

# State Economic Report

**May 2025** 

"Easing tariff pressures are boosting business confidence and helping Oklahoma's key industries grow. While some uncertainties remain, our economy shows steady progress and resilience moving forward."



STATE TREASURER TODD RUSS

## Monthly Comparison: May vs April 2025



#### **Gross Production Tax**



1.8M or 2.1%



#### Income Tax



\$705.4M or 63.2%



#### Sales & Use Tax<sup>1</sup>



\$77.9M or 6.5%



#### Vehicle Tax



1 \$16.4M or 27.1%



### Other Tax Sources<sup>2</sup>



\$17.6M or 11.8%



<sup>2</sup> Oklahoma Tax Commission gross taxes

**GROSS PRODUCTION TAX** Oil & Gas Breakout

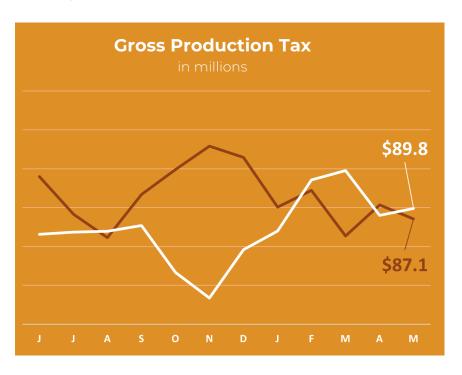
**Gross Production Gas Gross Production Oil**  \$31.84M \$ 56.28M Petroleum Gas \$ 649.4K

\$ 1.04M Petroleum Oil

Gross Production Tax (GPT) equal \$89.8 million in revenues for May, the division saw an overall increase over last month of \$1.8 million or 2.1%.

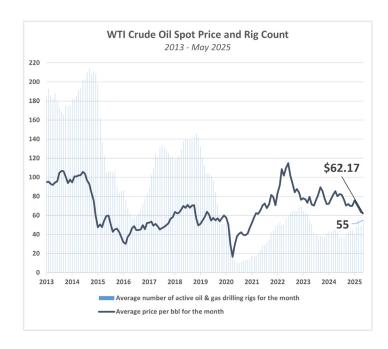
"Gross Production Tax reflects a recovery, supported by resilient output and commodity prices holding above key thresholds. While the energy sector remains cyclical, sustained gains suggest improving conditions, renewed investment, and growing confidence in longterm demand. This strength continues to support economic stability in Oklahoma's energyproducing regions."

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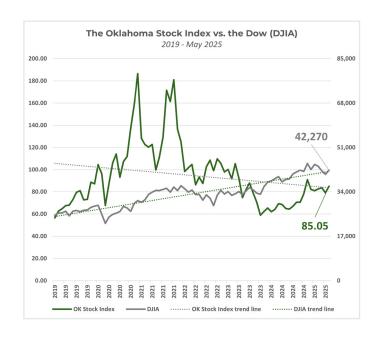
With WTI crude oil prices decreasing and rig count increasing over the last month, it signals cautious optimism among producers. This divergence suggests operators are seeing longer-term stability and demand, even amid near-term price pressure. Continued drilling activity helps sustain economic momentum in the energy sector.

Cost pressures declined again for the fourth month with the Consumer Price Index for gas down **2.6**%.



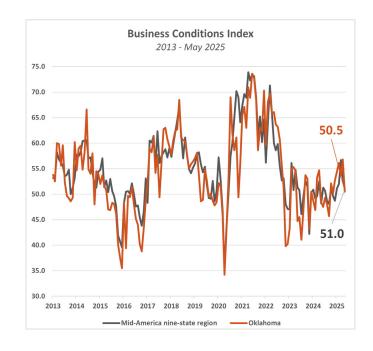
The Oklahoma Stock Index is climbing, mirroring gains in the Dow Jones Industrial Average, and has now surpassed its levels from before last month's decline.

The Dow is currently trading at 42,270, reflecting renewed investor confidence driven by an improved outlook on tariff agreements and strong economic data. This positive sentiment is helping lift both indexes back to higher ground.



Oklahoma's Business Conditions Index continues to hold above growth neutral for the last seven months being at **50.5** for May.

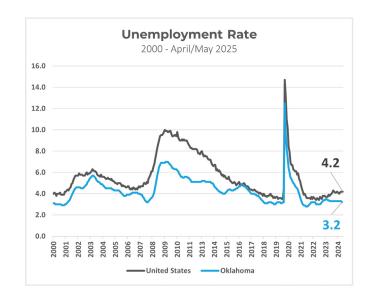
The Oklahoma manufacturing sector exported \$1.8 billion in goods for the first quarter of 2025 compared to \$1.7 billion for the same period in 2024, for a 6.4% gain, according to the International Trade Administration.



Oklahoma continues its low plateau in Unemployment while the US rate declined **0.1%** over last month.

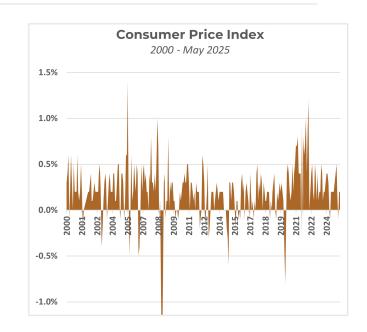
Unemployment remains very low as jobs continue to grow with non-farm payroll employment with Oklahoma tying for 10th in the nation for **percentage gain** over the last 12 months.

Nationwide unemployment fell in 31 states, rose in 3 and remained unchanged in 19.



CPI hit **2.4**% in **May** reports, an increase of **0.1**% compared with April at **2.3**%, showing signs of gradual inflationary moderation. Although **price growth is easing**, inflation remains above recent levels.

Most categories still saw increases, showing **inflation pressures are broad but less intense**. While headline inflation is moderating, consumers continue to face higher costs for essentials like shelter and food.



The average 30-year fixed rate mortgage increased at an average of **6.82**% as financial market uncertainty continues to affect borrowing costs.

Although rates were expected to fall after the Fed's 2024 rate cuts, long-term outlook remains unclear.

Buying a home is still challenging, with the main obstacles now shifting from high rates to affordability, availability and buyer confidence.

