### U.S. & Oklahoma Economic Outlook



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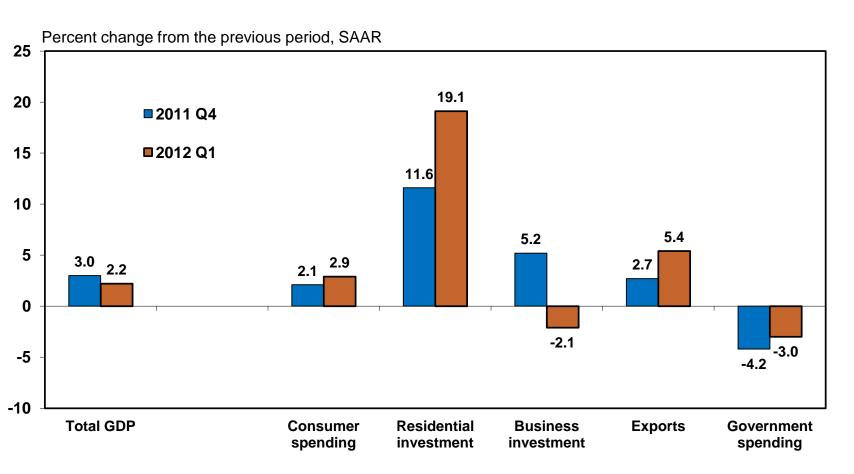
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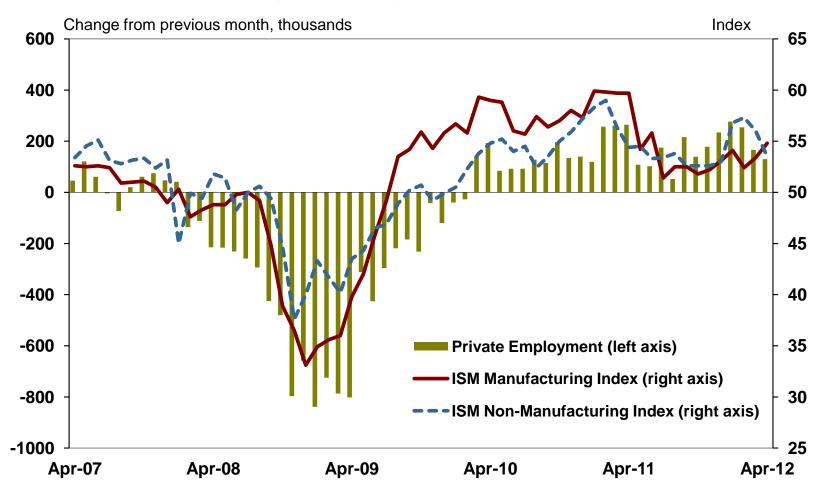
# U.S. GDP growth eased slightly in Q1, while housing investment rose sharply

**Growth in Components of Real GDP** 



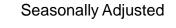
## Early Q2 data suggest moderate growth continues in the U.S. economy

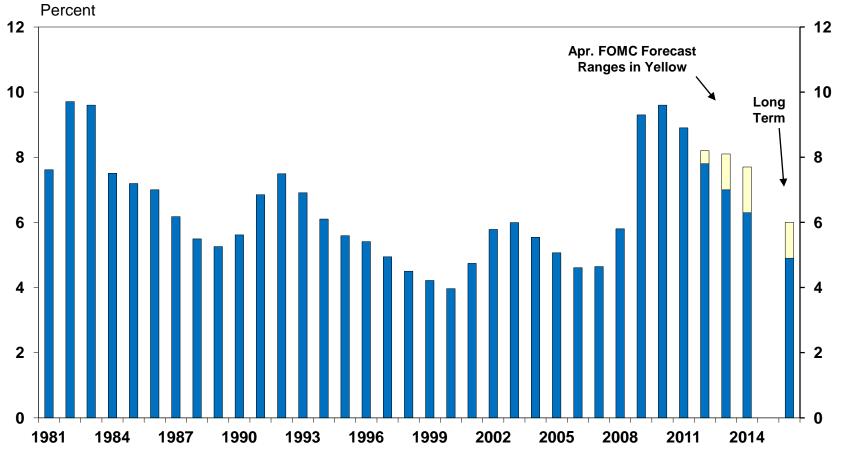
#### **U.S. Private Payroll Employment and Business Indexes**



#### At its last meeting, the FOMC expected unemployment to gradually fall further

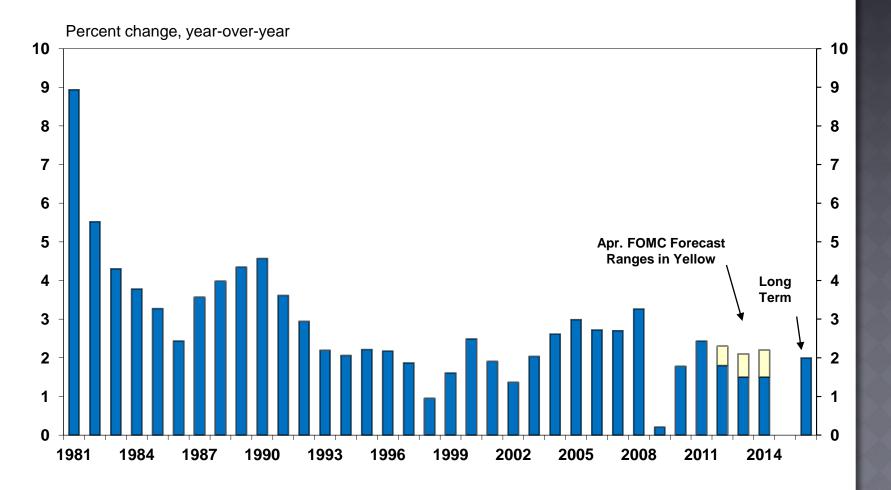
**Unemployment Rate** 





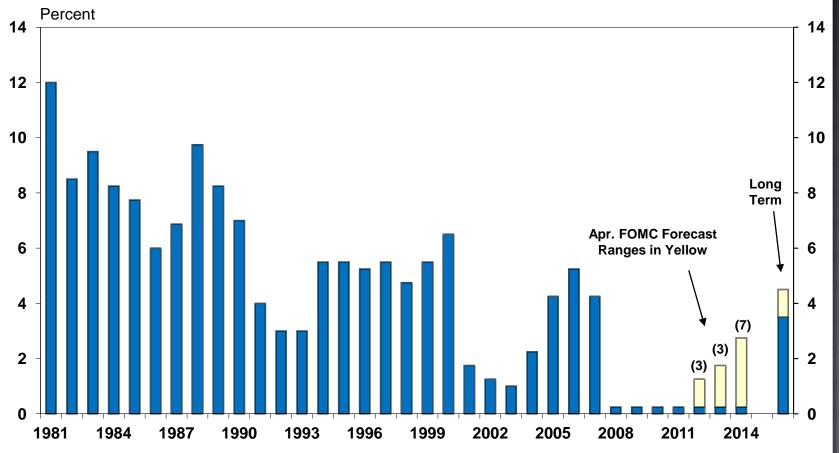
# And for inflation pressures to stabilize after rising with oil and food prices in 2011

**PCE Inflation Index** 



## The majority of FOMC members expect interest rates to stay low through 2014

Federal Funds Rate Year-end target

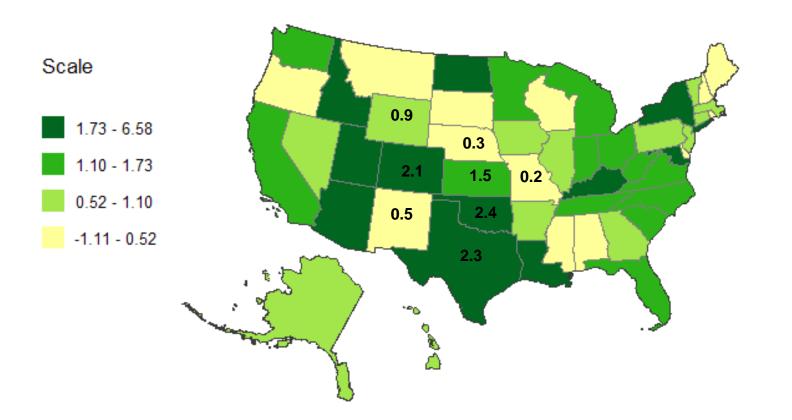


Note – Number of participants who project the initial increase will occur in the specified year in parenthesis

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

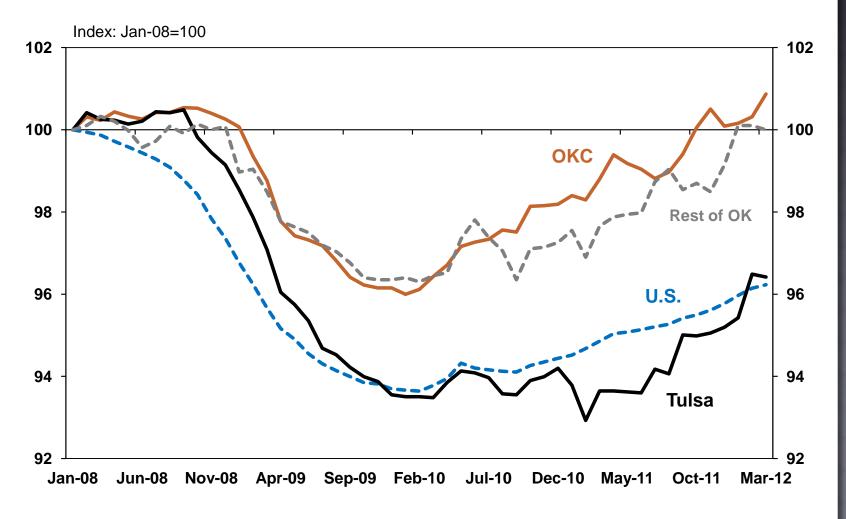
There remains considerable variation in economic strength across the nation

Employment Growth, Year-over-Year (percent) March 2012



## Employment in Oklahoma is back above pre-recession levels...if Tulsa is excluded

Level of Payroll Employment

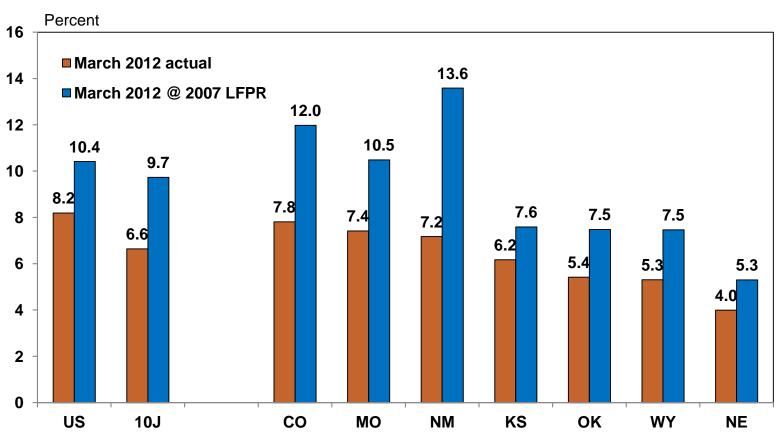


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

OK unemployment is now quite low, but labor force dropouts are part of the reason

**Unemployment Rates by State** 

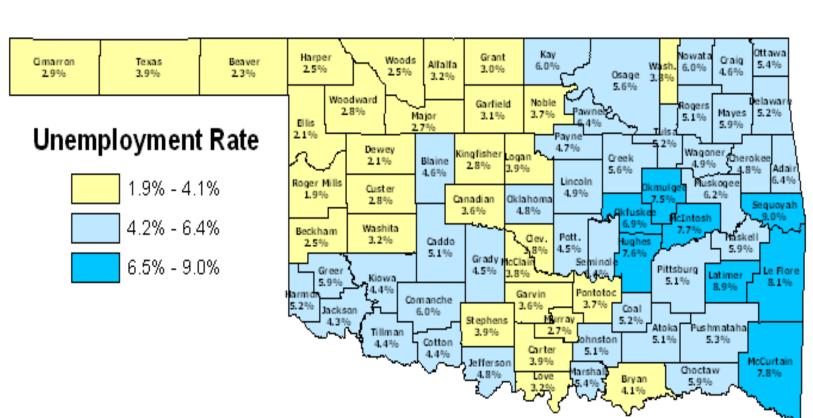
Seasonally Adjusted



LFPR=Labor Force Participation Rate

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Unemployment is quite low in much of western, central, and southern Oklahoma

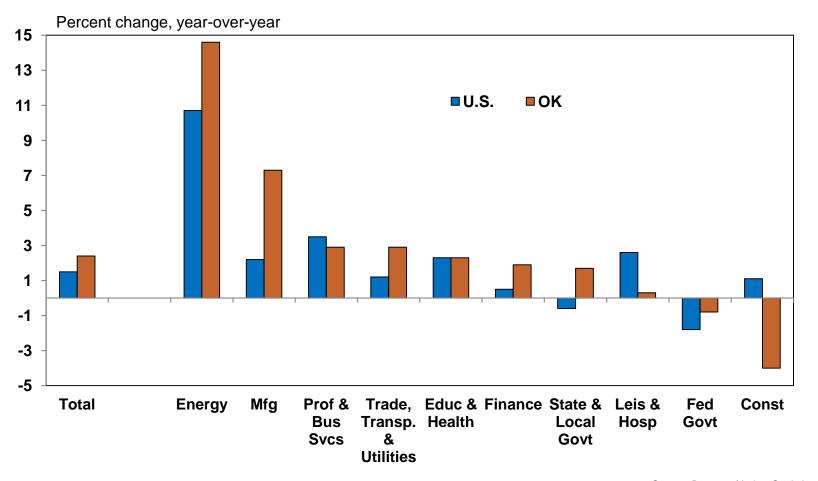


County Unemployment Rates March 2012

#### Source: OK Employment Security Commission

## Job growth in most Oklahoma sectors has been better than the nation

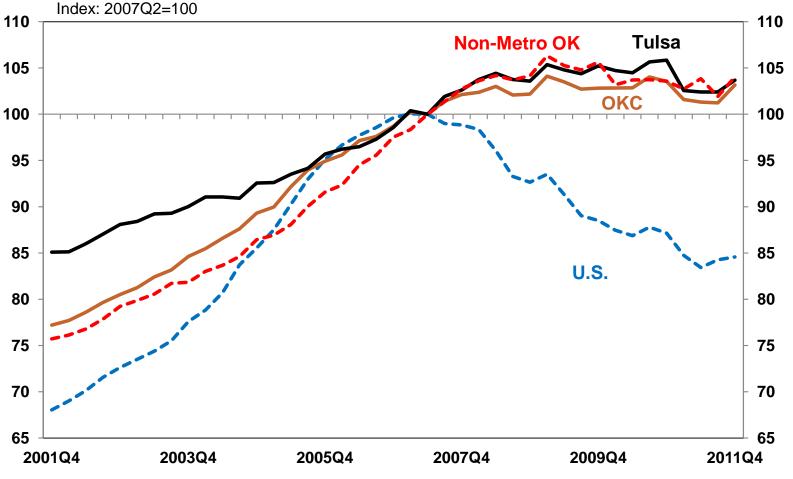
Oklahoma Employment Growth March 2012



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Home prices have held up much better throughout Oklahoma than in the nation

**Home Price Index** 

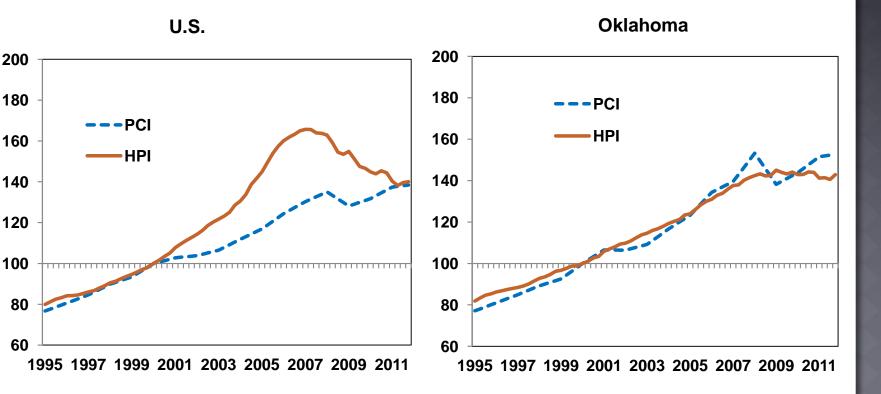


Source: FHFA

## Income fundamentals suggest Oklahoma is at less risk of future home price declines

Home Prices and Per Capita Income Levels

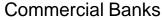


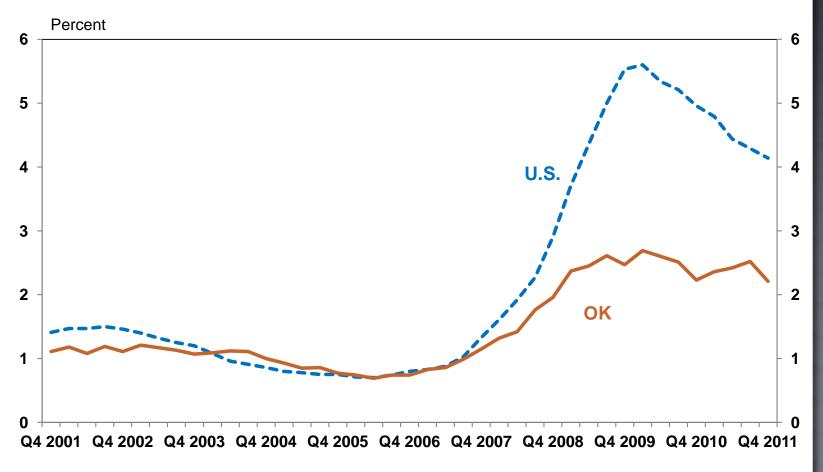


Source: FHFA, BEA

Overall, problem loans are much less elevated at Oklahoma banks than nationally

Noncurrent Loans as a Share of Total Loans



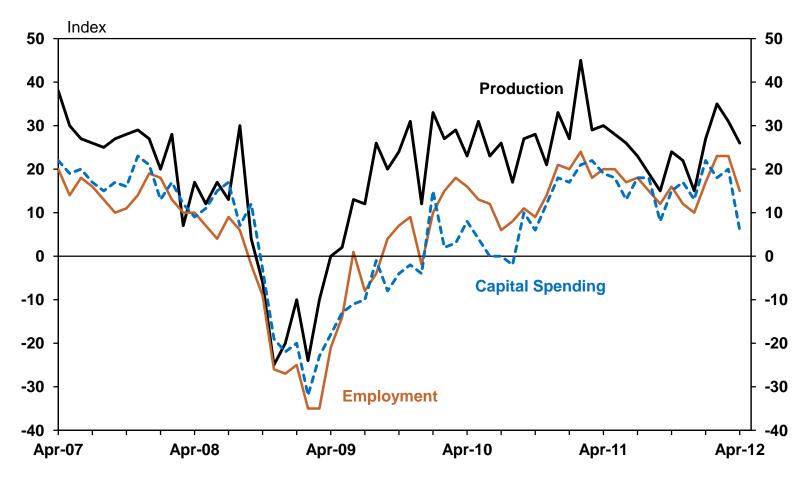


Source: FDIC

Looking ahead, purchasing managers in the region showed less optimism in April

**Tenth District Manufacturing Expectations** 

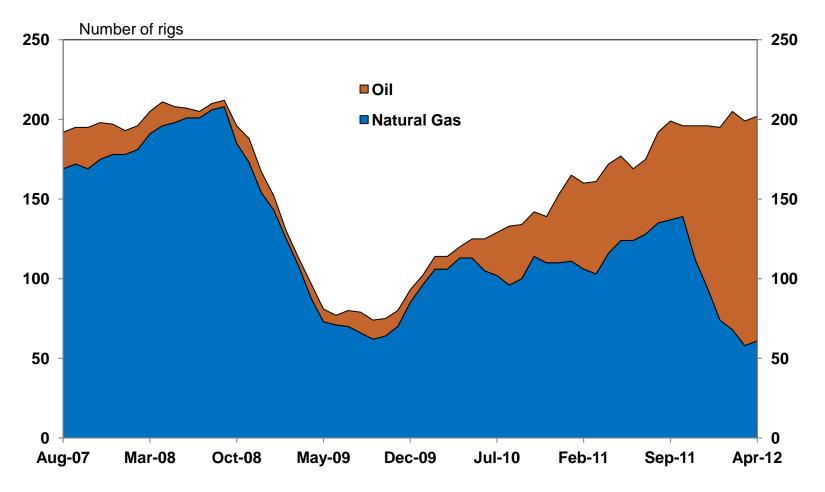
Six-Months Ahead, Seasonally Adjusted



Source: KC, Dallas FRB Manufacturing Surveys

# And Oklahoma energy activity is leveling off somewhat with low natural gas prices

**Oklahoma Rig Count** 



#### Conclusions

The U.S. economy continues to grow moderately, amid limited inflation, with housing showing some recent strength

Oklahoma economic growth and housing activity remains better than the nation and region, but growth may slow slightly



#### **Questions?**



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