# U.S. & Oklahoma Economic Outlook

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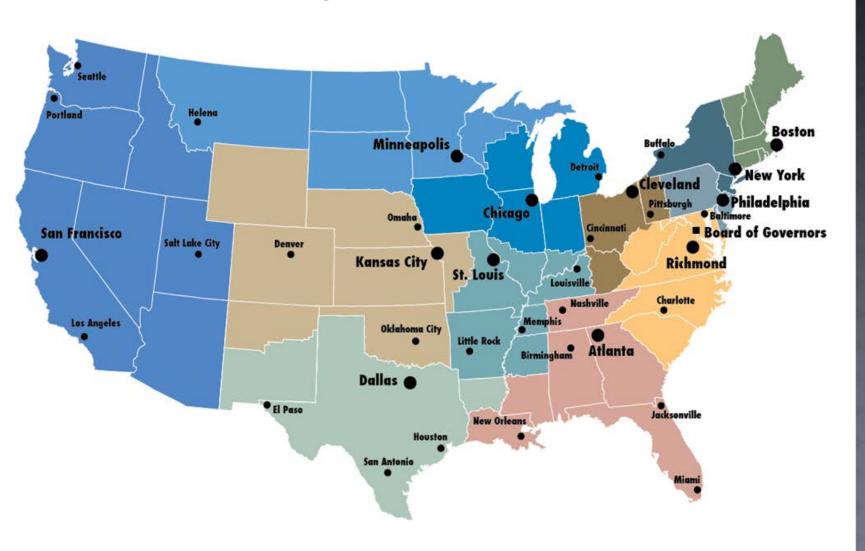


### Structure and Functions of the Federal Reserve System

- The "Fed" consists of three main entities:
  - Board of Governors: 7 members appointed by U.S. President
  - Federal Reserve Banks: 12 total; semi-independent by design
  - <u>Federal Open Market Committee</u>: 19 members; 12 voting
- As with most central banks, the Fed's primary responsibilities fall within four general areas:
  - <u>Lender of last resort</u> provide liquidity in times of crisis
  - Monetary policy promote full employment and low inflation
  - Bank regulation ensure safety and soundness of banks
  - <u>Financial services</u> bank for banks, bank for federal govt.



### Federal Reserve Districts and Office Locations





### The Oklahoma City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

#### Functions – approximately 45 staff

- Research on U.S. and Oklahoma economies
- Economic, community, and financial education outreach
- Examinations of Oklahoma financial institutions

#### 2016 Branch Board of Directors

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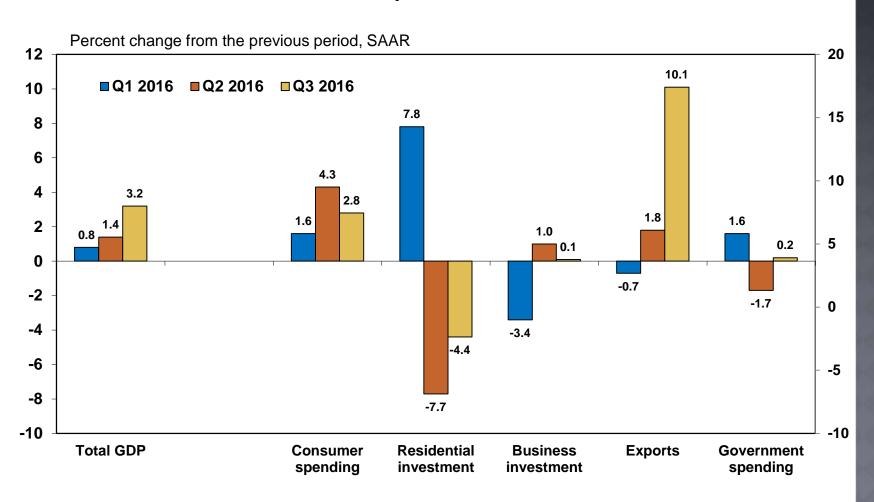


# The U.S. Economy and Monetary Policy



## GDP growth picked up in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter after sluggish growth in previous quarters

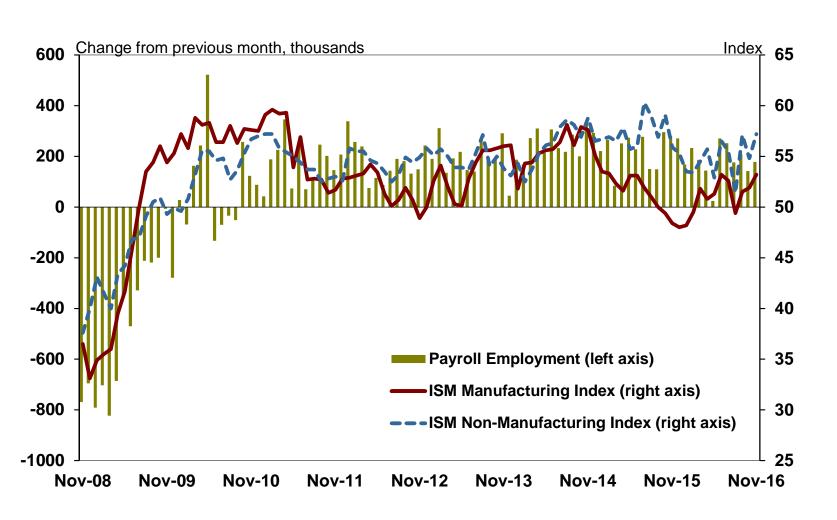
#### **Growth in Components of Real GDP**





## Fourth quarter data has so far shown continued solid U.S. economic expansion

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

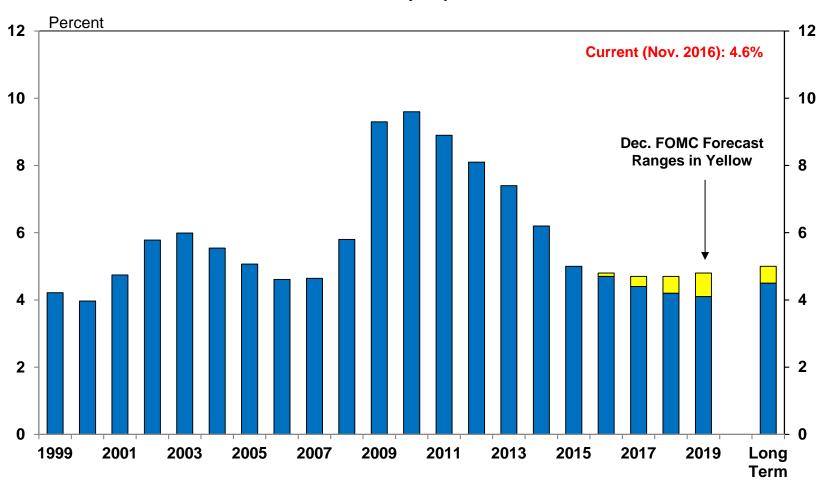




### "The [FOMC] indicated that...the labor market has continued to strengthen"

#### **Unemployment Rate**

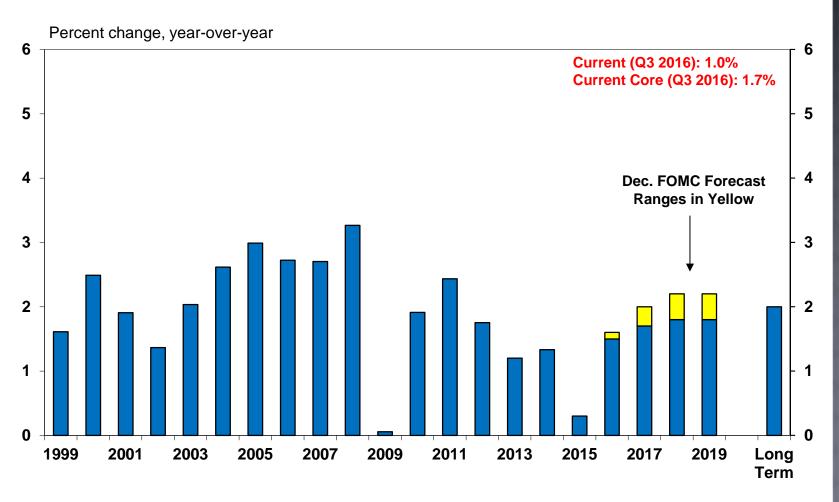
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### "Inflation has increased...but is still below the Committee's 2 percent longer-run objective"

#### **PCE Inflation Index**

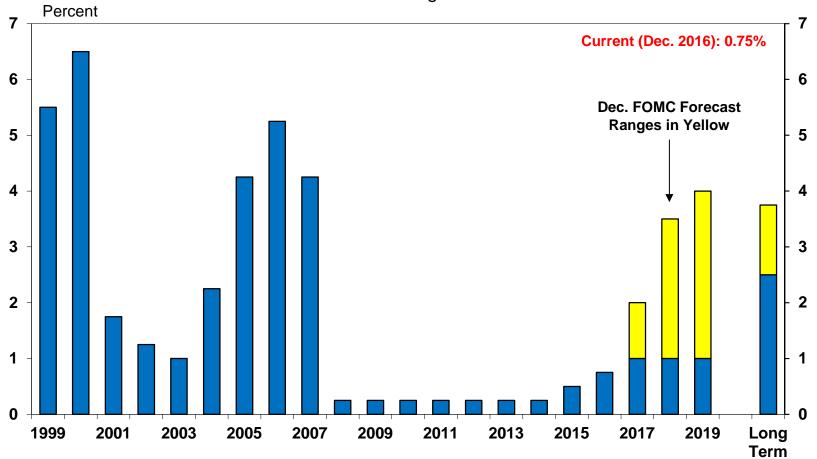




### "The Committee expects...only gradual increases in the federal funds rate"

#### **Federal Funds Rate**

Year-end target

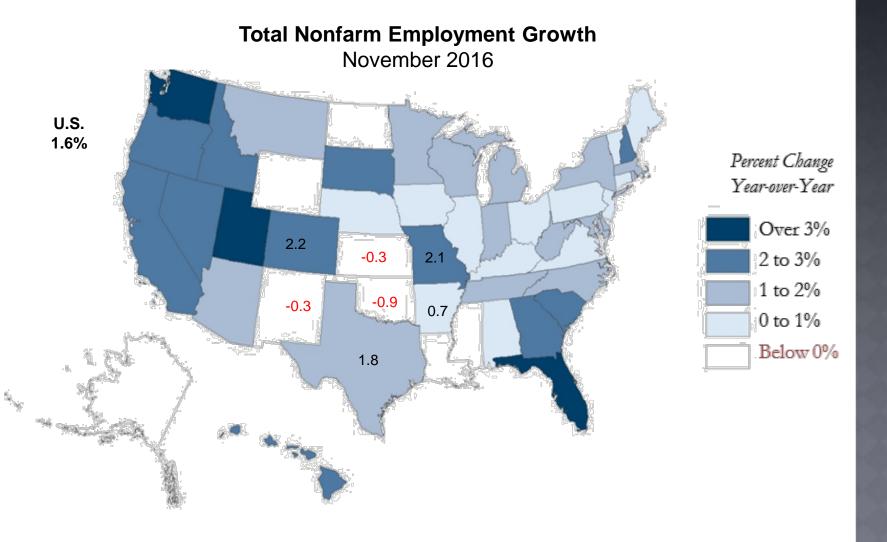




# Trends in the Oklahoma Economy

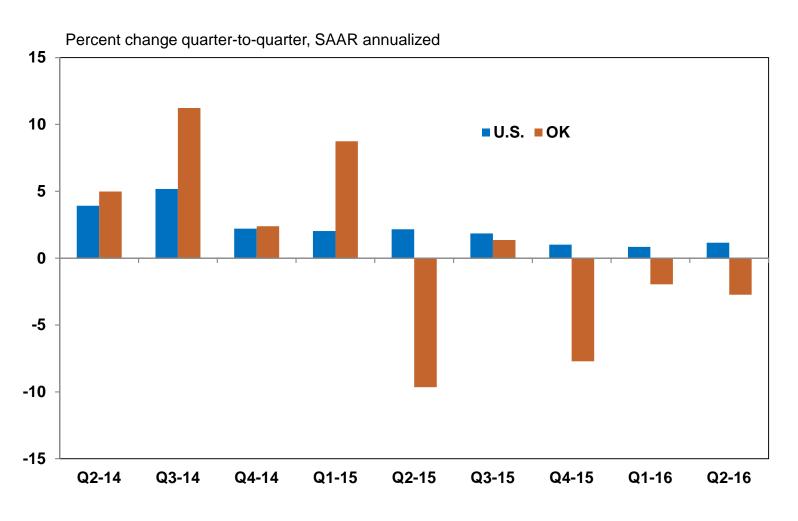


# Job growth in the U.S. has diverged, with Oklahoma in a jobs recession



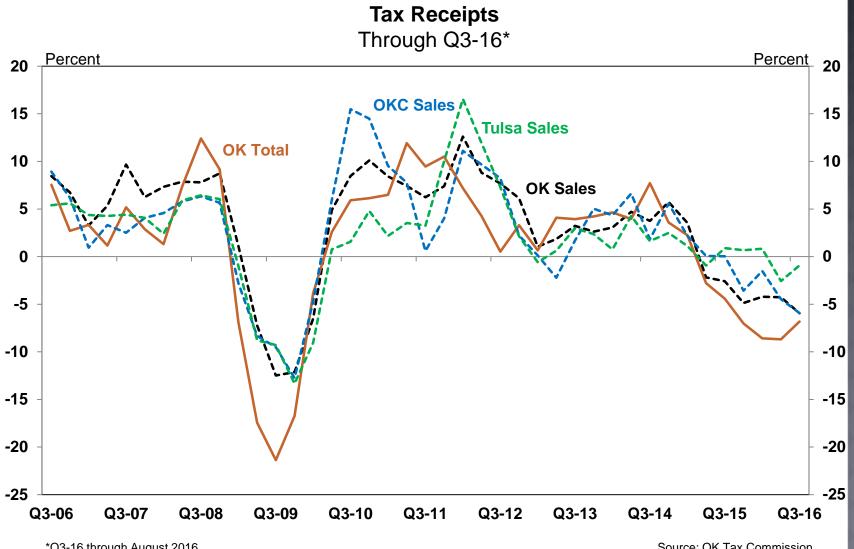
## Oklahoma GDP has fallen in the past three quarters, and in four out of the last five

#### **Real GDP Growth**





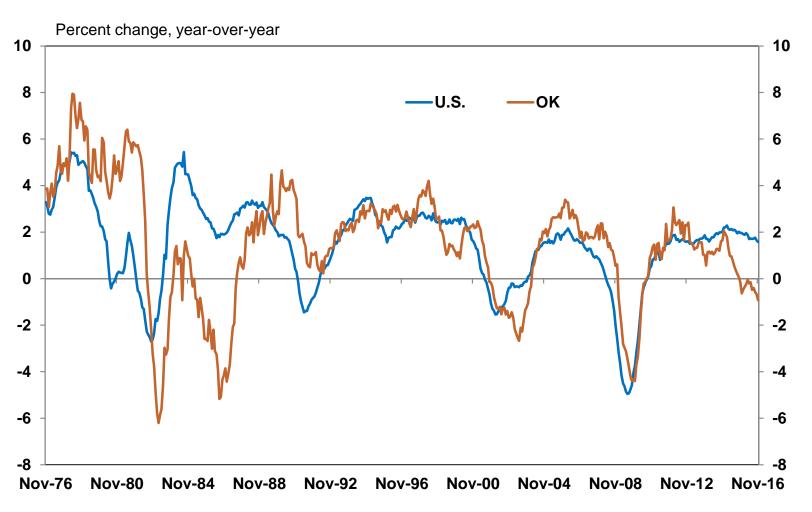
#### Sales and city sales tax receipts also fell further in Q3





## This is the largest divergence in Oklahoma and national job growth since the 1980s

#### **Payroll Employment Growth**

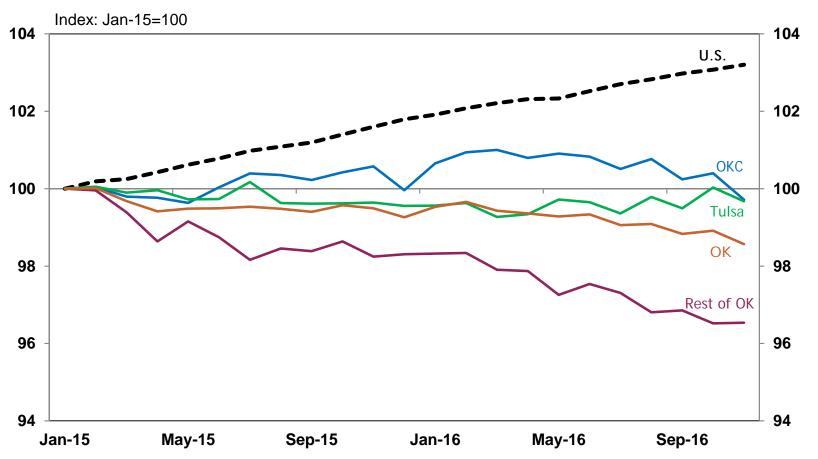




### The metro areas have held up better than non-metro parts of the state

#### **Level of Payroll Employment**

Through November 2016

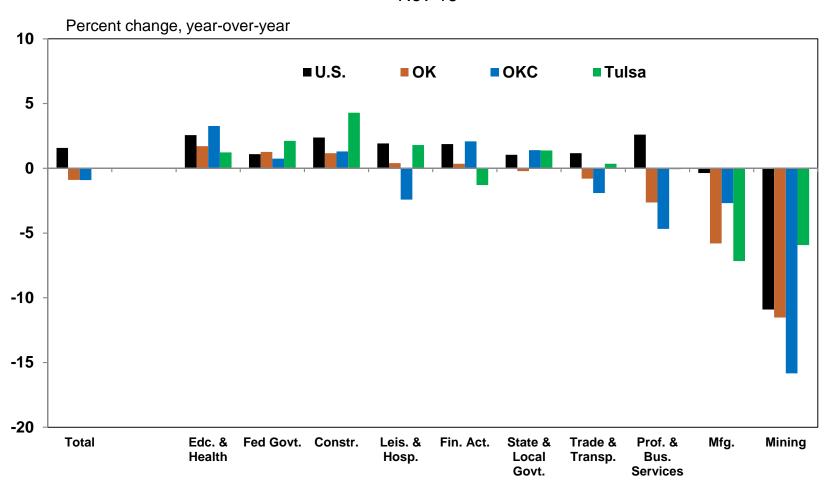




### Spillover has occurred from energy, but there are still several industries growing

#### **Job Growth by Industry**

Nov-16

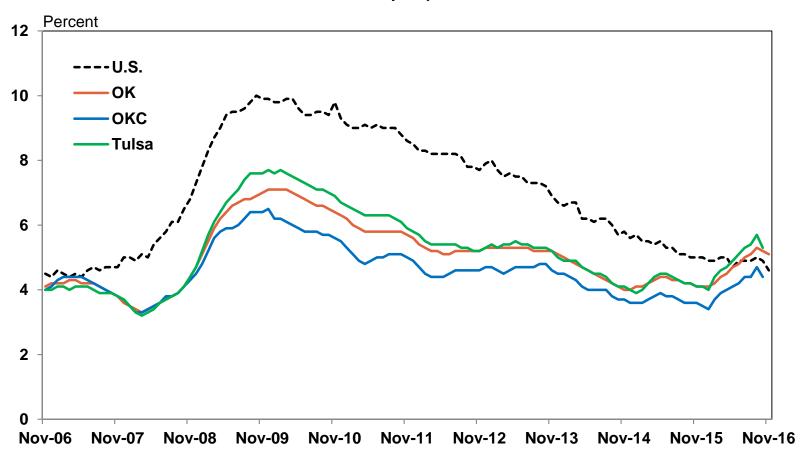




## Unemployment has ticked up this year, but just to slightly above the national rate

#### **Unemployment Rates**

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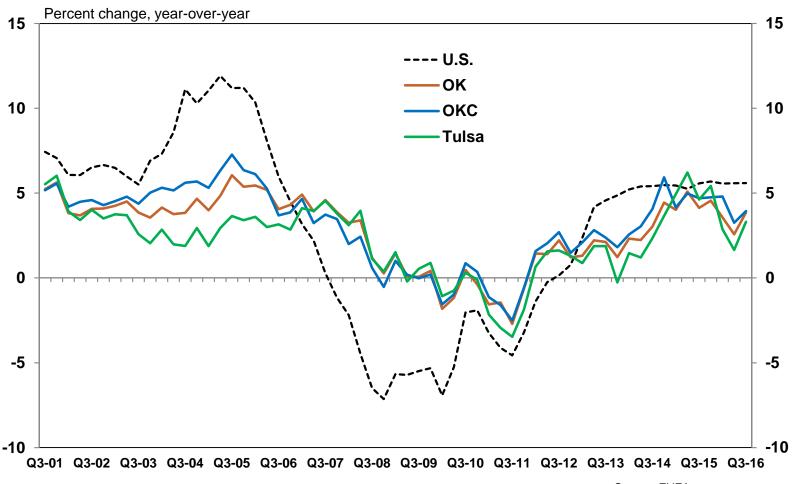




## Home price growth in Oklahoma has slowed, but remains moderately positive

#### **FHFA Home Price Index**

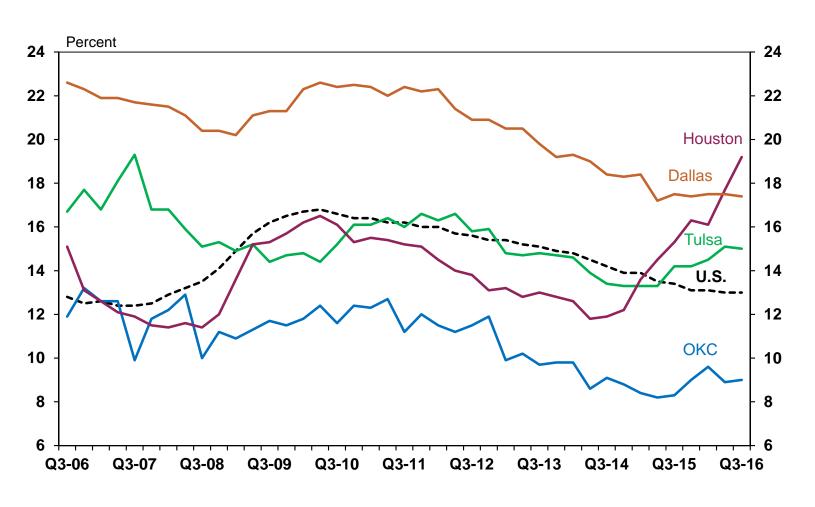
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### Office vacancy rates have risen slightly in the two metros, but much less than Houston

#### **Metro Office Vacancy Rates**

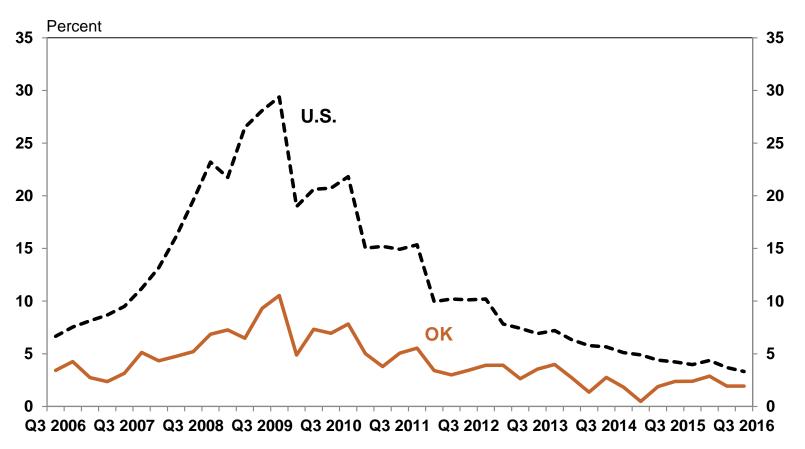




# And nearly all banks in Oklahoma remain profitable through mid-2016

#### **Share of Banks Not Making a Profit**

**Commercial Banks** 

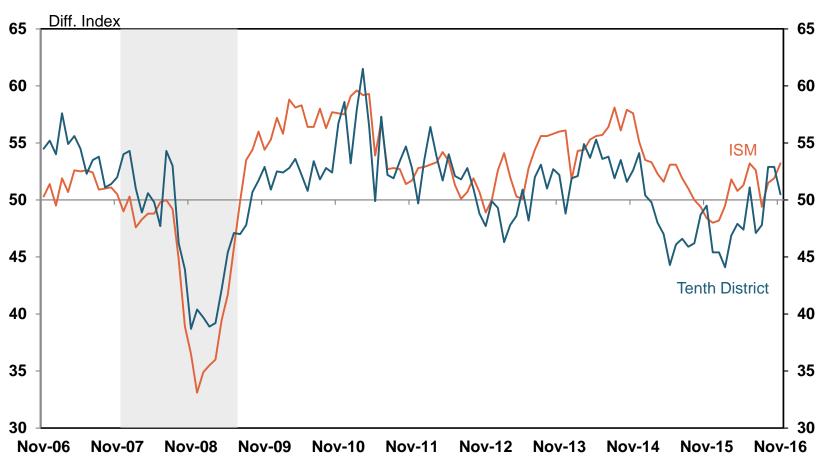




# One of the struggling regional industries—manufacturing—has improved

#### **Manufacturing Composite Indexes,**

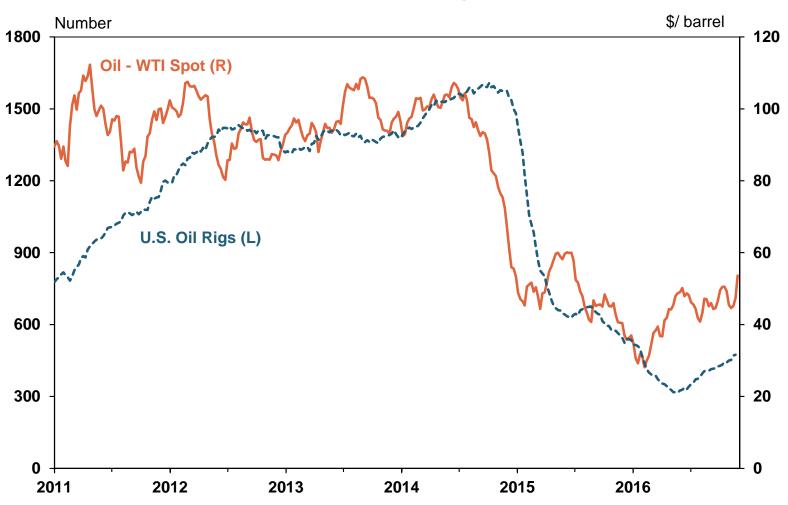
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# Oil prices' recent rise to \$50/barrel has boosted drilling, and OPEC's action helps

#### **Oil Spot Prices and Rig Counts**

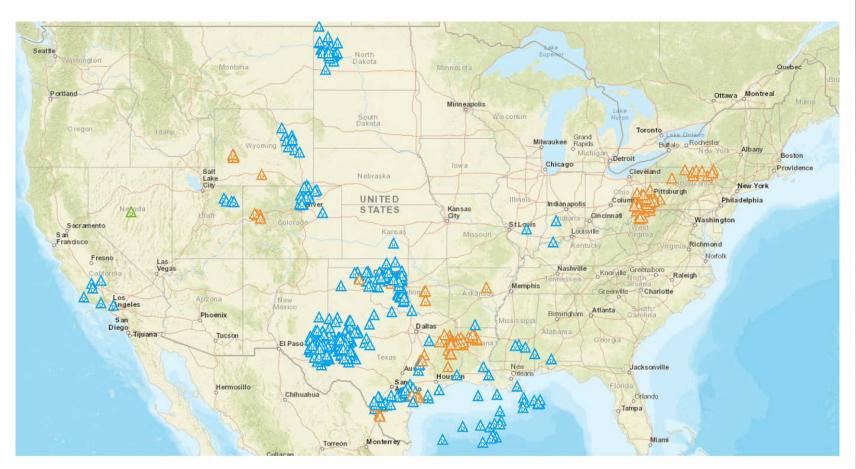




### The most active areas now are in west Texas (Permian) and northwest Oklahoma (STACK)

#### **Current Drilling Rig Locations,**

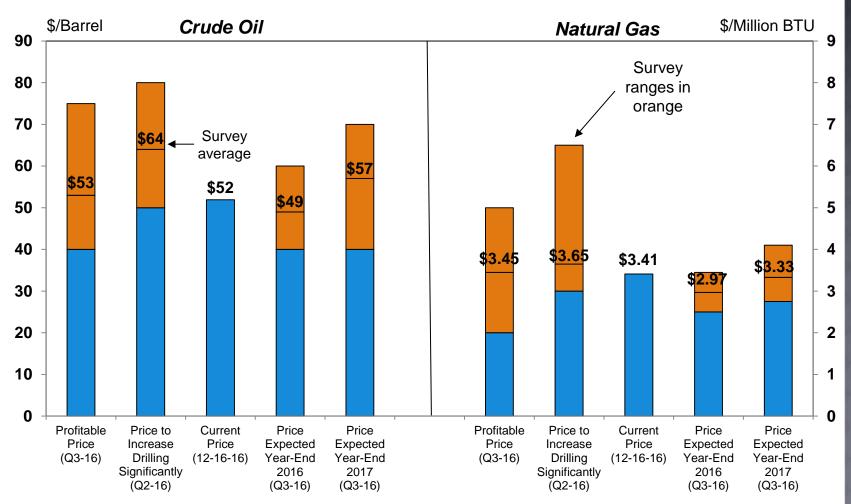
As-of December 16, 2016





### But firms say energy prices need to be a bit higher for a sizable increase in activity

### Kansas City Fed Energy Survey Special Questions 2016





### Summary

- The U.S. economy continues to grow, and the Fed is discussing raising interest rates
- Oklahoma's economy has been hurt by low commodity prices, as well as spillover to some other related industries
- However, conditions in real estate, banking, and labor markets have held on fairly well, and there is some cautious optimism



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