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OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT – January 2019

Oklahoma's unemployment rate moves up in January

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** moved up 0.1 percentage point to 3.2 percent in January, while the U.S. unemployment rate rose to 4.0 percent in January. The state's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** was down by 0.7 percentage point compared to January 2018.

January 2019	Unemp. rate*	Labor force*	Employment*	Unemployment*
Oklahoma	3.2%	1,834,817	1,775,914	58,903
United States	4.0%	163,229,000	156,694,000	6,535,000

* Data adjusted for seasonal factors

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Jan '19	3.2%	1,834,817	1,775,914	58,903
Dec '18	3.1%	1,837,373	1,779,871	57,502
Nov '18	3.1%	1,836,984	1,779,700	57,284
Oct '18	3.1%	1,836,660	1,779,759	56,901
Sept '18	3.1%	1,837,174	1,780,187	56,987
Aug '18	3.1%	1,838,502	1,780,852	57,650
Jan '18	3.9%	1,845,590	1,773,350	72,240

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In January, statewide seasonally adjusted **employment** decreased by 3,957 persons (-0.2 percent), while **unemployment** increased by 1,401 persons (2.4 percent). Over the year, seasonally adjusted **unemployment** fell by 13,337 persons (-18.5 percent).

January 2019	Monthly change*		Annual change*	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Labor force	-2,556	-0.1%	-10,773	-0.6%
Employment	-3,957	-0.2%	2,564	0.1%
Unemployment	1,401	2.4%	-13,337	-18.5%

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Oklahoma nonfarm employment declines in January

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** decreased by 4,400 jobs (-0.3 percent) in January 2019. The U.S. seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** rose by 311,000 jobs (0.2 percent) in January. Over the year, state **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** gained 13,500 jobs (0.8 percent).

- In January, two of Oklahoma's supersectors added jobs as **Trade, Transportation, and Utilities** (+2,200 jobs) posted the largest monthly gain followed by **Other Services** (+700 jobs).
- **Professional and Business Services** (-2,300 jobs) reported the largest over-the-month job loss followed by **Manufacturing** (-1,600 Jobs).
- **Construction** (+5,400 jobs) claimed the largest job gain over the year, followed by **Trade, Transportation, and Utilities** (+4,200 jobs).
- The sectors showing declines in jobs over the year were **Professional and Business Services** (-2,700 jobs), **Government** (-2,200 jobs), **Education and Health Services** (-1,000 jobs), **Information** (-200 jobs), and **Financial Activities** (-200 jobs).

	NUMBER OF JOBS*			CHANGE*			
	JAN	DEC	JAN	DEC. 18 TO		JAN. 18 TO	
	2019	2018	2018	JAN. 19		JAN. 19	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,691,800	1,696,200	1,678,300	-4,400	-0.3%	13,500	0.8%
Total Private	1,345,300	1,349,700	1,329,600	-4,400	-0.3%	15,700	1.2%
Goods Producing	274,900	277,500	265,100	-2,600	-0.9%	9,800	3.7%
Service-Providing	1,416,900	1,418,700	1,413,200	-1,800	-0.1%	3,700	0.3%
Private Service Providing	1,070,400	1,072,200	1,064,500	-1,800	-0.2%	5,900	0.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	137,900	138,900	128,800	-1,000	-0.7%	9,100	7.1%
Mining and Logging	54,700	54,800	51,000	-100	-0.2%	3,700	7.3%
Construction	83,200	84,100	77,800	-900	-1.1%	5,400	6.9%
Manufacturing	137,000	138,600	136,300	-1,600	-1.2%	700	0.5%
Non-Durable Goods	40,500	40,700	41,200	-200	-0.5%	-700	-1.7%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	302,800	300,600	298,600	2,200	0.7%	4,200	1.4%
Wholesale Trade	58,300	57,600	57,300	700	1.2%	1,000	1.8%
Retail Trade	178,100	177,300	179,000	800	0.5%	-900	-0.5%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	66,400	65,700	62,300	700	1.1%	4,100	6.6%
Information**	19,700	19,800	19,900	-100	-0.5%	-200	-1.0%
Financial Activities	78,700	78,900	78,900	-200	-0.3%	-200	-0.3%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	21,200	21,300	20,900	-100	-0.5%	300	1.4%
Professional and Business Services	186,300	188,600	189,000	-2,300	-1.2%	-2,700	-1.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	71,800	72,400	71,500	-600	-0.8%	300	0.4%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	18,900	18,900	19,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.5%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	95,600	97,300	98,500	-1,700	-1.8%	-2,900	-2.9%
Education and Health Services	236,000	236,900	237,000	-900	-0.4%	-1,000	-0.4%
Educational Services	19,100	19,700	20,100	-600	-3.1%	-1,000	-5.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	216,900	217,200	216,900	-300	-0.1%	0	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	173,600	174,800	170,300	-1,200	-0.7%	3,300	1.9%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	17,100	17,300	17,300	-200	-1.2%	-200	-1.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	156,500	157,500	153,000	-1,000	-0.6%	3,500	2.3%
Other Services	73,300	72,600	70,800	700	1.0%	2,500	3.5%
Government	346,500	346,500	348,700	0	0.0%	-2,200	-0.6%
Federal Government	49,200	49,600	48,700	-400	-0.8%	500	1.0%
State Government	81,400	81,100	83,000	300	0.0%	-1,600	-1.9%
Local Government	215,900	215,800	217,000	100	0.1%	-1,100	-0.5%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

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** Non-seasonally adjusted. Due to employment stability in the Information supersector, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) has determined that it does not need to be adjusted for seasonal factors at this time.