Durable Goods Mfg. | 27,300 | 27,300 | 27,500 | 0 0.0% | -200 -0.7% |
| Machinery Manufacturing | 8,000 | 7,900 | 7,700 | 100 1.3% | 300 3.9% |
| Transportation Equip. Mfg. | 5,100 | 5,200 | 5,600 | -100 -1.9% | -500 -8.9% |
| Plastic & Rubber Products | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Service Providing Industries | 490,700 | 488,000 | 485,200 | 2,700 0.6% | 5,500 1.1% |
| Trade, Transportation & Util. | 103,400 | 103,300 | 102,500 | 100 0.1% | 900 0.9% |
| Wholesale Trade | 23,700 | 23,600 | 23,500 | 100 0.4% | 200 0.9% |
| Retail Trade | 62,700 | 62,800 | 62,000 | -100 -0.2% | 700 1.1% |
| Gen'l Merchandise Stores | 14,500 | 14,500 | 14,500 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Transport, Warehouse & Util. | 17,000 | 16,900 | 17,000 | 100 0.6% | 0 0.0% |
| Information | 12,300 | 12,300 | 12,400 | 0 0.0% | -100 -0.8% |
| Telecommunications | 5,800 | 5,800 | 6,100 | 0 0.0% | -300 -4.9% |
| Financial Activities | 34,500 | 34,700 | 34,800 | -200 -0.6% | -300 -0.9% |
| Finance & Insurance | 24,100 | 24,100 | 23,500 | 0 0.0% | 600 2.6% |
| Rental & Leasing Services | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,900 | 0 0.0% | -200 -3.4% |
| Pro. & Business Services | 75,900 | 76,500 | 75,100 | -600 -0.8% | 800 1.1% |
| Pro. & Scientific Services | 27,300 | 27,400 | 27,200 | -100 -0.4% | 100 0.4% |
| Management of Companies | 6,100 | 6,100 | 5,900 | 0 0.0% | 200 3.4% |
| Admin. & Support Services | 42,500 | 43,000 | 42,000 | -500 -1.2% | 500 1.2% |
| Employment Services | 19,000 | 18,800 | 19,000 | 200 1.1% | 0 0.0% |
| Business Support Svcs. | 6,000 | 6,200 | 6,900 | -200 -3.2% | -900 -13.0% |
| Educational & Health Svcs. | 76,200 | 75,400 | 72,300 | 800 1.1% | 3,900 5.4% |
| Health Care & Social Asst. | 68,100 | 67,700 | 65,000 | 400 0.6% | 3,100 4.8% |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 26,100 | 26,000 | 25,300 | 100 0.4% | 800 3.2% |
| Hospitals | 21,500 | 21,400 | 20,300 | 100 0.5% | 1,200 5.9% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 59,200 | 58,800 | 57,400 | 400 0.7% | 1,800 3.1% |
| Food Svcs./Drinking Places | 47,900 | 47,300 | 45,300 | 600 1.3% | 2,600 5.7% |
| Full-service Restaurants | 21,400 | 21,200 | 20,800 | 200 0.9% | 600 2.9% |
| Limited-service Eating | 21,700 | 21,400 | 21,100 | 300 1.4% | 600 2.8% |
| Other Services | 23,400 | 23,700 | 23,000 | -300 -1.3% | 400 1.7% |
| Government | 105,800 | 103,300 | 107,700 | 2,500 2.4% | -1,900 -1.8% |
| Federal Government | 26,300 | 26,200 | 26,400 | 100 0.4% | -100 -0.4% |
| State Government | 36,800 | 35,500 | 38,700 | 1,300 3.7% | -1,900 -4.9% |
| Local Government | 42,700 | 41,600 | 42,600 | 1,100 2.6% | 100 0.2% |

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

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Tulsa MSA

| | NUMBER EMPLOYED | | | CHANGE | |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| | Aug '08 | Jul '08 | Aug '07 | Jul '08 to Aug '08 | Aug '07 to Aug '08 |
| Total Non-farm Employment | 425,700 | 424,000 | 428,300 | 1,700 0.4% | -2,600 -0.6% |
| Total Private Employment* | 377,200 | 375,800 | 378,500 | 1,400 0.4% | -1,300 -0.3% |
| Private Service Providers** | 294,900 | 293,300 | 296,700 | 1,600 0.5% | -1,800 -0.6% |
| Goods Producing Industries | 82,300 | 82,500 | 81,800 | -200 -0.2% | 500 0.6% |
| Natural Resources & Mining | 7,100 | 7,100 | 6,900 | 0 0.0% | 200 2.9% |
| Construction | 23,500 | 23,600 | 22,600 | -100 -0.4% | 900 4.0% |
| Specialty Trade Contractors | 15,400 | 15,400 | 14,500 | 0 0.0% | 900 6.2% |
| Manufacturing | 51,700 | 51,800 | 52,300 | -100 -0.2% | -600 -1.1% |
| Machinery Manufacturing | 11,500 | 11,500 | 11,400 | 0 0.0% | 100 0.9% |
| Other Gen'l Purpose | 5,500 | 5,500 | 5,500 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Transportation Equip. Mfg. | 5,700 | 5,700 | 5,700 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Service Providing Industries | 343,400 | 341,500 | 346,500 | 1,900 0.6% | -3,100 -0.9% |
| Trade, Transportation & Util. | 85,900 | 85,600 | 85,200 | 300 0.4% | 700 0.8% |
| Wholesale Trade | 18,000 | 18,100 | 18,200 | -100 -0.6% | -200 -1.1% |
| Retail Trade | 45,600 | 45,200 | 45,000 | 400 0.9% | 600 1.3% |
| Food & Beverage Stores | 6,900 | 7,000 | 6,600 | -100 -1.4% | 300 4.5% |
| General Merchandise Store | 10,300 | 10,300 | 10,300 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Department Stores | 4,100 | 4,100 | 4,100 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Other Gen'l Merchandise | 6,200 | 6,200 | 6,200 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Transport, Warehouse & Util. | 22,300 | 22,300 | 22,000 | 0 0.0% | 300 1.4% |
| Utilities | 3,400 | 3,400 | 3,300 | 0 0.0% | 100 3.0% |
| Transportation & Warehouse | 18,900 | 18,900 | 18,700 | 0 0.0% | 200 1.1% |
| Air Transportation | 7,400 | 7,400 | 7,400 | 0 0.0% | 0 0.0% |
| Information | 9,900 | 10,000 | 9,800 | -100 -1.0% | 100 1.0% |
| Telecommunications | 4,800 | 4,900 | 4,900 | -100 -2.0% | -100 -2.0% |
| Financial Activities | 25,800 | 25,600 | 25,700 | 200 0.8% | 100 0.4% |
| Insurance Carriers | 5,200 | 5,200 | 4,900 | 0 0.0% | 300 6.1% |
| Pro. & Business Services | 59,700 | 58,700 | 63,700 | 1,000 1.7% | -4,000 -6.3% |
| Pro. & Scientific Services | 19,600 | 19,500 | 20,100 | 100 0.5% | -500 -2.5% |
| Management of Companies | 5,600 | 5,700 | 5,900 | -100 -1.8% | -300 -5.1% |
| Admin. & Support Services | 34,500 | 33,500 | 37,700 | 1,000 3.0% | -3,200 -8.5% |
| Employment Services | 17,200 | 16,400 | 17,700 | 800 4.9% | -500 -2.8% |
| Business Support Svcs. | 8,100 | 8,100 | 8,000 | 0 0.0% | 100 1.3% |
| Educational & Health Svcs. | 59,300 | 59,000 | 58,000 | 300 0.5% | 1,300 2.2% |
| Educational Services | 6,400 | 6,300 | 6,800 | 100 1.6% | -400 -5.9% |
| Health Care & Social Asst. | 52,900 | 52,700 | 51,200 | 200 0.4% | 1,700 3.3% |
| Ambulatory Health Care | 17,300 | 17,200 | 17,900 | 100 0.6% | -600 -3.4% |
| Hospitals | 18,900 | 18,900 | 18,600 | 0 0.0% | 300 1.6% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 35,400 | 35,400 | 36,100 | 0 0.0% | -700 -1.9% |
| Food Svcs./Drinking Places | 30,300 | 30,100 | 30,400 | 200 0.7% | -100 -0.3% |
| Full-service Restaurants | 14,700 | 14,700 | 14,900 | 0 0.0% | -200 -1.3% |
| Other Services | 18,900 | 19,000 | 18,200 | -100 -0.5% | 700 3.8% |
| Government | 48,500 | 48,200 | 49,800 | 300 0.6% | -1,300 -2.6% |
| Federal Government | 4,700 | 4,800 | 4,800 | -100 -2.1% | -100 -2.1% |
| State Government | 5,800 | 5,800 | 6,000 | 0 0.0% | -200 -3.3% |
| Local Government | 38,000 | 37,600 | 39,000 | 400 1.1% | -1,000 -2.6% |

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS – Statewide

NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Unemp. Rate |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| AUG '08 | 1,745,220 | 1,678,990 | 66,230 | 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% |
| Sep '07 | 1,728,950 | 1,658,630 | 70,320 | 4.1% |
| Aug '07 | 1,722,850 | 1,650,790 | 72,060 | 4.2% |

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Unemp. Rate |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| AUG '08 | 1,744,830 | 1,675,230 | 69,600 | 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% |
| Sep '07 | 1,734,060 | 1,659,480 | 74,580 | 4.3% |
| Aug '07 | 1,733,150 | 1,658,930 | 74,220 | 4.3% |