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## Unemployment rates continue to rise for most Oklahoma counties in November

Oklahoma's non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percent to 4.5 percent in November 2008. **McCurtain County** again reported the state's highest county unemployment rate, while **Beaver and Beckham counties** shared the lowest county rate. Of the state's 77 counties, 73 reported rate increases for the month. **Cleveland, Cotton and McClain counties** were the only counties with rate drops for November.

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATES\*

NOVEMBER 2008	Area	Unempl. rate	Monthly change	Annual change
<b>RATE</b>	Statewide	4.5%	↑ 0.3%	↑ 0.4%
<b>Highest county</b>	McCurtain Co.	8.0%	↑ 0.6%	↑ 1.2%
<b>Lowest county</b>	Beaver County	2.5%	↑ 0.2%	↓ 0.4%
	Beckham Co.	2.5%	↑ 0.1%	no change
<b>Biggest % gain</b>	Love County	4.3%	↑ 1.3%	--
<b>Biggest % loss</b>	Cotton County	2.8%	↓ 0.2%	--
	McClain County	4.0%	↓ 0.2%	--

\*non-seasonally adjusted

## Statewide unemployment expands again in November

In November 2008, Oklahoma's **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate** rose to 4.5 percent for the month. Although Oklahoma's statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force** and **employment** reported a small gain and a small loss for the month, respectively, **non-seasonally adjusted unemployment** expanded by 7.5 percent for the period. Compared to November 2007, statewide **non-seasonally adjusted labor force, employment** and **unemployment** have all increased, with **unemployment** recording growth of more than 11 percent.

### REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT\*

	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
<b>Oklahoma</b>	1,777,770	1,698,310	79,470	4.5%	4.2%	3.5%	4.1%
<b>United States</b>	154,624,000	144,609,000	10,015,000	6.5%	6.1%	6.0%	4.5%
<b>Region</b>							
<b>Arkansas</b>	1,372,940	1,301,490	71,460	5.2%	4.7%	4.5%	5.0%
<b>Kansas</b>	1,506,200	1,433,390	72,810	4.8%	4.4%	4.8%	3.8%
<b>Louisiana</b>	2,055,890	1,952,500	103,390	5.0%	5.3%	5.2%	3.4%
<b>Missouri</b>	3,009,240	2,816,310	192,940	6.4%	6.2%	6.2%	4.9%
<b>New Mexico</b>	964,270	924,700	39,580	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	3.2%
<b>Texas</b>	11,863,940	11,199,820	664,120	5.6%	5.4%	5.2%	4.2%

\*non-seasonally adjusted

## McCurtain County again reports state's highest county rate

At 8.0 percent for the month, **McCurtain County** held onto Oklahoma's highest county rate in November. **Hughes County** claimed the state's second highest rate, and **Okmulgee and Sequoyah counties** shared November's third highest county rate.

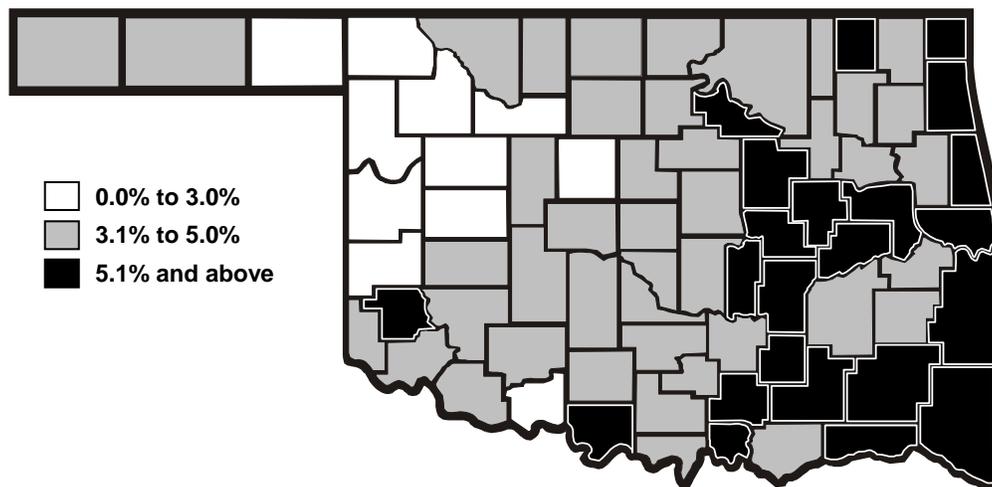
	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
<b>McCurtain County</b>	14,490	13,340	1,160	8.0%	7.4%	6.8%	6.8%
<b>Hughes County</b>	4,950	4,610	340	6.9%	6.2%	5.4%	6.2%
<b>Okmulgee County</b>	16,510	15,460	1,050	6.3%	5.8%	5.1%	5.5%
<b>Sequoyah County</b>	18,350	17,190	1,160	6.3%	6.1%	6.3%	5.6%

## Beaver, Beckham counties share November's lowest rate

**Beaver and Beckham counties** both reported Oklahoma's lowest county unemployment rate of 2.5 percent in November. **Ellis and Roger Mills counties** each came in at 2.6 percent, while **Kingfisher County** claimed the state's third lowest rate of 2.7 percent for November.

	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
<b>Beaver County</b>	3,300	3,220	80	2.5%	2.3%	1.7%	2.9%
<b>Beckham County</b>	12,840	12,520	320	2.5%	2.4%	1.9%	2.5%
<b>Ellis County</b>	2,630	2,570	70	2.6%	2.3%	1.8%	2.8%
<b>Roger Mills County</b>	2,070	2,020	50	2.6%	2.3%	1.9%	3.0%
<b>Kingfisher County</b>	8,810	8,580	230	2.7%	2.6%	2.1%	2.9%

## DISTRIBUTION of UNEMPLOYMENT RATES by COUNTY Preliminary data for November 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**

	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE					NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07		Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
1. McCurtain County	14,490	13,340	1,160	8.0%	7.4%	6.8%	6.8%	40. Comanche County	46,240	44,230	2,010	4.4%	4.2%	3.4%	4.2%
2. Hughes County	4,950	4,610	340	6.9%	6.2%	5.4%	6.2%	41. Rogers County	40,140	38,390	1,750	4.4%	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%
3. Okmulgee County	16,510	15,460	1,050	6.3%	5.8%	5.1%	5.5%	42. Tulsa County	292,200	279,390	12,810	4.4%	4.0%	3.4%	3.9%
4. Sequoyah County	18,350	17,190	1,160	6.3%	6.1%	6.3%	5.6%	43. Haskell County	6,160	5,900	260	4.3%	3.9%	3.3%	4.2%
5. Pushmataha County	5,530	5,200	330	6.0%	5.4%	4.6%	5.4%	44. Kay County	24,050	23,030	1,020	4.3%	4.0%	3.4%	4.1%
6. Choctaw County	7,050	6,640	420	5.9%	5.5%	4.8%	5.8%	45. Love County	5,520	5,280	240	4.3%	3.0%	2.4%	3.3%
7. Le Flore County	21,620	20,370	1,260	5.8%	5.3%	5.3%	5.4%	46. Blaine County	5,200	4,980	220	4.2%	4.0%	3.3%	4.7%
8. Johnston County	5,400	5,090	310	5.7%	4.6%	4.0%	4.6%	47. Canadian County	52,190	50,010	2,180	4.2%	3.8%	3.1%	3.7%
9. McIntosh County	8,870	8,370	500	5.7%	5.3%	4.7%	5.3%	48. Logan County	18,030	17,270	760	4.2%	3.8%	3.3%	3.9%
10. Muskogee County	30,530	28,800	1,730	5.7%	5.2%	4.4%	5.4%	49. Cleveland County	119,000	114,270	4,730	4.0%	4.1%	3.1%	3.6%
11. Adair County	11,170	10,550	620	5.6%	5.1%	4.4%	5.0%	50. McClain County	14,990	14,390	600	4.0%	4.2%	3.3%	3.7%
12. Atoka County	6,200	5,860	350	5.6%	5.3%	4.2%	5.1%	51. Pittsburg County	24,290	23,330	960	4.0%	3.6%	3.0%	3.9%
13. Greer County	2,090	1,970	120	5.6%	5.1%	4.3%	5.2%	52. Stephens County	22,500	21,590	910	4.0%	3.9%	3.4%	4.0%
14. Pawnee County	7,710	7,280	440	5.6%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%	53. Payne County	40,120	38,570	1,560	3.9%	3.6%	4.1%	3.7%
15. Marshall County	6,730	6,370	370	5.5%	4.3%	3.7%	4.7%	54. Pontotoc County	21,030	20,220	810	3.8%	3.4%	2.8%	3.4%
16. Nowata County	5,130	4,850	280	5.4%	4.7%	4.1%	5.0%	55. Alfalfa County	2,480	2,390	90	3.7%	3.6%	2.7%	4.5%
17. Coal County	2,670	2,530	140	5.3%	5.0%	4.4%	5.9%	56. Bryan County	21,250	20,460	790	3.7%	3.6%	3.1%	3.7%
18. Creek County	31,610	29,920	1,680	5.3%	4.9%	4.2%	4.3%	57. Garvin County	15,240	14,680	560	3.7%	3.5%	2.8%	3.4%
19. Seminole County	11,200	10,600	590	5.3%	5.0%	4.5%	5.4%	58. Noble County	6,170	5,940	220	3.6%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%
20. Delaware County	19,070	18,080	990	5.2%	4.7%	3.9%	4.7%	59. Washington County	27,970	26,960	1,020	3.6%	3.4%	2.8%	3.5%
21. Jefferson County	2,460	2,340	130	5.2%	4.8%	4.1%	5.3%	60. Murray County	8,490	8,190	300	3.5%	2.9%	2.4%	2.9%
22. Ottawa County	17,790	16,860	930	5.2%	4.9%	4.2%	5.1%	61. Cimarron County	1,340	1,300	50	3.4%	3.1%	2.1%	4.7%
23. Okfuskee County	4,630	4,390	240	5.1%	4.8%	3.9%	4.9%	62. Woods County	4,510	4,360	150	3.3%	3.2%	2.5%	6.5%
24. Caddo County	12,830	12,190	640	5.0%	4.7%	3.8%	4.8%	63. Garfield County	31,330	30,340	990	3.2%	3.1%	2.5%	3.1%
25. Latimer County	4,680	4,440	240	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%	5.5%	64. Texas County	10,070	9,750	320	3.2%	3.0%	2.3%	3.2%
26. Mayes County	19,040	18,100	950	5.0%	4.7%	4.1%	4.4%	65. Grant County	2,680	2,590	80	3.1%	2.9%	2.2%	3.4%
27. Tillman County	3,580	3,400	180	5.0%	4.8%	3.8%	4.8%	66. Washita County	6,390	6,190	200	3.1%	2.9%	2.4%	3.3%
28. Osage County	20,480	19,500	990	4.8%	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%	67. Major County	4,360	4,230	130	3.0%	2.9%	2.3%	3.0%
29. Carter County	27,550	26,240	1,300	4.7%	3.5%	3.0%	3.6%	68. Custer County	15,630	15,170	450	2.9%	2.8%	2.3%	3.1%
30. Craig County	7,420	7,080	350	4.7%	4.3%	3.6%	5.0%	69. Cotton County	4,300	4,170	120	2.8%	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%
31. Grady County	23,730	22,620	1,110	4.7%	4.3%	3.5%	4.1%	70. Dewey County	2,660	2,580	80	2.8%	2.8%	2.2%	3.6%
32. Lincoln County	14,740	14,040	700	4.7%	4.3%	3.7%	4.0%	71. Harper County	2,060	2,000	60	2.8%	2.6%	2.2%	3.1%
33. Oklahoma County	332,510	317,050	15,460	4.6%	4.4%	3.7%	4.3%	72. Woodward County	12,690	12,340	350	2.8%	2.4%	1.8%	2.8%
34. Pottawatomie County	33,320	31,780	1,540	4.6%	4.4%	3.7%	4.1%	73. Kingfisher County	8,810	8,580	230	2.7%	2.6%	2.1%	2.9%
35. Cherokee County	24,410	23,310	1,110	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	4.1%	74. Ellis County	2,630	2,570	70	2.6%	2.3%	1.8%	2.8%
36. Harmon County	1,370	1,310	60	4.5%	3.7%	3.2%	3.9%	75. Roger Mills County	2,070	2,020	50	2.6%	2.3%	1.9%	3.0%
37. Jackson County	12,730	12,150	580	4.5%	3.5%	2.7%	3.5%	76. Beaver County	3,300	3,220	80	2.5%	2.3%	1.7%	2.9%
38. Kiowa County	4,110	3,930	180	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	4.8%	77. Beckham County	12,840	12,520	320	2.5%	2.4%	1.9%	2.5%
39. Wagoner County	32,630	31,170	1,460	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	3.8%								

## LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (preliminary data)

### By county

	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
Adair County	11,170	10,550	620	5.6%	5.1%	4.4%	5.0%
Alfalfa County	2,480	2,390	90	3.7%	3.6%	2.7%	4.5%
Atoka County	6,200	5,860	350	5.6%	5.3%	4.2%	5.1%
Beaver County	3,300	3,220	80	2.5%	2.3%	1.7%	2.9%
Beckham County	12,840	12,520	320	2.5%	2.4%	1.9%	2.5%
Blaine County	5,200	4,980	220	4.2%	4.0%	3.3%	4.7%
Bryan County	21,250	20,460	790	3.7%	3.6%	3.1%	3.7%
Caddo County	12,830	12,190	640	5.0%	4.7%	3.8%	4.8%
Canadian County	52,190	50,010	2,180	4.2%	3.8%	3.1%	3.7%
Carter County	27,550	26,240	1,300	4.7%	3.5%	3.0%	3.6%
Cherokee County	24,410	23,310	1,110	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	4.1%
Choctaw County	7,050	6,640	420	5.9%	5.5%	4.8%	5.8%
Cimarron County	1,340	1,300	50	3.4%	3.1%	2.1%	4.7%
Cleveland County	119,000	114,270	4,730	4.0%	4.1%	3.1%	3.6%
Coal County	2,670	2,530	140	5.3%	5.0%	4.4%	5.9%
Comanche County	46,240	44,230	2,010	4.4%	4.2%	3.4%	4.2%
Cotton County	4,300	4,170	120	2.8%	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%
Craig County	7,420	7,080	350	4.7%	4.3%	3.6%	5.0%
Creek County	31,610	29,920	1,680	5.3%	4.9%	4.2%	4.3%
Custer County	15,630	15,170	450	2.9%	2.8%	2.3%	3.1%
Delaware County	19,070	18,080	990	5.2%	4.7%	3.9%	4.7%
Dewey County	2,660	2,580	80	2.8%	2.8%	2.2%	3.6%
Ellis County	2,630	2,570	70	2.6%	2.3%	1.8%	2.8%
Garfield County	31,330	30,340	990	3.2%	3.1%	2.5%	3.1%
Garvin County	15,240	14,680	560	3.7%	3.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Grady County	23,730	22,620	1,110	4.7%	4.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Grant County	2,680	2,590	80	3.1%	2.9%	2.2%	3.4%
Greer County	2,090	1,970	120	5.6%	5.1%	4.3%	5.2%
Harmon County	1,370	1,310	60	4.5%	3.7%	3.2%	3.9%
Harper County	2,060	2,000	60	2.8%	2.6%	2.2%	3.1%
Haskell County	6,160	5,900	260	4.3%	3.9%	3.3%	4.2%
Hughes County	4,950	4,610	340	6.9%	6.2%	5.4%	6.2%
Jackson County	12,730	12,150	580	4.5%	3.5%	2.7%	3.5%
Jefferson County	2,460	2,340	130	5.2%	4.8%	4.1%	5.3%
Johnston County	5,400	5,090	310	5.7%	4.6%	4.0%	4.6%
Kay County	24,050	23,030	1,020	4.3%	4.0%	3.4%	4.1%
Kingfisher County	8,810	8,580	230	2.7%	2.6%	2.1%	2.9%
Kiowa County	4,110	3,930	180	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	4.8%
Latimer County	4,680	4,440	240	5.0%	4.6%	4.5%	5.5%

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LeFlore County	21,620	20,370	1,260	5.8%	5.3%	5.3%	5.4%
Lincoln County	14,740	14,040	700	4.7%	4.3%	3.7%	4.0%
Logan County	18,030	17,270	760	4.2%	3.8%	3.3%	3.9%
Love County	5,520	5,280	240	4.3%	3.0%	2.4%	3.3%
Major County	4,360	4,230	130	3.0%	2.9%	2.3%	3.0%
Marshall County	6,730	6,370	370	5.5%	4.3%	3.7%	4.7%
Mayes County	19,040	18,100	950	5.0%	4.7%	4.1%	4.4%
McClain County	14,990	14,390	600	4.0%	4.2%	3.3%	3.7%
McCurain County	14,490	13,340	1,160	8.0%	7.4%	6.8%	6.8%
McIntosh County	8,870	8,370	500	5.7%	5.3%	4.7%	5.3%
Murray County	8,490	8,190	300	3.5%	2.9%	2.4%	2.9%
Muskogee County	30,530	28,800	1,730	5.7%	5.2%	4.4%	5.4%
Noble County	6,170	5,940	220	3.6%	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%
Nowata County	5,130	4,850	280	5.4%	4.7%	4.1%	5.0%
Okfuskee County	4,630	4,390	240	5.1%	4.8%	3.9%	4.9%
Oklahoma County	332,510	317,050	15,460	4.6%	4.4%	3.7%	4.3%
Okmulgee County	16,510	15,460	1,050	6.3%	5.8%	5.1%	5.5%
Osage County	20,480	19,500	990	4.8%	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%
Ottawa County	17,790	16,860	930	5.2%	4.9%	4.2%	5.1%
Pawnee County	7,710	7,280	440	5.6%	5.0%	4.5%	4.0%
Payne County	40,120	38,570	1,560	3.9%	3.6%	4.1%	3.7%
Pittsburg County	24,290	23,330	960	4.0%	3.6%	3.0%	3.9%
Pontotoc County	21,030	20,220	810	3.8%	3.4%	2.8%	3.4%
Pottawatomie County	33,320	31,780	1,540	4.6%	4.4%	3.7%	4.1%
Pushmataha County	5,530	5,200	330	6.0%	5.4%	4.6%	5.4%
Roger Mills County	2,070	2,020	50	2.6%	2.3%	1.9%	3.0%
Rogers County	40,140	38,390	1,750	4.4%	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%
Seminole County	11,200	10,600	590	5.3%	5.0%	4.5%	5.4%
Sequoyah County	18,350	17,190	1,160	6.3%	6.1%	6.3%	5.6%
Stephens County	22,500	21,590	910	4.0%	3.9%	3.4%	4.0%
Texas County	10,070	9,750	320	3.2%	3.0%	2.3%	3.2%
Tillman County	3,580	3,400	180	5.0%	4.8%	3.8%	4.8%
Tulsa County	292,200	279,390	12,810	4.4%	4.0%	3.4%	3.9%
Wagoner County	32,630	31,170	1,460	4.5%	4.1%	3.4%	3.8%
Washington County	27,970	26,960	1,020	3.6%	3.4%	2.8%	3.5%
Washita County	6,390	6,190	200	3.1%	2.9%	2.4%	3.3%
Woods County	4,510	4,360	150	3.3%	3.2%	2.5%	6.5%
Woodward County	12,690	12,340	350	2.8%	2.4%	1.8%	2.8%

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<b>Central WIA</b>	<b>402,730</b>	<b>384,330</b>	<b>18,400</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
Oklahoma City LLM	402,730	384,330	18,400	4.6%	4.3%	3.6%	4.2%
<b>Cleveland County WIA</b>	<b>119,000</b>	<b>114,270</b>	<b>4,730</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
Norman LLM	119,000	114,270	4,730	4.0%	4.1%	3.1%	3.6%
<b>East Central WIA</b>	<b>68,830</b>	<b>65,420</b>	<b>3,410</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
Holdenville LLM	9,570	9,000	580	6.0%	5.5%	4.7%	5.6%
Shawnee LLM	59,250	56,420	2,830	4.8%	4.5%	3.8%	4.3%
<b>Eastern WIA</b>	<b>142,480</b>	<b>134,840</b>	<b>7,640</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
Muskogee LLM	72,040	68,340	3,700	5.1%	4.7%	4.0%	4.6%
Okmulgee LLM	16,510	15,460	1,050	6.3%	5.8%	5.1%	5.5%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	53,930	51,050	2,890	5.4%	5.0%	4.6%	4.8%
<b>North Central WIA</b>	<b>125,200</b>	<b>120,650</b>	<b>4,550</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
Enid LLM	54,860	53,110	1,750	3.2%	3.1%	2.5%	3.3%
Ponca City LLM	30,220	28,970	1,250	4.1%	3.9%	3.4%	3.9%
Stillwater LLM	40,120	38,570	1,560	3.9%	3.6%	4.1%	3.7%
<b>Northeast WIA</b>	<b>136,560</b>	<b>130,310</b>	<b>6,250</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
Bartlesville LLM	33,100	31,800	1,290	3.9%	3.6%	3.0%	3.8%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	78,250	74,570	3,680	4.7%	4.3%	3.6%	4.2%
Miami-Vinita LLM	25,210	23,940	1,280	5.1%	4.7%	4.0%	5.1%
<b>Northwest WIA</b>	<b>39,250</b>	<b>38,100</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
Guymon LLM	14,710	14,260	450	3.0%	2.9%	2.1%	3.3%
Woodward LLM	24,540	23,840	700	2.8%	2.6%	2.0%	3.6%
<b>South Central WIA</b>	<b>130,620</b>	<b>124,920</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Chickasha LLM	51,540	49,190	2,350	4.6%	4.4%	3.5%	4.2%
Duncan LLM	24,960	23,930	1,030	4.1%	4.0%	3.5%	4.1%
Lawton LLM	54,110	51,800	2,310	4.3%	4.1%	3.4%	4.1%
<b>Southeast WIA</b>	<b>83,830</b>	<b>79,210</b>	<b>4,620</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
Broken Bow-Idabel-Antlers-Hugo LLM	27,080	25,180	1,910	7.0%	6.5%	5.8%	6.2%
McAlester LLM	28,970	27,770	1,200	4.1%	3.8%	3.3%	4.2%
Poteau LLM	27,780	26,260	1,520	5.5%	5.0%	4.9%	5.1%
<b>Southern WIA</b>	<b>120,070</b>	<b>114,920</b>	<b>5,150</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
Ada LLM	36,260	34,900	1,360	3.8%	3.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Ardmore LLM	41,550	39,710	1,840	4.4%	3.3%	2.8%	3.4%
Durant LLM	42,260	40,310	1,950	4.6%	4.2%	3.6%	4.3%
<b>Southwest WIA</b>	<b>57,220</b>	<b>55,260</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
Altus LLM	20,290	19,360	940	4.6%	3.8%	3.0%	4.0%
Elk City-Weatherford-Clinton LLM	36,920	35,900	1,020	2.8%	2.6%	2.2%	2.9%
<b>Tulsa WIA</b>	<b>352,010</b>	<b>336,090</b>	<b>15,920</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Tulsa LLM	352,010	336,090	15,920	4.5%	4.2%	3.6%	4.0%

	NOVEMBER 2008			UNEMPLOYMENT RATE			
	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Nov '08	Oct '08	Sep '08	Nov '07
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	<b>1,777,770</b>	<b>1,698,310</b>	<b>79,470</b>	<b>4.5%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Oklahoma City MSA</b>	<b>575,170</b>	<b>549,630</b>	<b>25,540</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Tulsa MSA</b>	<b>441,280</b>	<b>421,100</b>	<b>20,180</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Lawton MSA</b>	<b>46,240</b>	<b>44,230</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>

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	Labor Force	Empl.	Unempl.	Oct '08	Sep '08	Aug '08	Oct '07
Adair County	11,080	10,520	560	5.1%	4.4%	5.2%	4.9%
Alfalfa County	2,450	2,360	90	3.6%	2.7%	3.5%	5.0%
Atoka County	6,180	5,860	330	5.3%	4.2%	4.8%	5.2%
Beaver County	3,280	3,200	80	2.3%	1.7%	1.8%	3.0%
Beckham County	12,710	12,400	310	2.4%	1.9%	2.2%	2.6%
Blaine County	5,150	4,940	210	4.0%	3.3%	3.8%	4.9%
Bryan County	21,090	20,340	760	3.6%	3.1%	3.5%	3.8%
Caddo County	12,800	12,200	600	4.7%	3.8%	4.2%	5.0%
Canadian County	52,280	50,280	2,000	3.8%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
Carter County	27,180	26,230	950	3.5%	3.0%	3.2%	3.7%
Cherokee County	24,190	23,210	980	4.1%	3.4%	3.8%	4.1%
Choctaw County	7,070	6,680	390	5.5%	4.8%	5.3%	5.7%
Cimarron County	1,320	1,280	40	3.1%	2.1%	2.7%	4.9%
Cleveland County	119,760	114,890	4,880	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
Coal County	2,640	2,510	130	5.0%	4.4%	5.0%	6.2%
Comanche County	46,680	44,740	1,940	4.2%	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%
Cotton County	4,290	4,160	130	3.0%	2.5%	2.6%	3.0%
Craig County	7,370	7,050	320	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	5.2%
Creek County	31,630	30,070	1,560	4.9%	4.2%	4.5%	4.4%
Custer County	15,540	15,110	430	2.8%	2.3%	2.6%	3.2%
Delaware County	19,040	18,140	900	4.7%	3.9%	4.2%	4.9%
Dewey County	2,660	2,580	70	2.8%	2.2%	2.4%	3.4%
Ellis County	2,590	2,530	60	2.3%	1.8%	1.9%	2.8%
Garfield County	31,120	30,150	970	3.1%	2.5%	2.7%	3.2%
Garvin County	15,250	14,720	530	3.5%	2.8%	2.9%	3.5%
Grady County	23,770	22,740	1,030	4.3%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Grant County	2,650	2,570	80	2.9%	2.2%	2.4%	3.5%
Greer County	2,060	1,960	100	5.1%	4.3%	4.5%	5.5%
Harmon County	1,360	1,310	50	3.7%	3.2%	3.8%	4.2%
Harper County	2,030	1,970	50	2.6%	2.2%	2.3%	3.4%
Haskell County	6,150	5,910	240	3.9%	3.3%	3.8%	4.3%
Hughes County	4,870	4,560	300	6.2%	5.4%	6.1%	6.5%
Jackson County	12,570	12,130	440	3.5%	2.7%	3.0%	3.6%
Jefferson County	2,430	2,310	120	4.8%	4.1%	4.3%	5.6%
Johnston County	5,320	5,070	250	4.6%	4.0%	4.5%	4.7%
Kay County	23,960	23,000	970	4.0%	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%
Kingfisher County	8,760	8,540	220	2.6%	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%
Kiowa County	4,080	3,910	170	4.1%	3.4%	3.9%	5.1%
Latimer County	4,640	4,430	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	14,750	14,110	640	4.3%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%
Logan County	18,050	17,360	690	3.8%	3.3%	3.5%	3.8%
Love County	5,440	5,280	170	3.0%	2.4%	2.5%	3.3%
Major County	4,300	4,170	120	2.9%	2.3%	2.4%	3.3%
Marshall County	6,630	6,340	290	4.3%	3.7%	4.1%	4.7%
Mayes County	18,900	18,010	900	4.7%	4.1%	4.5%	4.5%
McClain County	15,100	14,460	640	4.2%	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%
McCurain County	14,440	13,370	1,070	7.4%	6.8%	7.3%	6.5%
McIntosh County	8,760	8,290	470	5.3%	4.7%	5.0%	5.6%
Murray County	8,490	8,240	250	2.9%	2.4%	2.7%	3.2%
Muskogee County	30,390	28,790	1,590	5.2%	4.4%	4.6%	5.5%
Noble County	6,110	5,910	200	3.3%	3.2%	3.5%	3.5%
Nowata County	5,040	4,800	240	4.7%	4.1%	4.3%	5.2%
Okfuskee County	4,620	4,400	220	4.8%	3.9%	4.3%	5.0%
Oklahoma County	333,350	318,780	14,570	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Okmulgee County	16,490	15,530	960	5.8%	5.1%	5.2%	5.7%
Osage County	20,500	19,590	910	4.4%	4.0%	4.3%	4.3%
Ottawa County	17,700	16,840	860	4.9%	4.2%	4.7%	5.1%
Pawnee County	7,700	7,310	390	5.0%	4.5%	4.6%	4.3%
Payne County	39,640	38,220	1,420	3.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
Pittsburg County	24,040	23,180	870	3.6%	3.0%	3.2%	4.1%
Pontotoc County	20,910	20,190	720	3.4%	2.8%	3.1%	3.5%
Pottawatomie County	33,080	31,620	1,460	4.4%	3.7%	4.0%	4.2%
Pushmataha County	5,470	5,170	300	5.4%	4.6%	4.7%	5.5%
Roger Mills County	2,030	1,980	50	2.3%	1.9%	2.3%	3.2%
Rogers County	40,170	38,570	1,600	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%	3.9%
Seminole County	11,100	10,540	560	5.0%	4.5%	4.9%	5.6%
Sequoyah County	18,410	17,290	1,120	6.1%	6.3%	6.0%	5.1%
Stephens County	22,380	21,490	880	3.9%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
Texas County	9,980	9,680	300	3.0%	2.3%	2.7%	3.5%
Tillman County	3,540	3,370	170	4.8%	3.8%	4.3%	4.7%
Tulsa County	292,550	280,720	11,830	4.0%	3.4%	3.7%	4.0%
Wagoner County	32,650	31,320	1,330	4.1%	3.4%	3.8%	3.9%
Washington County	27,690	26,750	930	3.4%	2.8%	3.0%	3.7%
Washita County	6,340	6,160	190	2.9%	2.4%	2.6%	3.3%
Woods County	4,390	4,240	140	3.2%	2.5%	2.9%	5.9%
Woodward County	12,650	12,350	300	2.4%	1.8%	2.0%	2.8%

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<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	<b>1,775,320</b>	<b>1,701,430</b>	<b>73,890</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>Central WIA</b>	<b>403,680</b>	<b>386,420</b>	<b>17,260</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
Oklahoma City LLM	403,680	386,420	17,260	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
<b>Cleveland County WIA</b>	<b>119,760</b>	<b>114,890</b>	<b>4,880</b>	<b>4.1%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
Norman LLM	119,760	114,890	4,880	4.1%	3.1%	3.4%	3.7%
<b>East Central WIA</b>	<b>68,410</b>	<b>65,230</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
Holdenville LLM	9,480	8,960	520	5.5%	4.7%	5.2%	5.7%
Shawnee LLM	58,930	56,270	2,660	4.5%	3.8%	4.1%	4.4%
<b>Eastern WIA</b>	<b>141,960</b>	<b>134,960</b>	<b>7,010</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
Muskogee LLM	71,790	68,410	3,390	4.7%	4.0%	4.3%	4.8%
Okmulgee LLM	16,490	15,530	960	5.8%	5.1%	5.2%	5.7%
Tahlequah-Sallisaw LLM	53,690	51,020	2,670	5.0%	4.6%	4.9%	4.6%
<b>North Central WIA</b>	<b>124,140</b>	<b>119,860</b>	<b>4,270</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
Enid LLM	54,430	52,740	1,690	3.1%	2.5%	2.8%	3.4%
Ponca City LLM	30,070	28,910	1,170	3.9%	3.4%	3.6%	4.0%
Stillwater LLM	39,640	38,220	1,420	3.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.7%
<b>Northeast WIA</b>	<b>135,900</b>	<b>130,160</b>	<b>5,740</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
Bartlesville LLM	32,730	31,560	1,170	3.6%	3.0%	3.2%	3.9%
Claremore-Pryor LLM	78,110	74,720	3,390	4.3%	3.6%	3.9%	4.3%
Miami-Vinita LLM	25,060	23,890	1,180	4.7%	4.0%	4.4%	5.2%
<b>Northwest WIA</b>	<b>38,880</b>	<b>37,830</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
Guymon LLM	14,570	14,160	420	2.9%	2.1%	2.5%	3.5%
Woodward LLM	24,310	23,670	630	2.6%	2.0%	2.2%	3.5%
<b>South Central WIA</b>	<b>130,990</b>	<b>125,480</b>	<b>5,510</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
Chickasha LLM	51,670	49,400	2,270	4.4%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Duncan LLM	24,800	23,800	1,000	4.0%	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Lawton LLM	54,520	52,270	2,240	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%	4.1%
<b>Southeast WIA</b>	<b>83,430</b>	<b>79,200</b>	<b>4,230</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
Broken Bow-Idabel-Antlers-Hugo LLM	26,970	25,210	1,760	6.5%	5.8%	6.3%	6.1%
McAlester LLM	28,690	27,610	1,080	3.8%	3.3%	3.5%	4.3%
Poteau LLM	27,780	26,380	1,390	5.0%	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%
<b>Southern WIA</b>	<b>119,130</b>	<b>114,770</b>	<b>4,360</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
Ada LLM	36,160	34,900	1,250	3.5%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
Ardmore LLM	41,110	39,750	1,360	3.3%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
Durant LLM	41,860	40,110	1,750	4.2%	3.6%	4.0%	4.4%
<b>Southwest WIA</b>	<b>56,680</b>	<b>54,950</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>
Altus LLM	20,070	19,310	760	3.8%	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%
Elk City-Weatherford-Clinton LLM	36,620	35,650	970	2.6%	2.2%	2.4%	3.0%
<b>Tulsa WIA</b>	<b>352,370</b>	<b>337,690</b>	<b>14,690</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Tulsa LLM	352,370	337,690	14,690	4.2%	3.6%	3.8%	4.0%

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<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	<b>1,775,320</b>	<b>1,701,430</b>	<b>73,890</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>Oklahoma City MSA</b>	<b>577,070</b>	<b>552,620</b>	<b>24,450</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Tulsa MSA</b>	<b>441,670</b>	<b>423,110</b>	<b>18,570</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Lawton MSA</b>	<b>46,680</b>	<b>44,740</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>