Recession and Recovery in the U.S. and Oklahoma



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Vice President & Oklahoma City Branch Executive Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City Purposes and Structure of the Federal Reserve System

Overall purposes of the Fed are to promote:

- Price stability
- Maximum employment
- National financial stability

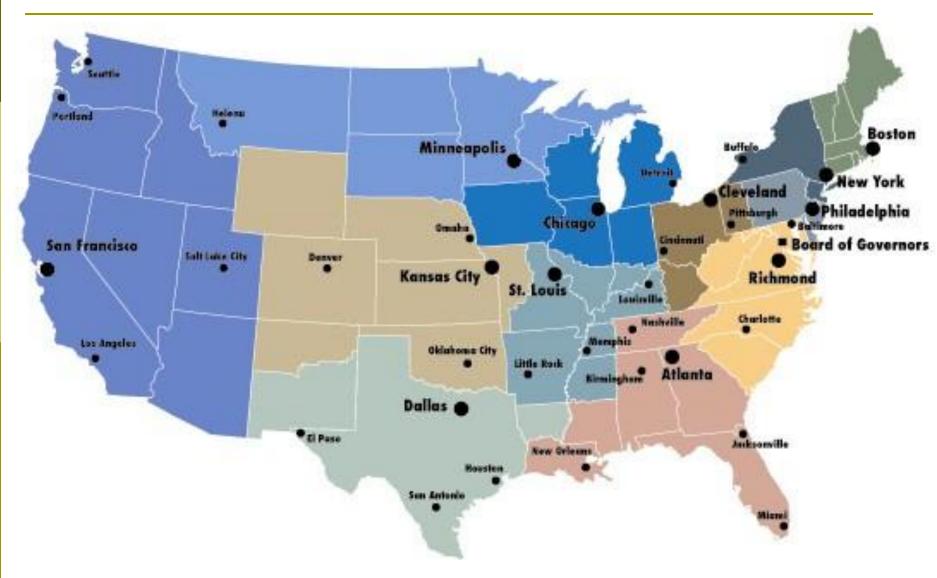
The primary functional areas of the Fed are:

- Monetary policy adjusting overnight interest rate to affect economy
- Bank regulation bank holding companies, state member banks
- Payments systems cash, checks, electronic payments

The Federal Reserve System consists of:

- <u>Board of Governors</u>: 7 members who are appointed by the U.S. President and confirmed by the Senate to serve 14-year terms.
- Federal Reserve Banks: 12 Banks, each serving a unique district.
- <u>Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC)</u>: Comprised of the 7 Governors and the 12 Reserve Bank presidents (only 5 presidents vote).

Federal Reserve Districts and Office Locations



The Kansas City and Oklahoma City Offices

Headquarters office in Kansas City

- Nearly 1,000 staff involved in all mission areas
- New building officially opened in June 2008

Oklahoma City branch office

• <u>Staff and functions</u> – 35 staff involved in economic research, bank examinations, and public and community affairs

 <u>Branch board of directors</u> – 7 members from around the state; provide anecdotal information in advance of each FOMC meeting

Oklahoma City branch board of directors

- Chairman Steve Agee, President, Agee Energy, and Professor, OCU, OKC
- Terry Almon, President, Oklahoma Community Capital Corp., Broken Arrow
- Bill Anoatubby, Governor, Chickasaw Nation, Ada
- Jim Dunn, Chairman, Mill Creek Lumber & Supply Co., Tulsa
- Fred Ramos, COO, Latino Community Development Agency, OKC
- Doug Tippens, President and CEO, Canadian State Bank, Yukon
- K. Vasudevan, Chairman, Service and Technology Corp., Bartlesville

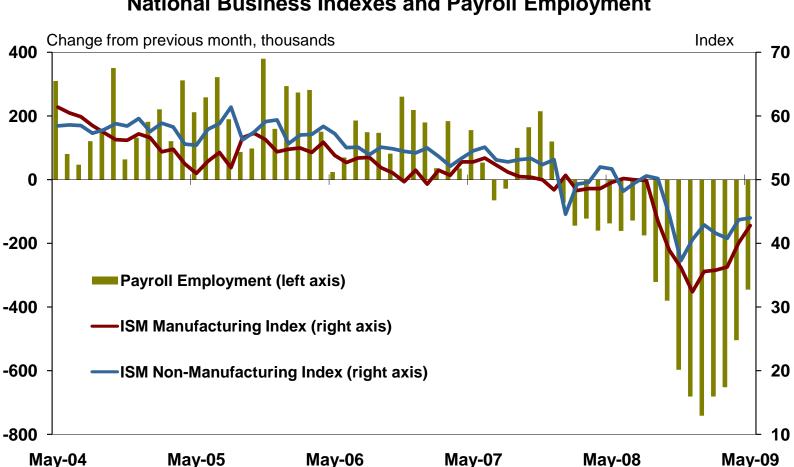
The U.S. Economy

The U.S. economy is still declining but may be nearing a bottom

The strength of recovery will depend in part on better credit conditions

Inflation has eased and is expected to remain tame in the near term

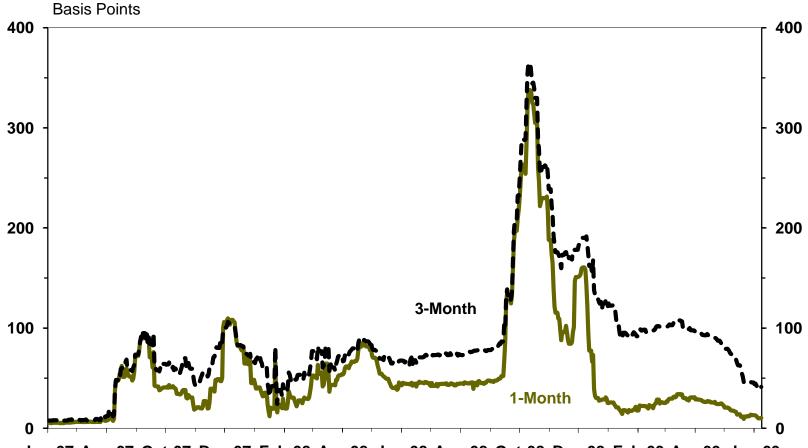
Following 2 very bad quarters, declines in the U.S. economy have been smaller in Q2 2009



National Business Indexes and Payroll Employment

Credit market conditions have also improved but remain somewhat strained

LIBOR-OIS Spread



Jun-07 Aug-07 Oct-07 Dec-07 Feb-08 Apr-08 Jun-08 Aug-08 Oct-08 Dec-08 Feb-09 Apr-09 Jun-09

Source: Bloomberg

The U.S. policy response to the recession and financial crisis has been broad

Federal Reserve

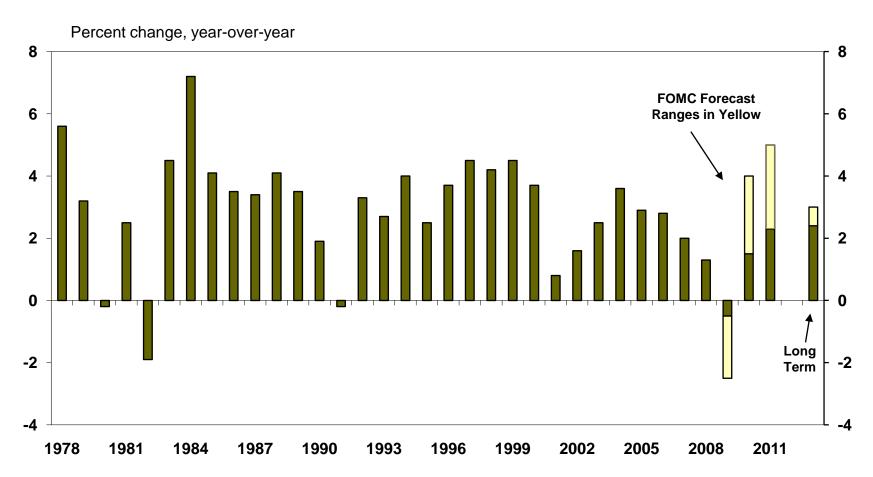
- Lowered the Fed Funds rate
- Implemented numerous liquidity facilities
- Purchased long-term securities

U.S. Treasury and Congress

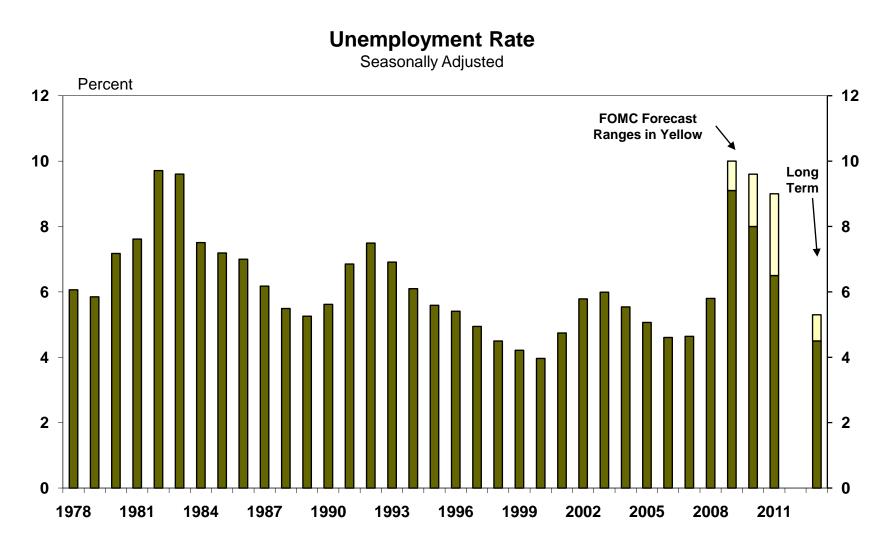
- Passed the TARP
- Passed a large fiscal stimulus bill
- Some foreclosure prevention policies

Heading forward, policy makers generally expect a gradual recovery

Gross Domestic Product

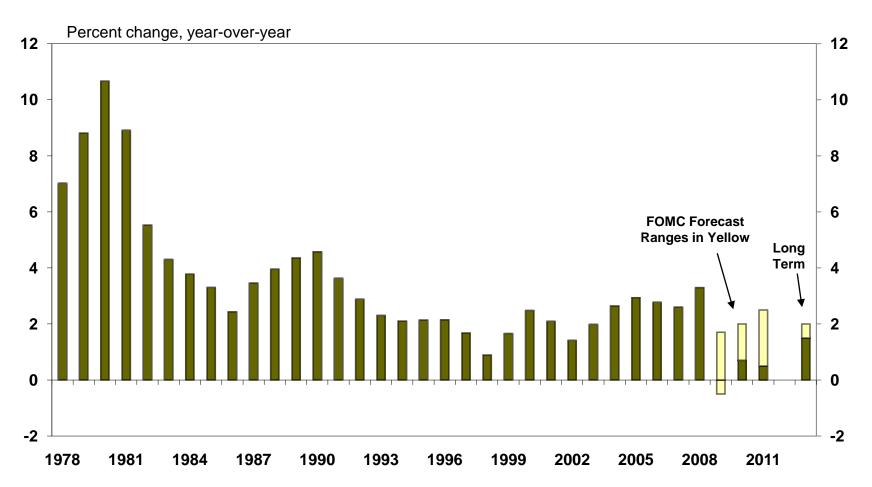


But U.S. unemployment is expected to remain elevated for some time



Meanwhile, inflation is expected to remain fairly moderate in coming years

PCE Inflation Index



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, FOMC

The Oklahoma Economy

- The state's economy and housing sector remain stronger than in the nation
- But the downturn in energy activity has dragged the state into recession
- Recent data suggest a bottom may be near in Oklahoma, just as in the nation

Unemployment remains relatively low in Oklahoma and most nearby states

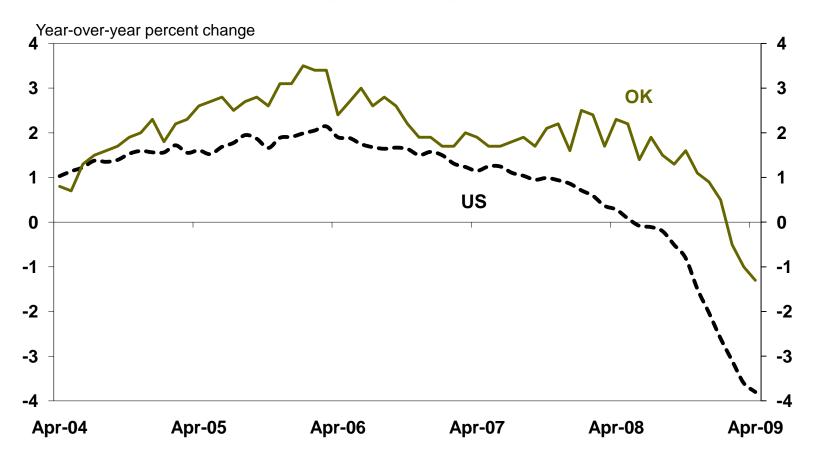


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Rate

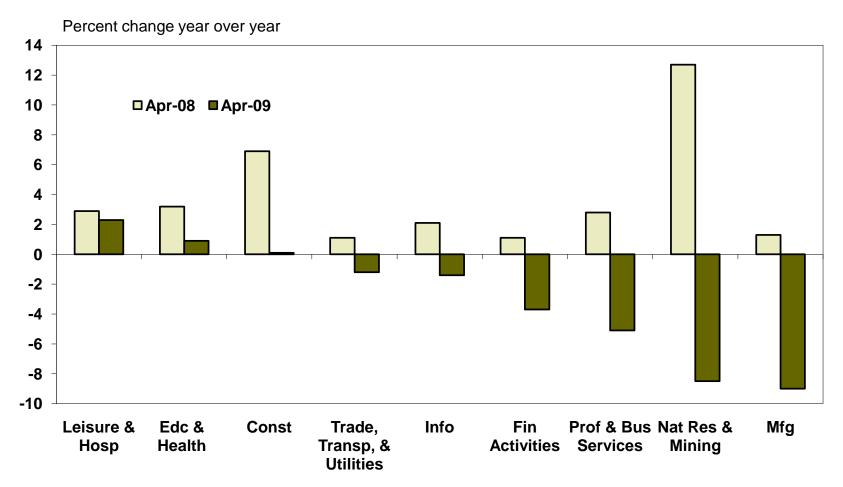
But jobs are now well below year-ago levels in Oklahoma, following a long boom

Nonfarm Payroll Employment Growth



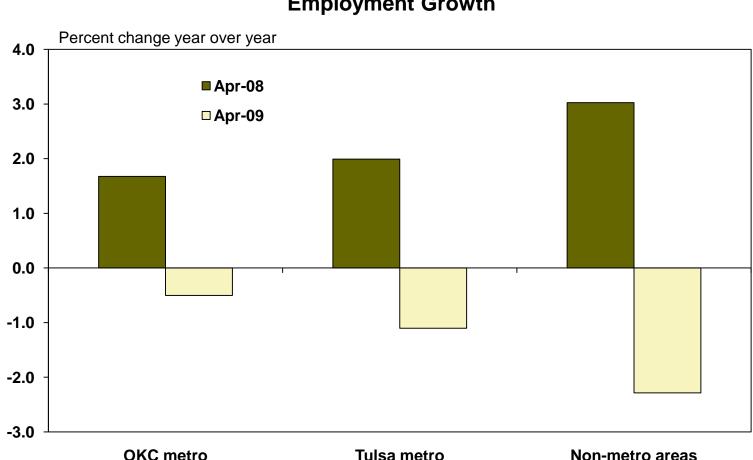
Employment is down in most industries in the state, especially energy and manufacturing

Oklahoma Employment Growth by Industry



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

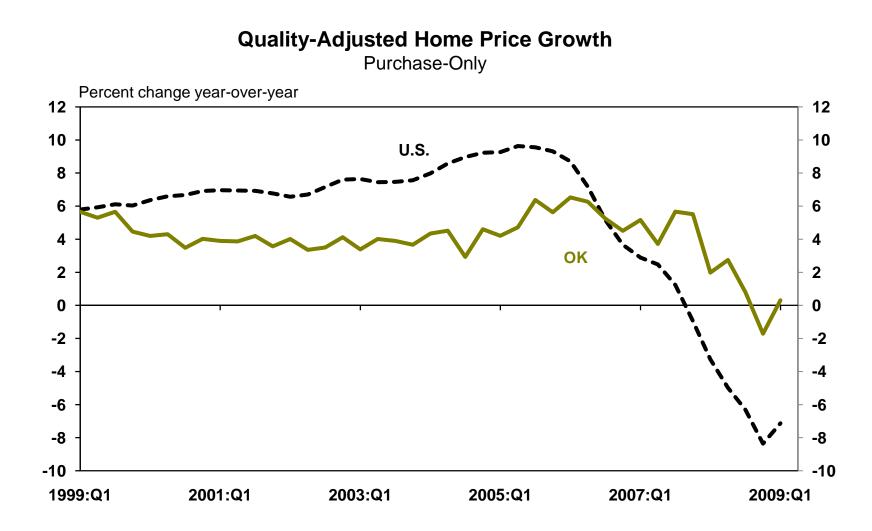
The decline in jobs has been sharpest in the state's non-metro areas



Employment Growth

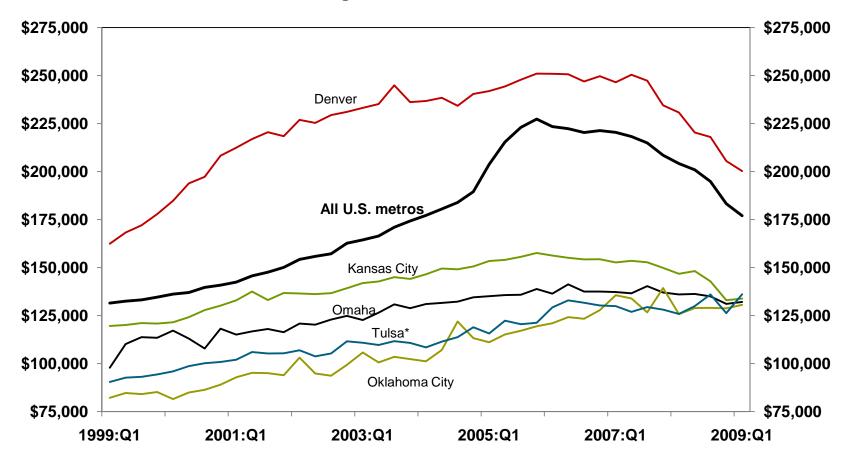
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Unlike the nation, Oklahoma home prices remain similar to a year ago



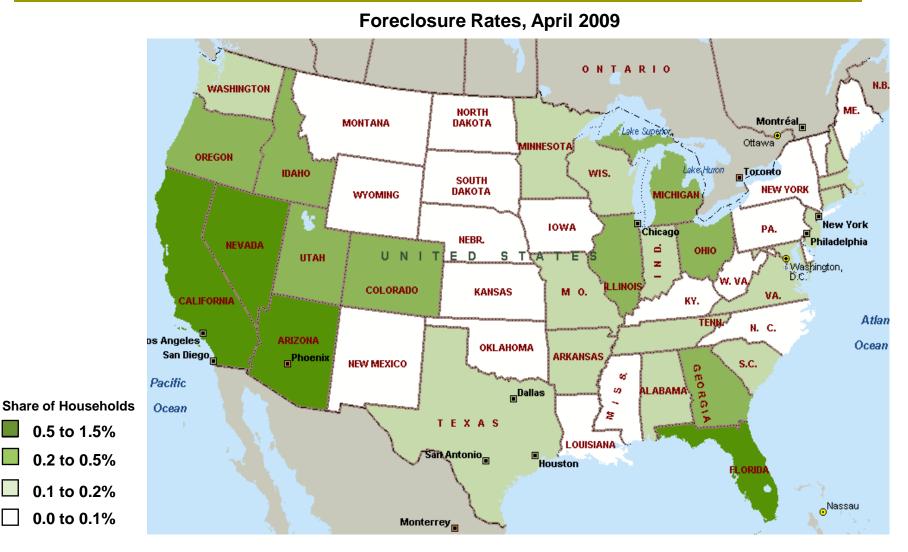
Indeed, OKC and Tulsa home prices have caught up with some other regional cities

Median Home Prices in U.S. and Five Largest Tenth District Cities

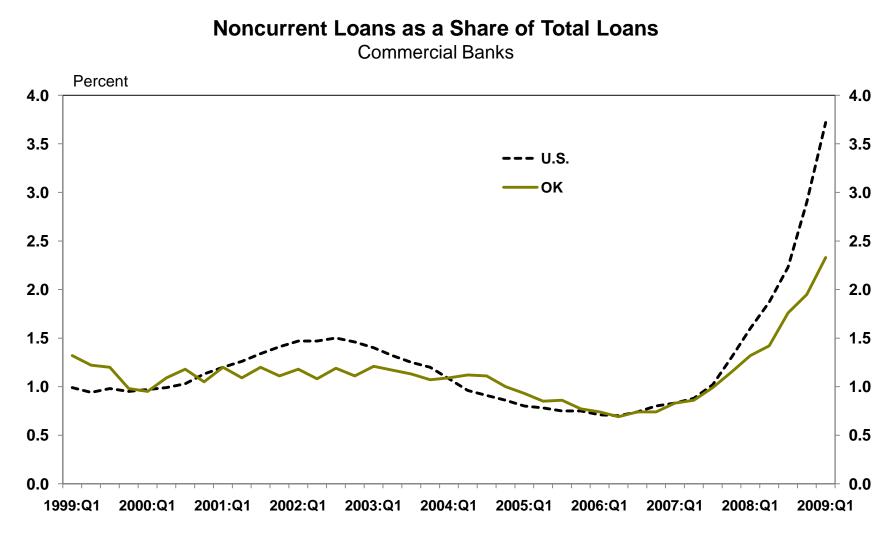


* Tulsa data are from NAR through Q3 2008, then estimated for more recent quarters by using growth rates in FHFA's Tulsa home price index Source: NAR, FHFA

And home foreclosures have remained relatively low in the state



Past due loans have risen at Oklahoma banks, but much less than in the nation

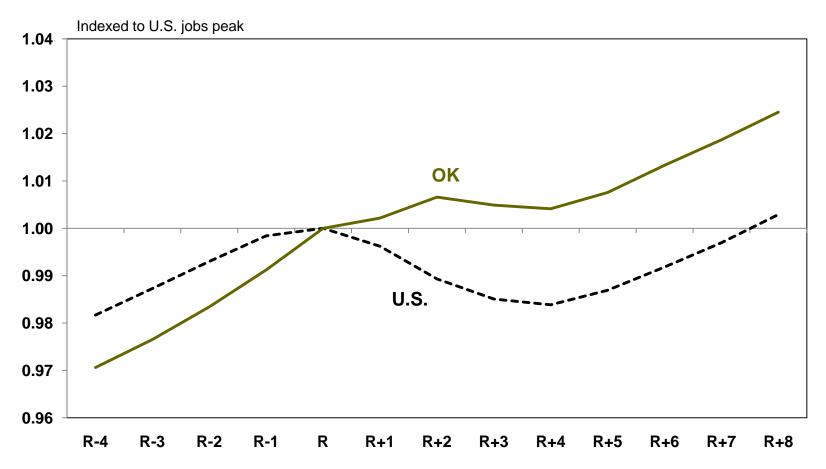


Source: FDIC

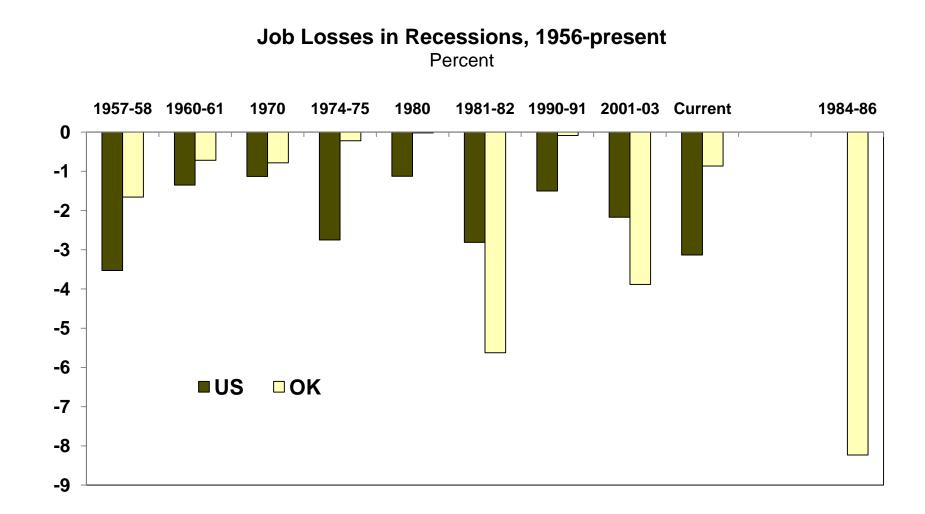
Oklahoma usually enters recessions later than the nation but exits about the same time

Average Recession Path, 1956-2006

Employment level 4 quarters before and 8 quarters after U.S. jobs peak

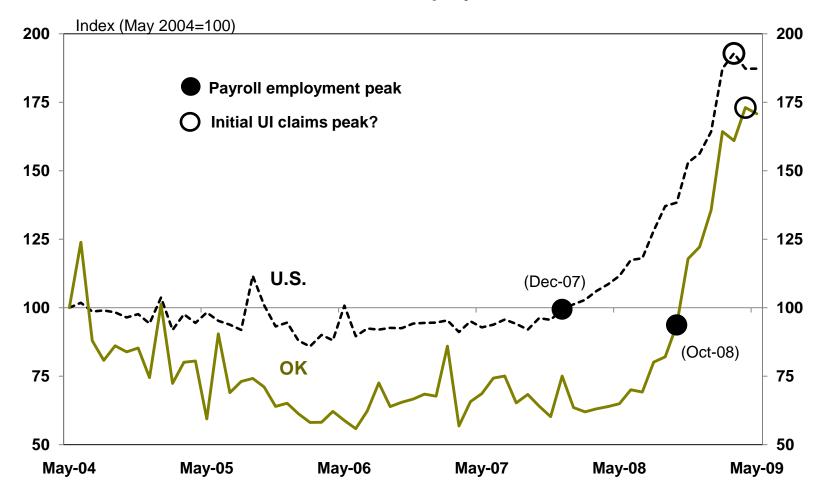


With the shorter duration, Oklahoma's job losses in U.S. recessions are usually smaller



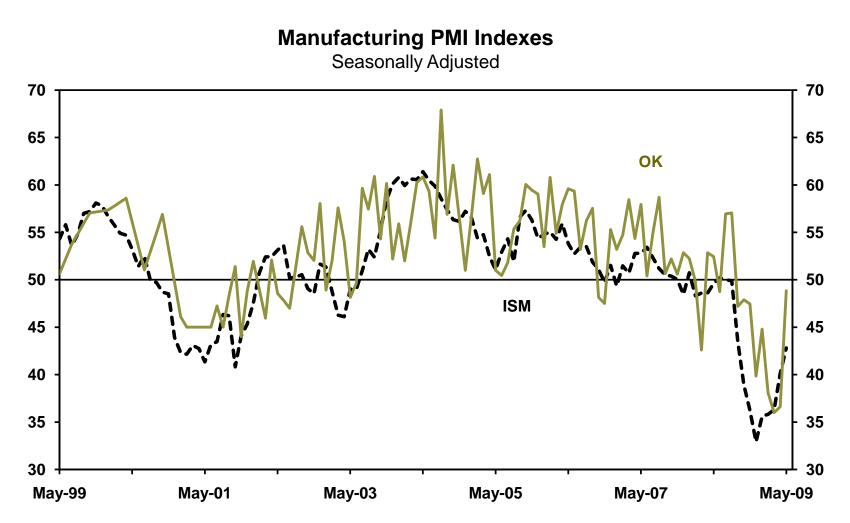
So far, the state is largely following its usual pattern during U.S. recessions

Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance



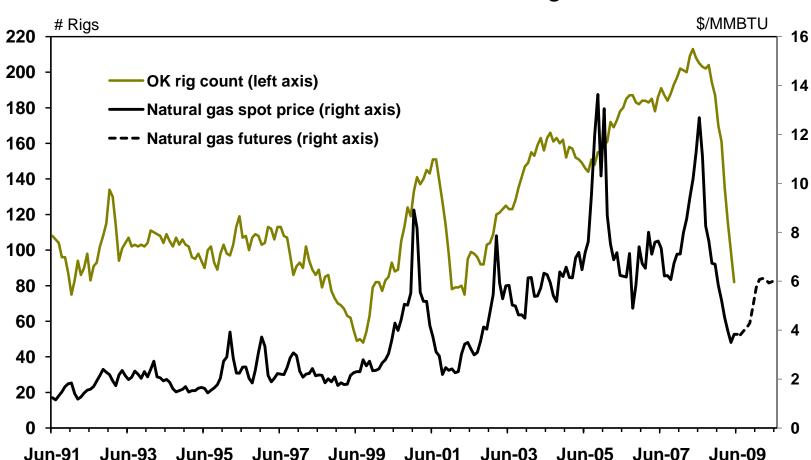
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

The KC Fed manufacturing survey also showed only a modest Oklahoma decline in May



Note: OK index is computed on ISM basis (50 = zero change) Source: ISM, FRBKC Manufacturing Survey

The wild card remains the energy sector, where the rig count may be near bottom?



Natural Gas Prices and Oklahoma Rig Count

Summary

The U.S. economy may be near a bottom, but recovery may be modest for some time

As usual, Oklahoma entered the recession later than the nation, but recent data are encouraging

■ Efforts to boost U.S. growth in 2009 and 2010 should help, but slow energy activity is a risk