### Regional Economic Outlook



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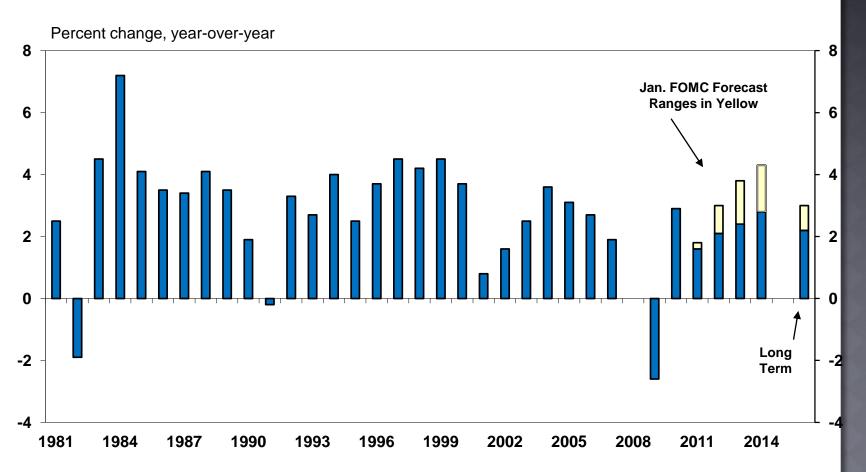
## Federal Reserve Districts and Office Locations





# At its meeting this week, the FOMC expected solid GDP growth in 2012

#### **Real Gross Domestic Product**

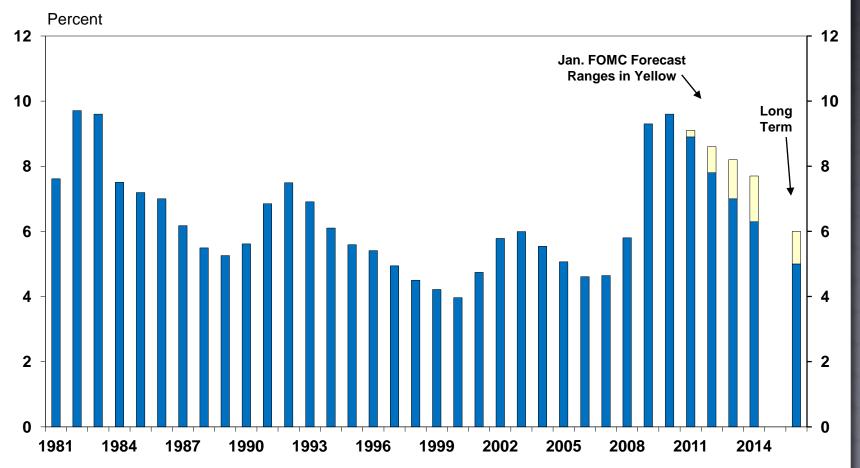




# But for unemployment to only come down slowly the next few years

### **Unemployment Rate**

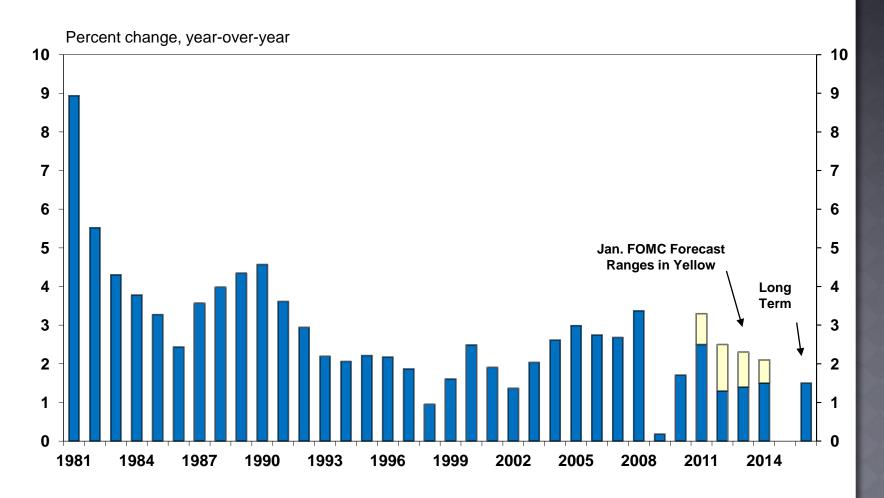
Seasonally Adjusted





# And for inflation pressures to ease slightly after rising with oil and food prices in 2011

#### **PCE Inflation Index**

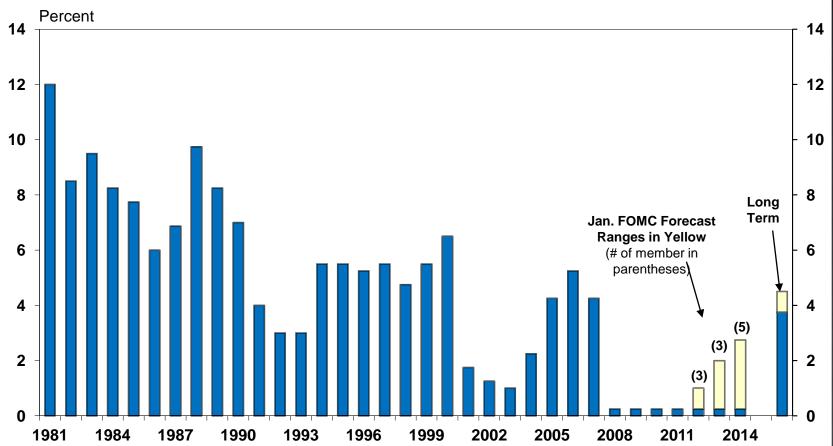




## For the first time, the FOMC also released forecasts for interest rates

#### **Federal Funds Rate**

Year-end target



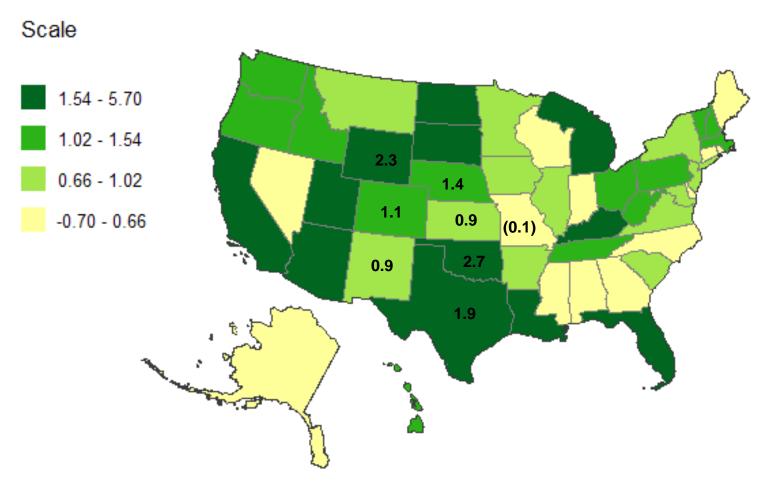
Note – Number of participants who project the initial increase will occur in the specified year in parenthesis



# There is considerable variation in economic strength across the nation

### Employment Growth, Year-over-Year (percent)

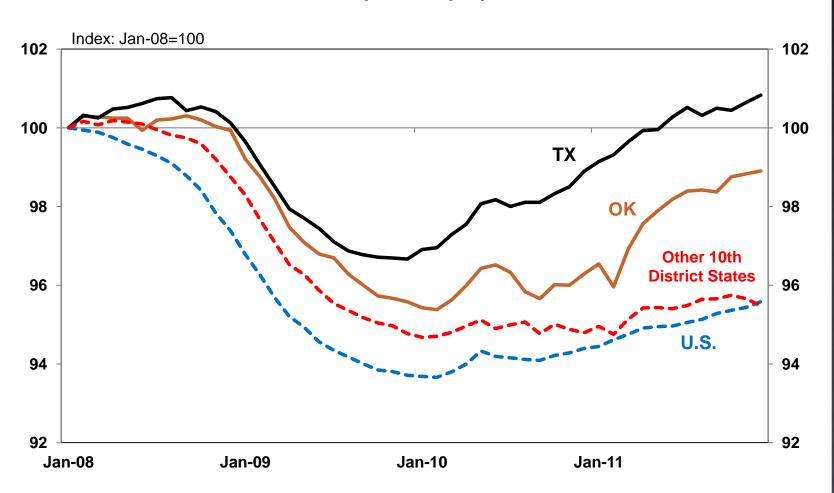
December 2011





## The level of jobs in Oklahoma is nearly back to pre-recession levels, unlike the U.S.

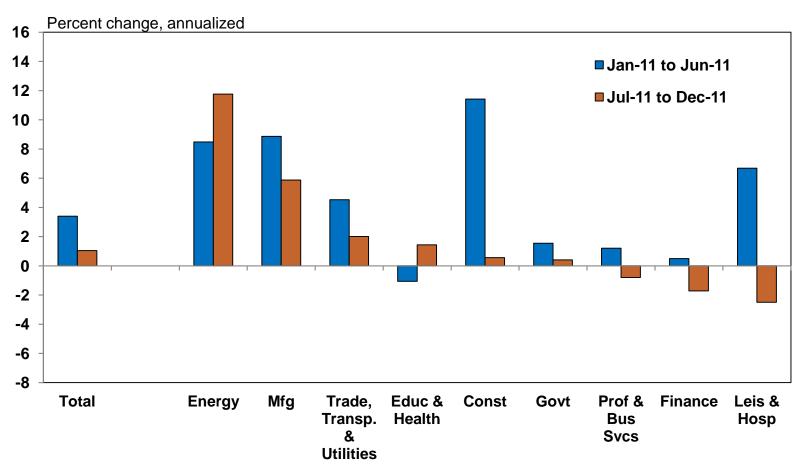
### **Level of Payroll Employment**





# Growth in most Oklahoma sectors slowed in second half 2011, except energy and health

### **Oklahoma Employment Growth**

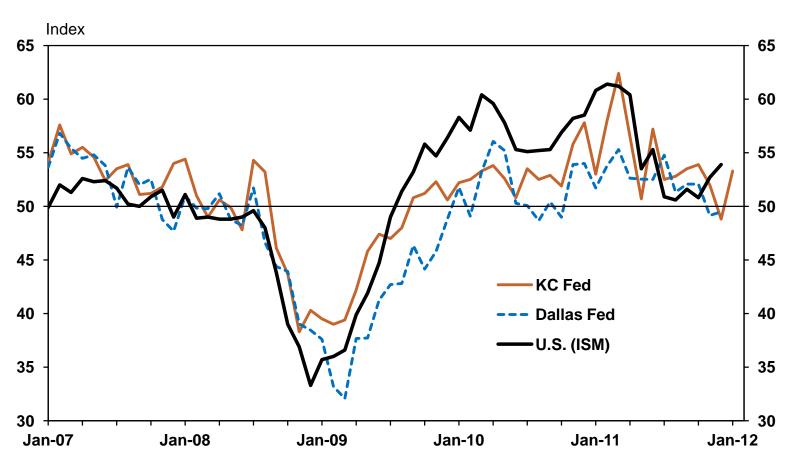




## January data on regional manufacturing suggest growth remains moderate

### **Manufacturing Composite Activity**

Seasonally Adjusted

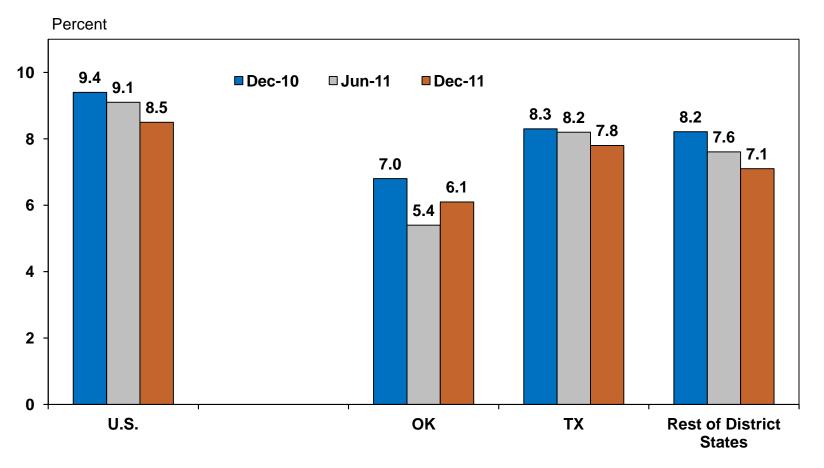




## Oklahoma's unemployment rate has risen, as workers resume searching for jobs

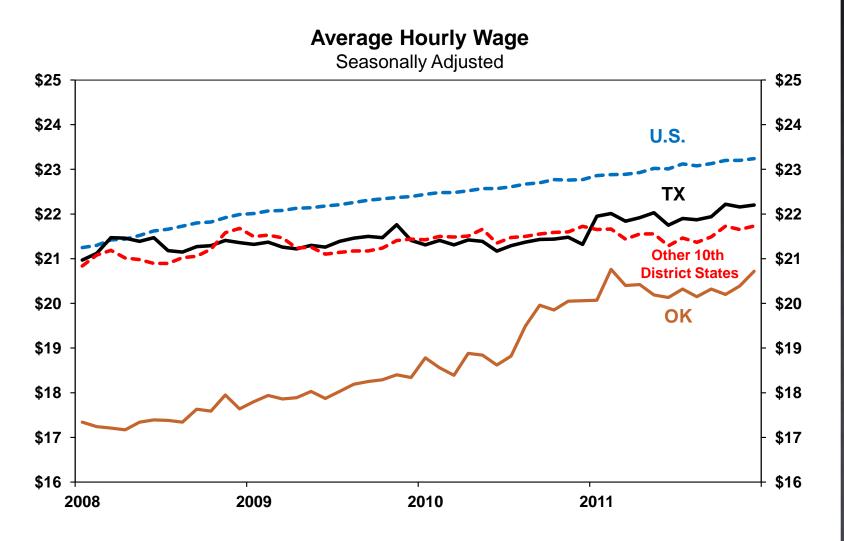
### **Unemployment Rate**

Seasonally Adjusted\*



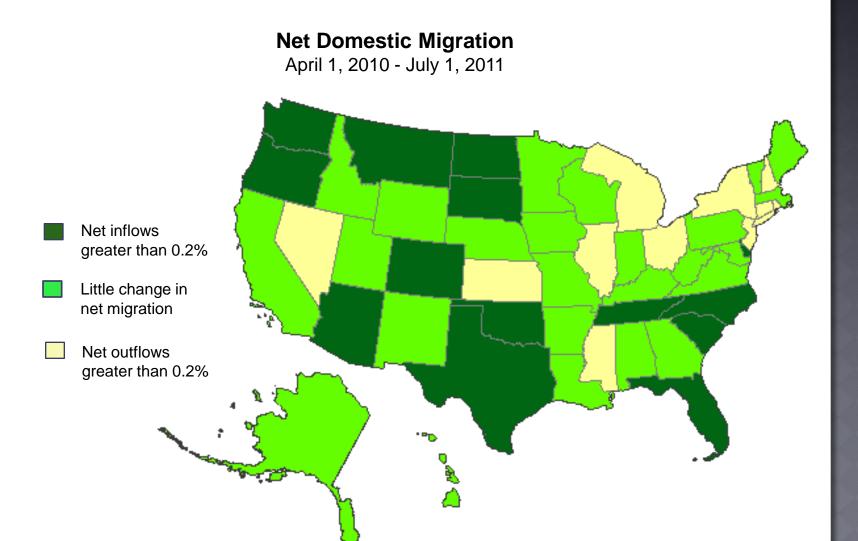


## Oklahoma wages are catching up to those in surrounding states and the nation as a whole





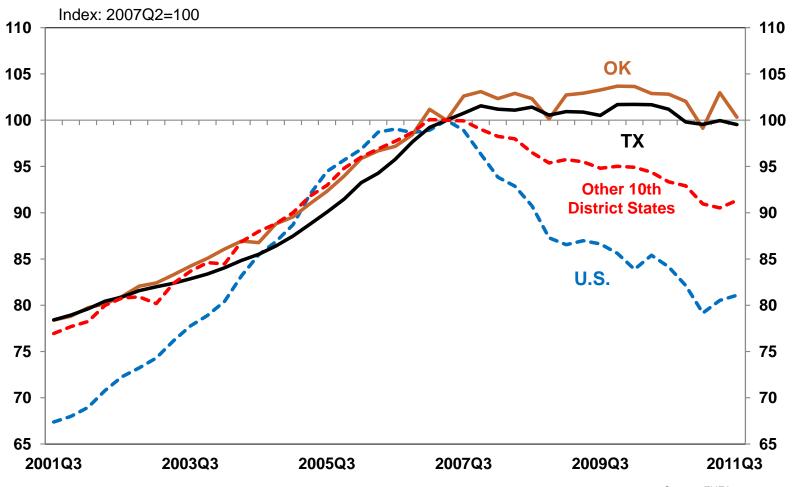
### Oklahoma has seen net in-migration from other states since the 2010 Census



### Home prices have held up considerably better than in the nation as a whole

#### **Home Price Index**

Purchase-Only

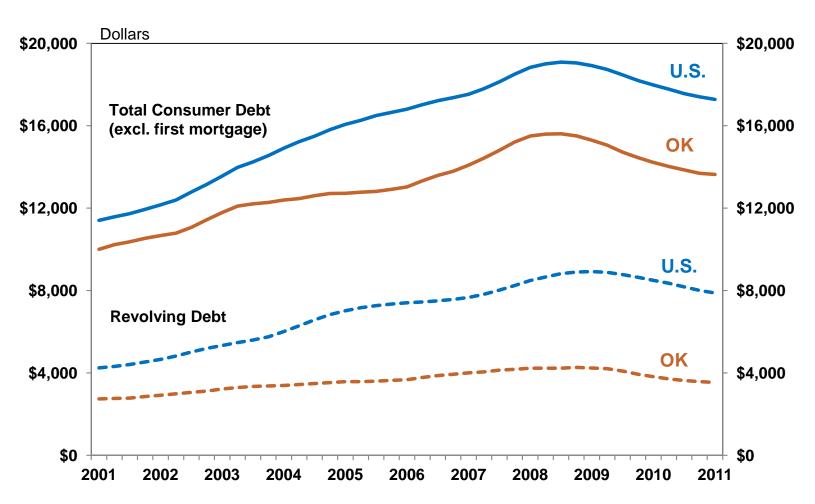




Source: FHFA

## Consumer debt is also less burdensome than in the U.S., even moreso than a decade ago

### **Average Debt Per Consumer**

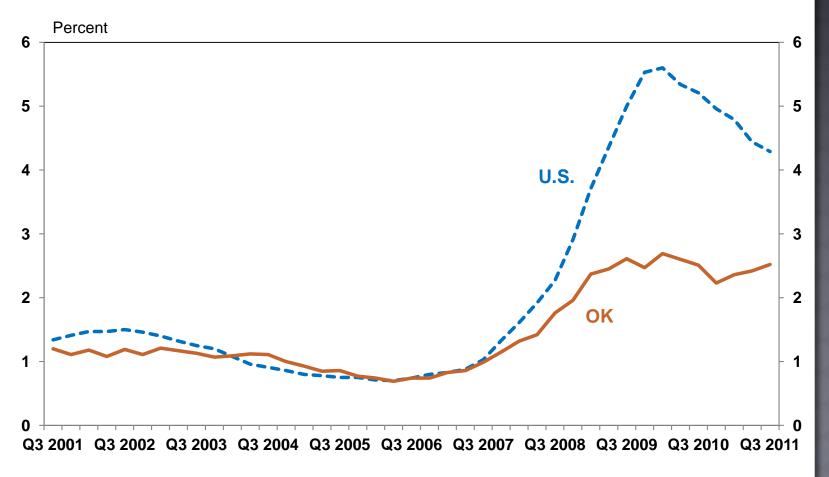




# Problem loans are still elevated in OK, but much less so than in banks nationally

#### **Noncurrent Loans as a Share of Total Loans**

**Commercial Banks** 

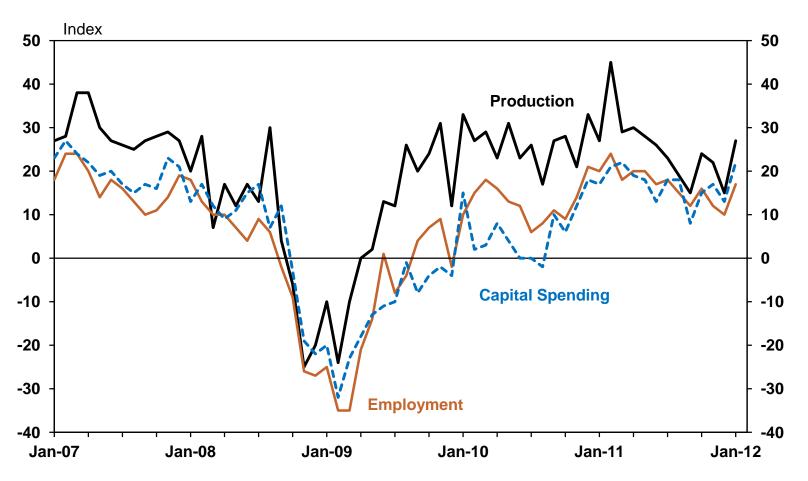




# Purchasing managers in the region remain relatively optimistic about 2012 growth

### **Tenth District Manufacturing Expectations**

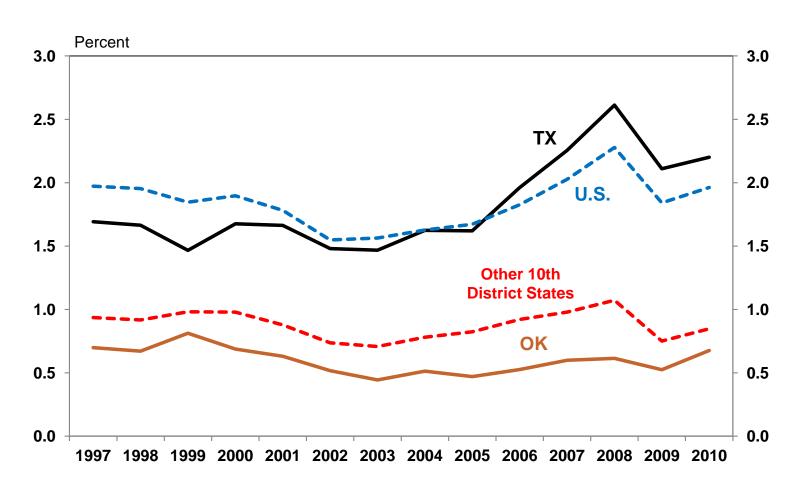
Six-Months Ahead, Seasonally Adjusted





## Oklahoma has much less trade exposure to Europe than does the U.S. as a whole

### **Exports to Europe as a Share of GDP**

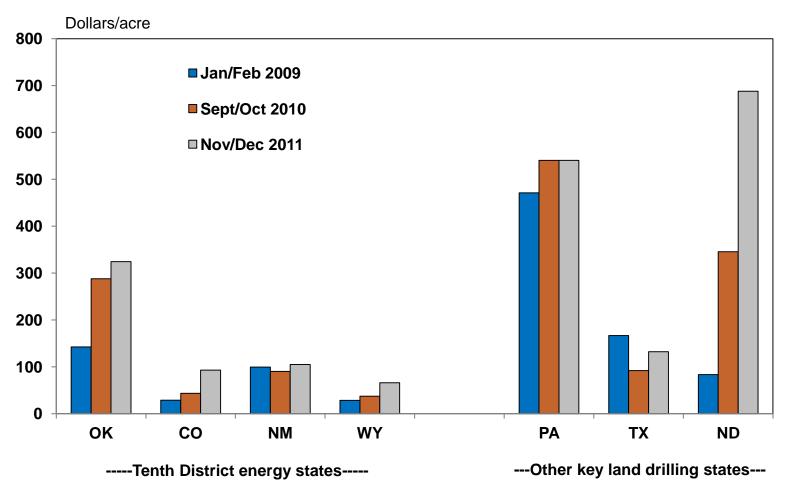




# Oil and gas lease rates have continued to rise in Oklahoma and other energy states

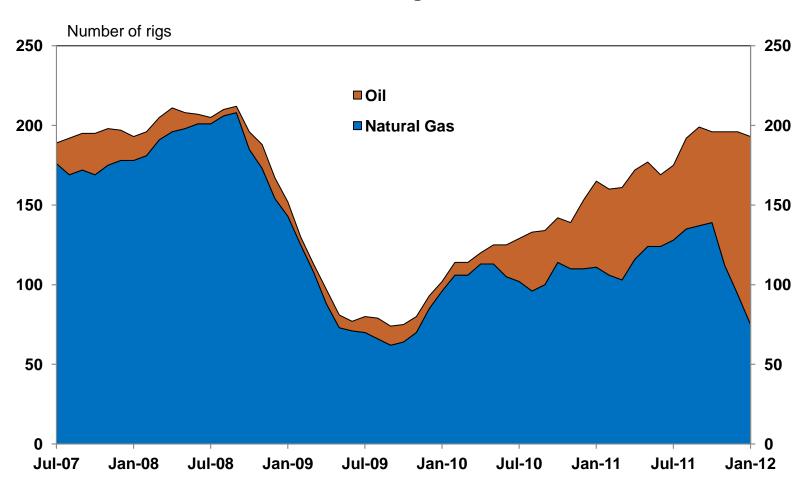
#### Oil and Gas Lease Rates

Most common bonus



# Natural gas drilling has fallen sharply in the state, but oil has so far replaced the dropoff

### **Oklahoma Rig Count**





### **Conclusions**

Oklahoma grew much faster than the nation in 2011, and banking and real estate conditions are better

□ Growth slowed in the second half of 2011, but conditions still appear good for moderate growth in 2012



### **Questions?**



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