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Unemployment rates up for most Oklahoma counties in October

Oklahoma's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 4.1 percent in October 2008. **McCurtain County** recorded the state's highest county unemployment rate again, and **Beaver, Ellis and Roger Mills counties** shared the lowest county rate. Of the state's 77 counties, 73 reported rate increases for the month. **Payne and Sequoyah counties** were the only counties to see rate drops in October.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES*

OCTOBER 2008	Area	Unempl. rate	Monthly change	Annual change
RATE	Statewide	4.1%	↑ 0.6%	↓ 0.1%
Highest county	McCurtain Co.	7.3%	↑ 0.5%	↑ 0.8%
Lowest county	Beaver County	2.3%	↑ 0.6%	↓ 0.7%
	Ellis County	2.3%	↑ 0.5%	↓ 0.5%
	Roger Mills Co.	2.3%	↑ 0.4%	↓ 0.9%
Biggest % gain	Atoka County	5.3%	↑ 1.1%	--
Biggest % loss	Payne County	3.6%	↓ 0.5%	--

*non-seasonally adjusted

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.

REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT*

	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%
Region							
Arkansas	1,380,690	1,316,030	64,670	4.7%	4.5%	4.6%	4.9%
Kansas	1,497,600	1,430,620	66,980	4.5%	4.8%	4.7%	3.6%
Louisiana	2,070,790	1,962,070	108,720	5.3%	5.2%	5.0%	3.3%
Missouri	3,021,480	2,836,790	184,700	6.1%	6.2%	6.6%	5.1%
New Mexico	964,410	925,110	39,300	4.1%	3.8%	4.7%	3.1%
Texas	11,831,080	11,194,260	636,820	5.4%	5.2%	5.1%	4.0%

*non-seasonally adjusted

McCurtain County holds October's highest county rate

McCurtain County once again reported Oklahoma's highest county rate in October at 7.3 percent. Hughes County claimed the state's second highest rate of 6.2 percent, and Sequoyah County rounded out October's three highest county rates at 6.0 percent.

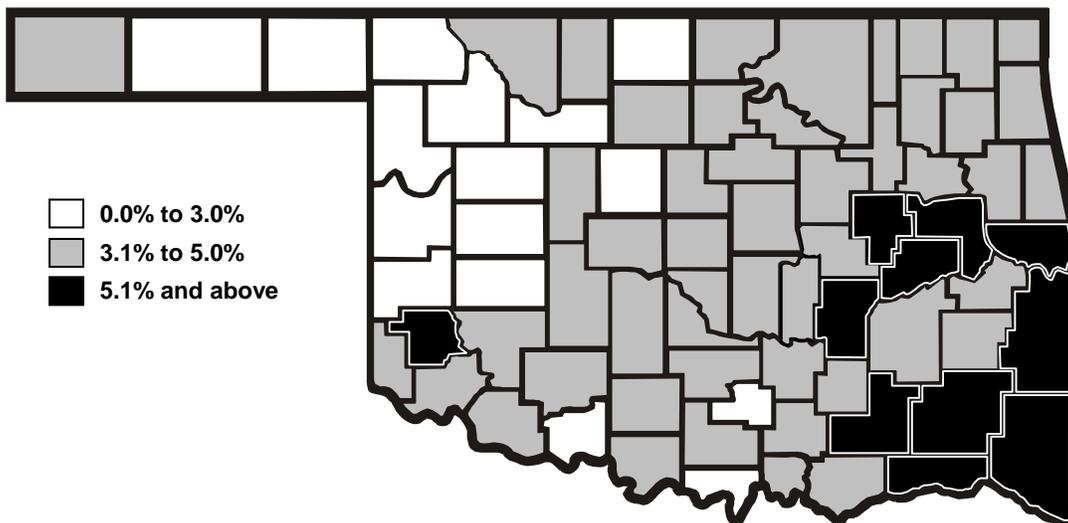
	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unempl.	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
McCurtain County	14,390	13,340	1,050	7.3%	6.8%	7.3%	6.5%
Hughes County	4,850	4,550	300	6.2%	5.4%	6.1%	6.5%
Sequoyah County	18,400	17,290	1,110	6.0%	6.3%	6.0%	5.1%

Beaver, Ellis, Roger Mills share October's lowest county rate

Beaver, Ellis and Roger Mills counties shared Oklahoma's lowest county unemployment rate of 2.3 percent in October. Beckham and Woodward counties each reported a rate of 2.4 percent for the month, and Kingfisher County claimed sole possession of the state's third lowest rate for October.

	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unempl.	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
Beaver County	3,270	3,200	80	2.3%	1.7%	1.8%	3.0%
Ellis County	2,590	2,530	60	2.3%	1.8%	1.9%	2.8%
Roger Mills County	2,030	1,980	50	2.3%	1.9%	2.3%	3.2%
Beckham County	12,670	12,370	310	2.4%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%
Woodward County	12,620	12,310	300	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	2.8%
Kingfisher County	8,740	8,520	220	2.5%	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%

DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary data for October 2008



NOTE:

Each month, Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) data for the previous month is revised. The following data is marked in the table heading as either preliminary (not revised) or revised.

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data)**County rankings**

	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
1. McCurtain County	14,390	13,340	1,050	7.3%	6.8%	7.3%	6.5%
2. Hughes County	4,850	4,550	300	6.2%	5.4%	6.1%	6.5%
3. Sequoyah County	18,400	17,290	1,110	6.0%	6.3%	6.0%	5.1%
4. Okmulgee County	16,540	15,590	950	5.7%	5.1%	5.2%	5.7%
5. Choctaw County	7,040	6,660	380	5.4%	4.8%	5.3%	5.7%
6. Atoka County	6,170	5,840	330	5.3%	4.2%	4.8%	5.2%
7. Le Flore County	21,630	20,480	1,150	5.3%	5.3%	5.2%	5.4%
8. McIntosh County	8,740	8,280	470	5.3%	4.7%	5.0%	5.6%
9. Pushmataha Co.	5,440	5,160	290	5.3%	4.6%	4.7%	5.5%
10. Muskogee County	30,300	28,710	1,590	5.2%	4.4%	4.6%	5.5%
11. Greer County	2,060	1,950	100	5.1%	4.3%	4.5%	5.5%
12. Adair County	11,070	10,510	560	5.0%	4.4%	5.2%	4.9%
13. Coal County	2,630	2,500	130	5.0%	4.4%	5.0%	6.2%
14. Seminole County	11,070	10,510	560	5.0%	4.5%	4.9%	5.6%
15. Creek County	31,740	30,180	1,560	4.9%	4.2%	4.5%	4.4%
16. Pawnee County	7,720	7,340	380	4.9%	4.5%	4.6%	4.3%
17. Jefferson County	2,420	2,300	120	4.8%	4.1%	4.3%	5.6%
18. Okfuskee County	4,610	4,390	220	4.8%	3.9%	4.3%	5.0%
19. Ottawa County	17,660	16,810	860	4.8%	4.2%	4.7%	5.1%
20. Caddo County	12,770	12,180	590	4.7%	3.8%	4.2%	5.0%
21. Delaware County	19,010	18,120	890	4.7%	3.9%	4.2%	4.9%
22. Mayes County	18,870	17,980	890	4.7%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%
23. Nowata County	5,040	4,800	240	4.7%	4.1%	4.3%	5.2%
24. Tillman County	3,530	3,370	170	4.7%	3.8%	4.3%	4.7%
25. Johnston County	5,300	5,060	240	4.6%	4.0%	4.5%	4.7%
26. Latimer County	4,630	4,420	210	4.6%	4.5%	4.9%	5.3%
27. Oklahoma County	332,940	318,400	14,540	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
28. Osage County	20,570	19,660	910	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%
29. Pottawatomie Co.	33,000	31,540	1,460	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%
30. Craig County	7,350	7,040	320	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	5.2%
31. Grady County	23,740	22,710	1,030	4.3%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
32. Lincoln County	14,730	14,100	640	4.3%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%
33. Marshall County	6,610	6,330	290	4.3%	3.7%	4.1%	4.7%
34. McClain County	15,080	14,450	630	4.2%	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%
35. Cleveland County	119,600	114,750	4,850	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
36. Comanche County	46,870	44,950	1,920	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
37. Kiowa County	4,070	3,900	170	4.1%	3.4%	3.9%	5.1%
38. Blaine County	5,140	4,930	210	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%	4.9%
39. Cherokee County	24,130	23,150	970	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%	4.1%

	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
40. Kay County	23,890	22,940	960	4.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%
41. Rogers County	40,310	38,710	1,600	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
42. Tulsa County	293,570	281,770	11,790	4.0%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
43. Wagoner County	32,760	31,440	1,320	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%	3.9%
44. Haskell County	6,130	5,890	240	3.9%	3.3%	3.8%	4.3%
45. Stephens County	22,320	21,440	880	3.9%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
46. Canadian County	52,210	50,220	1,990	3.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
47. Harmon County	1,360	1,310	50	3.8%	3.2%	3.8%	4.2%
48. Logan County	18,030	17,340	690	3.8%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%
49. Alfalfa County	2,450	2,360	90	3.6%	2.7%	3.5%	5.0%
50. Payne County	39,540	38,130	1,410	3.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
51. Pittsburg County	23,970	23,110	860	3.6%	3.0%	3.2%	4.1%
52. Bryan County	21,040	20,300	740	3.5%	3.1%	3.5%	3.8%
53. Carter County	27,100	26,160	950	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.7%
54. Garvin County	15,210	14,680	530	3.5%	2.8%	2.9%	3.5%
55. Jackson County	12,530	12,100	430	3.4%	2.7%	3.0%	3.6%
56. Pontotoc County	20,850	20,130	720	3.4%	2.8%	3.1%	3.5%
57. Washington Co.	27,630	26,700	930	3.4%	2.8%	3.0%	3.7%
58. Noble County	6,090	5,900	200	3.2%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%
59. Woods County	4,370	4,230	140	3.2%	2.5%	2.9%	5.9%
60. Cimarron County	1,320	1,280	40	3.1%	2.1%	2.7%	4.9%
61. Garfield County	31,030	30,070	960	3.1%	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%
62. Grant County	2,640	2,560	80	3.0%	2.2%	2.4%	3.5%
63. Love County	5,430	5,260	170	3.0%	2.4%	2.5%	3.3%
64. Texas County	9,960	9,660	300	3.0%	2.3%	2.7%	3.5%
65. Major County	4,290	4,170	120	2.9%	2.3%	2.4%	3.3%
66. Murray County	8,470	8,220	240	2.9%	2.4%	2.7%	3.2%
67. Washita County	6,320	6,140	180	2.9%	2.4%	2.6%	3.3%
68. Cotton County	4,280	4,160	120	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%	3.0%
69. Custer County	15,490	15,060	430	2.8%	2.3%	2.6%	3.2%
70. Dewey County	2,650	2,570	70	2.7%	2.2%	2.4%	3.4%
71. Harper County	2,020	1,970	50	2.6%	2.2%	2.3%	3.4%
72. Kingfisher County	8,740	8,520	220	2.5%	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%
73. Beckham County	12,670	12,370	310	2.4%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%
74. Woodward County	12,620	12,310	300	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	2.8%
75. Beaver County	3,270	3,200	80	2.3%	1.7%	1.8%	3.0%
76. Ellis County	2,590	2,530	60	2.3%	1.8%	1.9%	2.8%
77. Roger Mills Co.	2,030	1,980	50	2.3%	1.9%	2.3%	3.2%

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data)

By county

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Adair County	11,070	10,510	560	5.0%	4.4%	5.2%	4.9%
Alfalfa County	2,450	2,360	90	3.6%	2.7%	3.5%	5.0%
Atoka County	6,170	5,840	330	5.3%	4.2%	4.8%	5.2%
Beaver County	3,270	3,200	80	2.3%	1.7%	1.8%	3.0%
Beckham County	12,670	12,370	310	2.4%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%
Blaine County	5,140	4,930	210	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%	4.9%
Bryan County	21,040	20,300	740	3.5%	3.1%	3.5%	3.8%
Caddo County	12,770	12,180	590	4.7%	3.8%	4.2%	5.0%
Canadian County	52,210	50,220	1,990	3.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
Carter County	27,100	26,160	950	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.7%
Cherokee County	24,130	23,150	970	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%	4.1%
Choctaw County	7,040	6,660	380	5.4%	4.8%	5.3%	5.7%
Cimarron County	1,320	1,280	40	3.1%	2.1%	2.7%	4.9%
Cleveland County	119,600	114,750	4,850	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
Coal County	2,630	2,500	130	5.0%	4.4%	5.0%	6.2%
Comanche County	46,870	44,950	1,920	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
Cotton County	4,280	4,160	120	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%	3.0%
Craig County	7,350	7,040	320	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	5.2%
Creek County	31,740	30,180	1,560	4.9%	4.2%	4.5%	4.4%
Custer County	15,490	15,060	430	2.8%	2.3%	2.6%	3.2%
Delaware County	19,010	18,120	890	4.7%	3.9%	4.2%	4.9%
Dewey County	2,650	2,570	70	2.7%	2.2%	2.4%	3.4%
Ellis County	2,590	2,530	60	2.3%	1.8%	1.9%	2.8%
Garfield County	31,030	30,070	960	3.1%	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%
Garvin County	15,210	14,680	530	3.5%	2.8%	2.9%	3.5%
Grady County	23,740	22,710	1,030	4.3%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Grant County	2,640	2,560	80	3.0%	2.2%	2.4%	3.5%
Greer County	2,060	1,950	100	5.1%	4.3%	4.5%	5.5%
Harmon County	1,360	1,310	50	3.8%	3.2%	3.8%	4.2%
Harper County	2,020	1,970	50	2.6%	2.2%	2.3%	3.4%
Haskell County	6,130	5,890	240	3.9%	3.3%	3.8%	4.3%
Hughes County	4,850	4,550	300	6.2%	5.4%	6.1%	6.5%
Jackson County	12,530	12,100	430	3.4%	2.7%	3.0%	3.6%
Jefferson County	2,420	2,300	120	4.8%	4.1%	4.3%	5.6%
Johnston County	5,300	5,060	240	4.6%	4.0%	4.5%	4.7%
Kay County	23,890	22,940	960	4.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%
Kingfisher County	8,740	8,520	220	2.5%	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%
Kiowa County	4,070	3,900	170	4.1%	3.4%	3.9%	5.1%
Latimer County	4,630	4,420	210	4.6%	4.5%	4.9%	5.3%

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LeFlore County	21,630	20,480	1,150	5.3%	5.3%	5.2%	5.4%
Lincoln County	14,730	14,100	640	4.3%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%
Logan County	18,030	17,340	690	3.8%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%
Love County	5,430	5,260	170	3.0%	2.4%	2.5%	3.3%
Major County	4,290	4,170	120	2.9%	2.3%	2.4%	3.3%
Marshall County	6,610	6,330	290	4.3%	3.7%	4.1%	4.7%
Mayes County	18,870	17,980	890	4.7%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%
McClain County	15,080	14,450	630	4.2%	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%
McCurain County	14,390	13,340	1,050	7.3%	6.8%	7.3%	6.5%
McIntosh County	8,740	8,280	470	5.3%	4.7%	5.0%	5.6%
Murray County	8,470	8,220	240	2.9%	2.4%	2.7%	3.2%
Muskogee County	30,300	28,710	1,590	5.2%	4.4%	4.6%	5.5%
Noble County	6,090	5,900	200	3.2%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%
Nowata County	5,040	4,800	240	4.7%	4.1%	4.3%	5.2%
Okfuskee County	4,610	4,390	220	4.8%	3.9%	4.3%	5.0%
Oklahoma County	332,940	318,400	14,540	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Okmulgee County	16,540	15,590	950	5.7%	5.1%	5.2%	5.7%
Osage County	20,570	19,660	910	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%
Ottawa County	17,660	16,810	860	4.8%	4.2%	4.7%	5.1%
Pawnee County	7,720	7,340	380	4.9%	4.5%	4.6%	4.3%
Payne County	39,540	38,130	1,410	3.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
Pittsburg County	23,970	23,110	860	3.6%	3.0%	3.2%	4.1%
Pontotoc County	20,850	20,130	720	3.4%	2.8%	3.1%	3.5%
Pottawatomie County	33,000	31,540	1,460	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%
Pushmataha County	5,440	5,160	290	5.3%	4.6%	4.7%	5.5%
Roger Mills County	2,030	1,980	50	2.3%	1.9%	2.3%	3.2%
Rogers County	40,310	38,710	1,600	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
Seminole County	11,070	10,510	560	5.0%	4.5%	4.9%	5.6%
Sequoyah County	18,400	17,290	1,110	6.0%	6.3%	6.0%	5.1%
Stephens County	22,320	21,440	880	3.9%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
Texas County	9,960	9,660	300	3.0%	2.3%	2.7%	3.5%
Tillman County	3,530	3,370	170	4.7%	3.8%	4.3%	4.7%
Tulsa County	293,570	281,770	11,790	4.0%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
Wagoner County	32,760	31,440	1,320	4.0%	3.4%	3.8%	3.9%
Washington County	27,630	26,700	930	3.4%	2.8%	3.0%	3.7%
Washita County	6,320	6,140	180	2.9%	2.4%	2.6%	3.3%
Woods County	4,370	4,230	140	3.2%	2.5%	2.9%	5.9%
Woodward County	12,620	12,310	300	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	2.8%

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OKLAHOMA	1,774,610	1,701,090	73,520	4.1%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Central WIA	403,180	385,960	17,220	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
Oklahoma City LLM	403,180	385,960	17,220	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
Cleveland County WIA	119,600	114,750	4,850	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
Norman LLM	119,600	114,750	4,850	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
East Central WIA	68,260	65,090	3,170	4.6%	3.9%	4.2%	4.6%
Holdenville LLM	9,460	8,940	520	5.5%	4.7%	5.2%	5.7%
Shawnee LLM	58,800	56,150	2,650	4.5%	3.8%	4.1%	4.4%
Eastern WIA	141,930	134,960	6,970	4.9%	4.4%	4.6%	4.8%
Muskogee LLM	71,800	68,420	3,380	4.7%	4.0%	4.3%	4.8%
Okmulgee LLM	16,540	15,590	950	5.7%	5.1%	5.2%	5.7%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	53,590	50,950	2,640	4.9%	4.6%	4.9%	4.6%
North Central WIA	123,810	119,560	4,240	3.4%	3.2%	3.5%	3.7%
Enid LLM	54,290	52,610	1,680	3.1%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Ponca City LLM	29,980	28,830	1,150	3.8%	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%
Stillwater LLM	39,540	38,130	1,410	3.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
Northeast WIA	135,880	130,160	5,710	4.2%	3.6%	3.8%	4.3%
Bartlesville LLM	32,670	31,500	1,170	3.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.9%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	78,190	74,810	3,370	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
Miami-Vinita LLM	25,020	23,850	1,170	4.7%	4.0%	4.4%	5.2%
Northwest WIA	38,790	37,740	1,050	2.7%	2.0%	2.3%	3.5%
Guymon LLM	14,550	14,130	420	2.9%	2.1%	2.5%	3.5%
Woodward LLM	24,240	23,610	630	2.6%	2.0%	2.2%	3.5%
South Central WIA	131,020	125,560	5,460	4.2%	3.4%	3.7%	4.2%
Chickasha LLM	51,590	49,340	2,250	4.4%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Duncan LLM	24,740	23,750	1,000	4.0%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Lawton LLM	54,680	52,470	2,210	4.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%
Southeast WIA	83,230	79,060	4,170	5.0%	4.6%	4.9%	5.2%
Broken Bow-Idabel-Antlers-Hugo LLM	26,870	25,160	1,710	6.4%	5.8%	6.3%	6.1%
McAlester LLM	28,600	27,530	1,080	3.8%	3.3%	3.5%	4.3%
Poteau LLM	27,760	26,370	1,380	5.0%	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%
Southern WIA	118,800	114,470	4,330	3.6%	3.1%	3.4%	3.8%
Ada LLM	36,050	34,810	1,240	3.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
Ardmore LLM	41,000	39,640	1,360	3.3%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
Durant LLM	41,750	40,020	1,730	4.1%	3.6%	4.0%	4.4%
Southwest WIA	56,530	54,810	1,720	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Altus LLM	20,010	19,260	760	3.8%	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%
Elk City-Weatherford-Clinton LLM	36,520	35,550	960	2.6%	2.2%	2.4%	3.0%
Tulsa WIA	353,590	338,950	14,640	4.1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%
Tulsa LLM	353,590	338,950	14,640	4.1%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%

	OCTOBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	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%
Oklahoma City MSA	576,330	551,970	24,360	4.2%	3.5%	3.8%	4.1%
Tulsa MSA	443,200	424,690	18,510	4.2%	3.6%	3.8%	4.1%
Lawton MSA	46,870	44,950	1,920	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%

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	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Sep '08	Aug '08	Jul '08	Sep '07
Adair County	11,370	10,870	500	4.4%	5.2%	5.5%	4.9%
Alfalfa County	2,490	2,420	70	2.7%	3.5%	3.8%	5.0%
Atoka County	6,180	5,910	260	4.2%	4.8%	5.2%	5.0%
Beaver County	3,380	3,320	60	1.7%	1.8%	2.2%	2.7%
Beckham County	12,590	12,350	240	1.9%	2.2%	2.4%	2.5%
Blaine County	5,110	4,950	170	3.3%	3.8%	4.2%	4.7%
Bryan County	20,620	19,990	630	3.1%	3.5%	3.8%	3.6%
Caddo County	12,710	12,220	490	3.8%	4.2%	5.0%	4.8%
Canadian County	51,530	49,930	1,600	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Carter County	26,550	25,740	810	3.0%	3.2%	3.2%	3.6%
Cherokee County	23,640	22,830	810	3.4%	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%
Choctaw County	7,250	6,910	350	4.8%	5.3%	5.6%	5.4%
Cimarron County	1,360	1,340	30	2.1%	2.7%	3.7%	4.1%
Cleveland County	117,770	114,080	3,690	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Coal County	2,580	2,470	110	4.4%	5.0%	5.7%	5.9%
Comanche County	45,920	44,340	1,580	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%
Cotton County	4,450	4,340	110	2.5%	2.6%	2.8%	3.0%
Craig County	7,570	7,300	280	3.6%	3.9%	4.0%	4.7%
Creek County	31,080	29,780	1,310	4.2%	4.5%	4.8%	4.4%
Custer County	15,060	14,710	350	2.3%	2.6%	3.0%	3.0%
Delaware County	19,290	18,540	750	3.9%	4.2%	4.4%	4.7%
Dewey County	2,590	2,530	60	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%	3.7%
Ellis County	2,700	2,650	50	1.8%	1.9%	2.3%	2.6%
Garfield County	31,070	30,290	780	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%
Garvin County	15,230	14,810	420	2.8%	2.9%	3.3%	3.4%
Grady County	23,390	22,580	810	3.5%	3.8%	4.4%	4.2%
Grant County	2,790	2,720	60	2.2%	2.4%	2.7%	3.4%
Greer County	2,080	1,990	90	4.3%	4.5%	4.8%	5.3%
Harmon County	1,340	1,290	40	3.2%	3.8%	3.8%	3.5%
Harper County	2,090	2,040	50	2.2%	2.3%	3.0%	3.3%
Haskell County	6,020	5,820	200	3.3%	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%
Hughes County	4,800	4,540	260	5.4%	6.1%	7.0%	6.2%
Jackson County	12,820	12,470	340	2.7%	3.0%	3.4%	3.4%
Jefferson County	2,490	2,390	100	4.1%	4.3%	4.6%	5.2%
Johnston County	5,210	5,000	210	4.0%	4.5%	4.6%	4.5%
Kay County	23,630	22,830	800	3.4%	3.6%	3.8%	4.1%
Kingfisher County	8,710	8,530	180	2.1%	2.3%	2.5%	2.8%
Kiowa County	4,080	3,940	140	3.4%	3.9%	4.4%	4.8%
Latimer County	4,350	4,160	190	4.5%	4.9%	5.1%	5.3%

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LeFlore County	21,480	20,340	1,140	5.3%	5.2%	5.4%	5.7%
Lincoln County	14,560	14,020	540	3.7%	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%
Logan County	17,820	17,240	580	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%	3.7%
Love County	5,300	5,180	130	2.4%	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%
Major County	4,370	4,270	100	2.3%	2.4%	2.7%	3.1%
Marshall County	6,330	6,090	240	3.7%	4.1%	4.3%	4.9%
Mayes County	18,760	17,990	770	4.1%	4.5%	4.7%	4.4%
McClain County	14,850	14,360	490	3.3%	3.6%	4.2%	3.5%
McCurain County	14,850	13,840	1,010	6.8%	7.3%	7.4%	6.8%
McIntosh County	8,690	8,290	410	4.7%	5.0%	5.4%	5.4%
Murray County	8,350	8,150	200	2.4%	2.7%	2.9%	3.0%
Muskogee County	30,000	28,680	1,320	4.4%	4.6%	4.9%	5.3%
Noble County	6,180	5,980	200	3.2%	3.5%	3.1%	3.4%
Nowata County	5,110	4,900	210	4.1%	4.3%	4.8%	5.1%
Okfuskee County	4,700	4,520	180	3.9%	4.3%	4.7%	5.0%
Oklahoma County	328,720	316,540	12,180	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%
Okmulgee County	16,210	15,380	830	5.1%	5.2%	5.5%	5.3%
Osage County	20,200	19,400	800	4.0%	4.3%	4.7%	4.1%
Ottawa County	17,470	16,730	740	4.2%	4.7%	4.7%	5.0%
Pawnee County	7,580	7,240	340	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%
Payne County	37,490	35,970	1,520	4.1%	4.5%	3.8%	3.7%
Pittsburg County	23,960	23,230	730	3.0%	3.2%	3.3%	3.8%
Pontotoc County	20,280	19,710	570	2.8%	3.1%	3.6%	3.5%
Pottawatomie County	32,930	31,720	1,210	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%	4.1%
Pushmataha County	5,220	4,980	240	4.6%	4.7%	5.4%	5.7%
Roger Mills County	2,050	2,010	40	1.9%	2.3%	2.6%	2.9%
Rogers County	39,500	38,200	1,300	3.3%	3.5%	3.7%	3.8%
Seminole County	10,720	10,240	480	4.5%	4.9%	5.3%	5.6%
Sequoyah County	18,320	17,170	1,150	6.3%	6.0%	5.8%	5.7%
Stephens County	22,300	21,550	750	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%	3.8%
Texas County	10,060	9,830	230	2.3%	2.7%	3.1%	3.2%
Tillman County	3,610	3,470	140	3.8%	4.3%	4.7%	4.4%
Tulsa County	287,900	278,010	9,890	3.4%	3.7%	3.8%	3.8%
Wagoner County	32,120	31,020	1,110	3.4%	3.8%	3.9%	3.6%
Washington County	27,590	26,820	780	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%	3.7%
Washita County	6,270	6,120	150	2.4%	2.6%	3.2%	3.1%
Woods County	4,150	4,050	100	2.5%	2.9%	3.5%	6.0%
Woodward County	13,080	12,840	230	1.8%	2.0%	2.2%	2.8%

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OKLAHOMA	1,752,950	1,690,960	61,990	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%	4.1%
Central WIA	398,070	383,710	14,360	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%	4.2%
Oklahoma City LLM	398,070	383,710	14,360	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%	4.2%
Cleveland County WIA	117,770	114,080	3,690	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Norman LLM	117,770	114,080	3,690	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%	3.6%
East Central WIA	67,710	65,040	2,670	3.9%	4.2%	4.5%	4.5%
Holdenville LLM	9,500	9,060	440	4.7%	5.2%	5.8%	5.6%
Shawnee LLM	58,200	55,980	2,230	3.8%	4.1%	4.3%	4.3%
Eastern WIA	140,350	134,230	6,120	4.4%	4.6%	4.8%	4.8%
Muskogee LLM	70,810	67,980	2,830	4.0%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%
Okmulgee LLM	16,210	15,380	830	5.1%	5.2%	5.5%	5.3%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	53,330	50,870	2,460	4.6%	4.9%	5.0%	4.9%
North Central WIA	121,830	117,950	3,880	3.2%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%
Enid LLM	54,530	53,170	1,360	2.5%	2.8%	2.9%	3.3%
Ponca City LLM	29,810	28,810	1,000	3.4%	3.6%	3.6%	4.0%
Stillwater LLM	37,490	35,970	1,520	4.1%	4.5%	3.8%	3.7%
Northeast WIA	135,290	130,480	4,820	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	4.2%
Bartlesville LLM	32,700	31,720	980	3.0%	3.2%	3.4%	3.9%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	77,540	74,730	2,820	3.6%	3.9%	4.1%	4.2%
Miami-Vinita LLM	25,050	24,030	1,010	4.0%	4.4%	4.5%	4.9%
Northwest WIA	39,410	38,600	800	2.0%	2.3%	2.7%	3.4%
Guymon LLM	14,800	14,480	320	2.1%	2.5%	3.0%	3.2%
Woodward LLM	24,600	24,120	490	2.0%	2.2%	2.5%	3.5%
South Central WIA	129,720	125,250	4,470	3.4%	3.7%	4.1%	4.0%
Chickasha LLM	50,950	49,170	1,790	3.5%	3.8%	4.5%	4.2%
Duncan LLM	24,790	23,940	860	3.5%	3.8%	3.9%	3.9%
Lawton LLM	53,970	52,150	1,830	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%
Southeast WIA	83,130	79,270	3,850	4.6%	4.9%	5.1%	5.2%
Broken Bow-Idabel-Antlers-Hugo LLM	27,320	25,730	1,590	5.8%	6.3%	6.6%	6.2%
McAlester LLM	28,310	27,390	920	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	4.0%
Poteau LLM	27,500	26,160	1,340	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%	5.4%
Southern WIA	116,630	113,040	3,580	3.1%	3.4%	3.6%	3.7%
Ada LLM	35,510	34,520	990	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%	3.4%
Ardmore LLM	40,200	39,070	1,140	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%
Durant LLM	40,910	39,460	1,450	3.6%	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%
Southwest WIA	56,290	54,890	1,400	2.5%	2.8%	3.1%	3.2%
Altus LLM	20,320	19,700	620	3.0%	3.4%	3.8%	3.9%
Elk City-Weatherford-Clinton LLM	35,970	35,190	780	2.2%	2.4%	2.8%	2.9%
Tulsa WIA	346,760	334,430	12,340	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	3.9%
Tulsa LLM	346,760	334,430	12,340	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	3.9%

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OKLAHOMA	1,752,950	1,690,960	61,990	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%	4.1%
Oklahoma City MSA	568,630	548,750	19,890	3.5%	3.8%	4.0%	4.0%
Tulsa MSA	434,600	419,020	15,580	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%	3.9%
Lawton MSA	45,920	44,340	1,580	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%	4.0%