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Introduction

The 2009 *Competitiveness ACE Book* provides a snapshot of Oklahoma's business climate compared to that of other states. Education, taxes, cost of doing business, investment levels and other critical issues are reviewed in this book. In this simple, easy-to-use reference you'll find statistics on all these, and other, subjects. Because this data is now compiled in one resource, Oklahoma 21st Century will be able to conduct timely research and compare improvements and declines in our rankings with other states.

Many key indicators exhibit a strong economic performance. Personal income growth in Oklahoma is continuing to grow, although at a slower rate (Table 6), and 21,300 jobs have been added in the state since May 2007 (Table 4). In fact, job growth over the past year has moved Oklahoma from a ranking of 29th last year to 8th this year. Oklahoma's venture capital investment rose from about \$5.6 million to more than \$108 million in only one year raising our ranking from 41st in the country to 23rd (Table 24).

The usual suspects continue to detract from Oklahoma's competitiveness. Businesses in Oklahoma face a daunting task in finding educated workers with a ranking of 41st in students over 25 obtaining a bachelors degree and with only 84.3 percent of our citizens graduating from high school (Table 28). The National Assessment of Education Programs shows Oklahoma's fourth graders ranked 37th in Reading and 36th in Math, while our eighth graders rank 34th in Reading and 40th in Math (Table 30). Oklahoma's infrastructure also needs work as we rank 48th in the percent of roads that are not in good condition (Table 32).

While state and local health and hospital spending per capita is ranked 39th in the nation (Table 36), an increasing percentage of people have employment-based health insurance compared to 1990 (Table 37).

The 2009 ACE Book provides a valuable set of indicators that track and evaluate the competitiveness of Oklahoma's business climate. We believe this data will help guide the focus of business leaders and public officials as they work together to further improve Oklahoma's business climate.

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State Populations (July 2007)

TABLE 1

| Rank | Population | Change (July 1, 2000 - July 1, 2007) | | | | |
|-----------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| | | Numeric | Rank | % | Rank | |
| 1 | California | 36,553,215 | 2,552,769 | 2 | 7.5% | 18 |
| 2 | Texas | 23,904,380 | 2,957,877 | 1 | 14.1% | 6 |
| 3 | New York | 19,297,729 | 308,397 | 16 | 1.6% | 42 |
| 4 | Florida | 18,251,243 | 2,196,915 | 3 | 13.7% | 7 |
| 5 | Illinois | 12,852,548 | 416,578 | 12 | 3.3% | 34 |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | 12,432,792 | 150,201 | 28 | 1.2% | 44 |
| 7 | Ohio | 11,466,917 | 106,962 | 31 | 0.9% | 46 |
| 8 | Michigan | 10,071,822 | 119,816 | 30 | 1.2% | 45 |
| 9 | Georgia | 9,544,750 | 1,314,927 | 4 | 16.0% | 4 |
| 10 | North Carolina | 9,061,032 | 983,665 | 6 | 12.2% | 9 |
| 11 | New Jersey | 8,685,920 | 256,913 | 20 | 3.1% | 37 |
| 12 | Virginia | 7,712,091 | 608,075 | 7 | 8.6% | 15 |
| 13 | Washington | 6,468,424 | 560,052 | 8 | 9.5% | 12 |
| 14 | Massachusetts | 6,449,755 | 92,683 | 32 | 1.5% | 43 |
| 15 | Indiana | 6,345,289 | 255,339 | 21 | 4.2% | 31 |
| 16 | Arizona | 6,338,755 | 1,173,481 | 5 | 22.7% | 2 |
| 17 | Tennessee | 6,156,719 | 454,692 | 11 | 8.0% | 17 |
| 18 | Missouri | 5,878,415 | 274,862 | 18 | 4.9% | 27 |
| 19 | Maryland | 5,618,344 | 307,436 | 17 | 5.8% | 24 |
| 20 | Wisconsin | 5,601,640 | 229,397 | 22 | 4.3% | 30 |
| 21 | Minnesota | 5,197,621 | 266,528 | 19 | 5.4% | 25 |
| 22 | Colorado | 4,861,515 | 538,105 | 10 | 12.4% | 8 |
| 23 | Alabama | 4,627,851 | 176,358 | 25 | 4.0% | 32 |
| 24 | South Carolina | 4,407,709 | 384,271 | 14 | 9.6% | 11 |
| 25 | Louisiana | 4,293,204 | -176,766 | 50 | -4.0% | 50 |
| 26 | Kentucky | 4,241,474 | 194,050 | 24 | 4.8% | 28 |
| 27 | Oregon | 3,747,455 | 318,162 | 15 | 9.3% | 13 |
| 28 | Oklahoma | 3,617,316 | 164,066 | 26 | 4.8% | 29 |
| 29 | Connecticut | 3,502,309 | 92,230 | 33 | 2.7% | 38 |
| 30 | Iowa | 2,988,046 | 60,537 | 40 | 2.1% | 40 |
| 31 | Mississippi | 2,918,785 | 69,685 | 38 | 2.4% | 39 |
| 32 | Arkansas | 2,834,797 | 156,767 | 27 | 5.9% | 22 |
| 33 | Kansas | 2,775,997 | 84,247 | 34 | 3.1% | 36 |
| 34 | Utah | 2,645,330 | 403,775 | 13 | 18.0% | 3 |
| 35 | Nevada | 2,565,382 | 546,659 | 9 | 27.1% | 1 |
| 36 | New Mexico | 1,969,915 | 148,633 | 29 | 8.2% | 16 |
| 37 | West Virginia | 1,812,035 | 4,936 | 48 | 0.3% | 48 |
| 38 | Nebraska | 1,774,571 | 61,994 | 39 | 3.6% | 33 |
| 39 | Idaho | 1,499,402 | 200,144 | 23 | 15.4% | 5 |
| 40 | Maine | 1,317,207 | 40,246 | 44 | 3.2% | 35 |
| 41 | New Hampshire | 1,315,828 | 75,947 | 36 | 6.1% | 19 |
| 42 | Hawaii | 1,283,388 | 71,107 | 37 | 5.9% | 21 |
| 43 | Rhode Island | 1,057,832 | 7,596 | 47 | 0.7% | 47 |
| 44 | Montana | 957,861 | 54,704 | 42 | 6.1% | 20 |
| 45 | Delaware | 864,764 | 78,530 | 35 | 10.0% | 10 |
| 46 | South Dakota | 796,214 | 40,705 | 43 | 5.4% | 26 |
| 47 | Alaska | 683,478 | 55,877 | 41 | 8.9% | 14 |
| 48 | North Dakota | 639,715 | -1,204 | 49 | -0.2% | 49 |
| 49 | Vermont | 621,254 | 11,545 | 46 | 1.9% | 41 |
| 50 | Wyoming | 522,830 | 28,829 | 45 | 5.8% | 23 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 588,292 | 17,226 | | 3.0% | |
| | United States | 301,621,157 | 19,496,526 | | 6.9% | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma's population increased by 164,066 between July 2000 and July 2007.

Age Group by Percentage of Population (2007)

TABLE 2

| Rank | | %<18 | %18-24 | %25-44 | %45-64 | %>65 |
|------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | Colorado | 24.5% | 9.5% | 30.0% | 25.9% | 10.1% |
| 2 | New Hampshire | 22.7% | 9.1% | 26.8% | 28.9% | 12.6% |
| 3 | Alaska | 26.7% | 10.7% | 29.0% | 26.6% | 7.0% |
| 4 | Maine | 21.2% | 8.5% | 25.7% | 29.8% | 14.8% |
| 5 | Vermont | 21.1% | 9.9% | 25.4% | 30.0% | 13.6% |
| 6 | Washington | 23.8% | 9.2% | 28.5% | 26.8% | 11.7% |
| 7 | Oregon | 23.0% | 9.0% | 27.8% | 27.2% | 13.1% |
| 8 | Nevada | 25.7% | 8.2% | 29.9% | 25.1% | 11.1% |
| 9 | Virginia | 23.7% | 9.9% | 28.7% | 26.0% | 11.8% |
| 10 | Massachusetts | 22.2% | 9.9% | 27.9% | 26.6% | 13.3% |
| 11 | Maryland | 24.2% | 9.6% | 27.9% | 26.5% | 11.8% |
| 12 | New Jersey | 23.8% | 8.8% | 27.8% | 26.5% | 13.1% |
| 13 | West Virginia | 21.4% | 8.8% | 26.2% | 28.2% | 15.5% |
| 14 | Kentucky | 23.7% | 9.1% | 28.1% | 26.2% | 13.0% |
| 15 | Tennessee | 23.9% | 9.0% | 28.1% | 26.2% | 12.9% |
| 16 | Georgia | 26.5% | 9.5% | 29.8% | 24.3% | 9.9% |
| 17 | North Carolina | 24.5% | 9.4% | 28.3% | 25.6% | 12.2% |
| 18 | Connecticut | 23.4% | 9.2% | 26.6% | 27.3% | 13.5% |
| 19 | Hawaii | 22.3% | 9.6% | 27.9% | 25.9% | 14.3% |
| 20 | Minnesota | 24.2% | 9.8% | 27.5% | 26.2% | 12.2% |
| 21 | New York | 22.9% | 10.2% | 27.8% | 25.9% | 13.2% |
| 22 | Wyoming | 24.0% | 10.1% | 25.9% | 27.8% | 12.2% |
| 23 | Wisconsin | 23.6% | 9.8% | 26.8% | 26.6% | 13.1% |
| 24 | Michigan | 24.3% | 9.7% | 26.7% | 26.6% | 12.7% |
| 25 | Montana | 22.9% | 9.8% | 24.7% | 28.7% | 13.9% |
| 26 | Rhode Island | 22.0% | 10.8% | 26.8% | 26.5% | 13.9% |
| 27 | South Carolina | 24.1% | 9.8% | 26.9% | 26.2% | 13.0% |
| 28 | Ohio | 24.0% | 9.4% | 26.6% | 26.5% | 13.5% |
| 29 | Illinois | 24.9% | 10.1% | 28.2% | 24.8% | 12.1% |
| 30 | Indiana | 25.0% | 9.5% | 27.4% | 25.6% | 12.5% |
| 31 | California | 25.7% | 10.5% | 29.2% | 23.7% | 11.0% |
| 32 | Missouri | 24.2% | 9.5% | 26.9% | 26.0% | 13.4% |
| 33 | Delaware | 23.8% | 9.8% | 26.8% | 26.1% | 13.6% |
| 34 | Pennsylvania | 22.4% | 9.6% | 25.6% | 27.1% | 15.2% |
| 35 | Alabama | 24.3% | 9.7% | 26.7% | 25.8% | 13.5% |
| 36 | Florida | 22.2% | 8.7% | 26.5% | 25.7% | 17.0% |
| 37 | Texas | 27.7% | 10.2% | 29.1% | 23.0% | 10.0% |
| 38 | Arkansas | 24.7% | 9.3% | 26.7% | 25.2% | 14.0% |
| 39 | Louisiana | 25.1% | 10.9% | 26.5% | 25.3% | 12.2% |
| 40 | Oklahoma | 24.9% | 10.3% | 26.5% | 25.1% | 13.3% |
| 41 | Kansas | 25.1% | 10.4% | 26.2% | 25.3% | 13.0% |
| 42 | New Mexico | 25.4% | 10.4% | 26.4% | 25.1% | 12.7% |
| 43 | Arizona | 26.3% | 9.3% | 28.1% | 23.3% | 12.9% |
| 44 | Idaho | 27.2% | 9.8% | 26.9% | 24.5% | 11.7% |
| 45 | Iowa | 23.8% | 10.2% | 25.3% | 26.0% | 14.7% |
| 46 | Nebraska | 25.1% | 10.5% | 25.9% | 25.1% | 13.3% |
| 47 | Mississippi | 26.3% | 10.4% | 26.2% | 24.6% | 12.5% |
| 48 | South Dakota | 24.7% | 10.3% | 24.9% | 25.8% | 14.3% |
| 49 | North Dakota | 22.3% | 13.0% | 24.4% | 25.7% | 14.6% |
| 50 | Utah | 30.9% | 12.4% | 28.3% | 19.6% | 8.8% |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 19.3% | 12.5% | 32.8% | 23.5% | 11.9% |
| | United States | 24.5% | 9.8% | 27.8% | 25.4% | 12.6% |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Ranked by percentage of residents that are working age (18 to 65), Oklahoma's population is slightly older than the U.S. average.

Net Migration by States (July 1, 2006 to July 1, 2007)

TABLE 3

| Rank | Net Domestic Migration | | Net International Migration | |
|------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|------|
| | | Number | Number | Rank |
| 1 | Texas | 141,280 | 109,086 | 3 |
| 2 | North Carolina | 111,963 | 24,465 | 10 |
| 3 | Georgia | 94,004 | 31,330 | 7 |
| 4 | Arizona | 90,402 | 27,708 | 8 |
| 5 | South Carolina | 53,993 | 5,339 | 29 |
| 6 | Tennessee | 48,665 | 7,919 | 24 |
| 7 | Nevada | 41,338 | 10,979 | 21 |
| 8 | Florida | 35,301 | 88,111 | 4 |
| 9 | Colorado | 33,438 | 18,381 | 14 |
| 10 | Washington | 31,009 | 21,422 | 12 |
| 11 | Louisiana | 28,854 | 2,999 | 38 |
| 12 | Oregon | 26,811 | 11,848 | 19 |
| 13 | Utah | 24,657 | 8,202 | 23 |
| 14 | Idaho | 19,569 | 2,268 | 39 |
| 15 | Alabama | 18,427 | 4,077 | 33 |
| 16 | Kentucky | 17,357 | 4,062 | 34 |
| 17 | Oklahoma | 13,578 | 5,475 | 28 |
| 18 | New Mexico | 8,530 | 4,386 | 31 |
| 19 | Arkansas | 8,323 | 3,526 | 36 |
| 20 | Wyoming | 6,654 | 278 | 50 |
| 21 | Montana | 6,463 | 284 | 49 |
| 22 | Missouri | 6,205 | 6,760 | 26 |
| 23 | Delaware | 5,224 | 1,823 | 40 |
| 24 | Virginia | 2,959 | 21,455 | 11 |
| 25 | West Virginia | 2,553 | 571 | 47 |
| 26 | Mississippi | 2,473 | 1,433 | 42 |
| 27 | South Dakota | 1,910 | 601 | 46 |
| 28 | Indiana | -505 | 9,038 | 22 |
| 29 | Maine | -717 | 699 | 43 |
| 30 | North Dakota | -1,136 | 440 | 48 |
| 31 | Vermont | -1,788 | 649 | 44 |
| 32 | New Hampshire | -2,389 | 1,813 | 41 |
| 33 | Kansas | -2,550 | 6,017 | 27 |
| 34 | Alaska | -2,805 | 602 | 45 |
| 35 | Iowa | -2,947 | 4,689 | 30 |
| 36 | Nebraska | -4,869 | 3,583 | 35 |
| 37 | Minnesota | -6,025 | 11,522 | 20 |
| 38 | Wisconsin | -6,732 | 7,523 | 25 |
| 39 | Pennsylvania | -7,377 | 16,829 | 16 |
| 40 | Hawaii | -9,673 | 4,112 | 32 |
| 41 | Rhode Island | -10,031 | 3,162 | 37 |
| 42 | Connecticut | -19,377 | 12,867 | 17 |
| 43 | Massachusetts | -35,121 | 27,014 | 9 |
| 44 | Maryland | -36,270 | 17,704 | 15 |
| 45 | Ohio | -51,842 | 12,332 | 18 |
| 46 | Illinois | -60,265 | 54,402 | 5 |
| 47 | New Jersey | -69,160 | 48,944 | 6 |
| 48 | Michigan | -94,420 | 20,153 | 13 |
| 49 | New York | -189,765 | 111,607 | 2 |
| 50 | California | -263,035 | 233,810 | 1 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | -3,141 | 3,358 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma's net domestic migration grew by 13,578 individuals between July 2006 - 07 and its net international migration grew by 5,475 individuals. Twenty four states and the District of Columbia had negative migration during this same time period.

Non-Agricultural Employment Growth (May 2007 - May 2008)

TABLE 4

| Rank | Jobs Added (000's) | % Growth | Rank |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| 1 Texas | 238.7 | 2.3% | 2 |
| 2 New York | 38.2 | 0.4% | 25 |
| 3 North Carolina | 35.1 | 0.8% | 16 |
| 4 Washington | 35.0 | 1.2% | 10 |
| 5 Colorado | 33.8 | 1.5% | 7 |
| 6 Louisiana | 30.8 | 1.6% | 5 |
| 7 Maryland | 25.7 | 1.0% | 13 |
| 8 Oklahoma | 21.3 | 1.4% | 8 |
| 9 Georgia | 20.9 | 0.5% | 22 |
| 10 Utah | 20.6 | 1.6% | 3 |
| 11 Illinois | 16.7 | 0.3% | 32 |
| 12 Massachusetts | 14.6 | 0.4% | 24 |
| 13 Virginia | 13.8 | 0.4% | 27 |
| 14 South Carolina | 13.5 | 0.7% | 17 |
| 15 Nebraska | 10.6 | 1.1% | 12 |
| 16 New Hampshire | 10.5 | 1.6% | 4 |
| 17 Iowa | 10.2 | 0.7% | 18 |
| 18 Kentucky | 10.0 | 0.5% | 21 |
| 19 New Mexico | 9.4 | 1.1% | 11 |
| 20 Alabama | 8.5 | 0.4% | 26 |
| 21 Kansas | 8.0 | 0.6% | 20 |
| 21 Wyoming | 8.0 | 2.8% | 1 |
| 23 Pennsylvania | 7.9 | 0.1% | 33 |
| 24 Montana | 6.8 | 1.5% | 6 |
| 25 Mississippi | 5.7 | 0.5% | 23 |
| 26 Connecticut | 5.1 | 0.3% | 30 |
| 27 Oregon | 4.9 | 0.3% | 31 |
| 28 North Dakota | 4.5 | 1.3% | 9 |
| 29 Hawaii | 3.8 | 0.6% | 19 |
| 30 Arkansas | 3.7 | 0.3% | 29 |
| 31 South Dakota | 3.7 | 0.9% | 15 |
| 32 Alaska | 3.1 | 1.0% | 14 |
| 33 Minnesota | 2.8 | 0.1% | 35 |
| 34 West Virginia | 2.4 | 0.3% | 28 |
| 35 Maine | 0.7 | 0.1% | 34 |
| 36 Vermont | 0.0 | 0.0% | 36 |
| 37 Delaware | -1.6 | -0.4% | 44 |
| 38 Idaho | -2.3 | -0.4% | 43 |
| 39 Indiana | -3.7 | -0.1% | 38 |
| 40 New Jersey | -5.3 | -0.1% | 39 |
| 41 Nevada | -5.8 | -0.4% | 45 |
| 42 Tennessee | -6.7 | -0.2% | 41 |
| 43 Missouri | -7.9 | -0.3% | 42 |
| 44 Ohio | -11.0 | -0.2% | 40 |
| 45 Rhode Island | -11.3 | -2.3% | 50 |
| 46 Arizona | -15.7 | -0.6% | 46 |
| 47 California | -18.6 | -0.1% | 37 |
| 48 Wisconsin | -19.3 | -0.7% | 47 |
| 49 Michigan | -68.9 | -1.6% | 49 |
| 50 Florida | -74.7 | -0.9% | 48 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 10.5 | 1.5% | |

Source: Bureau of Labor and Statistics State Employment Data (Monthly News Release)

Oklahoma shot up from 29th last year to 8th this year in non-agricultural jobs added. Oklahoma also moved up 23 spots from 31st to 8th in percentage growth with the addition of 21,300 jobs.

Non-Agricultural Employment Growth (May 1998 - May 2008)

TABLE 5

| Rank | Jobs Added (000s) | % Growth | Rank | |
|------|-------------------|----------|-------|----|
| 1 | Texas | 1,690.2 | 19.0% | 8 |
| 2 | California | 1,588.9 | 11.7% | 19 |
| 3 | Florida | 1,330.8 | 20.0% | 7 |
| 4 | New York | 631.0 | 7.8% | 30 |
| 5 | Arizona | 593.0 | 28.8% | 3 |
| 6 | Virginia | 456.1 | 13.8% | 17 |
| 7 | Georgia | 432.9 | 11.6% | 20 |
| 8 | North Carolina | 425.2 | 11.3% | 21 |
| 9 | Washington | 374.9 | 14.5% | 15 |
| 10 | Nevada | 368.4 | 40.0% | 1 |
| 11 | Maryland | 360.5 | 15.9% | 13 |
| 12 | Pennsylvania | 349.2 | 6.4% | 35 |
| 13 | Colorado | 329.1 | 16.2% | 12 |
| 14 | New Jersey | 276.3 | 7.3% | 31 |
| 15 | Utah | 244.6 | 23.8% | 5 |
| 16 | Minnesota | 233.8 | 9.2% | 28 |
| 17 | Oregon | 170.0 | 10.9% | 22 |
| 18 | South Carolina | 166.8 | 9.3% | 26 |
| 19 | Tennessee | 165.7 | 6.3% | 36 |
| 20 | Wisconsin | 157.3 | 5.8% | 39 |
| 21 | Oklahoma | 154.1 | 10.8% | 23 |
| 22 | Idaho | 137.6 | 26.6% | 4 |
| 23 | New Mexico | 135.9 | 19.0% | 9 |
| 24 | Illinois | 135.5 | 2.3% | 48 |
| 25 | Alabama | 127.6 | 6.8% | 34 |
| 26 | Kentucky | 126.9 | 7.2% | 32 |
| 27 | Missouri | 111.8 | 4.2% | 42 |
| 28 | Hawaii | 100.1 | 19.0% | 10 |
| 29 | Nebraska | 93.0 | 10.6% | 24 |
| 30 | Iowa | 87.8 | 6.1% | 37 |
| 31 | Massachusetts | 85.1 | 2.7% | 47 |
| 32 | New Hampshire | 83.3 | 14.5% | 14 |
| 33 | Arkansas | 81.5 | 7.2% | 33 |
| 34 | Indiana | 81.0 | 2.8% | 46 |
| 35 | Kansas | 79.1 | 6.1% | 38 |
| 36 | Montana | 78.0 | 20.9% | 6 |
| 37 | Wyoming | 69.0 | 30.5% | 2 |
| 38 | Connecticut | 60.6 | 3.7% | 43 |
| 39 | Louisiana | 58.0 | 3.1% | 44 |
| 40 | Maine | 55.8 | 10.0% | 25 |
| 41 | South Dakota | 50.4 | 14.0% | 16 |
| 42 | Alaska | 47.6 | 17.4% | 11 |
| 43 | North Dakota | 43.1 | 13.5% | 18 |
| 44 | West Virginia | 36.2 | 5.0% | 41 |
| 45 | Delaware | 34.9 | 8.7% | 29 |
| 46 | Mississippi | 33.9 | 3.0% | 45 |
| 47 | Vermont | 26.2 | 9.3% | 27 |
| 48 | Rhode Island | 26.1 | 5.7% | 40 |
| 49 | Ohio | -41.6 | -0.8% | 49 |
| 50 | Michigan | -316.2 | -7.0% | 50 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 92.7 | 15.2% | |

Source: Bureau of Labor and Statistics State Employment Data (Archived Monthly News Releases)

Oklahoma ranks 21st in absolute job growth and 23rd in percent growth. Nevada continues to experience far and away the largest percentage job growth. Michigan has lost more than 316,000 jobs in the last ten years.

Per Capita Personal Income By State (2007)

TABLE 6

| Rank | 2007 | % Change from 2006 | Rank |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1 Connecticut | \$54,117 | 6.6 | 4 |
| 2 New Jersey | \$49,194 | 5.2 | 22 |
| 3 Massachusetts | \$49,082 | 6.0 | 8 |
| 4 Maryland | \$46,021 | 5.1 | 26 |
| 5 New York | \$47,385 | 7.6 | 2 |
| 6 Wyoming | \$43,226 | 6.3 | 6 |
| 7 New Hampshire | \$41,512 | 4.4 | 39 |
| 8 Colorado | \$41,042 | 3.9 | 45 |
| 9 Virginia | \$41,347 | 4.6 | 36 |
| 10 Delaware | \$40,608 | 3.8 | 46 |
| 11 California | \$41,571 | 4.9 | 29 |
| 12 Minnesota | \$41,034 | 5.6 | 17 |
| 13 Illinois | \$40,322 | 5.0 | 28 |
| 14 Washington | \$40,414 | 5.8 | 13 |
| 15 Rhode Island | \$39,463 | 5.2 | 22 |
| 16 Alaska | \$40,352 | 5.8 | 13 |
| 17 Nevada | \$40,480 | 3.8 | 46 |
| 18 Pennsylvania | \$38,788 | 5.3 | 21 |
| 19 Hawaii | \$39,239 | 6.0 | 8 |
| 20 Florida | \$38,444 | 4.7 | 33 |
| 21 Kansas | \$36,768 | 5.7 | 15 |
| 22 Wisconsin | \$36,047 | 4.8 | 32 |
| 23 Nebraska | \$36,471 | 5.9 | 11 |
| 24 Vermont | \$36,670 | 5.2 | 22 |
| 25 Texas | \$37,187 | 5.7 | 15 |
| 26 South Dakota | \$33,905 | 5.9 | 11 |
| 27 Michigan | \$35,086 | 3.8 | 46 |
| 28 Oregon | \$34,784 | 4.5 | 38 |
| 29 Ohio | \$34,874 | 4.7 | 33 |
| 30 Iowa | \$35,023 | 6.0 | 8 |
| 31 Missouri | \$34,389 | 4.9 | 29 |
| 32 North Dakota | \$34,846 | 6.4 | 5 |
| 33 Indiana | \$33,616 | 4.1 | 44 |
| 34 Maine | \$33,722 | 5.1 | 26 |
| 35 Tennessee | \$33,280 | 3.4 | 49 |
| 36 North Carolina | \$33,636 | 4.3 | 40 |
| 37 Oklahoma | \$34,153 | 5.4 | 19 |
| 38 Georgia | \$33,457 | 4.2 | 42 |
| 39 Arizona | \$33,029 | 3.4 | 50 |
| 40 Alabama | \$32,404 | 4.9 | 29 |
| 41 Louisiana | \$34,756 | 9.2 | 1 |
| 42 Montana | \$32,458 | 5.4 | 19 |
| 43 Idaho | \$31,197 | 4.3 | 40 |
| 44 New Mexico | \$31,474 | 5.2 | 22 |
| 45 South Carolina | \$31,013 | 4.2 | 42 |
| 46 Kentucky | \$31,111 | 4.6 | 36 |
| 47 Utah | \$31,189 | 6.1 | 7 |
| 48 Arkansas | \$30,060 | 5.6 | 17 |
| 49 West Virginia | \$29,537 | 4.7 | 33 |
| 50 Mississippi | \$28,845 | 6.7 | 3 |
| Dist. of Columbia | \$61,092 | 5.8 | |
| United States | \$38,611 | 5.2 | |

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per capita personal income (PCPI) is a good comparative measure of the general prosperity of a state. PCPI growth in Oklahoma exceeded the U.S. average in 2007. Our 5.4% growth slipped us from 3rd to 19th among the states in 2007.

Gross State Product in Current Dollars (2007)

TABLE 7

| Rank | State | Millions of \$ | % Of US GDP | % Change (2006 - 2007) | Rank |
|------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|------|
| 1 | California | \$1,812,968 | 13.2% | 4.1% | 33 |
| 2 | Texas | \$1,141,965 | 8.3% | 6.9% | 6 |
| 3 | New York | \$1,103,024 | 8.0% | 7.3% | 2 |
| 4 | Florida | \$734,519 | 5.3% | 2.5% | 47 |
| 5 | Illinois | \$609,570 | 4.4% | 4.4% | 30 |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | \$531,110 | 3.9% | 4.4% | 29 |
| 7 | Ohio | \$466,309 | 3.4% | 3.3% | 42 |
| 8 | New Jersey | \$465,484 | 3.4% | 3.8% | 39 |
| 9 | North Carolina | \$399,446 | 2.9% | 4.9% | 22 |
| 10 | Georgia | \$396,504 | 2.9% | 5.3% | 17 |
| 11 | Virginia | \$382,964 | 2.8% | 3.9% | 36 |
| 12 | Michigan | \$381,963 | 2.8% | 1.7% | 49 |
| 13 | Massachusetts | \$351,514 | 2.6% | 4.8% | 23 |
| 14 | Washington | \$311,270 | 2.3% | 6.9% | 7 |
| 15 | Maryland | \$268,685 | 2.0% | 4.3% | 31 |
| 16 | Minnesota | \$254,970 | 1.9% | 5.3% | 18 |
| 17 | Arizona | \$247,028 | 1.8% | 4.1% | 34 |
| 18 | Indiana | \$246,439 | 1.8% | 3.2% | 44 |
| 19 | Tennessee | \$243,869 | 1.8% | 3.4% | 40 |
| 20 | Colorado | \$236,324 | 1.7% | 4.4% | 28 |
| 21 | Wisconsin | \$232,293 | 1.7% | 4.0% | 35 |
| 22 | Missouri | \$229,470 | 1.7% | 4.3% | 32 |
| 23 | Connecticut | \$216,266 | 1.6% | 5.5% | 15 |
| 24 | Louisiana | \$216,146 | 1.6% | 6.4% | 8 |
| 25 | Alabama | \$165,796 | 1.2% | 4.6% | 26 |
| 26 | Oregon | \$158,233 | 1.2% | 4.8% | 24 |
| 27 | Kentucky | \$154,184 | 1.1% | 5.3% | 19 |
| 28 | South Carolina | \$152,830 | 1.1% | 4.5% | 27 |
| 29 | Oklahoma | \$139,323 | 1.0% | 7.1% | 4 |
| 30 | Iowa | \$129,026 | 0.9% | 5.8% | 12 |
| 31 | Nevada | \$127,213 | 0.9% | 3.4% | 41 |
| 32 | Kansas | \$117,305 | 0.9% | 6.0% | 10 |
| 33 | Utah | \$105,658 | 0.8% | 7.9% | 1 |
| 34 | Arkansas | \$95,371 | 0.7% | 5.0% | 20 |
| 35 | Mississippi | \$88,546 | 0.6% | 4.7% | 25 |
| 36 | Nebraska | \$80,093 | 0.6% | 6.4% | 9 |
| 37 | New Mexico | \$76,178 | 0.6% | 5.6% | 14 |
| 38 | Hawaii | \$61,532 | 0.4% | 4.9% | 21 |
| 39 | Delaware | \$60,118 | 0.4% | 0.9% | 50 |
| 40 | West Virginia | \$57,711 | 0.4% | 3.0% | 45 |
| 41 | New Hampshire | \$57,341 | 0.4% | 2.3% | 48 |
| 42 | Idaho | \$51,149 | 0.4% | 5.6% | 13 |
| 43 | Maine | \$48,108 | 0.4% | 3.8% | 38 |
| 44 | Rhode Island | \$46,900 | 0.3% | 2.6% | 46 |
| 45 | Alaska | \$44,517 | 0.3% | 3.2% | 43 |
| 46 | Montana | \$34,253 | 0.2% | 7.1% | 5 |
| 47 | South Dakota | \$33,934 | 0.2% | 6.0% | 11 |
| 48 | Wyoming | \$31,514 | 0.2% | 5.4% | 16 |
| 49 | North Dakota | \$27,725 | 0.2% | 7.2% | 3 |
| 50 | Vermont | \$24,543 | 0.2% | 3.9% | 37 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$93,819 | 0.7% | 6.4% | |

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Oklahoma ranks 29th in GSP at nearly \$135 billion. The state's 7.1% growth rate ranks 4th in the country.

Exports per Capita (2007)

TABLE 8

| Rank | Per Capita | Population (2007 Census) | Total(Millions) | Rank | |
|-----------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 2 | Louisiana | \$7,075 | 4,293,204 | \$30,375 | 10 |
| 3 | Texas | \$7,035 | 23,904,380 | \$168,164 | 1 |
| 4 | Alaska | \$5,698 | 683,478 | \$3,895 | 40 |
| 5 | Vermont | \$5,528 | 621,254 | \$3,435 | 41 |
| 6 | Kentucky | \$4,625 | 4,241,474 | \$19,616 | 17 |
| 7 | Delaware | \$4,610 | 864,764 | \$3,986 | 38 |
| 8 | Oregon | \$4,407 | 3,747,455 | \$16,515 | 23 |
| 9 | Michigan | \$4,406 | 10,071,822 | \$44,371 | 7 |
| 10 | Indiana | \$4,078 | 6,345,289 | \$25,878 | 12 |
| 11 | Massachusetts | \$3,920 | 6,449,755 | \$25,285 | 13 |
| 12 | Connecticut | \$3,917 | 3,502,309 | \$13,719 | 25 |
| 13 | Illinois | \$3,791 | 12,852,548 | \$48,730 | 5 |
| 14 | South Carolina | \$3,757 | 4,407,709 | \$16,560 | 22 |
| 15 | Ohio | \$3,696 | 11,466,917 | \$42,382 | 8 |
| 16 | Kansas | \$3,691 | 2,775,997 | \$10,246 | 27 |
| 17 | California | \$3,670 | 36,553,215 | \$134,152 | 2 |
| 18 | New York | \$3,593 | 19,297,729 | \$69,334 | 3 |
| 19 | Tennessee | \$3,543 | 6,156,719 | \$21,815 | 16 |
| 20 | New Jersey | \$3,507 | 8,685,920 | \$30,463 | 9 |
| 21 | Minnesota | \$3,462 | 5,197,621 | \$17,993 | 20 |
| 22 | Wisconsin | \$3,425 | 5,601,640 | \$19,186 | 18 |
| 23 | Iowa | \$3,218 | 2,988,046 | \$9,614 | 28 |
| 24 | North Dakota | \$3,179 | 639,715 | \$2,033 | 45 |
| 25 | Idaho | \$3,137 | 1,499,402 | \$4,704 | 35 |
| 26 | Alabama | \$3,116 | 4,627,851 | \$14,421 | 24 |
| 27 | Arizona | \$3,027 | 6,338,755 | \$19,186 | 19 |
| 28 | Utah | \$2,953 | 2,645,330 | \$7,812 | 30 |
| 29 | North Carolina | \$2,577 | 9,061,032 | \$23,347 | 14 |
| 30 | Florida | \$2,456 | 18,251,243 | \$44,832 | 6 |
| 31 | Georgia | \$2,446 | 9,544,750 | \$23,342 | 15 |
| 32 | Nebraska | \$2,398 | 1,774,571 | \$4,256 | 37 |
| 33 | Pennsylvania | \$2,343 | 12,432,792 | \$29,127 | 11 |
| 34 | Missouri | \$2,282 | 5,878,415 | \$13,417 | 26 |
| 35 | Nevada | \$2,227 | 2,565,382 | \$5,713 | 32 |
| 36 | New Hampshire | \$2,212 | 1,315,828 | \$2,910 | 42 |
| 37 | West Virginia | \$2,192 | 1,812,035 | \$3,972 | 39 |
| 38 | Virginia | \$2,189 | 7,712,091 | \$16,885 | 21 |
| 39 | Maine | \$2,082 | 1,317,207 | \$2,742 | 43 |
| 40 | South Dakota | \$1,892 | 796,214 | \$1,506 | 47 |
| 41 | Mississippi | \$1,771 | 2,918,785 | \$5,170 | 33 |
| 42 | Arkansas | \$1,722 | 2,834,797 | \$4,880 | 34 |
| 43 | Maryland | \$1,592 | 5,618,344 | \$8,946 | 29 |
| 44 | Rhode Island | \$1,557 | 1,057,832 | \$1,647 | 46 |
| 45 | Wyoming | \$1,534 | 522,830 | \$802 | 49 |
| 46 | Colorado | \$1,512 | 4,861,515 | \$7,350 | 31 |
| 47 | New Mexico | \$1,311 | 1,969,915 | \$2,583 | 44 |
| 48 | Oklahoma | \$1,255 | 3,617,316 | \$4,538 | 36 |
| 49 | Montana | \$1,181 | 957,861 | \$1,131 | 48 |
| 50 | Hawaii | \$437 | 1,283,388 | \$560 | 50 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$1,841 | 588,292 | \$1,083 | |
| | United States | \$3,855 | 301,621,157 | \$1,162,708 | |

Source: Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research, U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma's exports rank low at \$1,255 per capita (48th in the nation), but our total exports continue to grow. Our exports of \$4.5 billion are the highest in recent history.

U.S. Census Estimates of State and Local Taxes (2005-2006)

TABLE 9

| Rank | State | Per Capita Burden | Burden per \$1000 PI | Rank |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| 50 | Alabama | \$2,776 | \$95.97 | 47 |
| 4 | Alaska | \$5,469 | \$150.98 | 3 |
| 38 | Arizona | \$3,234 | \$110.25 | 33 |
| 44 | Arkansas | \$3,112 | \$116.91 | 20 |
| 9 | California | \$4,491 | \$121.45 | 13 |
| 28 | Colorado | \$3,623 | \$98.01 | 46 |
| 3 | Connecticut | \$5,670 | \$118.89 | 15 |
| 14 | Delaware | \$4,240 | \$116.09 | 23 |
| 25 | Florida | \$3,687 | \$108.06 | 40 |
| 35 | Georgia | \$3,313 | \$109.21 | 36 |
| 6 | Hawaii | \$4,823 | \$140.00 | 6 |
| 45 | Idaho | \$3,070 | \$111.58 | 29 |
| 15 | Illinois | \$4,064 | \$112.35 | 27 |
| 27 | Indiana | \$3,635 | \$118.70 | 16 |
| 31 | Iowa | \$3,439 | \$110.04 | 34 |
| 22 | Kansas | \$3,781 | \$116.55 | 22 |
| 39 | Kentucky | \$3,224 | \$114.51 | 24 |
| 26 | Louisiana | \$3,667 | \$140.46 | 5 |
| 11 | Maine | \$4,393 | \$142.94 | 4 |
| 8 | Maryland | \$4,592 | \$111.08 | 30 |
| 7 | Massachusetts | \$4,759 | \$109.26 | 35 |
| 30 | Michigan | \$3,568 | \$108.99 | 37 |
| 13 | Minnesota | \$4,353 | \$118.05 | 19 |
| 49 | Mississippi | \$2,811 | \$110.65 | 31 |
| 43 | Missouri | \$3,134 | \$100.68 | 44 |
| 41 | Montana | \$3,197 | \$110.58 | 32 |
| 21 | Nebraska | \$3,888 | \$119.19 | 14 |
| 20 | Nevada | \$3,913 | \$108.23 | 38 |
| 32 | New Hampshire | \$3,435 | \$92.30 | 49 |
| 5 | New Jersey | \$5,422 | \$125.34 | 9 |
| 29 | New Mexico | \$3,568 | \$129.17 | 8 |
| 1 | New York | \$6,405 | \$156.52 | 2 |
| 33 | North Carolina | \$3,389 | \$112.59 | 26 |
| 24 | North Dakota | \$3,724 | \$116.82 | 21 |
| 23 | Ohio | \$3,768 | \$118.16 | 17 |
| 42 | Oklahoma | \$3,145 | \$105.74 | 41 |
| 34 | Oregon | \$3,351 | \$108.13 | 39 |
| 17 | Pennsylvania | \$3,944 | \$113.58 | 25 |
| 12 | Rhode Island | \$4,384 | \$121.91 | 12 |
| 46 | South Carolina | \$2,880 | \$102.76 | 43 |
| 47 | South Dakota | \$2,866 | \$91.03 | 50 |
| 48 | Tennessee | \$2,855 | \$93.38 | 48 |
| 40 | Texas | \$3,222 | \$99.70 | 45 |
| 36 | Utah | \$3,248 | \$118.13 | 18 |
| 10 | Vermont | \$4,413 | \$135.30 | 7 |
| 19 | Virginia | \$3,933 | \$104.75 | 42 |
| 18 | Washington | \$3,935 | \$111.99 | 28 |
| 37 | West Virginia | \$3,235 | \$122.83 | 10 |
| 16 | Wisconsin | \$4,013 | \$122.60 | 11 |
| 2 | Wyoming | \$6,090 | \$165.92 | 1 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$7,816 | \$143.62 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma moves from 45th to 42nd in per capita state and local taxes and ranks 41st in taxes per \$1000 of personal income. Wyoming has the highest per capita tax burden.

Business Taxes as a Share of all Taxes and GSP (FY 2007)

TABLE 10

| | State and Local Business Taxes (Billions) | % of all Taxes | Rank | % of Private Sector GSP | Rank |
|----------------------|---|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 California | \$72.9 | 41.4% | 34 | 4.7% | 32 |
| 2 New York | \$58.6 | 42.4% | 31 | 6.4% | 9 |
| 3 Texas | \$48.0 | 60.3% | 6 | 5.0% | 24 |
| 4 Florida | \$30.8 | 46.2% | 24 | 4.9% | 28 |
| 5 Illinois | \$27.3 | 46.8% | 21 | 5.1% | 20 |
| 6 Pennsylvania | \$23.4 | 42.0% | 32 | 5.1% | 20 |
| 7 New Jersey | \$20.2 | 37.0% | 45 | 4.9% | 28 |
| 8 Ohio | \$18.7 | 41.1% | 36 | 4.5% | 38 |
| 9 Michigan | \$17.3 | 43.7% | 29 | 5.1% | 20 |
| 10 Washington | \$14.9 | 51.0% | 13 | 5.8% | 14 |
| 11 Georgia | \$13.9 | 41.6% | 33 | 4.2% | 42 |
| 12 Massachusetts | \$13.8 | 39.2% | 41 | 4.5% | 38 |
| 13 North Carolina | \$12.6 | 36.9% | 46 | 3.9% | 48 |
| 14 Virginia | \$12.3 | 36.6% | 47 | 4.0% | 45 |
| 15 Louisiana | \$11.2 | 60.8% | 5 | 6.5% | 7 |
| 16 Arizona | \$10.4 | 48.7% | 17 | 5.1% | 20 |
| 17 Wisconsin | \$10.1 | 40.1% | 39 | 5.0% | 24 |
| 18 Minnesota | \$10.0 | 40.4% | 37 | 4.6% | 33 |
| 19 Tennessee | \$9.8 | 51.2% | 12 | 4.6% | 33 |
| 20 Maryland | \$9.0 | 32.2% | 50 | 4.2% | 42 |
| 21 Indiana | \$8.9 | 40.2% | 38 | 4.0% | 45 |
| 22 Colorado | \$8.6 | 44.6% | 28 | 4.2% | 42 |
| 22 Missouri | \$8.6 | 41.3% | 35 | 4.3% | 40 |
| 24 Connecticut | \$7.4 | 34.0% | 49 | 4.0% | 45 |
| 25 Oklahoma | \$6.6 | 49.8% | 14 | 5.8% | 14 |
| 26 Alabama | \$6.2 | 45.2% | 26 | 4.6% | 33 |
| 26 Kentucky | \$6.2 | 44.9% | 27 | 5.0% | 24 |
| 26 South Carolina | \$6.2 | 43.4% | 30 | 5.0% | 24 |
| 29 Kansas | \$5.8 | 48.5% | 18 | 6.1% | 12 |
| 30 Iowa | \$5.3 | 45.8% | 25 | 4.8% | 31 |
| 31 Nevada | \$5.2 | 49.1% | 15 | 4.9% | 28 |
| 32 Oregon | \$5.0 | 35.9% | 48 | 3.8% | 49 |
| 33 Mississippi | \$4.4 | 48.8% | 16 | 6.3% | 10 |
| 34 New Mexico | \$4.0 | 54.4% | 8 | 6.3% | 10 |
| 35 Alaska | \$3.9 | 80.8% | 1 | 11.6% | 1 |
| 36 Arkansas | \$3.7 | 38.7% | 43 | 4.6% | 33 |
| 37 Utah | \$3.6 | 39.1% | 42 | 4.3% | 40 |
| 38 Nebraska | \$3.5 | 46.8% | 21 | 5.4% | 17 |
| 39 West Virginia | \$3.3 | 53.1% | 9 | 7.2% | 5 |
| 40 Maine | \$3.1 | 48.5% | 18 | 7.6% | 3 |
| 41 New Hampshire | \$2.8 | 55.2% | 7 | 5.4% | 17 |
| 42 Hawaii | \$2.4 | 37.6% | 44 | 5.4% | 17 |
| 42 Rhode Island | \$2.4 | 46.4% | 23 | 6.1% | 12 |
| 42 Wyoming | \$2.4 | 73.5% | 2 | 9.3% | 2 |
| 45 Idaho | \$2.0 | 39.7% | 40 | 4.6% | 33 |
| 46 Delaware | \$1.9 | 51.6% | 11 | 3.5% | 50 |
| 47 Montana | \$1.8 | 51.8% | 10 | 6.5% | 7 |
| 48 North Dakota | \$1.7 | 60.9% | 4 | 7.4% | 4 |
| 49 South Dakota | \$1.6 | 61.9% | 3 | 5.5% | 16 |
| 50 Vermont | \$1.4 | 47.2% | 20 | 6.8% | 6 |
| Dist. of Columbia | \$2.2 | 45.1% | | 3.8% | |
| United States | \$577.4 | 44.1% | | 5.0% | |

Source: Council on State Taxation (COST): State and Local Business Taxes report

State and local business taxes totaled \$6.6 billion in Oklahoma in FY 2007, nearly 50% of all taxes collected. At 5.8%, well above the U.S. average of 5.0%, Oklahoma state collected the 14th highest percentage of private sector GSP in taxes.

Gas Tax (July 2008)

TABLE 11

| | Rank | Tax (cpg) | |
|--|-----------|----------------------|-------------|
| | 1 | California | 56.5 |
| | 2 | Connecticut | 52.4 |
| | 3 | Illinois | 48.2 |
| | 4 | New York | 43.9 |
| | 5 | Michigan | 42.3 |
| | 6 | Indiana | 38.5 |
| | 7 | Washington | 37.5 |
| | 8 | Florida | 33.2 |
| | 9 | Wisconsin | 32.9 |
| | 10 | Hawaii | 32.6 |
| | 10 | Nevada | 32.6 |
| | 12 | Pennsylvania | 32.3 |
| | 13 | West Virginia | 32.2 |
| | 14 | Rhode Island | 31.0 |
| | 15 | North Carolina | 30.2 |
| | 16 | Maine | 29.9 |
| | 17 | Georgia | 28.0 |
| | 17 | Ohio | 28.0 |
| | 19 | Montana | 27.8 |
| | 20 | Nebraska | 26.9 |
| | 21 | Idaho | 25.0 |
| | 21 | Kansas | 25.0 |
| | 21 | Oregon | 25.0 |
| | 24 | Utah | 24.5 |
| | 25 | Minnesota | 24.0 |
| | 25 | South Dakota | 24.0 |
| | 27 | Maryland | 23.5 |
| | 27 | Massachusetts | 23.5 |
| | 29 | Delaware | 23.0 |
| | 29 | North Dakota | 23.0 |
| | 31 | Kentucky | 22.5 |
| | 32 | Colorado | 22.0 |
| | 32 | Iowa | 22.0 |
| | 34 | Arkansas | 21.8 |
| | 35 | Tennessee | 21.4 |
| | 36 | Alabama | 21.2 |
| | 37 | Louisiana | 20.0 |
| | 37 | Texas | 20.0 |
| | 37 | Vermont | 20.0 |
| | 40 | New Hampshire | 19.6 |
| | 40 | Virginia | 19.6 |
| | 42 | Arizona | 19.0 |
| | 43 | Mississippi | 18.8 |
| | 44 | New Mexico | 18.0 |
| | 45 | Missouri | 17.6 |
| | 46 | Oklahoma | 17.0 |
| | 47 | South Carolina | 16.8 |
| | 48 | New Jersey | 14.5 |
| | 50 | Alaska | 8.0 |
| | 49 | Wyoming | 14.0 |
| | | District of Columbia | 20.0 |
| | | U.S. Average | 31.0 |

Source: Energy APJ

Oklahoma's gas tax is 17 cents per gallon, ranked 46th in the nation.

Cost of Doing Business (2007)

TABLE 12

| Rank | Composite Index | | Subindexes | | | | |
|------|-----------------|-------|------------|-------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Main Index | | Wages | Taxes | Elec- tricity | Indust. Rent | Office Rent |
| 1 | Hawaii | 151.5 | 91.9 | 162.1 | 260.7 | 269.5 | 140.4 |
| 2 | New York | 130.9 | 128.5 | 102.5 | 141.5 | 154.4 | 189.4 |
| 3 | Alaska | 130.8 | 100.3 | 153.0 | 150.3 | 232.7 | 84.5 |
| 4 | Massachusetts | 130.6 | 122.1 | 101.0 | 187.8 | 129.0 | 165.2 |
| 5 | Connecticut | 127.5 | 128.9 | 106.8 | 163.8 | 113.5 | 116.1 |
| 6 | California | 122.9 | 114.8 | 120.6 | 134.7 | 141.4 | 141.4 |
| 7 | New Jersey | 120.9 | 121.2 | 94.5 | 129.7 | 161.0 | 117.3 |
| 8 | Vermont | 110.2 | 83.9 | 173.1 | 134.0 | 91.9 | 87.3 |
| 9 | Delaware | 110.1 | 110.5 | 132.1 | 87.8 | 96.3 | 112.3 |
| 10 | Rhode Island | 108.0 | 94.6 | 105.6 | 174.9 | 74.0 | 118.7 |
| 11 | Maryland | 106.4 | 108.9 | 90.4 | 124.1 | 94.7 | 115.4 |
| 12 | New Hampshire | 105.3 | 98.5 | 61.9 | 187.2 | 120.4 | 71.1 |
| 13 | Minnesota | 104.3 | 98.8 | 133.2 | 77.7 | 121.3 | 89.0 |
| 14 | Nevada | 104.2 | 96.4 | 102.2 | 115.9 | 114.2 | 134.5 |
| 15 | Washington | 102.7 | 104.3 | 105.4 | 74.0 | 116.0 | 136.2 |
| 16 | Wyoming | 101.6 | 86.1 | 155.8 | 68.0 | 133.6 | 77.4 |
| 17 | Maine | 100.3 | 80.4 | 129.1 | 143.1 | 86.8 | 81.7 |
| 18 | Illinois | 99.9 | 107.5 | 88.2 | 80.3 | 100.8 | 128.0 |
| 19 | Florida | 99.3 | 91.4 | 88.3 | 117.3 | 125.0 | 116.5 |
| 20 | Michigan | 98.9 | 99.5 | 106.7 | 95.9 | 87.9 | 92.7 |
| 21 | Pennsylvania | 97.2 | 96.6 | 97.9 | 102.2 | 86.9 | 105.8 |
| 22 | New Mexico | 96.6 | 82.5 | 135.5 | 92.4 | 102.1 | 83.5 |
| 23 | Wisconsin | 96.4 | 86.2 | 110.0 | 93.9 | 120.6 | 102.7 |
| 24 | Texas | 95.9 | 100.1 | 69.9 | 118.1 | 95.7 | 91.0 |
| 25 | Virginia | 95.6 | 104.6 | 88.3 | 72.1 | 97.0 | 102.6 |
| 26 | Louisiana | 93.9 | 85.7 | 111.8 | 114.5 | 74.0 | 82.7 |
| 27 | Colorado | 92.8 | 102.7 | 70.4 | 94.9 | 81.8 | 98.7 |
| 28 | Arizona | 91.6 | 94.2 | 92.8 | 83.8 | 75.6 | 115.3 |
| 29 | Oregon | 91.4 | 89.1 | 93.7 | 77.5 | 111.1 | 106.7 |
| 30 | Ohio | 91.0 | 90.8 | 99.0 | 93.4 | 71.2 | 92.8 |
| 31 | North Carolina | 90.8 | 88.4 | 111.0 | 81.5 | 77.2 | 90.3 |
| 32 | Georgia | 90.7 | 95.5 | 87.7 | 87.3 | 72.6 | 100.5 |
| 33 | Utah | 90.1 | 83.9 | 113.1 | 66.1 | 104.7 | 101.7 |
| 34 | Mississippi | 88.4 | 73.5 | 119.2 | 107.2 | 79.4 | 77.0 |
| 35 | Kentucky | 87.3 | 82.8 | 124.0 | 64.8 | 71.4 | 84.2 |
| 36 | Indiana | 87.3 | 86.4 | 102.0 | 79.6 | 74.1 | 86.4 |
| 37 | West Virginia | 87.1 | 77.0 | 138.2 | 61.9 | 71.4 | 90.4 |
| 38 | Kansas | 86.8 | 83.6 | 100.5 | 77.0 | 86.9 | 93.7 |
| 39 | Alabama | 85.8 | 84.7 | 91.1 | 80.8 | 88.2 | 86.7 |
| 40 | Oklahoma | 85.4 | 80.7 | 103.8 | 89.2 | 68.9 | 81.6 |
| 41 | Arkansas | 85.4 | 75.9 | 136.3 | 74.1 | 56.1 | 69.2 |
| 42 | Tennessee | 85.2 | 87.7 | 83.9 | 85.6 | 72.3 | 89.9 |
| 43 | Missouri | 84.6 | 87.5 | 81.9 | 63.2 | 103.5 | 92.7 |
| 44 | Montana | 84.1 | 73.3 | 112.8 | 85.0 | 81.7 | 78.4 |
| 45 | South Carolina | 82.9 | 81.0 | 93.6 | 80.1 | 71.3 | 92.1 |
| 46 | Idaho | 82.8 | 76.2 | 110.0 | 60.7 | 97.5 | 77.7 |
| 47 | Nebraska | 82.3 | 80.5 | 100.1 | 68.5 | 68.9 | 96.5 |
| 48 | North Dakota | 81.3 | 73.7 | 120.5 | 68.9 | 61.2 | 76.9 |
| 49 | Iowa | 79.7 | 80.4 | 94.9 | 80.2 | 51.0 | 68.0 |
| 50 | South Dakota | 70.2 | 71.8 | 68.5 | 73.7 | 61.2 | 69.0 |

Source: Milken Institute

Oklahoma is the 11th least expensive state in which to do business.

State and Local Government Employment (March 2006)

TABLE 13

| | Rank | FTEs/1000 Residents | 2006 Annual Payroll/FTE | Rank |
|-----------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1 | Wyoming | 88.9 | \$38,273 | 33 |
| 2 | Alaska | 78.5 | \$50,037 | 10 |
| 3 | Kansas | 66.9 | \$36,794 | 38 |
| 4 | Nebraska | 66.4 | \$39,598 | 27 |
| 5 | New Mexico | 65.5 | \$36,249 | 41 |
| 6 | Mississippi | 64.9 | \$33,972 | 49 |
| 7 | North Dakota | 64.8 | \$38,845 | 30 |
| 8 | Vermont | 64.3 | \$40,852 | 24 |
| 9 | Louisiana | 64.3 | \$35,340 | 46 |
| 10 | Iowa | 62.3 | \$40,552 | 25 |
| 11 | New York | 61.7 | \$54,503 | 4 |
| 12 | Oklahoma | 59.9 | \$34,027 | 48 |
| 13 | Alabama | 59.3 | \$36,945 | 37 |
| 14 | Maine | 58.7 | \$37,809 | 35 |
| 15 | New Jersey | 58.7 | \$55,721 | 2 |
| 16 | Delaware | 58.0 | \$46,423 | 14 |
| 17 | Kentucky | 58.0 | \$35,634 | 45 |
| 18 | South Dakota | 57.8 | \$35,770 | 43 |
| 19 | North Carolina | 57.7 | \$38,715 | 31 |
| 20 | South Carolina | 57.6 | \$36,778 | 39 |
| 21 | Arkansas | 57.6 | \$33,729 | 50 |
| 22 | Montana | 57.4 | \$36,466 | 40 |
| 23 | Virginia | 56.3 | \$42,221 | 22 |
| 24 | Texas | 55.9 | \$38,259 | 34 |
| 25 | Missouri | 54.8 | \$36,054 | 42 |
| 26 | Idaho | 54.2 | \$35,638 | 44 |
| 27 | Hawaii | 54.1 | \$46,322 | 15 |
| 28 | Georgia | 54.0 | \$38,553 | 32 |
| 29 | Ohio | 53.7 | \$42,818 | 21 |
| 30 | Connecticut | 53.7 | \$54,523 | 3 |
| 31 | Colorado | 53.6 | \$46,217 | 16 |
| 32 | Tennessee | 53.6 | \$37,110 | 36 |
| 33 | West Virginia | 53.6 | \$34,624 | 47 |
| 34 | New Hampshire | 53.1 | \$40,302 | 26 |
| 35 | Indiana | 52.7 | \$39,422 | 28 |
| 36 | Minnesota | 52.7 | \$47,242 | 11 |
| 37 | Washington | 52.1 | \$50,608 | 8 |
| 38 | Wisconsin | 51.8 | \$45,689 | 18 |
| 39 | Maryland | 51.8 | \$50,982 | 6 |
| 40 | Massachusetts | 51.6 | \$50,406 | 9 |
| 41 | Utah | 50.5 | \$38,901 | 29 |
| 42 | California | 49.9 | \$59,267 | 1 |
| 43 | Illinois | 49.5 | \$46,846 | 12 |
| 44 | Oregon | 49.1 | \$45,099 | 19 |
| 45 | Michigan | 48.2 | \$46,564 | 13 |
| 46 | Rhode Island | 48.0 | \$53,102 | 5 |
| 47 | Florida | 47.9 | \$41,822 | 23 |
| 48 | Arizona | 46.2 | \$44,132 | 20 |
| 49 | Pennsylvania | 45.7 | \$45,829 | 17 |
| 50 | Nevada | 41.4 | \$50,621 | 7 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 80.2 | \$58,260 | |
| | United States | 53.9 | \$45,173 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

While Oklahoma's ranking of the number of FTEs/1000 residents places us 12th in the nation, the annual payroll per FTE ranks us 48th.

Public Employee Salaries (March 2006)

TABLE 14

| Rank | State Avg FT Salary | Local Avg FT Salary | Rank | |
|------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----|
| 1 | California | \$65,967 | \$58,365 | 1 |
| 2 | Connecticut | \$60,756 | \$52,247 | 5 |
| 3 | New Jersey | \$60,579 | \$54,384 | 2 |
| 4 | New York | \$58,322 | \$53,841 | 3 |
| 5 | Minnesota | \$57,143 | \$45,042 | 16 |
| 6 | Iowa | \$56,926 | \$36,024 | 35 |
| 7 | Rhode Island | \$56,394 | \$52,272 | 4 |
| 8 | Colorado | \$56,321 | \$44,226 | 20 |
| 9 | Massachusetts | \$55,036 | \$48,776 | 11 |
| 10 | Wisconsin | \$53,577 | \$44,367 | 19 |
| 11 | Michigan | \$53,426 | \$45,308 | 15 |
| 12 | Illinois | \$53,259 | \$46,308 | 13 |
| 13 | Alaska | \$52,771 | \$48,875 | 10 |
| 14 | Maryland | \$51,530 | \$51,202 | 8 |
| 15 | Washington | \$50,473 | \$51,975 | 6 |
| 16 | Nevada | \$50,425 | \$51,332 | 7 |
| 17 | Vermont | \$48,642 | \$36,846 | 33 |
| 18 | Ohio | \$48,631 | \$42,012 | 21 |
| 19 | Delaware | \$47,352 | \$46,581 | 12 |
| 20 | Pennsylvania | \$46,861 | \$45,620 | 14 |
| 21 | New Hampshire* | \$46,782 | \$38,794 | 27 |
| 22 | Hawaii | \$46,143 | \$50,318 | 9 |
| 23 | Virginia | \$46,031 | \$41,381 | 23 |
| 24 | Oregon | \$45,981 | \$44,796 | 17 |
| 25 | Arizona | \$45,454 | \$44,415 | 18 |
| 26 | Alabama | \$44,177 | \$34,268 | 42 |
| 27 | Maine | \$44,107 | \$35,568 | 38 |
| 28 | Texas | \$43,687 | \$36,982 | 32 |
| 29 | Indiana | \$43,585 | \$38,994 | 26 |
| 30 | Utah | \$43,575 | \$37,594 | 29 |
| 31 | North Carolina | \$43,365 | \$37,213 | 31 |
| 32 | Kansas | \$42,964 | \$35,283 | 39 |
| 33 | Idaho | \$42,945 | \$33,877 | 44 |
| 34 | Kentucky | \$42,350 | \$33,054 | 46 |
| 35 | Florida | \$42,233 | \$41,989 | 22 |
| 36 | Louisiana | \$42,188 | | |
| 37 | Montana | \$41,957 | \$34,196 | 43 |
| 38 | Georgia | \$41,898 | \$37,889 | 28 |
| 39 | Wyoming | \$41,777 | \$37,456 | 30 |
| 40 | North Dakota | \$40,419 | \$39,429 | 25 |
| 41 | Oklahoma | \$40,256 | \$31,850 | 48 |
| 42 | Nebraska | \$40,141 | \$40,557 | 24 |
| 43 | South Dakota | \$40,109 | \$34,722 | 41 |
| 44 | Tennessee | \$40,041 | \$36,491 | 34 |
| 45 | South Carolina | \$39,748 | \$35,984 | 37 |
| 46 | New Mexico | \$39,595 | \$34,786 | 40 |
| 47 | Mississippi | \$38,369 | | |
| 48 | Arkansas | \$37,650 | \$32,071 | 47 |
| 49 | Missouri | \$37,643 | \$36,009 | 36 |
| 50 | West Virginia | \$37,099 | \$33,309 | 45 |
| | United States | \$49,173 | \$44,397 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma's average state employee wage of \$40,256 is almost 18% higher than the statewide personal per capita income (PCPI) of \$34,153. Local public employee wages are slightly below the statewide PCPI.

High-Tech Employment and Wages (2006)

TABLE 15

| Rank | Employment | Per 1,000 Workers | Rank | Average Wage \$ | Rank | |
|-----------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 | California | 940,677 | 71.64 | 6 | \$101,189 | 1 |
| 2 | Texas | 459,479 | 55.75 | 15 | \$81,550 | 8 |
| 3 | New York | 301,500 | 43.03 | 25 | \$80,933 | 9 |
| 4 | Florida | 282,091 | 40.97 | 29 | \$64,413 | 29 |
| 5 | Virginia | 270,751 | 90.95 | 1 | \$86,374 | 6 |
| 6 | Massachusetts | 242,686 | 87.03 | 2 | \$94,770 | 2 |
| 7 | Pennsylvania | 210,193 | 42.98 | 26 | \$71,796 | 20 |
| 8 | Illinois | 209,332 | 41.75 | 27 | \$77,091 | 13 |
| 9 | New Jersey | 205,734 | 61.56 | 10 | \$89,416 | 3 |
| 10 | Michigan | 176,095 | 48.73 | 20 | \$75,164 | 17 |
| 11 | Maryland | 165,565 | 79.81 | 4 | \$80,834 | 10 |
| 12 | Georgia | 165,509 | 49.14 | 19 | \$75,923 | 14 |
| 13 | Washington | 162,808 | 69.40 | 8 | \$89,377 | 4 |
| 14 | Colorado | 157,213 | 83.15 | 3 | \$86,473 | 5 |
| 15 | Ohio | 155,174 | 34.01 | 34 | \$63,473 | 30 |
| 16 | North Carolina | 145,156 | 43.95 | 24 | \$72,270 | 19 |
| 17 | Minnesota | 128,525 | 55.98 | 14 | \$71,559 | 21 |
| 18 | Arizona | 116,842 | 52.50 | 16 | \$74,206 | 18 |
| 19 | Missouri | 91,188 | 39.99 | 31 | \$68,234 | 26 |
| 20 | Oregon | 85,986 | 60.00 | 11 | \$75,616 | 15 |
| 21 | Wisconsin | 81,444 | 34.10 | 33 | \$60,065 | 33 |
| 22 | Alabama | 72,440 | 46.00 | 23 | \$63,335 | 31 |
| 23 | Indiana | 70,233 | 28.16 | 45 | \$57,619 | 38 |
| 24 | Connecticut | 68,123 | 47.79 | 21 | \$78,942 | 12 |
| 25 | Tennessee | 62,593 | 26.87 | 46 | \$60,064 | 34 |
| 26 | Utah | 55,981 | 57.22 | 13 | \$58,681 | 36 |
| 27 | Kansas | 53,824 | 49.54 | 17 | \$68,474 | 24 |
| 28 | New Mexico | 49,522 | 79.38 | 5 | \$64,936 | 28 |
| 29 | South Carolina | 46,086 | 30.03 | 39 | \$58,307 | 37 |
| 30 | Kentucky | 43,771 | 29.52 | 42 | \$55,778 | 41 |
| 31 | Louisiana | 41,922 | 28.44 | 43 | \$55,421 | 42 |
| 32 | Iowa | 40,491 | 32.65 | 35 | \$56,311 | 39 |
| 33 | Oklahoma | 38,933 | 32.64 | 36 | \$50,851 | 45 |
| 34 | New Hampshire | 38,202 | 70.55 | 7 | \$79,080 | 11 |
| 35 | Idaho | 36,365 | 68.22 | 9 | \$67,225 | 27 |
| 36 | Nebraska | 30,355 | 40.57 | 30 | \$59,762 | 35 |
| 37 | Nevada | 29,253 | 26.00 | 47 | \$68,889 | 22 |
| 38 | Arkansas | 28,977 | 29.76 | 41 | \$53,630 | 43 |
| 39 | Mississippi | 20,791 | 23.36 | 49 | \$48,506 | 48 |
| 40 | Rhode Island | 19,332 | 46.28 | 22 | \$75,233 | 16 |
| 41 | Delaware | 18,028 | 49.49 | 18 | \$82,283 | 7 |
| 42 | Maine | 15,940 | 31.96 | 37 | \$55,850 | 40 |
| 43 | Vermont | 15,013 | 59.73 | 12 | \$68,622 | 23 |
| 44 | Hawaii | 14,902 | 29.78 | 40 | \$68,363 | 25 |
| 45 | West Virginia | 14,362 | 25.29 | 48 | \$50,231 | 46 |
| 46 | Montana | 10,974 | 31.68 | 38 | \$49,180 | 47 |
| 47 | North Dakota | 10,683 | 39.33 | 32 | \$51,557 | 44 |
| 48 | Alaska | 9,517 | 41.11 | 28 | \$63,110 | 32 |
| 49 | South Dakota | 8,913 | 28.32 | 44 | \$45,377 | 50 |
| 50 | Wyoming | 4,701 | 22.67 | 50 | \$48,419 | 49 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 35,564 | 80.77 | | \$85,727 | |
| | United States | 5,766,327 | 50.86 | | \$79,484 | |

Source: American Electronics Association: Cyberstates Report (appendices C.1, C.2, and C.3)

There are almost 39,000 high-tech employees in Oklahoma which ranks us 33rd in the nation.

Wages & Productivity of Production Workers in Manufacturing (2006)

TABLE 16

| | Wages per Hour Dollars | Value Added per Hour Dollars | Rank |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 Michigan | \$22.26 | \$100.86 | 38 |
| 2 Louisiana | \$21.23 | \$360.83 | 1 |
| 3 Connecticut | \$20.67 | \$146.83 | 8 |
| 4 Wyoming | \$20.55 | \$209.39 | 2 |
| 5 Washington | \$20.03 | \$147.12 | 7 |
| 6 Indiana | \$20.00 | \$109.76 | 31 |
| 7 Delaware | \$20.00 | \$178.38 | 4 |
| 8 Ohio | \$19.89 | \$109.49 | 32 |
| 9 Massachusetts | \$19.52 | \$139.49 | 10 |
| 10 Montana | \$19.33 | \$142.16 | 9 |
| 11 Vermont | \$19.31 | \$115.27 | 22 |
| 12 Maryland | \$19.30 | \$136.40 | 12 |
| 13 New Jersey | \$19.20 | \$132.28 | 15 |
| 14 Kentucky | \$19.06 | \$113.44 | 27 |
| 15 New Mexico | \$19.03 | \$204.28 | 3 |
| 16 Missouri | \$19.03 | \$103.57 | 37 |
| 17 West Virginia | \$19.03 | \$114.65 | 25 |
| 18 Maine | \$18.95 | \$97.37 | 41 |
| 19 Colorado | \$18.76 | \$118.53 | 21 |
| 20 Kansas | \$18.50 | \$100.50 | 39 |
| 21 Wisconsin | \$18.47 | \$103.74 | 36 |
| 22 Pennsylvania | \$18.45 | \$121.36 | 19 |
| 23 Illinois | \$18.40 | \$115.20 | 23 |
| 24 New York | \$18.35 | \$132.87 | 14 |
| 25 Oregon | \$18.35 | \$156.02 | 6 |
| 26 Arizona | \$18.29 | \$131.11 | 16 |
| 27 Texas | \$18.17 | \$168.58 | 5 |
| 28 Idaho | \$18.07 | \$94.22 | 46 |
| 29 Minnesota | \$18.01 | \$109.47 | 33 |
| 30 New Hampshire | \$18.01 | \$95.93 | 42 |
| 31 Virginia | \$17.95 | \$122.41 | 17 |
| 32 Iowa | \$17.77 | \$121.66 | 18 |
| 33 California | \$17.74 | \$133.00 | 13 |
| 34 South Carolina | \$17.49 | \$97.85 | 40 |
| 35 Tennessee | \$17.40 | \$110.09 | 30 |
| 36 Utah | \$17.29 | \$107.98 | 35 |
| 37 Nevada | \$17.20 | \$119.23 | 20 |
| 38 Oklahoma | \$17.16 | \$115.20 | 24 |
| 39 North Dakota | \$17.03 | \$109.40 | 34 |
| 40 Alabama | \$16.85 | \$94.54 | 45 |
| 41 Rhode Island | \$16.80 | \$114.26 | 26 |
| 42 Hawaii | \$16.50 | \$112.91 | 28 |
| 43 Florida | \$16.26 | \$110.82 | 29 |
| 44 Georgia | \$16.17 | \$94.55 | 44 |
| 45 North Carolina | \$16.06 | \$138.35 | 11 |
| 46 Nebraska | \$15.64 | \$95.54 | 43 |
| 47 South Dakota | \$15.55 | \$91.95 | 47 |
| 48 Arkansas | \$15.05 | \$88.19 | 48 |
| 49 Mississippi | \$14.97 | \$79.80 | 50 |
| 50 Alaska | \$14.34 | \$83.65 | 49 |
| Dist. of Columbia | \$19.19 | \$82.50 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Survey of Manufacturers

Average hourly manufacturing wages in Oklahoma are ranked 38th in the nation at \$17.16/hour, and value added (a proxy indicator of productivity) is ranked at 24th in the nation.

Annual Average Investment Per Employee in Manufacturing (2006)

TABLE 17

| Rank | | \$/Employee | Employees | Machinery & Equip- ment (thousands) |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|
| 1 | Louisiana | \$24,295 | 139,947 | \$3,399,977 |
| 2 | Delaware | \$20,425 | 33,470 | \$683,636 |
| 3 | New Mexico | \$19,871 | 32,354 | \$642,897 |
| 4 | Idaho | \$16,633 | 55,434 | \$922,060 |
| 5 | Montana | \$15,407 | 16,996 | \$261,860 |
| 6 | Texas | \$14,345 | 809,254 | \$11,608,764 |
| 7 | West Virginia | \$13,622 | 59,483 | \$810,305 |
| 8 | Nevada | \$11,734 | 44,303 | \$519,866 |
| 9 | Tennessee | \$10,792 | 373,907 | \$4,035,268 |
| 10 | New Jersey | \$10,140 | 290,513 | \$2,945,713 |
| 11 | Arizona | \$9,972 | 161,224 | \$1,607,753 |
| 12 | Kentucky | \$9,902 | 243,232 | \$2,408,593 |
| 13 | South Carolina | \$9,676 | 248,294 | \$2,402,566 |
| 14 | Washington | \$9,370 | 254,427 | \$2,383,874 |
| 15 | Hawaii | \$9,326 | 13,933 | \$129,941 |
| 16 | Alabama | \$9,246 | 265,127 | \$2,451,465 |
| 17 | Oregon | \$9,209 | 172,423 | \$1,587,852 |
| 18 | Kansas | \$9,197 | 173,276 | \$1,593,549 |
| 19 | Mississippi | \$9,078 | 159,943 | \$1,451,958 |
| 20 | Michigan | \$8,920 | 577,549 | \$5,151,591 |
| 21 | Oklahoma | \$8,918 | 134,595 | \$1,200,360 |
| 22 | Illinois | \$8,828 | 639,422 | \$5,644,565 |
| 23 | Ohio | \$8,773 | 755,715 | \$6,629,876 |
| 24 | Indiana | \$8,720 | 527,436 | \$4,599,030 |
| 25 | California | \$8,493 | 1,386,702 | \$11,777,634 |
| 26 | Georgia | \$8,296 | 408,157 | \$3,385,978 |
| 27 | Virginia | \$8,118 | 272,293 | \$2,210,467 |
| 28 | Iowa | \$7,922 | 224,655 | \$1,779,822 |
| 29 | Alaska | \$7,890 | 10,964 | \$86,507 |
| 30 | Maine | \$7,857 | 54,438 | \$427,724 |
| 31 | Rhode Island | \$7,849 | 53,234 | \$417,834 |
| 32 | North Dakota | \$7,748 | 23,037 | \$178,485 |
| 33 | Maryland | \$7,741 | 132,165 | \$1,023,063 |
| 34 | North Carolina | \$7,657 | 501,548 | \$3,840,297 |
| 35 | Florida | \$7,616 | 340,981 | \$2,596,777 |
| 36 | Massachusetts | \$7,591 | 283,141 | \$2,149,243 |
| 37 | Pennsylvania | \$7,549 | 643,498 | \$4,857,877 |
| 38 | Minnesota | \$7,492 | 326,087 | \$2,443,162 |
| 39 | Utah | \$7,489 | 111,992 | \$838,698 |
| 40 | Missouri | \$7,473 | 284,980 | \$2,129,640 |
| 41 | Wisconsin | \$7,399 | 471,748 | \$3,490,490 |
| 42 | New Hampshire | \$7,267 | 74,745 | \$543,159 |
| 43 | Arkansas | \$7,239 | 188,793 | \$1,366,598 |
| 44 | Nebraska | \$7,227 | 100,696 | \$727,711 |
| 45 | New York | \$6,710 | 526,336 | \$3,531,602 |
| 46 | South Dakota | \$6,637 | 38,217 | \$253,641 |
| 47 | Colorado | \$6,616 | 128,050 | \$847,139 |
| 48 | Connecticut | \$5,891 | 175,215 | \$1,032,157 |
| 49 | Vermont | N/A | 34,416 | N/A |
| 50 | Wyoming | N/A | 10,281 | N/A |
| | Dist. of Columbia | N/A | 1,718 | N/A |
| | United States | \$9,038 | 12,990,344 | \$117,405,632 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Survey of Manufacturers

Oklahoma's investment per employee in manufacturing rank at 20th in the country...ahead of much larger manufacturing states such as California, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

Union Members as a Share of Employment (2007)

TABLE 18

| Rank | 2007 Percent | 2006 Percent | Rank |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1 New York | 25.2% | 24.4% | 2 |
| 2 Alaska | 23.8% | 22.2% | 3 |
| 3 Hawaii | 23.4% | 24.7% | 1 |
| 4 Washington | 20.2% | 19.8% | 5 |
| 5 Michigan | 19.5% | 19.6% | 6 |
| 6 New Jersey | 19.2% | 20.1% | 4 |
| 7 California | 16.7% | 15.7% | 9 |
| 8 Minnesota | 16.3% | 16.0% | 8 |
| 9 Connecticut | 15.6% | 15.6% | 10 |
| 10 Nevada | 15.4% | 14.8% | 13 |
| 11 Pennsylvania | 15.1% | 13.6% | 18 |
| 12 Rhode Island | 15.0% | 15.3% | 11 |
| 13 Illinois | 14.5% | 16.4% | 7 |
| 14 Oregon | 14.3% | 13.8% | 17 |
| 14 Wisconsin | 14.3% | 14.9% | 12 |
| 16 Ohio | 14.1% | 14.2% | 15 |
| 17 Montana | 13.5% | 12.2% | 20 |
| 18 West Virginia | 13.3% | 14.2% | 15 |
| 19 Massachusetts | 13.2% | 14.5% | 14 |
| 20 Maryland | 12.9% | 13.1% | 19 |
| 21 Delaware | 12.0% | 10.8% | 26 |
| 21 Indiana | 12.0% | 12.0% | 21 |
| 23 Maine | 11.7% | 11.9% | 22 |
| 24 Missouri | 10.7% | 10.9% | 25 |
| 25 Iowa | 10.5% | 11.3% | 23 |
| 26 Vermont | 10.4% | 11.0% | 24 |
| 27 New Hampshire | 9.7% | 10.1% | 27 |
| 28 Alabama | 9.5% | 8.8% | 29 |
| 29 Kentucky | 9.1% | 9.8% | 28 |
| 30 Arizona | 8.8% | 7.6% | 35 |
| 31 Colorado | 8.7% | 7.7% | 34 |
| 32 Wyoming | 7.9% | 8.3% | 30 |
| 33 Nebraska | 7.8% | 7.9% | 32 |
| 34 New Mexico | 7.7% | 7.8% | 33 |
| 35 Oklahoma | 7.1% | 6.4% | 37 |
| 36 Kansas | 7.0% | 8.0% | 31 |
| 37 Mississippi | 6.7% | 5.6% | 42 |
| 38 South Dakota | 6.5% | 5.9% | 41 |
| 39 North Dakota | 6.4% | 6.8% | 36 |
| 40 Florida | 5.9% | 5.2% | 44 |
| 41 Utah | 5.8% | 5.4% | 43 |
| 42 Louisiana | 5.6% | 6.4% | 37 |
| 43 Arkansas | 5.4% | 5.1% | 45 |
| 44 Idaho | 5.3% | 6.0% | 39 |
| 44 Tennessee | 5.3% | 6.0% | 39 |
| 46 Texas | 4.7% | 4.9% | 46 |
| 47 Georgia | 4.4% | 4.4% | 47 |
| 48 South Carolina | 4.1% | 3.3% | 49 |
| 49 Virginia | 3.7% | 4.0% | 48 |
| 50 North Carolina | 3.0% | 3.3% | 49 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 10.3% | 10.3% | |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Union membership in Oklahoma increased from 6.4% to 7.1% between 2006 and 2007.

Union Membership - Public vs. Private (2007)

TABLE 19

| Rank | Public Percent | Private Percent | Rank |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 New York | 70.0 | 15.8 | 1 |
| 2 Rhode Island | 63.7 | 7.5 | 20 |
| 3 New Jersey | 63.2 | 10.1 | 8 |
| 4 Connecticut | 62.2 | 7.6 | 18 |
| 5 Hawaii | 56.9 | 15.2 | 2 |
| 6 Minnesota | 54.9 | 9.6 | 12 |
| 7 Massachusetts | 54.7 | 7.6 | 18 |
| 8 Michigan | 54.6 | 13.9 | 3 |
| 9 Washington | 53.6 | 13.1 | 4 |
| 10 California | 53.1 | 9.6 | 12 |
| 11 Alaska | 52.3 | 13.0 | 5 |
| 12 Oregon | 52.2 | 7.7 | 17 |
| 13 Pennsylvania | 51.9 | 9.7 | 10 |
| 14 Wisconsin | 50.9 | 8.3 | 16 |
| 15 New Hampshire | 45.8 | 3.8 | 37 |
| 16 Illinois | 44.2 | 9.7 | 10 |
| 17 Maine | 44.0 | 5.1 | 30 |
| 18 Vermont | 42.6 | 4.5 | 33 |
| 19 Ohio | 42.0 | 9.0 | 14 |
| 20 Montana | 40.6 | 6.0 | 26 |
| 21 Delaware | 36.4 | 7.2 | 22 |
| 22 Nevada | 33.6 | 12.8 | 6 |
| 23 Iowa | 32.9 | 6.2 | 25 |
| 24 Alabama | 30.9 | 4.9 | 31 |
| 25 Maryland | 29.9 | 7.2 | 22 |
| 26 Florida | 26.3 | 2.5 | 48 |
| 27 Indiana | 25.5 | 9.8 | 9 |
| 28 Nebraska | 24.7 | 3.9 | 36 |
| 29 Colorado | 24.4 | 5.6 | 27 |
| 30 Missouri | 22.8 | 8.7 | 15 |
| 31 West Virginia | 22.5 | 10.8 | 7 |
| 32 South Dakota | 21.7 | 3.4 | 40 |
| 33 Oklahoma | 21.4 | 3.5 | 39 |
| 34 Arizona | 20.9 | 6.5 | 24 |
| 35 New Mexico | 19.1 | 3.8 | 37 |
| 36 Utah | 17.6 | 3.3 | 43 |
| 37 Tennessee | 17.4 | 3.1 | 44 |
| 38 Kansas | 17.3 | 4.8 | 32 |
| 39 Kentucky | 16.6 | 7.5 | 20 |
| 40 Wyoming | 15.5 | 5.6 | 27 |
| 41 North Dakota | 15.4 | 4.0 | 34 |
| 42 Texas | 15.2 | 2.7 | 46 |
| 43 Idaho | 13.8 | 3.4 | 40 |
| 44 Louisiana | 13.4 | 4.0 | 34 |
| 45 Arkansas | 13.0 | 3.4 | 40 |
| 46 Georgia | 12.6 | 2.8 | 45 |
| 47 Mississippi | 11.9 | 5.4 | 29 |
| 48 South Carolina | 10.9 | 2.7 | 46 |
| 49 Virginia | 8.5 | 2.5 | 48 |
| 50 North Carolina | 8.1 | 2.0 | 50 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 18.4 | 7.4 | |

Source: Barry T. Hirsch and David A. Macpherson

Interestingly, Oklahoma's percentage of public union members is five times higher than our percentage of private union members.

Unemployment Insurance Taxes (1st Quarter 2008)

TABLE 20

| | Rank | Tax on Average Full-Time Employee |
|--|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| | 1 | Alaska \$798 |
| | 2 | Washington \$637 |
| | 3 | Oregon \$601 |
| | 4 | New Jersey \$562 |
| | 5 | Massachusetts \$503 |
| | 6 | Rhode Island \$470 |
| | 7 | Illinois \$456 |
| | 8 | Michigan \$425 |
| | 9 | Minnesota \$423 |
| | 10 | Pennsylvania \$403 |
| | 11 | Idaho \$390 |
| | 12 | Connecticut \$384 |
| | 13 | Iowa \$360 |
| | 14 | North Carolina \$352 |
| | 15 | Nevada \$349 |
| | 16 | New York \$300 |
| | 17 | California \$294 |
| | 18 | Wyoming \$289 |
| | 19 | Montana \$284 |
| | 20 | Wisconsin \$284 |
| | 21 | Missouri \$265 |
| | 22 | North Dakota \$259 |
| | 23 | Utah \$244 |
| | 24 | Delaware \$232 |
| | 25 | Arkansas \$232 |
| | 26 | Vermont \$230 |
| | 27 | Ohio \$227 |
| | 28 | West Virginia \$222 |
| | 29 | Maine \$217 |
| | 30 | Kentucky \$211 |
| | 31 | Indiana \$194 |
| | 32 | New Mexico \$189 |
| | 33 | Colorado \$181 |
| | 34 | Texas \$176 |
| | 35 | Oklahoma \$158 |
| | 36 | Maryland \$156 |
| | 37 | Nebraska \$156 |
| | 38 | South Carolina \$151 |
| | 39 | Georgia \$133 |
| | 40 | Tennessee \$128 |
| | 41 | Kansas \$123 |
| | 42 | Hawaii \$117 |
| | 43 | Virginia \$116 |
| | 44 | Alabama \$114 |
| | 45 | Florida \$106 |
| | 46 | Arizona \$105 |
| | 47 | Louisiana \$100 |
| | 48 | New Hampshire \$100 |
| | 49 | Mississippi \$97 |
| | 50 | South Dakota \$82 |
| | | Dist. of Columbia \$183 |
| | | United States \$281 |

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, UI Data Summary

Oklahoma is ranked 35th in UI tax payments with per employee tax payments of \$158. Alaska is ranked 1st with UI tax payments per employee of \$798.

Unemployment Insurance Payments (1st Quarter 2008)

TABLE 21

| Rank | Average Weekly Benefit Amount | | Average Duration | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| | | Dollars | Weeks | Rank |
| 1 | Hawaii | \$404.39 | 13.6 | 33 |
| 2 | Massachusetts | \$388.37 | 18.0 | 2 |
| 3 | Rhode Island | \$375.82 | 15.9 | 11 |
| 4 | New Jersey | \$374.79 | 18.2 | 1 |
| 5 | Washington | \$342.99 | 13.0 | 40 |
| 6 | Minnesota | \$340.60 | 16.5 | 7 |
| 7 | Colorado | \$337.13 | 13.5 | 36 |
| 8 | Pennsylvania | \$336.59 | 16.3 | 10 |
| 9 | Connecticut | \$325.37 | 16.5 | 7 |
| 10 | Illinois | \$324.57 | 17.4 | 3 |
| 11 | Kansas | \$317.42 | 13.3 | 37 |
| 12 | Utah | \$311.83 | 13.1 | 39 |
| 13 | California | \$307.65 | 16.6 | 6 |
| 14 | Iowa | \$306.40 | 12.6 | 43 |
| 15 | New York | \$304.22 | 16.9 | 4 |
| 16 | Wyoming | \$302.29 | 12.9 | 41 |
| 17 | Vermont | \$299.97 | 14.6 | 18 |
| 18 | Texas | \$299.96 | 14.8 | 16 |
| 19 | Indiana | \$299.65 | 13.2 | 38 |
| 20 | Ohio | \$299.55 | 15.2 | 12 |
| 21 | Maryland | \$298.27 | 15.1 | 15 |
| 22 | Michigan | \$298.24 | 14.5 | 20 |
| 23 | Oregon | \$293.62 | 14.0 | 27 |
| 24 | Nevada | \$292.19 | 14.4 | 23 |
| 25 | Kentucky | \$291.49 | 13.8 | 30 |
| 26 | North Dakota | \$289.27 | 12.3 | 45 |
| 27 | North Carolina | \$282.08 | 13.7 | 31 |
| 28 | Wisconsin | \$278.89 | 13.6 | 33 |
| 29 | Oklahoma | \$278.55 | 15.2 | 12 |
| 30 | Virginia | \$274.32 | 12.5 | 44 |
| 31 | Idaho | \$270.94 | 11.5 | 48 |
| 32 | New Mexico | \$270.78 | 16.5 | 7 |
| 33 | New Hampshire | \$269.34 | 12.8 | 42 |
| 34 | Georgia | \$269.00 | 11.3 | 50 |
| 35 | Arkansas | \$263.67 | 14.5 | 20 |
| 36 | Montana | \$262.69 | 14.8 | 16 |
| 37 | Maine | \$260.16 | 14.3 | 24 |
| 38 | Delaware | \$255.53 | 16.9 | 4 |
| 39 | West Virginia | \$246.24 | 13.6 | 33 |
| 40 | Nebraska | \$241.46 | 12.3 | 45 |
| 41 | Florida | \$241.15 | 14.6 | 18 |
| 42 | South Dakota | \$240.32 | 11.5 | 48 |
| 43 | South Carolina | \$237.67 | 13.7 | 31 |
| 44 | Missouri | \$236.44 | 14.0 | 27 |
| 45 | Arizona | \$219.72 | 15.2 | 12 |
| 46 | Tennessee | \$218.60 | 14.0 | 27 |
| 47 | Louisiana | \$210.59 | 14.5 | 20 |
| 48 | Alaska | \$203.35 | 14.2 | 26 |
| 49 | Alabama | \$190.91 | 11.9 | 47 |
| 50 | Mississippi | \$178.67 | 14.3 | 24 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$290.15 | 19.1 | |
| | United States | \$299.14 | 15.2 | |

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, UI Data Summary

Oklahoma ranks 29th in the nation in the average weekly UI benefit payment, while we rank 12th in the average number of weeks such payment is made.

Workers' Compensation-Benefits Paid (2005)

TABLE 22

| Rank | Per Covered Worker Dollars | % of Covered Wages Percent | Rank |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| 1 West Virginia | \$1,033.14 | 3.39% | 1 |
| 2 California | \$729.64 | 1.59% | 5 |
| 3 Washington | \$691.17 | 1.72% | 3 |
| 4 Alaska | \$662.84 | 1.70% | 4 |
| 5 Montana | \$598.78 | 2.11% | 2 |
| 6 Pennsylvania | \$491.68 | 1.25% | 13 |
| 7 Wyoming | \$471.03 | 1.44% | 6 |
| 8 Ohio | \$467.71 | 1.26% | 12 |
| 9 Maine | \$463.13 | 1.44% | 6 |
| 10 Wisconsin | \$447.26 | 1.27% | 11 |
| 11 South Carolina | \$446.16 | 1.37% | 8 |
| 12 Connecticut | \$439.10 | 0.83% | 38 |
| 13 Hawaii | \$438.14 | 1.24% | 14 |
| 14 Illinois | \$424.81 | 0.98% | 27 |
| 15 Colorado | \$422.78 | 1.03% | 23 |
| 16 Missouri | \$420.45 | 1.18% | 17 |
| 17 New Jersey | \$417.11 | 0.85% | 37 |
| 18 Vermont | \$414.33 | 1.23% | 15 |
| 19 Oklahoma | \$413.68 | 1.34% | 9 |
| 20 Kentucky | \$411.08 | 1.22% | 16 |
| 21 Delaware | \$407.81 | 0.92% | 30 |
| 22 Idaho | \$404.29 | 1.33% | 10 |
| 23 Florida | \$396.66 | 1.09% | 19 |
| 24 North Carolina | \$377.12 | 1.06% | 20 |
| 25 Louisiana | \$369.12 | 1.11% | 18 |
| 26 Minnesota | \$362.82 | 0.89% | 32 |
| 27 Michigan | \$355.27 | 0.87% | 35 |
| 28 New Hampshire | \$353.93 | 0.88% | 33 |
| 29 New York | \$352.23 | 0.68% | 43 |
| 30 Tennessee | \$346.93 | 0.98% | 27 |
| 31 Alabama | \$345.08 | 1.02% | 24 |
| 32 Nebraska | \$340.57 | 1.06% | 20 |
| 33 Oregon | \$339.37 | 0.94% | 29 |
| 34 Iowa | \$331.63 | 1.01% | 25 |
| 35 Nevada | \$329.47 | 0.86% | 36 |
| 36 Maryland | \$324.48 | 0.76% | 42 |
| 37 New Mexico | \$320.13 | 1.01% | 25 |
| 38 Georgia | \$319.26 | 0.83% | 38 |
| 39 Rhode Island | \$304.09 | 0.80% | 41 |
| 40 Mississippi | \$302.14 | 1.04% | 22 |
| 41 Kansas | \$301.28 | 0.90% | 31 |
| 42 Massachusetts | \$290.53 | 0.58% | 48 |
| 43 North Dakota | \$260.47 | 0.88% | 33 |
| 44 Virginia | \$255.01 | 0.62% | 45 |
| 45 South Dakota | \$235.63 | 0.83% | 38 |
| 46 Utah | \$222.91 | 0.68% | 43 |
| 47 Arizona | \$219.67 | 0.58% | 48 |
| 48 Texas | \$216.16 | 0.55% | 50 |
| 49 Indiana | \$215.64 | 0.61% | 47 |
| 50 Arkansas | \$190.53 | 0.62% | 45 |
| Dist. of Columbia | \$192.63 | 0.31% | |
| United States | \$431.61 | 1.06% | |

Source: National Academy of Social Insurance

Oklahoma ranks 19th in the nation in amount of benefits paid for workers' compensation per covered worker, and ranks 9th in the percentage paid of the covered worker's wages.

Workers' Compensation Manufacturing Costs

TABLE 23

| Rank | State | Cost/\$100 of Payroll |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Utah | \$1.85 |
| 2 | Indiana | \$2.06 |
| 3 | Virginia | \$2.08 |
| 4 | Arizona | \$2.17 |
| 5 | Arkansas | \$2.26 |
| 6 | Massachusetts | \$2.27 |
| 7 | Oregon | \$2.47 |
| 8 | Colorado | \$2.84 |
| 9 | South Dakota | \$2.91 |
| 10 | Maryland | \$3.08 |
| 11 | Idaho | \$3.11 |
| 12 | Michigan | \$3.21 |
| 13 | North Carolina | \$3.24 |
| 14 | Wisconsin | \$3.25 |
| 15 | Iowa | \$3.28 |
| 16 | Rhode Island | \$3.40 |
| 17 | Nebraska | \$3.58 |
| 18 | Kansas | \$3.60 |
| 19 | Mississippi | \$3.61 |
| 20 | South Carolina | \$3.71 |
| 21 | Georgia | \$3.75 |
| 22 | Minnesota | \$3.81 |
| 23 | New Mexico | \$3.82 |
| 24 | Nevada | \$3.83 |
| 25 | Florida | \$3.89 |
| 26 | Louisiana | \$3.90 |
| 27 | Kentucky | \$3.96 |
| 28 | Alabama | \$4.03 |
| 29 | Pennsylvania | \$4.10 |
| 30 | Maine | \$4.12 |
| 31 | New Hampshire | \$4.25 |
| 32 | Missouri | \$4.25 |
| 33 | Oklahoma | \$4.66 |
| 34 | Texas | \$4.67 |
| 35 | Hawaii | \$4.70 |
| 36 | Tennessee | \$4.71 |
| 37 | New York | \$4.77 |
| 38 | Illinois | \$4.83 |
| 39 | New Jersey | \$4.92 |
| 40 | Connecticut | \$4.98 |
| 41 | Montana | \$5.77 |
| 42 | Delaware | \$5.99 |
| 43 | California | \$6.09 |
| 44 | Alaska | \$6.45 |
| 45 | Vermont | \$7.10 |

Oklahoma ranks 33rd in the nation with only twelve states reporting a higher workers' compensation cost for its manufacturing sector. This data comes from Actuarial & Technical Solutions 2008 Report. It does not include the states of North Dakota, Ohio, Washington, West Virginia or Wyoming since they are all "monopolistic" insurance states at the time of this Report.

Source: Actuarial & Technical Solutions, Inc.

Venture Capital Investment (Quarter 3, 2007 - Quarter 2, 2008)

TABLE 24

| Rank | Amount | Amount per Capita | Rank | |
|------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----|
| 1 | California | \$14,956,200,000 | \$409.16 | 2 |
| 2 | Massachusetts | \$3,351,500,000 | \$519.63 | 1 |
| 3 | Texas | \$1,570,800,000 | \$65.71 | 10 |
| 4 | New York | \$1,435,400,000 | \$74.38 | 9 |
| 5 | Washington | \$1,328,200,000 | \$205.34 | 3 |
| 6 | Colorado | \$838,900,000 | \$172.56 | 4 |
| 7 | Maryland | \$682,300,000 | \$121.44 | 5 |
| 8 | Florida | \$667,300,000 | \$36.56 | 18 |
| 9 | Pennsylvania | \$638,800,000 | \$51.38 | 14 |
| 10 | New Jersey | \$559,500,000 | \$64.41 | 11 |
| 11 | Georgia | \$488,000,000 | \$51.13 | 15 |
| 12 | Virginia | \$487,800,000 | \$63.25 | 12 |
| 13 | Illinois | \$466,800,000 | \$36.32 | 19 |
| 14 | North Carolina | \$462,600,000 | \$51.05 | 16 |
| 15 | Minnesota | \$447,700,000 | \$86.14 | 7 |
| 16 | Arizona | \$217,200,000 | \$34.27 | 20 |
| 17 | Oregon | \$214,800,000 | \$57.32 | 13 |
| 18 | Ohio | \$212,500,000 | \$18.53 | 28 |
| 19 | Utah | \$207,000,000 | \$78.25 | 8 |
| 20 | Connecticut | \$177,500,000 | \$50.68 | 17 |
| 21 | New Hampshire | \$131,900,000 | \$100.24 | 6 |
| 22 | Tennessee | \$126,900,000 | \$20.61 | 26 |
| 23 | Oklahoma | \$108,500,000 | \$29.99 | 24 |
| 24 | Michigan | \$101,000,000 | \$10.03 | 36 |
| 25 | Wisconsin | \$98,900,000 | \$17.66 | 30 |
| 26 | Indiana | \$98,300,000 | \$15.49 | 32 |
| 27 | Kansas | \$93,200,000 | \$33.57 | 21 |
| 28 | Kentucky | \$74,900,000 | \$17.66 | 29 |
| 29 | New Mexico | \$54,200,000 | \$27.51 | 25 |
| 30 | Iowa | \$42,400,000 | \$14.19 | 33 |
| 31 | Missouri | \$37,800,000 | \$6.43 | 39 |
| 32 | South Carolina | \$37,500,000 | \$8.51 | 37 |
| 33 | Rhode Island | \$34,700,000 | \$32.80 | 22 |
| 34 | Alabama | \$34,000,000 | \$7.35 | 38 |
| 35 | Delaware | \$26,500,000 | \$30.64 | 23 |
| 36 | Idaho | \$23,500,000 | \$15.67 | 31 |
| 37 | Montana | \$19,000,000 | \$19.84 | 27 |
| 38 | Maine | \$17,800,000 | \$13.51 | 35 |
| 39 | Louisiana | \$16,100,000 | \$3.75 | 43 |
| 40 | Nevada | \$9,400,000 | \$3.66 | 44 |
| 41 | Vermont | \$8,700,000 | \$14.00 | 34 |
| 42 | Nebraska | \$8,500,000 | \$4.79 | 42 |
| 43 | Hawaii | \$7,600,000 | \$5.92 | 40 |
| 44 | West Virginia | \$5,700,000 | \$3.15 | 46 |
| 45 | South Dakota | \$4,200,000 | \$5.27 | 41 |
| 46 | Wyoming | \$1,700,000 | \$3.25 | 45 |
| 47 | Mississippi | \$900,000 | \$0.31 | 48 |
| 48 | North Dakota | \$400,000 | \$0.63 | 47 |
| | Alaska | | | |
| | Arkansas | | | |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$92,700,000 | \$157.57 | |
| | United States | \$30,727,700,000 | \$101.88 | |

Source: PriceWaterhouseCoopers Money Tree Survey

Venture capital provides important seed money for start-up businesses, particularly in the technology sector. Oklahoma moved up from 41st to 23rd in total venture capital investment and 24th in per capita VC investment.

State Technology and Science Index (2008)

TABLE 25A

| Rank | Overall Score | R&D Inputs | | Human Capital Investment | | |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| | | Score | Rank | Score | Rank | |
| 1 | Massachusetts | 82.61 | 93.07 | 1 | 77.9 | 2 |
| 2 | Maryland | 80.04 | 87.08 | 2 | 78.19 | 1 |
| 3 | Colorado | 78.32 | 78.41 | 4 | 74.86 | 3 |
| 4 | California | 74.62 | 80.12 | 3 | 64.1 | 13 |
| 5 | Washington | 72.09 | 70.88 | 8 | 62.1 | 16 |
| 6 | Virginia | 70.33 | 70.17 | 9 | 67.62 | 8 |
| 7 | Connecticut | 70.18 | 72.39 | 7 | 73.81 | 4 |
| 8 | Utah | 69.21 | 58.8 | 17 | 68.29 | 7 |
| 9 | New Hampshire | 67.9 | 76.98 | 5 | 64.19 | 12 |
| 10 | Rhode Island | 66.69 | 72.44 | 6 | 62.1 | 15 |
| 11 | Minnesota | 64.06 | 53.93 | 24 | 70.86 | 5 |
| 12 | New Jersey | 63.44 | 56.66 | 20 | 57.62 | 21 |
| 13 | Pennsylvania | 63.23 | 67.08 | 11 | 62.76 | 14 |
| 14 | Delaware | 62.3 | 63.85 | 12 | 65.14 | 10 |
| 15 | New York | 62.22 | 56.62 | 21 | 69.9 | 6 |
| 16 | New Mexico | 61.86 | 67.24 | 10 | 58.29 | 20 |
| 17 | Arizona | 61.34 | 59.1 | 16 | 46 | 33 |
| 18 | North Carolina | 59.63 | 58.55 | 18 | 51.62 | 26 |
| 19 | Vermont | 58.78 | 59.73 | 15 | 67.05 | 9 |
| 20 | Texas | 57.78 | 50.38 | 29 | 34.86 | 44 |
| 21 | Illinois | 57.19 | 52.72 | 26 | 60.76 | 18 |
| 22 | Wisconsin | 57.12 | 54.95 | 22 | 55.71 | 23 |
| 23 | Oregon | 56.17 | 61.13 | 13 | 54.76 | 25 |
| 24 | Kansas | 54.18 | 40.44 | 35 | 60.38 | 19 |
| 25 | Georgia | 53.3 | 40.58 | 34 | 40.57 | 38 |
| 26 | Michigan | 52.27 | 60.7 | 14 | 55.24 | 24 |
| 27 | Idaho | 51.37 | 38.61 | 38 | 38.86 | 41 |
| 28 | Hawaii | 51.23 | 54.13 | 23 | 49.81 | 27 |
| 29 | Alabama | 49.99 | 52 | 27 | 42.48 | 37 |
| 30 | Missouri | 49.62 | 44.55 | 31 | 49.81 | 27 |
| 31 | North Dakota | 48.92 | 57.32 | 19 | 57.43 | 22 |
| 32 | Montana | 48.15 | 53.65 | 25 | 49.62 | 29 |
| 33 | Indiana | 47.75 | 44.78 | 30 | 44.29 | 35 |
| 34 | Nebraska | 47.52 | 39.22 | 37 | 64.95 | 11 |
| 35 | Iowa | 45.9 | 44.21 | 32 | 61.52 | 17 |
| 36 | Ohio | 45.25 | 50.71 | 28 | 42.76 | 36 |
| 37 | Florida | 43.76 | 27.75 | 44 | 32.95 | 46 |
| 38 | Oklahoma | 41.85 | 26.12 | 46 | 39.81 | 39 |
| 39 | Maine | 41.82 | 32.86 | 41 | 38.19 | 42 |
| 40 | Tennessee | 40.32 | 37.2 | 39 | 39.14 | 40 |
| 41 | South Dakota | 39.64 | 22.54 | 48 | 48.95 | 30 |
| 42 | South Carolina | 39.12 | 29.61 | 43 | 24.95 | 48 |
| 43 | Wyoming | 38.38 | 39.69 | 36 | 48.19 | 31 |
| 44 | Alaska | 37.68 | 41.39 | 33 | 46.19 | 32 |
| 45 | Nevada | 37.02 | 30.82 | 42 | 23.81 | 50 |
| 46 | Louisiana | 35.58 | 25.61 | 47 | 45.71 | 34 |
| 47 | Kentucky | 34.67 | 20.12 | 49 | 34.67 | 45 |
| 48 | Arkansas | 32.96 | 18.45 | 50 | 23.9 | 49 |
| 49 | West Virginia | 30.49 | 27.23 | 45 | 35.52 | 43 |
| 50 | Mississippi | 29.81 | 34.32 | 40 | 26.29 | 47 |

Source: Milken Institute

The Milken Institute describes the index as “encapsulating each state’s comprehensive inventory of technology and science assets that can be leveraged to promote economic development. The index uses 75 indicators in five categories to measure how well a state will perform in today’s knowledge-based economy.” Oklahoma ranks 38th overall.

State Technology and Science Index (2008)

TABLE 25B

| | Risk Capital and Entrepreneurial Infrastructure | | Technology and Science Work Force | | Technology Concentration and Dynamism | |
|-----------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| | Score | Rank | Score | Rank | Score | Rank |
| Massachusetts | 79.82 | 2 | 91.06 | 1 | 71.20 | 11 |
| Maryland | 69.64 | 6 | 84.89 | 3 | 80.40 | 2 |
| Colorado | 77.45 | 3 | 86.50 | 2 | 74.40 | 5 |
| California | 81.27 | 1 | 75.00 | 6 | 72.60 | 7 |
| Washington | 71.82 | 4 | 83.25 | 4 | 72.40 | 8 |
| Virginia | 56.91 | 23 | 79.56 | 5 | 77.40 | 3 |
| Connecticut | 66.36 | 11 | 72.12 | 9 | 66.20 | 14 |
| Utah | 63.27 | 16 | 70.29 | 11 | 85.40 | 1 |
| New Hampshire | 63.11 | 18 | 63.86 | 18 | 71.33 | 10 |
| Rhode Island | 64.18 | 15 | 68.31 | 13 | 66.44 | 13 |
| Minnesota | 65.45 | 13 | 68.67 | 12 | 61.40 | 19 |
| New Jersey | 59.64 | 21 | 71.67 | 10 | 71.60 | 9 |
| Pennsylvania | 68.73 | 7 | 66.35 | 15 | 51.20 | 28 |
| Delaware | 47.80 | 36 | 74.31 | 7 | 60.40 | 21 |
| New York | 69.82 | 5 | 64.35 | 17 | 50.40 | 29 |
| New Mexico | 61.80 | 20 | 47.00 | 37 | 75.00 | 4 |
| Arizona | 66.91 | 10 | 60.50 | 22 | 74.20 | 6 |
| North Carolina | 67.27 | 8 | 60.71 | 21 | 60.00 | 22 |
| Vermont | 48.40 | 34 | 61.33 | 19 | 57.40 | 24 |
| Texas | 65.82 | 12 | 72.25 | 8 | 65.60 | 15 |
| Illinois | 59.45 | 22 | 66.00 | 16 | 47.00 | 31 |
| Wisconsin | 63.27 | 16 | 66.89 | 14 | 44.80 | 33 |
| Oregon | 62.60 | 19 | 38.77 | 41 | 63.60 | 16 |
| Kansas | 48.18 | 35 | 60.29 | 23 | 61.60 | 18 |
| Georgia | 67.27 | 8 | 55.06 | 30 | 63.00 | 17 |
| Michigan | 49.64 | 29 | 60.78 | 20 | 35.00 | 43 |
| Idaho | 54.50 | 25 | 55.69 | 29 | 69.20 | 12 |
| Hawaii | 52.55 | 27 | 50.15 | 32 | 49.50 | 30 |
| Alabama | 40.73 | 43 | 57.75 | 26 | 57.00 | 25 |
| Missouri | 50.00 | 28 | 58.94 | 25 | 44.80 | 33 |
| North Dakota | 36.25 | 46 | 49.82 | 33 | 43.78 | 35 |
| Montana | 38.57 | 45 | 44.00 | 39 | 54.89 | 26 |
| Indiana | 46.73 | 37 | 50.94 | 31 | 52.00 | 27 |
| Nebraska | 38.60 | 44 | 56.59 | 28 | 38.22 | 42 |
| Iowa | 34.22 | 47 | 49.73 | 34 | 39.80 | 39 |
| Ohio | 44.00 | 40 | 60.00 | 24 | 28.80 | 48 |
| Florida | 48.60 | 33 | 48.11 | 35 | 61.40 | 19 |
| Oklahoma | 55.60 | 24 | 56.82 | 27 | 30.89 | 46 |
| Maine | 65.09 | 14 | 34.18 | 44 | 38.75 | 41 |
| Tennessee | 44.91 | 38 | 47.88 | 36 | 32.44 | 44 |
| South Dakota | 53.78 | 26 | 42.67 | 40 | 30.25 | 47 |
| South Carolina | 48.91 | 32 | 46.94 | 38 | 45.20 | 32 |
| Wyoming | 44.00 | 40 | 18.50 | 50 | 41.50 | 37 |
| Alaska | 21.71 | 50 | 36.67 | 43 | 42.44 | 36 |
| Nevada | 44.36 | 39 | 26.33 | 48 | 59.78 | 23 |
| Louisiana | 49.45 | 30 | 31.13 | 46 | 26.00 | 50 |
| Kentucky | 41.45 | 42 | 38.00 | 42 | 39.11 | 40 |
| Arkansas | 49.09 | 31 | 32.77 | 45 | 40.60 | 38 |
| West Virginia | 32.18 | 48 | 25.50 | 49 | 32.00 | 45 |
| Mississippi | 30.40 | 49 | 30.29 | 47 | 27.78 | 49 |

Source: Milken Institute

Oklahoma ranks 24th in the risk capital and entrepreneurial infrastructure composite index, 27th in the technology and science work force composite index, and 46th in the technology concentration and dynamism composite index.

R&D Spending (2005)

TABLE 26A

| Rank | Millions of Dollars | Dollars per capita | Rank | |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------|
| 1 | California | 63,874 | \$1,768 | 9 |
| 2 | Michigan | 18,372 | \$1,815 | 8 |
| 3 | Massachusetts | 17,757 | \$2,775 | 1 |
| 4 | Texas | 15,867 | \$694 | 27 |
| 5 | New Jersey | 14,900 | \$1,709 | 10 |
| 6 | Maryland | 14,136 | \$2,524 | 4 |
| 7 | New York | 14,103 | \$732 | 23 |
| 8 | Illinois | 12,519 | \$981 | 16 |
| 9 | Pennsylvania | 11,916 | \$959 | 17 |
| 10 | Washington | 11,864 | \$1,887 | 6 |
| 11 | Connecticut | 8,987 | \$2,560 | 3 |
| 12 | Virginia | 8,568 | \$1,132 | 14 |
| 13 | Ohio | 8,267 | \$721 | 24 |
| 14 | North Carolina | 7,329 | \$844 | 20 |
| 15 | Minnesota | 7,137 | \$1,390 | 11 |
| 16 | Florida | 6,224 | \$350 | 40 |
| 17 | Colorado | 5,807 | \$1,245 | 13 |
| 18 | Indiana | 5,455 | \$870 | 18 |
| 19 | New Mexico | 5,265 | \$2,730 | 2 |
| 20 | Arizona | 4,139 | \$697 | 26 |
| 21 | Oregon | 3,920 | \$1,077 | 15 |
| 22 | Georgia | 3,867 | \$426 | 36 |
| 23 | Wisconsin | 3,802 | \$687 | 28 |
| 24 | Missouri | 3,627 | \$625 | 29 |
| 25 | Tennessee | 3,009 | \$505 | 32 |
| 26 | Alabama | 2,804 | \$615 | 30 |
| 27 | Kansas | 2,366 | \$862 | 19 |
| 28 | South Carolina | 2,108 | \$495 | 33 |
| 29 | Rhode Island | 1,990 | \$1,849 | 7 |
| 30 | Utah | 1,886 | \$764 | 22 |
| 31 | New Hampshire | 1,776 | \$1,356 | 12 |
| 32 | Iowa | 1,669 | \$563 | 31 |
| 33 | Delaware | 1,635 | \$1,938 | 5 |
| 34 | Kentucky | 1,136 | \$272 | 43 |
| 35 | Idaho | 1,030 | \$721 | 25 |
| 36 | Louisiana | 966 | \$214 | 48 |
| 37 | Oklahoma | 814 | \$229 | 47 |
| 38 | Nebraska | 800 | \$455 | 34 |
| 39 | Mississippi | 777 | \$266 | 44 |
| 40 | Nevada | 614 | \$254 | 45 |
| 41 | West Virginia | 567 | \$312 | 42 |
| 42 | Arkansas | 528 | \$190 | 50 |
| 43 | Maine | 524 | \$397 | 39 |
| 44 | Hawaii | 513 | \$402 | 37 |
| 45 | Vermont | 493 | \$791 | 21 |
| 46 | Montana | 318 | \$340 | 41 |
| 47 | North Dakota | 285 | \$448 | 35 |
| 48 | Alaska | 266 | \$401 | 38 |
| 49 | South Dakota | 157 | \$202 | 49 |
| 50 | Wyoming | 122 | \$240 | 46 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 3,342 | \$6,071 | |
| | United States | 310,194 | \$1,047 | |

Source: National Science Foundation

Oklahoma's R&D expenditures, set at \$814 million, ranked 37th in the nation in 2005.

R&D Per Capita by Performing Sector

TABLE 26B

| Rank | Industrial (2005) | | Academic (2005) | |
|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | | Dollars | Dollars | Rank |
| 1 | Connecticut | \$2,246.25 | \$197 | 10 |
| 2 | Massachusetts | \$2,085.10 | \$337 | 2 |
| 3 | Delaware | \$1,791.29 | \$145 | 26 |
| 4 | Michigan | \$1,655.20 | \$146 | 25 |
| 5 | Washington | \$1,548.41 | \$157 | 22 |
| 6 | New Jersey | \$1,515.73 | \$98 | 42 |
| 7 | California | \$1,402.71 | \$180 | 18 |
| 8 | Rhode Island | \$1,288.81 | \$214 | 7 |
| 9 | Minnesota | \$1,235.19 | \$118 | 40 |
| 10 | New Hampshire | \$1,095.47 | \$240 | 5 |
| 11 | Colorado | \$921.51 | \$176 | 19 |
| 12 | Oregon | \$893.15 | \$153 | 24 |
| 13 | Illinois | \$760.93 | \$143 | 29 |
| 14 | Indiana | \$735.02 | \$131 | 32 |
| 15 | Kansas | \$726.13 | \$129 | 33 |
| 16 | Pennsylvania | \$711.69 | \$195 | 14 |
| 17 | Maryland | \$661.74 | \$452 | 1 |
| 18 | North Carolina | \$594.02 | \$197 | 11 |
| 19 | Virginia | \$578.66 | \$125 | 36 |
| 20 | Vermont | \$577.80 | \$196 | 13 |
| 21 | Texas | \$544.10 | \$143 | 28 |
| 22 | Ohio | \$514.65 | \$143 | 30 |
| 23 | Arizona | \$501.74 | \$129 | 34 |
| 24 | Utah | \$499.68 | \$167 | 21 |
| 25 | Wisconsin | \$492.94 | \$188 | 16 |
| 26 | New York | \$492.04 | \$197 | 12 |
| 27 | Idaho | \$449.24 | \$78 | 50 |
| 28 | Missouri | \$448.60 | \$155 | 23 |
| 29 | Iowa | \$350.26 | \$193 | 15 |
| 30 | South Carolina | \$329.49 | \$123 | 38 |
| 31 | Alabama | \$310.90 | \$132 | 31 |
| 32 | Maine | \$264.85 | \$91 | 44 |
| 33 | Georgia | \$251.53 | \$144 | 27 |
| 34 | Florida | \$234.07 | \$86 | 45 |
| 35 | Nebraska | \$231.41 | \$204 | 8 |
| 36 | New Mexico | \$210.02 | \$220 | 6 |
| 37 | Tennessee | \$208.96 | \$125 | 37 |
| 38 | North Dakota | \$163.35 | \$251 | 3 |
| 39 | Nevada | \$158.19 | \$80 | 49 |
| 40 | Kentucky | \$158.14 | \$115 | 41 |
| 41 | West Virginia | \$133.20 | \$82 | 48 |
| 42 | Hawaii | \$131.74 | \$202 | 9 |
| 43 | Oklahoma | \$118.94 | \$84 | 47 |
| 44 | Arkansas | \$97.51 | \$85 | 46 |
| 45 | South Dakota | \$87.64 | \$94 | 43 |
| 46 | Montana | \$82.29 | \$185 | 17 |
| 47 | Mississippi | \$66.41 | \$126 | 35 |
| 48 | Louisiana | \$66.32 | \$119 | 39 |
| 49 | Wyoming | \$58.91 | \$175 | 20 |
| 50 | Alaska | \$48.22 | \$246 | 4 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$301.53 | \$538 | |
| | United States | \$750.40 | \$161 | |

Source: National Science Foundation

Oklahoma ranks 43rd in industrial R & D, and 47th in academic R & D.

Science and Engineering Doctorates Awarded by State (2005)

TABLE 27

| Rank | Total Number Awarded | Number Per Million Residents | Rank | |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1 | California | 4,005 | 110.8 | 11 |
| 2 | New York | 2,530 | 131.4 | 6 |
| 3 | Texas | 1,930 | 84.4 | 28 |
| 4 | Massachusetts | 1,724 | 269.4 | 1 |
| 5 | Pennsylvania | 1,472 | 118.4 | 9 |
| 6 | Illinois | 1,466 | 114.9 | 10 |
| 7 | Ohio | 1,197 | 104.4 | 13 |
| 8 | Florida | 1,082 | 60.8 | 42 |
| 9 | Michigan | 1,066 | 105.3 | 12 |
| 10 | North Carolina | 876 | 100.9 | 17 |
| 11 | Maryland | 840 | 150.0 | 4 |
| 12 | Georgia | 791 | 87.2 | 22 |
| 13 | Indiana | 762 | 121.5 | 8 |
| 14 | Virginia | 727 | 96.1 | 21 |
| 15 | New Jersey | 670 | 76.9 | 31 |
| 16 | Wisconsin | 577 | 104.2 | 14 |
| 17 | Washington | 544 | 86.5 | 25 |
| 18 | Minnesota | 533 | 103.8 | 15 |
| 19 | Arizona | 507 | 85.4 | 26 |
| 20 | Missouri | 503 | 86.7 | 24 |
| 21 | Colorado | 477 | 102.2 | 16 |
| 22 | Connecticut | 443 | 126.2 | 7 |
| 23 | Iowa | 402 | 135.5 | 5 |
| 24 | Tennessee | 395 | 66.2 | 38 |
| 25 | Alabama | 338 | 74.2 | 33 |
| 26 | Oregon | 317 | 87.1 | 23 |
| 27 | Louisiana | 303 | 67.0 | 37 |
| 28 | Kansas | 268 | 97.6 | 19 |
| 29 | Kentucky | 255 | 61.1 | 41 |
| 30 | South Carolina | 238 | 55.9 | 44 |
| 30 | Utah | 238 | 96.4 | 20 |
| 32 | Rhode Island | 222 | 206.3 | 2 |
| 33 | Oklahoma | 220 | 62.0 | 40 |
| 34 | New Mexico | 193 | 100.1 | 18 |
| 35 | Mississippi | 169 | 57.9 | 43 |
| 36 | Nebraska | 149 | 84.7 | 27 |
| 37 | Delaware | 146 | 173.1 | 3 |
| 38 | West Virginia | 117 | 64.4 | 39 |
| 39 | Arkansas | 107 | 38.5 | 48 |
| 40 | Nevada | 99 | 41.0 | 47 |
| 41 | New Hampshire | 96 | 73.3 | 34 |
| 42 | Hawaii | 91 | 71.4 | 35 |
| 43 | Idaho | 67 | 46.9 | 45 |
| 44 | Montana | 65 | 69.5 | 36 |
| 45 | North Dakota | 51 | 80.1 | 29 |
| 46 | Vermont | 49 | 78.6 | 30 |
| 47 | Wyoming | 38 | 74.6 | 32 |
| 48 | South Dakota | 36 | 46.4 | 46 |
| 49 | Maine | 27 | 20.4 | 50 |
| 50 | Alaska | 21 | 31.6 | 49 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 338 | 614.0 | |
| | United States | 29,854 | 100.7 | |

Source: National Science Foundation's "Science and Engineering Doctorate Awards: 2003"

Oklahoma ranks 33rd in the nation in total science and engineering doctorates granted and 40th in the number per million residents.

Educational Attainment of Population 25 and Older (2006)

TABLE 28

| Rank | State | Completed High School (or EQ) | Bachelor's Degree | | Adv. Degree (2005) | |
|------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------|--------------------|------|
| | | Percent | Percent | Rank | Percent | Rank |
| 1 | Minnesota | 90.7 | 30.4 | 11 | 9.6 | 19 |
| 2 | Utah | 90.2 | 28.6 | 16 | 9.4 | 22 |
| 2 | Wyoming | 90.2 | 22.7 | 39 | 7.4 | 40 |
| 4 | Montana | 90.1 | 27.4 | 19 | 8.4 | 29 |
| 5 | New Hampshire | 89.9 | 31.9 | 8 | 11.2 | 10 |
| 6 | Vermont | 89.8 | 32.4 | 7 | 12.8 | 6 |
| 7 | Alaska | 89.7 | 26.9 | 21 | 9.5 | 21 |
| 8 | Nebraska | 89.5 | 26.9 | 21 | 8.4 | 29 |
| 9 | Hawaii | 89.0 | 29.7 | 12 | 9.8 | 17 |
| 9 | Washington | 89.0 | 30.5 | 10 | 10.7 | 13 |
| 11 | Iowa | 88.9 | 24.0 | 36 | 7.4 | 40 |
| 12 | Maine | 88.7 | 25.8 | 24 | 8.9 | 26 |
| 13 | Kansas | 88.5 | 28.6 | 16 | 9.8 | 17 |
| 14 | Wisconsin | 88.4 | 25.1 | 30 | 8.4 | 29 |
| 15 | South Dakota | 88.3 | 24.8 | 31 | 7.2 | 42 |
| 16 | North Dakota | 88.1 | 25.6 | 25 | 6.5 | 48 |
| 17 | Colorado | 88.0 | 34.3 | 3 | 12.4 | 7 |
| 17 | Connecticut | 88.0 | 33.7 | 4 | 14.4 | 3 |
| 19 | Massachusetts | 87.9 | 37.0 | 1 | 15.6 | 2 |
| 20 | Oregon | 87.6 | 27.5 | 18 | 10.0 | 16 |
| 21 | Idaho | 87.3 | 23.3 | 37 | 7.1 | 45 |
| 22 | Michigan | 87.2 | 24.5 | 34 | 9.2 | 23 |
| 23 | Maryland | 87.1 | 35.1 | 2 | 15.7 | 1 |
| 24 | Ohio | 86.2 | 23.0 | 38 | 8.3 | 32 |
| 24 | Pennsylvania | 86.2 | 25.4 | 27 | 9.6 | 19 |
| 26 | New Jersey | 86.1 | 33.4 | 5 | 12.4 | 7 |
| 27 | Delaware | 85.5 | 27.0 | 20 | 10.5 | 14 |
| 28 | Virginia | 85.4 | 32.7 | 6 | 13.2 | 5 |
| 29 | Indiana | 85.2 | 21.7 | 42 | 8.0 | 35 |
| 30 | Illinois | 85.0 | 28.9 | 15 | 10.8 | 12 |
| 31 | Missouri | 84.8 | 24.3 | 35 | 8.7 | 28 |
| 32 | Florida | 84.5 | 25.3 | 28 | 8.9 | 26 |
| 33 | Oklahoma | 84.3 | 22.1 | 41 | 7.2 | 42 |
| 34 | New York | 84.1 | 31.2 | 9 | 13.3 | 4 |
| 35 | Nevada | 83.9 | 20.8 | 45 | 7.2 | 42 |
| 36 | Arizona | 83.8 | 25.5 | 26 | 9.2 | 23 |
| 37 | Rhode Island | 82.4 | 29.6 | 13 | 11.3 | 9 |
| 38 | Georgia | 82.2 | 26.6 | 23 | 9.2 | 23 |
| 39 | North Carolina | 82.0 | 24.8 | 31 | 8.3 | 32 |
| 40 | New Mexico | 81.5 | 25.3 | 28 | 10.9 | 11 |
| 41 | South Carolina | 81.3 | 22.7 | 39 | 7.9 | 37 |
| 42 | West Virginia | 81.0 | 16.5 | 50 | 6.6 | 47 |
| 43 | Tennessee | 80.9 | 21.7 | 42 | 7.5 | 39 |
| 44 | Arkansas | 80.5 | 18.2 | 49 | 6.2 | 49 |
| 45 | Alabama | 80.1 | 21.1 | 44 | 7.7 | 38 |
| 45 | California | 80.1 | 29.0 | 14 | 10.4 | 15 |
| 47 | Kentucky | 79.6 | 20.0 | 47 | 8.2 | 34 |
| 48 | Louisiana | 79.4 | 20.3 | 46 | 6.8 | 46 |
| 49 | Texas | 78.6 | 24.7 | 33 | 8.0 | 35 |
| 50 | Mississippi | 77.9 | 18.8 | 48 | 6.1 | 50 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 84.3 | 45.9 | | 25.4 | |
| | United States | 84.1 | 27.0 | | 9.9 | |

Source: American Community Survey (2005)

Businesses in Oklahoma face a daunting task in finding educated workers with a ranking of 41st in students over age 25 obtaining a bachelors degree and with only 84.3% of our population completing high school or it's equivalent.

FTE Higher Education Enrollment as Percentage of Population (Fall 2005)

TABLE 29A

| Rank | | Total Public | | Public 2-yr | | Public 4-yr | |
|----------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| | | Percent | Percent | Rank | Percent | Rank | |
| 1 | North Dakota | 6.72% | 1.45% | 34 | 5.28% | 1 | |
| 2 | Wyoming | 6.40% | 3.83% | 2 | 2.58% | 24 | |
| 3 | New Mexico | 6.27% | 3.33% | 4 | 2.95% | 17 | |
| 4 | Kansas | 6.21% | 2.71% | 8 | 3.50% | 7 | |
| 5 | Utah | 6.03% | 1.45% | 33 | 4.58% | 2 | |
| 6 | California | 5.56% | 3.87% | 1 | 1.69% | 48 | |
| 7 | Arizona | 5.40% | 3.38% | 3 | 2.02% | 43 | |
| 8 | Nebraska | 5.30% | 2.29% | 11 | 3.01% | 15 | |
| 9 | Oklahoma | 5.05% | 1.85% | 21 | 3.20% | 14 | |
| 10 | Colorado | 5.03% | 1.71% | 26 | 3.32% | 10 | |
| 11 | Iowa | 5.02% | 2.77% | 6 | 2.25% | 34 | |
| 12 | Alabama | 5.01% | 1.72% | 24 | 3.29% | 12 | |
| 13 | Michigan | 5.00% | 2.13% | 15 | 2.87% | 20 | |
| 14 | Wisconsin | 4.86% | 2.08% | 17 | 2.77% | 22 | |
| 15 | South Dakota | 4.84% | 0.71% | 48 | 4.13% | 4 | |
| 16 | Kentucky | 4.83% | 2.03% | 19 | 2.80% | 21 | |
| 17 | Texas | 4.73% | 2.38% | 9 | 2.35% | 30 | |
| 18 | Washington | 4.72% | 3.03% | 5 | 1.69% | 47 | |
| 19 | Minnesota | 4.69% | 2.15% | 14 | 2.54% | 26 | |
| 20 | West Virginia | 4.69% | 0.98% | 41 | 3.71% | 5 | |
| 21 | Mississippi | 4.65% | 2.27% | 12 | 2.38% | 29 | |
| 22 | Virginia | 4.61% | 2.05% | 18 | 2.57% | 25 | |
| 23 | Arkansas | 4.61% | 1.72% | 25 | 2.89% | 19 | |
| 24 | Montana | 4.60% | 0.98% | 42 | 3.62% | 6 | |
| 25 | Delaware | 4.59% | 1.66% | 27 | 2.93% | 18 | |
| 26 | Maryland | 4.57% | 2.13% | 16 | 2.44% | 27 | |
| 27 | North Carolina | 4.57% | 2.31% | 10 | 2.26% | 32 | |
| 28 | Oregon | 4.50% | 2.21% | 13 | 2.29% | 31 | |
| 29 | Illinois | 4.35% | 2.76% | 7 | 1.59% | 50 | |
| 30 | Alaska | 4.35% | 0.17% | 50 | 4.18% | 3 | |
| 31 | Indiana | 4.26% | 0.96% | 43 | 3.31% | 11 | |
| 32 | Idaho | 4.22% | 0.84% | 46 | 3.38% | 9 | |
| 33 | Nevada | 4.14% | 0.68% | 49 | 3.46% | 8 | |
| 34 | South Carolina | 4.11% | 1.85% | 20 | 2.25% | 35 | |
| 35 | Louisiana | 4.00% | 0.74% | 47 | 3.26% | 13 | |
| 36 | Ohio | 3.95% | 1.52% | 30 | 2.43% | 28 | |
| 37 | Hawaii | 3.93% | 1.75% | 22 | 2.18% | 37 | |
| 38 | Vermont | 3.87% | 0.89% | 45 | 2.98% | 16 | |
| 39 | Georgia | 3.77% | 1.59% | 28 | 2.18% | 38 | |
| 40 | Missouri | 3.75% | 1.50% | 31 | 2.26% | 33 | |
| 41 | Rhode Island | 3.72% | 1.49% | 32 | 2.23% | 36 | |
| 42 | Florida | 3.65% | 1.56% | 29 | 2.09% | 40 | |
| 43 | Maine | 3.60% | 0.94% | 44 | 2.65% | 23 | |
| 44 | New Jersey | 3.49% | 1.74% | 23 | 1.75% | 46 | |
| 45 | Tennessee | 3.36% | 1.25% | 38 | 2.11% | 39 | |
| 46 | New York | 3.25% | 1.41% | 35 | 1.84% | 45 | |
| 47 | Connecticut | 3.18% | 1.32% | 36 | 1.87% | 44 | |
| 48 | New Hampshire | 3.13% | 1.05% | 39 | 2.08% | 41 | |
| 49 | Pennsylvania | 3.06% | 1.00% | 40 | 2.06% | 42 | |
| 50 | Massachusetts | 2.94% | 1.32% | 37 | 1.63% | 49 | |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 1.02% | 0.00% | | 1.02% | | |
| | United States | 4.39% | 2.09% | | 2.31% | | |

Source: U.S. Department of Education; U.S. Census

Oklahoma ranks 21st in its share of population enrolled at 2-year colleges and 14th in the share enrolled at public 4-year schools. Overall, the state ranks 9th in public college enrollment.

FTE Higher Education Enrollment Public vs. Private (Fall 2005)

TABLE 29B

| Rank | Total % | Percent | Public | | Private | |
|-----------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| | | | Rank | Percent | Rank | Percent |
| 1 | Arizona | 9.19% | 5.40% | 7 | 3.78% | 3 |
| 2 | Utah | 8.13% | 6.03% | 5 | 2.09% | 12 |
| 3 | North Dakota | 7.76% | 6.72% | 1 | 1.03% | 31 |
| 4 | Iowa | 7.68% | 5.02% | 11 | 2.66% | 6 |
| 5 | Rhode Island | 7.56% | 3.72% | 41 | 3.84% | 2 |
| 6 | Minnesota | 7.05% | 4.69% | 19 | 2.35% | 9 |
| 7 | Kansas | 6.99% | 6.21% | 4 | 0.78% | 40 |
| 8 | Wyoming | 6.94% | 6.40% | 2 | 0.53% | 45 |
| 9 | Massachusetts | 6.93% | 2.94% | 50 | 3.99% | 1 |
| 10 | Nebraska | 6.89% | 5.30% | 8 | 1.60% | 14 |
| 11 | New Mexico | 6.81% | 6.27% | 3 | 0.54% | 44 |
| 12 | California | 6.64% | 5.56% | 6 | 1.08% | 28 |
| 13 | Illinois | 6.53% | 4.35% | 29 | 2.18% | 11 |
| 14 | Colorado | 6.49% | 5.03% | 10 | 1.46% | 17 |
| 15 | Missouri | 6.46% | 3.75% | 40 | 2.70% | 5 |
| 16 | Vermont | 6.41% | 3.87% | 38 | 2.54% | 7 |
| 17 | South Dakota | 6.29% | 4.84% | 15 | 1.45% | 18 |
| 18 | Michigan | 6.19% | 5.00% | 13 | 1.20% | 26 |
| 19 | Delaware | 6.12% | 4.59% | 25 | 1.53% | 15 |
| 20 | Wisconsin | 6.06% | 4.86% | 14 | 1.20% | 25 |
| 21 | New York | 5.98% | 3.25% | 46 | 2.73% | 4 |
| 22 | Kentucky | 5.87% | 4.83% | 16 | 1.04% | 29 |
| 23 | Oklahoma | 5.86% | 5.05% | 9 | 0.81% | 38 |
| 24 | Virginia | 5.80% | 4.61% | 22 | 1.19% | 27 |
| 25 | Indiana | 5.76% | 4.26% | 31 | 1.50% | 16 |
| 26 | Alabama | 5.63% | 5.01% | 12 | 0.62% | 42 |
| 27 | Maryland | 5.61% | 4.57% | 26 | 1.04% | 30 |
| 28 | North Carolina | 5.58% | 4.57% | 27 | 1.01% | 32 |
| 29 | Pennsylvania | 5.57% | 3.06% | 49 | 2.51% | 8 |
| 30 | Washington | 5.54% | 4.72% | 18 | 0.82% | 37 |
| 31 | Oregon | 5.49% | 4.50% | 28 | 1.00% | 33 |
| 32 | West Virginia | 5.48% | 4.69% | 20 | 0.79% | 39 |
| 33 | Idaho | 5.44% | 4.22% | 32 | 1.22% | 24 |
| 34 | Texas | 5.43% | 4.73% | 17 | 0.70% | 41 |
| 35 | Ohio | 5.38% | 3.95% | 36 | 1.42% | 19 |
| 36 | New Hampshire | 5.34% | 3.13% | 48 | 2.21% | 10 |
| 37 | Hawaii | 5.26% | 3.93% | 37 | 1.33% | 22 |
| 38 | Arkansas | 5.16% | 4.61% | 23 | 0.55% | 43 |
| 39 | Mississippi | 5.15% | 4.65% | 21 | 0.50% | 47 |
| 40 | Montana | 5.11% | 4.60% | 24 | 0.52% | 46 |
| 41 | Connecticut | 4.98% | 3.18% | 47 | 1.79% | 13 |
| 42 | Maine | 4.96% | 3.60% | 43 | 1.36% | 21 |
| 43 | South Carolina | 4.95% | 4.11% | 34 | 0.84% | 36 |
| 44 | Florida | 4.91% | 3.65% | 42 | 1.26% | 23 |
| 45 | Tennessee | 4.75% | 3.36% | 45 | 1.39% | 20 |
| 46 | Georgia | 4.70% | 3.77% | 39 | 0.93% | 34 |
| 47 | Nevada | 4.58% | 4.14% | 33 | 0.44% | 48 |
| 48 | Alaska | 4.56% | 4.35% | 30 | 0.21% | 50 |
| 49 | Louisiana | 4.37% | 4.00% | 35 | 0.37% | 49 |
| 50 | New Jersey | 4.36% | 3.49% | 44 | 0.87% | 35 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 19.05% | 1.02% | | 18.04% | |
| | United States | 5.90% | 4.39% | | 1.51% | |

Source: U.S. Department of Education; U.S. Census

Oklahoma ranks 38th in the percentage enrolled at private colleges, but 9th in the percentage enrolled in public colleges.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (2007)

TABLE 30

| Overall Rank | 4th Grade Reading Scores | Rank | 8th Grade Reading Scores | Rank | 4th Grade Math Scores | Rank | 8th Grade Math Scores | Rank | |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|----|
| 1 | Massachusetts | 235.75 | 1 | 273.28 | 1 | 252.43 | 1 | 297.92 | 1 |
| 2 | New Hampshire | 229.02 | 3 | 269.73 | 6 | 248.57 | 3 | 287.56 | 9 |
| 3 | Vermont | 228.25 | 4 | 273.05 | 2 | 246.36 | 6 | 291.01 | 4 |
| 4 | North Dakota | 226.33 | 9 | 268.02 | 9 | 245.42 | 7 | 291.56 | 3 |
| 5 | Minnesota | 224.92 | 14 | 268.20 | 8 | 247.00 | 5 | 291.85 | 2 |
| 6 | New Jersey | 230.65 | 2 | 270.14 | 4 | 248.62 | 2 | 288.58 | 6 |
| 7 | Montana | 226.67 | 7 | 270.94 | 3 | 243.62 | 13 | 287.08 | 10 |
| 8 | South Dakota | 223.40 | 22 | 269.60 | 7 | 241.21 | 24 | 288.46 | 7 |
| 9 | Virginia | 227.14 | 6 | 266.88 | 16 | 243.52 | 14 | 287.63 | 8 |
| 10 | Maine | 225.54 | 11 | 269.92 | 5 | 242.37 | 19 | 286.47 | 12 |
| 11 | Wyoming | 225.29 | 12 | 266.23 | 18 | 243.87 | 12 | 286.99 | 11 |
| 12 | Washington | 224.00 | 18 | 264.95 | 21 | 242.54 | 17 | 284.86 | 20 |
| 13 | Ohio | 225.67 | 10 | 267.98 | 10 | 244.53 | 9 | 284.85 | 21 |
| 14 | Kansas | 224.66 | 17 | 267.41 | 13 | 247.92 | 4 | 290.03 | 5 |
| 15 | Connecticut | 227.20 | 5 | 267.06 | 14 | 242.76 | 16 | 282.47 | 28 |
| 16 | Pennsylvania | 226.35 | 8 | 267.67 | 11 | 244.00 | 11 | 286.17 | 14 |
| 17 | Wisconsin | 223.32 | 24 | 264.18 | 24 | 244.18 | 10 | 285.62 | 17 |
| 18 | Delaware | 225.07 | 13 | 264.54 | 23 | 241.79 | 22 | 282.99 | 26 |
| 19 | Iowa | 224.89 | 15 | 267.45 | 12 | 242.82 | 15 | 285.23 | 18 |
| 20 | Nebraska | 222.90 | 25 | 267.03 | 15 | 238.04 | 30 | 283.65 | 24 |
| 21 | Idaho | 223.40 | 22 | 264.89 | 22 | 240.90 | 25 | 283.51 | 25 |
| 22 | Colorado | 223.73 | 20 | 266.41 | 17 | 240.21 | 27 | 286.19 | 13 |
| 23 | New York | 223.75 | 19 | 263.55 | 26 | 242.54 | 17 | 280.14 | 33 |
| 24 | Texas | 219.60 | 31 | 260.81 | 31 | 242.34 | 20 | 285.87 | 15 |
| 25 | Indiana | 221.67 | 27 | 264.10 | 25 | 245.14 | 8 | 285.01 | 19 |
| 26 | North Carolina | 217.93 | 35 | 259.14 | 36 | 241.62 | 23 | 283.88 | 22 |
| 27 | Utah | 221.26 | 28 | 262.23 | 29 | 239.40 | 29 | 281.09 | 30 |
| 28 | Oregon | 215.02 | 41 | 265.71 | 19 | 236.04 | 38 | 283.83 | 23 |
| 29 | Missouri | 220.78 | 29 | 263.44 | 27 | 239.41 | 28 | 280.62 | 31 |
| 30 | Maryland | 224.78 | 16 | 265.24 | 20 | 240.33 | 26 | 285.73 | 16 |
| 31 | Michigan | 220.12 | 30 | 260.32 | 32 | 237.61 | 32 | 276.83 | 36 |
| 32 | Kentucky | 222.43 | 26 | 261.97 | 30 | 235.09 | 41 | 278.70 | 34 |
| 33 | Illinois | 219.39 | 32 | 262.83 | 28 | 237.29 | 33 | 280.50 | 32 |
| 34 | South Carolina | 213.84 | 43 | 257.42 | 41 | 237.11 | 35 | 281.50 | 29 |
| 35 | Florida | 223.53 | 21 | 259.79 | 33 | 242.02 | 21 | 277.38 | 35 |
| 36 | Alaska | 214.48 | 42 | 258.80 | 37 | 237.27 | 34 | 282.56 | 27 |
| 37 | Arkansas | 217.03 | 36 | 257.96 | 40 | 237.67 | 31 | 273.90 | 42 |
| 38 | Rhode Island | 218.76 | 34 | 258.32 | 39 | 235.88 | 39 | 275.39 | 38 |
| 39 | Oklahoma | 216.96 | 37 | 259.55 | 34 | 236.80 | 36 | 274.53 | 40 |
| 40 | Georgia | 218.89 | 33 | 258.70 | 38 | 235.21 | 40 | 274.78 | 39 |
| 41 | Tennessee | 215.75 | 39 | 259.16 | 35 | 232.75 | 43 | 273.98 | 41 |
| 42 | West Virginia | 215.13 | 40 | 255.00 | 42 | 236.34 | 37 | 270.08 | 46 |
| 43 | Arizona | 209.52 | 47 | 254.83 | 43 | 231.94 | 44 | 275.55 | 37 |
| 44 | Nevada | 210.82 | 46 | 252.35 | 45 | 231.78 | 45 | 270.80 | 44 |
| 45 | Louisiana | 207.41 | 50 | 253.24 | 44 | 230.04 | 46 | 272.39 | 43 |
| 46 | California | 208.52 | 48 | 251.29 | 48 | 230.03 | 47 | 270.38 | 45 |
| 47 | Hawaii | 213.50 | 44 | 251.33 | 47 | 234.29 | 42 | 268.77 | 47 |
| 48 | Alabama | 216.39 | 38 | 251.94 | 46 | 228.52 | 48 | 266.00 | 49 |
| 49 | New Mexico | 211.63 | 45 | 250.75 | 49 | 228.06 | 49 | 267.54 | 48 |
| 50 | Mississippi | 207.81 | 49 | 250.06 | 50 | 227.61 | 50 | 264.89 | 50 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 197.09 | | 240.79 | | 213.70 | | 248.20 | |
| | Nation (Public) | 219.66 | | 261.01 | | 239.06 | | 280.17 | |

Source: U.S. Department of Education

The National Assessment of Education Programs shows Oklahoma's fourth graders ranked 37th in Reading and 36th in Math, while our eighth graders rank 34th in Reading and 40th in Math.

Estimated Public School Spending Per Pupil (2005-06)

TABLE 31

| Rank | Operating + Capital | | Operating | | Capital | |
|------|---------------------|---------------|--------------|---------|--------------|----|
| | Dollars | Dollars | Rank | Dollars | Rank | |
| 1 | New York | 16,309 | 14,884 | 1 | 1,425 | 9 |
| 2 | New Jersey | 16,103 | 14,630 | 2 | 1,474 | 8 |
| 3 | Delaware | 13,624 | 11,633 | 7 | 1,991 | 1 |
| 4 | Connecticut | 13,407 | 12,323 | 4 | 1,084 | 21 |
| 5 | Vermont | 13,255 | 12,614 | 3 | 641 | 44 |
| 6 | Alaska | 13,243 | 11,460 | 8 | 1,783 | 5 |
| 7 | Wyoming | 13,149 | 11,197 | 9 | 1,952 | 2 |
| 8 | Massachusetts | 12,934 | 11,981 | 5 | 953 | 30 |
| 9 | Pennsylvania | 12,171 | 11,028 | 10 | 1,142 | 19 |
| 10 | Rhode Island | 11,961 | 11,769 | 6 | 191 | 50 |
| 11 | Maryland | 11,876 | 10,670 | 11 | 1,206 | 17 |
| 12 | Maine | 11,180 | 10,586 | 12 | 594 | 47 |
| 13 | New Hampshire | 11,081 | 10,079 | 13 | 1,003 | 26 |
| 14 | Ohio | 10,829 | 9,598 | 16 | 1,231 | 14 |
| 15 | Michigan | 10,637 | 9,572 | 17 | 1,065 | 23 |
| 16 | Wisconsin | 10,597 | 9,970 | 14 | 628 | 45 |
| 17 | Virginia | 10,517 | 9,447 | 18 | 1,070 | 22 |
| 18 | Minnesota | 10,438 | 9,138 | 21 | 1,300 | 13 |
| 19 | Hawaii | 10,286 | 9,876 | 15 | 410 | 49 |
| 20 | Illinois | 10,110 | 9,149 | 20 | 961 | 28 |
| 21 | California | 10,092 | 8,486 | 28 | 1,606 | 7 |
| 22 | West Virginia | 10,022 | 9,352 | 19 | 670 | 43 |
| 23 | Georgia | 9,773 | 8,565 | 26 | 1,208 | 16 |
| 24 | Indiana | 9,753 | 8,793 | 22 | 960 | 29 |
| 25 | Nebraska | 9,718 | 8,736 | 23 | 982 | 27 |
| 26 | South Carolina | 9,706 | 8,091 | 33 | 1,615 | 6 |
| 27 | Iowa | 9,586 | 8,360 | 31 | 1,226 | 15 |
| 28 | Florida | 9,584 | 7,759 | 38 | 1,825 | 4 |
| 29 | North Dakota | 9,550 | 8,603 | 24 | 947 | 32 |
| 30 | Colorado | 9,371 | 8,057 | 35 | 1,314 | 12 |
| 31 | New Mexico | 9,266 | 8,086 | 34 | 1,180 | 18 |
| 32 | Montana | 9,255 | 8,581 | 25 | 674 | 42 |
| 33 | Washington | 9,209 | 7,830 | 37 | 1,379 | 11 |
| 34 | Nevada | 9,187 | 7,345 | 44 | 1,842 | 3 |
| 35 | Kansas | 9,162 | 8,392 | 30 | 770 | 36 |
| 36 | Oregon | 9,119 | 8,545 | 27 | 573 | 48 |
| 37 | Louisiana | 9,104 | 8,402 | 29 | 701 | 40 |
| 38 | Texas | 8,948 | 7,561 | 42 | 1,387 | 10 |
| 39 | Missouri | 8,935 | 8,107 | 32 | 828 | 35 |
| 40 | Arkansas | 8,878 | 7,927 | 36 | 951 | 31 |
| 41 | Kentucky | 8,672 | 7,662 | 39 | 1,010 | 25 |
| 42 | Alabama | 8,543 | 7,646 | 41 | 897 | 33 |
| 43 | South Dakota | 8,359 | 7,651 | 40 | 708 | 39 |
| 44 | North Carolina | 8,146 | 7,388 | 43 | 758 | 37 |
| 45 | Mississippi | 8,058 | 7,221 | 45 | 837 | 34 |
| 46 | Oklahoma | 7,649 | 6,961 | 46 | 688 | 41 |
| 47 | Arizona | 7,610 | 6,472 | 48 | 1,139 | 20 |
| 48 | Tennessee | 7,483 | 6,883 | 47 | 601 | 46 |
| 49 | Idaho | 7,175 | 6,440 | 49 | 735 | 38 |
| 50 | Utah | 6,453 | 5,437 | 50 | 1,017 | 24 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 15,573 | 13,446 | | 2,127 | |
| | US Average | 10,354 | 9,138 | | 1,216 | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma ranks 46th in operating expenditure and 41st in capital expenditure.

Percent of Roads Not in Good Condition (2006)

TABLE 32

| Rank | | % Mediocre | % Poor | Rank |
|------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|------|
| 1 | Florida | 2.0% | 1.4% | 6 |
| 2 | Kentucky | 2.2% | 1.0% | 2 |
| 3 | Tennessee | 2.9% | 2.7% | 12 |
| 4 | Ohio | 3.1% | 1.4% | 7 |
| 5 | Georgia | 3.3% | 1.4% | 5 |
| 6 | Montana | 3.6% | 2.3% | 9 |
| 7 | Minnesota | 3.8% | 6.0% | 28 |
| 8 | Oregon | 4.0% | 0.8% | 1 |
| 9 | Massachusetts | 4.1% | 1.2% | 4 |
| 10 | Nevada | 4.4% | 2.7% | 14 |
| 11 | Virginia | 5.5% | 2.3% | 8 |
| 12 | Utah | 6.1% | 3.0% | 18 |
| 13 | North Carolina | 6.6% | 5.8% | 26 |
| 14 | South Carolina | 6.7% | 7.4% | 31 |
| 15 | Arizona | 7.3% | 2.7% | 13 |
| 16 | Nebraska | 7.7% | 3.0% | 17 |
| 17 | Michigan | 7.8% | 13.5% | 44 |
| 18 | North Dakota | 8.5% | 1.2% | 3 |
| 19 | Wisconsin | 8.7% | 7.5% | 32 |
| 20 | South Dakota | 8.8% | 4.1% | 19 |
| 22 | Texas | 8.9% | 2.9% | 15 |
| 23 | Colorado | 9.0% | 2.9% | 16 |
| 24 | New York | 9.0% | 12.8% | 43 |
| 25 | Iowa | 9.3% | 5.8% | 27 |
| 26 | Connecticut | 9.7% | 4.3% | 21 |
| 27 | Delaware | 9.9% | 6.0% | 29 |
| 28 | Washington | 10.4% | 4.8% | 23 |
| 29 | Alabama | 10.4% | 2.5% | 11 |
| 30 | Indiana | 11.4% | 6.9% | 30 |
| 31 | Illinois | 11.6% | 5.4% | 24 |
| 32 | New Hampshire | 11.7% | 12.3% | 42 |
| 33 | Alaska | 12.7% | 8.1% | 33 |
| 34 | Mississippi | 13.0% | 4.4% | 22 |
| 35 | Oklahoma | 13.5% | 17.7% | 48 |
| 36 | Missouri | 13.8% | 9.3% | 36 |
| 37 | Louisiana | 14.2% | 11.8% | 41 |
| 38 | West Virginia | 14.3% | 9.1% | 34 |
| 39 | Kansas | 14.6% | 16.4% | 46 |
| 40 | Vermont | 14.6% | 9.8% | 37 |
| 41 | Pennsylvania | 14.6% | 11.3% | 40 |
| 42 | Maryland | 15.1% | 14.9% | 45 |
| 43 | Maine | 15.3% | 10.8% | 38 |
| 44 | Rhode Island | 18.7% | 10.9% | 39 |
| 45 | Arkansas | 19.4% | 5.7% | 25 |
| 46 | Hawaii | 19.6% | 22.7% | 49 |
| 47 | California | 21.0% | 17.5% | 47 |
| 48 | New Jersey | 21.9% | 28.0% | 50 |
| 49 | New Mexico | 22.5% | 9.2% | 35 |
| 50 | Idaho | 30.4% | 4.1% | 20 |
| 21 | Wyoming | 8.8% | 2.3% | 10 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 15.1% | 80.3% | |
| | United States | 10.1% | 7.1% | |

Source: Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Oklahoma's infrastructure also needs work as we rank 48th in the percent of roads that are not in good condition.

Price Per Kwh from Industrial Customers (March 2008)

TABLE 33

| Rank | Revenue/Kwh 3/2008(cents) | Revenue/Kwh 3/2007 (cents) | Change from 3/2007 to 3/2008(cents) | |
|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|-------------|
| 1 | Hawaii | 23.14 | 16.32 | 6.82 |
| 2 | New Hampshire | 12.48 | 13.80 | -1.32 |
| 3 | Massachusetts | 13.20 | 13.40 | -0.20 |
| 4 | Connecticut | 13.44 | 13.11 | 0.33 |
| 5 | Rhode Island | 13.39 | 12.15 | 1.24 |
| 6 | Alaska | 14.04 | 11.88 | 2.17 |
| 7 | Maine | 12.50 | 11.55 | 0.95 |
| 8 | New Jersey | 11.77 | 10.37 | 1.40 |
| 9 | California | 9.36 | 9.20 | 0.16 |
| 10 | New York | 9.02 | 9.12 | -0.10 |
| 11 | Maryland | 10.04 | 8.70 | 1.34 |
| 12 | Vermont | 9.16 | 8.67 | 0.48 |
| 13 | Delaware | 9.68 | 8.38 | 1.30 |
| 14 | Texas | 8.05 | 7.79 | 0.26 |
| 15 | Florida | 7.79 | 7.74 | 0.05 |
| 16 | Nevada | 7.67 | 7.46 | 0.22 |
| 17 | Pennsylvania | 6.95 | 6.84 | 0.11 |
| 18 | Louisiana | 6.86 | 6.82 | 0.04 |
| 19 | Michigan | 6.53 | 6.53 | -0.01 |
| 20 | Illinois | 6.23 | 6.42 | -0.19 |
| 21 | Wisconsin | 6.08 | 5.93 | 0.15 |
| 22 | Colorado | 5.73 | 5.85 | -0.11 |
| 23 | Ohio | 5.96 | 5.67 | 0.29 |
| 24 | Arizona | 6.00 | 5.59 | 0.41 |
| 25 | Mississippi | 5.83 | 5.56 | 0.27 |
| 26 | Montana | 7.02 | 5.47 | 1.55 |
| 27 | Minnesota | 5.72 | 5.42 | 0.30 |
| 28 | Tennessee | 5.49 | 5.26 | 0.24 |
| 29 | New Mexico | 5.82 | 5.18 | 0.65 |
| 30 | Arkansas | 5.24 | 5.14 | 0.10 |
| 31 | North Carolina | 5.22 | 5.05 | 0.16 |
| 32 | North Dakota | 5.40 | 5.04 | 0.36 |
| 33 | Oregon | 4.96 | 5.02 | -0.06 |
| 34 | Georgia | 5.84 | 4.94 | 0.90 |
| 35 | South Dakota | 5.07 | 4.94 | 0.13 |
| 36 | Oklahoma | 5.21 | 4.90 | 0.31 |
| 37 | Virginia | 5.07 | 4.89 | 0.18 |
| 38 | Kansas | 5.24 | 4.88 | 0.36 |
| 39 | Alabama | 5.09 | 4.86 | 0.23 |
| 40 | Indiana | 5.09 | 4.76 | 0.33 |
| 41 | Washington | 4.78 | 4.70 | 0.08 |
| 42 | South Carolina | 4.91 | 4.68 | 0.23 |
| 43 | Nebraska | 4.80 | 4.55 | 0.25 |
| 44 | Iowa | 4.35 | 4.50 | -0.15 |
| 45 | Missouri | 4.29 | 4.22 | 0.07 |
| 46 | Utah | 4.17 | 4.16 | 0.01 |
| 47 | Kentucky | 4.36 | 4.11 | 0.26 |
| 48 | Wyoming | 4.16 | 4.08 | 0.07 |
| 49 | West Virginia | 4.04 | 3.74 | 0.30 |
| 50 | Idaho | 3.76 | 3.29 | 0.47 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 11.43 | 10.45 | 0.98 |
| | U.S. Total | 6.39 | 6.14 | 0.25 |

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Electric Power Monthly

Oklahoma's price per Kwh for industrial customers went up by \$.31 between 2007 and 2008.

Price Per Kwh from Commercial Customers (March 2008)

TABLE 34

| Rank | Revenue/Kwh 3/2008(cents) | Revenue/Kwh 3/2007(cents) | Change from 3/2007 to 3/2008 (cents) | |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|-------------|
| 1 | Hawaii | 26.99 | 19.71 | 7.28 |
| 2 | New York | 15.15 | 14.68 | 0.47 |
| 3 | Massachusetts | 15.12 | 15.38 | -0.26 |
| 4 | Connecticut | 15.08 | 15.88 | -0.81 |
| 5 | Rhode Island | 13.99 | 12.49 | 1.50 |
| 6 | New Hampshire | 13.44 | 13.65 | -0.21 |
| 7 | Maine | 13.25 | 13.85 | -0.60 |
| 8 | New Jersey | 13.17 | 11.49 | 1.69 |
| 9 | Alaska | 12.24 | 11.64 | 0.60 |
| 10 | Vermont | 12.20 | 12.06 | 0.14 |
| 11 | Maryland | 11.65 | 11.10 | 0.55 |
| 12 | Delaware | 11.30 | 11.02 | 0.28 |
| 13 | California | 11.26 | 11.48 | -0.22 |
| 14 | Nevada | 10.33 | 10.12 | 0.21 |
| 15 | Texas | 10.01 | 9.81 | 0.20 |
| 16 | Florida | 9.74 | 9.73 | 0.01 |
| 17 | Illinois | 9.40 | 8.27 | 1.13 |
| 18 | Mississippi | 9.31 | 8.80 | 0.51 |
| 19 | Louisiana | 9.24 | 9.17 | 0.07 |
| 20 | Pennsylvania | 9.02 | 8.90 | 0.12 |
| 21 | Michigan | 8.96 | 8.99 | -0.03 |
| 22 | Alabama | 8.94 | 8.44 | 0.50 |
| 23 | Ohio | 8.84 | 8.43 | 0.41 |
| 24 | Georgia | 8.63 | 7.85 | 0.78 |
| 25 | Wisconsin | 8.63 | 8.33 | 0.30 |
| 26 | Arizona | 8.12 | 7.54 | 0.58 |
| 27 | Tennessee | 8.09 | 7.85 | 0.24 |
| 28 | Montana | 8.01 | 7.69 | 0.32 |
| 29 | South Carolina | 8.00 | 7.68 | 0.33 |
| 30 | New Mexico | 7.88 | 7.40 | 0.47 |
| 31 | Oregon | 7.67 | 7.00 | 0.67 |
| 32 | Colorado | 7.53 | 7.61 | -0.08 |
| 33 | North Carolina | 7.35 | 7.19 | 0.16 |
| 34 | Minnesota | 7.29 | 6.91 | 0.38 |
| 35 | Indiana | 7.13 | 6.86 | 0.27 |
| 36 | Oklahoma | 7.05 | 6.46 | 0.59 |
| 37 | Arkansas | 6.98 | 6.98 | -0.00 |
| 38 | Kansas | 6.89 | 6.49 | 0.40 |
| 39 | Washington | 6.78 | 6.61 | 0.17 |
| 40 | Kentucky | 6.66 | 6.35 | 0.31 |
| 41 | North Dakota | 6.55 | 6.16 | 0.39 |
| 42 | Virginia | 6.54 | 6.15 | 0.39 |
| 43 | Iowa | 6.49 | 6.73 | -0.24 |
| 44 | South Dakota | 6.44 | 6.24 | 0.20 |
| 45 | Wyoming | 6.33 | 6.05 | 0.28 |
| 46 | Utah | 6.22 | 6.13 | 0.09 |
| 47 | Nebraska | 6.04 | 5.88 | 0.17 |
| 48 | West Virginia | 5.85 | 5.61 | 0.24 |
| 49 | Missouri | 5.63 | 5.47 | 0.16 |
| 50 | Idaho | 5.27 | 4.83 | 0.43 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 13.22 | 11.72 | 1.51 |
| | U.S. Total | 9.57 | 9.27 | 0.30 |

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Electric Power Monthly

Oklahoma's price per Kwh for commercial customers went up by \$.59 between 2007 and 2008.

Price Per Kwh from Residential Customers (March 2008)

TABLE 35

Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration, Electric Power Monthly

| Rank | Revenue/Kwh 3/2008(cents) | Revenue/Kwh 3/2007 (cents) | Change from 3/2007 to 3/2008(cents) |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 Hawaii | 29.42 | 21.82 | 7.60 |
| 2 Connecticut | 18.34 | 18.53 | -0.19 |
| 3 New York | 17.00 | 16.23 | 0.77 |
| 4 Massachusetts | 16.59 | 17.33 | -0.74 |
| 5 Rhode Island | 15.88 | 13.51 | 2.37 |
| 6 Maine | 15.68 | 14.45 | 1.23 |
| 7 Alaska | 15.33 | 14.62 | 0.71 |
| 8 New Hampshire | 14.85 | 14.83 | 0.02 |
| 9 New Jersey | 14.20 | 12.77 | 1.42 |
| 10 Vermont | 14.19 | 13.84 | 0.35 |
| 11 California | 14.04 | 14.25 | -0.21 |
| 12 Maryland | 12.76 | 9.57 | 3.19 |
| 13 Delaware | 12.69 | 12.26 | 0.43 |
| 14 Nevada | 12.21 | 11.33 | 0.87 |
| 15 Texas | 11.67 | 12.21 | -0.54 |
| 16 Florida | 11.10 | 11.05 | 0.05 |
| 17 Wisconsin | 10.80 | 10.39 | 0.41 |
| 18 Pennsylvania | 10.68 | 10.26 | 0.42 |
| 19 Michigan | 10.30 | 10.14 | 0.16 |
| 20 Illinois | 9.94 | 9.76 | 0.18 |
| 21 South Carolina | 9.26 | 8.91 | 0.35 |
| 22 Mississippi | 9.25 | 8.80 | 0.45 |
| 23 Alabama | 9.16 | 8.71 | 0.45 |
| 24 Louisiana | 9.14 | 9.02 | 0.13 |
| 25 Colorado | 9.12 | 9.11 | 0.01 |
| 26 North Carolina | 9.08 | 8.92 | 0.17 |
| 27 Ohio | 9.08 | 8.66 | 0.43 |
| 28 Arizona | 9.05 | 8.53 | 0.52 |
| 29 Minnesota | 8.94 | 8.53 | 0.41 |
| 30 New Mexico | 8.93 | 8.62 | 0.31 |
| 31 Georgia | 8.93 | 8.40 | 0.53 |
| 32 Montana | 8.58 | 8.28 | 0.29 |
| 33 Iowa | 8.50 | 8.68 | -0.18 |
| 34 Oregon | 8.45 | 7.60 | 0.85 |
| 35 Virginia | 8.38 | 8.12 | 0.26 |
| 36 Arkansas | 8.35 | 8.37 | -0.02 |
| 37 Kansas | 8.01 | 7.60 | 0.41 |
| 38 Oklahoma | 7.92 | 7.66 | 0.26 |
| 39 Indiana | 7.83 | 7.46 | 0.38 |
| 40 Utah | 7.82 | 7.70 | 0.13 |
| 41 Tennessee | 7.73 | 7.54 | 0.20 |
| 42 Washington | 7.50 | 6.95 | 0.55 |
| 43 South Dakota | 7.48 | 7.30 | 0.18 |
| 44 Wyoming | 7.44 | 7.35 | 0.08 |
| 45 Kentucky | 7.10 | 6.79 | 0.31 |
| 46 North Dakota | 6.82 | 6.44 | 0.38 |
| 47 Nebraska | 6.67 | 6.46 | 0.21 |
| 48 Missouri | 6.64 | 6.49 | 0.14 |
| 49 West Virginia | 6.63 | 6.20 | 0.44 |
| 50 Idaho | 6.45 | 5.76 | 0.69 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 10.84 | 9.77 | 1.07 |
| U.S. Total | 10.31 | 10.03 | 0.28 |

Oklahoma's price per Kwh for residential customers went down by \$.52 between 2007 and 2008.

State and Local Government Health and Hospital Spending (2005-2006)

TABLE 36

| Rank | Total Per Capita | Total (millions) | Total as % of Personal Income | Rank | |
|-----------|----------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 | Wyoming | \$1,745 | \$899 | 4.2% | 1 |
| 2 | Alabama | \$1,121 | \$5,155 | 3.6% | 3 |
| 3 | South Carolina | \$1,089 | \$4,706 | 3.6% | 2 |
| 4 | New York | \$952 | \$18,382 | 2.1% | 8 |
| 5 | Mississippi | \$926 | \$2,696 | 3.4% | 4 |
| 6 | Louisiana | \$895 | \$3,838 | 2.8% | 5 |
| 7 | North Carolina | \$842 | \$7,460 | 2.5% | 6 |
| 8 | Washington | \$818 | \$5,230 | 2.1% | 9 |
| 9 | Iowa | \$791 | \$2,359 | 2.4% | 7 |
| 10 | California | \$720 | \$26,239 | 1.8% | 19 |
| 11 | Hawaii | \$719 | \$925 | 1.9% | 14 |
| 12 | Michigan | \$709 | \$7,153 | 2.1% | 10 |
| 13 | Tennessee | \$680 | \$4,105 | 2.1% | 12 |
| 14 | Ohio | \$634 | \$7,277 | 1.9% | 16 |
| 15 | Missouri | \$629 | \$3,674 | 1.9% | 15 |
| 16 | New Mexico | \$627 | \$1,225 | 2.1% | 11 |
| 17 | Oregon | \$607 | \$2,246 | 1.8% | 20 |
| 18 | Indiana | \$601 | \$3,793 | 1.8% | 17 |
| 19 | Georgia | \$594 | \$5,560 | 1.8% | 18 |
| 20 | Idaho | \$592 | \$868 | 1.9% | 13 |
| 21 | Nebraska | \$570 | \$1,008 | 1.6% | 21 |
| 22 | Virginia | \$563 | \$4,301 | 1.4% | 28 |
| 23 | Florida | \$553 | \$10,012 | 1.5% | 25 |
| 24 | Connecticut | \$534 | \$1,873 | 1.0% | 41 |
| 25 | Colorado | \$521 | \$2,478 | 1.3% | 32 |
| 26 | Alaska | \$517 | \$346 | 1.3% | 30 |
| 27 | Pennsylvania | \$484 | \$6,025 | 1.3% | 31 |
| 28 | Minnesota | \$484 | \$2,499 | 1.2% | 34 |
| 29 | Montana | \$479 | \$452 | 1.5% | 23 |
| 30 | Wisconsin | \$474 | \$2,635 | 1.4% | 29 |
| 31 | Delaware | \$469 | \$400 | 1.2% | 35 |
| 32 | Maine | \$466 | \$616 | 1.4% | 26 |
| 33 | Utah | \$458 | \$1,168 | 1.5% | 24 |
| 34 | Texas | \$457 | \$10,732 | 1.3% | 33 |
| 35 | Arkansas | \$445 | \$1,251 | 1.5% | 22 |
| 36 | Kentucky | \$432 | \$1,816 | 1.4% | 27 |
| 37 | Nevada | \$428 | \$1,069 | 1.1% | 40 |
| 38 | Kansas | \$409 | \$1,131 | 1.1% | 39 |
| 39 | Oklahoma | \$396 | \$1,416 | 1.2% | 36 |
| 40 | Arizona | \$388 | \$2,393 | 1.2% | 37 |
| 41 | Illinois | \$384 | \$4,931 | 1.0% | 42 |
| 42 | Maryland | \$347 | \$1,946 | 0.8% | 44 |
| 43 | Massachusetts | \$338 | \$2,178 | 0.7% | 45 |
| 44 | New Jersey | \$334 | \$2,915 | 0.7% | 46 |
| 45 | West Virginia | \$331 | \$601 | 1.2% | 38 |
| 46 | South Dakota | \$266 | \$208 | 0.8% | 43 |
| 47 | Rhode Island | \$260 | \$277 | 0.7% | 47 |
| 48 | Vermont | \$233 | \$146 | 0.7% | 48 |
| 49 | North Dakota | \$159 | \$101 | 0.5% | 49 |
| 50 | New Hampshire | \$137 | \$180 | 0.3% | 50 |
| | Dist. of Columbia | \$1,151 | \$669 | 1.9% | |
| | United States | \$606 | \$181,565 | 1.6% | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma's per capita health and hospital spending was \$396 between 2005-2006 and our ranking was 39th in the country.

Employment-Based Insurance Percent of Privately Insured Persons (2006)

TABLE 37

| Rank | 2006 | 1990 | Difference | Rank |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 West Virginia | 94.0% | 83.8% | 10.2% | 5 |
| 2 Delaware | 93.1% | 83.6% | 9.5% | 6 |
| 3 Virginia | 92.5% | 85.9% | 6.7% | 18 |
| 4 New Jersey | 91.9% | 84.2% | 7.7% | 12 |
| 5 Alaska | 91.8% | 86.3% | 5.5% | 23 |
| 6 Maryland | 91.8% | 86.9% | 4.9% | 32 |
| 7 Georgia | 91.6% | 85.4% | 6.2% | 22 |
| 8 Michigan | 91.3% | 86.1% | 5.2% | 28 |
| 9 New York | 91.2% | 84.9% | 6.3% | 20 |
| 10 Hawaii | 91.1% | 82.4% | 8.7% | 8 |
| 11 Ohio | 90.8% | 85.5% | 5.3% | 27 |
| 12 Nevada | 90.6% | 86.0% | 4.6% | 38 |
| 13 Arizona | 90.0% | 78.8% | 11.2% | 4 |
| 14 New Hampshire | 89.9% | 85.1% | 4.8% | 34 |
| 15 Connecticut | 89.7% | 84.8% | 4.9% | 33 |
| 16 Indiana | 89.7% | 82.6% | 7.0% | 16 |
| 17 Massachusetts | 89.2% | 83.7% | 5.5% | 24 |
| 18 New Mexico | 89.1% | 80.3% | 8.8% | 7 |
| 19 Washington | 88.9% | 80.9% | 8.1% | 10 |
| 20 Vermont | 88.7% | 83.8% | 4.8% | 35 |
| 21 Rhode Island | 88.4% | 80.2% | 8.2% | 9 |
| 22 Texas | 88.1% | 82.7% | 5.3% | 26 |
| 23 Illinois | 88.0% | 83.7% | 4.3% | 42 |
| 24 Kentucky | 88.0% | 83.1% | 4.9% | 31 |
| 25 South Carolina | 87.7% | 85.2% | 2.4% | 48 |
| 26 Utah | 87.3% | 83.3% | 3.9% | 44 |
| 27 Tennessee | 87.2% | 82.4% | 4.8% | 37 |
| 28 North Carolina | 87.1% | 82.3% | 4.8% | 36 |
| 29 Wisconsin | 87.0% | 84.7% | 2.3% | 49 |
| 30 Alabama | 86.8% | 81.8% | 5.0% | 30 |
| 31 Idaho | 86.8% | 79.6% | 7.1% | 15 |
| 32 Oklahoma | 86.5% | 79.6% | 6.9% | 17 |
| 33 Colorado | 86.1% | 81.6% | 4.5% | 41 |
| 34 Arkansas | 85.9% | 78.5% | 7.4% | 14 |
| 35 Louisiana | 85.7% | 79.6% | 6.2% | 21 |
| 36 Missouri | 85.5% | 82.0% | 3.5% | 46 |
| 37 Maine | 85.4% | 80.2% | 5.1% | 29 |
| 38 Oregon | 85.1% | 81.3% | 3.8% | 45 |
| 39 Pennsylvania | 85.1% | 83.4% | 1.7% | 50 |
| 40 Mississippi | 85.0% | 78.4% | 6.6% | 19 |
| 41 Iowa | 84.9% | 72.7% | 12.2% | 3 |
| 42 California | 84.9% | 82.0% | 2.9% | 47 |
| 43 Florida | 84.2% | 76.3% | 7.8% | 11 |
| 44 Minnesota | 84.2% | 79.7% | 4.5% | 40 |
| 45 Nebraska | 82.4% | 74.9% | 7.5% | 13 |
| 46 Wyoming | 82.0% | 78.0% | 4.0% | 43 |
| 47 Kansas | 81.9% | 77.4% | 4.5% | 39 |
| 48 Montana | 79.8% | 74.5% | 5.4% | 25 |
| 49 South Dakota | 78.9% | 66.0% | 12.9% | 2 |
| 50 North Dakota | 78.2% | 63.9% | 14.3% | 1 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 90.0% | | | |
| United States | 87.8% | | | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

States across the country have seen an increasing percentage of workers with employment-based insurance since 1990. Oklahoma's growth is ranked as the 17th fastest.

Percentage Without Health Insurance by State (2005-07)

TABLE 38

| Rank | Uninsured 2005-07 Avg | Uninsured 1990 | Rank | Change | |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Texas | 24.4% | 21.1% | 2 | 3.3% |
| 2 | New Mexico | 21.9% | 22.2% | 1 | -0.3% |
| 3 | Florida | 20.5% | 18.0% | 7 | 2.5% |
| 4 | Arizona | 19.6% | 15.5% | 13 | 4.1% |
| 5 | Louisiana | 19.4% | 19.7% | 4 | -0.3% |
| 6 | Mississippi | 18.8% | 19.9% | 3 | -1.1% |
| 7 | California | 18.6% | 19.1% | 5 | -0.5% |
| 8 | Oklahoma | 18.2% | 18.6% | 6 | -0.4% |
| 9 | Nevada | 17.9% | 16.5% | 10 | 1.4% |
| 10 | Georgia | 17.8% | 15.3% | 15 | 2.5% |
| 11 | Arkansas | 17.5% | 17.4% | 9 | 0.1% |
| 12 | Alaska | 17.3% | 15.4% | 14 | 1.9% |
| 13 | Oregon | 16.8% | 12.5% | 27 | 4.3% |
| 14 | Colorado | 16.7% | 14.7% | 17 | 2.0% |
| 15 | North Carolina | 16.6% | 13.8% | 20 | 2.8% |
| 16 | South Carolina | 16.5% | 16.2% | 11 | 0.3% |
| 17 | Montana | 16.1% | 14.0% | 18 | 2.1% |
| 18 | Utah | 15.6% | 9.0% | 43 | 6.6% |
| 19 | New Jersey | 15.2% | 10.0% | 38 | 5.2% |
| 20 | West Virginia | 14.9% | 13.8% | 21 | 1.1% |
| 21 | Idaho | 14.7% | 15.1% | 16 | -0.4% |
| 22 | Wyoming | 14.3% | 12.5% | 26 | 1.8% |
| 23 | Alabama | 13.9% | 17.4% | 8 | -3.5% |
| 23 | Tennessee | 13.9% | 13.7% | 22 | 0.2% |
| 25 | Kentucky | 13.8% | 13.2% | 23 | 0.6% |
| 26 | Illinois | 13.7% | 10.9% | 33 | 2.8% |
| 27 | Maryland | 13.6% | 12.7% | 24 | 0.9% |
| 27 | Virginia | 13.6% | 15.7% | 12 | -2.1% |
| 29 | New York | 13.4% | 12.1% | 28 | 1.3% |
| 30 | Missouri | 12.5% | 12.7% | 25 | -0.2% |
| 31 | Indiana | 12.3% | 10.7% | 35 | 1.6% |
| 32 | Washington | 12.1% | 11.4% | 30 | 0.7% |
| 33 | Nebraska | 12.0% | 8.5% | 45 | 3.5% |
| 34 | Delaware | 11.8% | 13.9% | 19 | -2.1% |
| 34 | Kansas | 11.8% | 10.8% | 34 | 1.0% |
| 36 | South Dakota | 11.2% | 11.6% | 29 | -0.4% |
| 37 | North Dakota | 11.1% | 6.3% | 50 | 4.8% |
| 38 | Ohio | 11.0% | 10.3% | 36 | 0.7% |
| 38 | Vermont | 11.0% | 9.6% | 40 | 1.4% |
| 40 | Michigan | 10.8% | 9.4% | 41 | 1.4% |
| 41 | New Hampshire | 10.5% | 9.9% | 39 | 0.6% |
| 42 | Rhode Island | 10.3% | 11.1% | 32 | -0.8% |
| 43 | Connecticut | 9.9% | 6.9% | 48 | 3.0% |
| 44 | Pennsylvania | 9.8% | 10.1% | 37 | -0.3% |
| 45 | Maine | 9.5% | 11.2% | 31 | -1.7% |
| 46 | Iowa | 9.4% | 8.1% | 46 | 1.3% |
| 47 | Wisconsin | 8.8% | 6.7% | 49 | 2.1% |
| 48 | Minnesota | 8.5% | 8.9% | 44 | -0.4% |
| 49 | Hawaii | 8.3% | 7.4% | 47 | 0.9% |
| 49 | Massachusetts | 8.3% | 9.1% | 42 | -0.8% |
| | Dist. of Columbia | 11.4% | | | |
| | United States | 15.4% | | | |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Oklahoma ranks 8th with 18.2% of our citizens without health insurance. That's almost the same percentage of uninsureds as we had in 1990 (18.6%)

State Liability Systems Ranking (2008)

TABLE 39

| | Institute for Legal Reform | | Pacific Research Institute | |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|--|
| Rank | Score | Score | Rank | |
| 1 Delaware | 71.5 | 22.2 | 24 | |
| 2 Nebraska | 71.3 | 20.7 | 19 | |
| 3 Maine | 69.3 | 17.5 | 10 | |
| 4 Indiana | 69.1 | 21.6 | 22 | |
| 5 Utah | 68.6 | 15.6 | 7 | |
| 6 Virginia | 68.4 | 14.0 | 5 | |
| 7 Iowa | 68.0 | 13.6 | 4 | |
| 8 Vermont | 67.6 | 22.1 | 23 | |
| 9 Colorado | 67.5 | 28.3 | 42 | |
| 10 Kansas | 66.7 | 22.5 | 26 | |
| 11 Minnesota | 66.5 | 21.1 | 21 | |
| 12 South Dakota | 65.7 | 18.2 | 13 | |
| 13 North Dakota | 65.6 | 11.2 | 1 | |
| 14 Oregon | 65.4 | 24.5 | 32 | |
| 15 Arizona | 65.3 | 25.4 | 33 | |
| 16 New Hampshire | 64.7 | 19.5 | 16 | |
| 17 Oklahoma | 64.2 | 20.9 | 20 | |
| 18 Massachusetts | 63.5 | 27.9 | 41 | |
| 19 Connecticut | 63.2 | 26.8 | 38 | |
| 20 Alaska | 62.6 | 12.3 | 2 | |
| 21 North Carolina | 62.6 | 12.8 | 3 | |
| 22 Tennessee | 62.3 | 18.0 | 12 | |
| 23 Wyoming | 62.1 | 16.8 | 8 | |
| 24 Wisconsin | 61.8 | 20.2 | 17 | |
| 25 New York | 61.6 | 34.6 | 48 | |
| 26 Idaho | 61.5 | 22.4 | 25 | |
| 27 Washington | 61.5 | 26.3 | 37 | |
| 28 Georgia | 61.4 | 22.7 | 27 | |
| 29 Kentucky | 61.3 | 24.5 | 31 | |
| 30 Maryland | 60.6 | 26.0 | 35 | |
| 31 Missouri | 60.1 | 29.8 | 43 | |
| 32 Ohio | 60.0 | 17.9 | 11 | |
| 33 Michigan | 59.7 | 23.0 | 28 | |
| 34 Arkansas | 58.0 | 24.3 | 30 | |
| 35 New Jersey | 58.0 | 36.5 | 49 | |
| 36 Pennsylvania | 57.8 | 30.1 | 45 | |
| 37 New Mexico | 57.5 | 14.6 | 6 | |
| 38 Montana | 57.3 | 31.6 | 46 | |
| 39 Rhode Island | 57.1 | 30.0 | 44 | |
| 40 Nevada | 56.9 | 26.1 | 36 | |
| 41 Texas | 56.8 | 20.4 | 18 | |
| 42 Florida | 54.9 | 38.2 | 50 | |
| 43 South Carolina | 54.5 | 18.8 | 14 | |
| 44 California | 51.8 | 25.8 | 34 | |
| 45 Hawaii | 51.5 | 18.9 | 15 | |
| 46 Illinois | 51.3 | 33.7 | 47 | |
| 47 Alabama | 47.5 | 27.8 | 39 | |
| 48 Mississippi | 43.7 | 17.1 | 9 | |
| 49 Louisiana | 42.9 | 23.0 | 29 | |
| 50 West Virginia | 42.4 | 27.8 | 40 | |

Source: Pacific Research Institute

According to both the Pacific Research Institute and the Institute for Legal Reform, Oklahoma could improve its ranking by enacting reform legislation.



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