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## OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT REPORT – January 2016

### Oklahoma's jobless rate unchanged in January

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** remained unchanged at 4.1 percent in January, while the U.S. unemployment rate was little changed at 4.9 percent. The state's seasonally adjusted **unemployment rate** was unchanged compared to January 2015.

January 2016	Unemp. rate*	Labor force*	Employment*	Unemployment*
Oklahoma	4.1%	1,853,792	1,778,271	75,521
United States	4.9%	158,335,000	150,544,000	7,791,000

\* Data adjusted for seasonal factors

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Jan '16	4.1%	1,853,792	1,778,271	75,521
Dec '15	4.1%	1,847,602	1,771,229	76,373
Nov '15	4.1%	1,846,833	1,770,218	76,615
Oct '15	4.2%	1,845,974	1,768,887	77,087
Sept '15	4.2%	1,845,077	1,767,297	77,780
Aug '15	4.3%	1,844,305	1,765,509	78,796
Jan '15	4.1%	1,824,441	1,750,526	73,915

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In January, statewide seasonally adjusted **employment** rose by 7,042 persons (+0.4 percent), as **unemployment** fell by 852 persons (-1.1 percent). Over the year, seasonally adjusted **unemployment** grew by 1,606 persons (+2.2 percent).

January 2016	Monthly change*		Annual change*	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Labor force	6,190	0.3%	29,351	1.6%
Employment	7,042	0.4%	27,745	1.6%
Unemployment	-852	-1.1%	1,606	2.2%

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# Oklahoma employment up in January

Oklahoma's seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** increased by 2,900 jobs (+0.2 percent) in January 2016. U.S. seasonally adjusted **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** gained 172,000 jobs (+0.1 percent). Over the year, state **NONFARM EMPLOYMENT** lost 7,900 jobs (-0.5 percent).

- In January, eight of Oklahoma's supersectors added jobs as **Education and Health Services** (+1,700 jobs) posted the largest monthly gain.
- **Trade, Transportation, and Utilities** (-2,000 jobs) reported the largest over-the-month job loss as **Mining and Logging** saw 400 job losses in January.
- Industries showing large declines in jobs over the year were **Mining & Logging** (-13,800 jobs) and **Manufacturing** (-9,000 jobs).
- **Leisure and Hospitality** (+7,500 jobs) claimed the largest job gain over the year.

	NUMBER OF JOBS*			CHANGE*			
	JAN 2016	DEC 2015	JAN 2015	DEC. 15 TO JAN. 16		JAN. 15 TO JAN. 16	
<b>TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>1,666,000</b>	<b>1,663,100</b>	<b>1,675,500</b>	<b>2,900</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>-9,500</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>
Total Private	1,313,500	1,310,700	1,325,300	2,800	0.2%	-11,800	-0.9%
Goods Producing	261,700	261,600	281,000	100	0.0%	-19,300	-6.9%
Service-Providing	1,404,300	1,401,500	1,394,500	2,800	0.2%	9,800	0.7%
Private Service Providing	1,051,800	1,049,100	1,044,300	2,700	0.3%	7,500	0.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	129,500	129,300	139,800	200	0.2%	-10,300	-7.4%
<b>Mining and Logging</b>	<b>49,100</b>	<b>49,500</b>	<b>62,900</b>	<b>-400</b>	<b>-0.8%</b>	<b>-13,800</b>	<b>-21.9%</b>
<b>Construction</b>	<b>80,400</b>	<b>79,800</b>	<b>76,900</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>132,200</b>	<b>132,300</b>	<b>141,200</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>-9,000</b>	<b>-6.4%</b>
Non-Durable Goods	40,500	40,700	40,300	-200	-0.5%	200	0.5%
<b>Trade, Transportation, and Utilities</b>	<b>306,500</b>	<b>308,500</b>	<b>305,400</b>	<b>-2,000</b>	<b>-0.6%</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>0.4%</b>
Wholesale Trade	58,400	58,900	61,400	-500	-0.8%	-3,000	-4.9%
Retail Trade	184,800	185,200	181,000	-400	-0.2%	3,800	2.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	63,300	64,400	63,000	-1,100	-1.7%	300	0.5%
<b>Information**</b>	<b>21,000</b>	<b>20,900</b>	<b>20,800</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1.0%</b>
<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>81,100</b>	<b>80,600</b>	<b>80,100</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1.2%</b>
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	20,900	20,800	21,000	100	0.5%	-100	-0.5%
<b>Professional and Business Services</b>	<b>182,500</b>	<b>181,100</b>	<b>188,500</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>-6,000</b>	<b>-3.2%</b>
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	67,900	68,500	69,400	-600	-0.9%	-1,500	-2.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	95,400	94,500	99,900	900	1.0%	-4,500	-4.5%
<b>Education and Health Services</b>	<b>233,100</b>	<b>231,400</b>	<b>229,500</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
Educational Services	20,600	20,000	20,000	600	3.0%	600	3.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	212,500	211,400	209,500	1,100	0.5%	3,000	1.4%
<b>Leisure and Hospitality</b>	<b>165,800</b>	<b>165,100</b>	<b>158,300</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	16,100	16,100	15,300	0	0.0%	800	5.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	149,700	149,000	143,000	700	0.5%	6,700	4.7%
<b>Other Services</b>	<b>61,800</b>	<b>61,500</b>	<b>61,700</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>352,500</b>	<b>352,400</b>	<b>350,200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>0.7%</b>
Federal Government	47,200	47,400	46,700	-200	-0.4%	500	1.1%
State Government	85,300	85,400	85,800	-100	-0.1%	-500	-0.6%
Local Government	220,000	219,600	217,700	400	0.2%	2,300	1.1%
				<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Jobs</b>	<b>Pct.</b>

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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.