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OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT – February 2020

Oklahoma's unemployment rate moves down in February

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** declined to 3.2 percent in February, while the U.S. unemployment rate moved down to 3.5 percent in February. The state's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** was 0.1 percentage point lower than February 2019.

February 2020	Unemp. rate*	Labor force*	Employment*	Unemployment*
Oklahoma	3.2%	1,844,281	1,785,884	58,397
United States	3.5%	164,546,000	158,759,000	5,787,000

* Data adjusted for seasonal factors

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Feb '20	3.2%	1,844,281	1,785,884	58,397
Jan '20	3.3%	1,845,422	1,784,815	60,607
Dec '19	3.4%	1,845,530	1,783,548	61,982
Nov '19	3.4%	1,845,800	1,783,677	62,123
Oct '19	3.4%	1,846,046	1,783,842	62,204
Sept '19	3.3%	1,845,138	1,783,397	61,741
Feb '19	3.3%	1,837,111	1,777,026	60,085

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In February, statewide seasonally adjusted **employment** increased by 1,069 persons (0.1 percent), while **unemployment** decreased by 2,210 persons (-3.6 percent). Over the year, seasonally adjusted **unemployment** decreased by 1,688 persons (-2.8 percent).

February 2020	Monthly change*		Annual change*	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Labor force	-1,141	-0.1%	7,170	0.4%
Employment	1,069	0.1%	8,858	0.5%
Unemployment	-2,210	-3.6%	-1,688	-2.8%

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Oklahoma nonfarm employment moves up in February

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** expanded by 1,000 jobs (0.1 percent) in February 2020. U.S. seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** added 273,000 jobs (0.2 percent) in February. Over the year, statewide **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** shed a seasonally adjusted 800 jobs (0.0 percent).

- In February, five of Oklahoma's supersectors added jobs as **Mining and Logging** and **Education and Health Services** (+900 jobs each) posted the largest monthly gains followed by **Financial Activities** (+500 jobs).
- **Leisure and Hospitality** (-700 jobs) reported the largest over-the-month job losses.
- **Government** (+4,900 jobs) claimed the largest job gain over the year, followed by **Leisure and Hospitality** (+3,700 jobs).
- Sectors showing the largest declines in jobs over the year were **Mining and Logging** (-9,200 jobs) and **Manufacturing** (-4,300 jobs).

	NUMBER OF JOBS*			CHANGE FROM*			
	FEB 2020	JAN 2020	FEB 2019	JAN. 20 TO FEB. 20		FEB. 19 TO FEB. 20	
TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT	1,702,800	1,701,800	1,703,600	1,000	0.1%	-800	0.0%
Total Private	1,346,200	1,345,600	1,351,900	600	0.0%	-5,700	-0.4%
Goods Producing	262,000	261,300	277,200	700	0.3%	-15,200	-5.5%
Service-Providing	1,440,800	1,440,500	1,426,400	300	0.0%	14,400	1.0%
Private Service Providing	1,084,200	1,084,300	1,074,700	-100	0.0%	9,500	0.9%
Mining, Logging and Construction	124,500	123,600	135,400	900	0.7%	-10,900	-8.1%
Mining and Logging	43,000	42,100	52,200	900	2.1%	-9,200	-17.6%
Construction	81,500	81,500	83,200	0	0.0%	-1,700	-2.0%
Manufacturing	137,500	137,700	141,800	-200	-0.1%	-4,300	-3.0%
Durable Goods	93,800	94,100	98,600	-300	-0.3%	-4,800	-4.9%
Non-Durable Goods	43,700	43,600	43,200	100	0.2%	500	1.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	303,300	303,900	300,200	-600	-0.2%	3,100	1.0%
Wholesale Trade	57,500	57,800	58,000	-300	-0.5%	-500	-0.9%
Retail Trade	176,000	176,200	176,400	-200	-0.1%	-400	-0.2%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	69,800	69,900	65,800	-100	-0.1%	4,000	6.1%
Information	19,400	19,400	19,700	0	0.0%	-300	-1.5%
Financial Activities	79,600	79,100	79,500	500	0.6%	100	0.1%
Finance and Insurance	57,900	57,600	57,900	300	0.5%	0	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	21,700	21,500	21,600	200	0.9%	100	0.5%
Professional and Business Services	193,300	192,900	193,500	400	0.2%	-200	-0.1%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	77,800	77,200	74,400	600	0.8%	3,400	4.6%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	20,400	20,300	19,800	100	0.5%	600	3.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	95,100	95,400	99,300	-300	-0.3%	-4,200	-4.2%
Education and Health Services	241,300	240,400	237,800	900	0.4%	3,500	1.5%
Educational Services	19,400	19,200	19,900	200	1.0%	-500	-2.5%
Health Care and Social Assistance	221,900	221,200	217,900	700	0.3%	4,000	1.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	177,100	177,800	173,400	-700	-0.4%	3,700	2.1%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	18,200	18,800	18,100	-600	-3.2%	100	0.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	158,900	159,000	155,300	-100	-0.1%	3,600	2.3%
Other Services	70,200	70,800	70,600	-600	-0.8%	-400	-0.6%
Government	356,600	356,200	351,700	400	0.1%	4,900	1.4%
Federal Government	50,400	50,400	49,600	0	0.0%	800	1.6%
State Government	81,100	80,500	81,700	600	0.7%	-600	-0.7%
Local Government	225,100	225,300	220,400	-200	-0.1%	4,700	2.1%
				Jobs	Pct.	Jobs	Pct.

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