U.S. and Oklahoma Economic Outlook

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Structure & Functions of the Federal Reserve

5 primary responsibility areas:
- Monetary policy
- Financial system stability
- Bank supervision & regulation
- Payment system safety & efficiency
- Consumer protection & community development

3 primary entities:
- **Board of Governors**: 7 members appointed by U.S. President
- **Federal Reserve Banks**: 12 total; semi-independent
- **Federal Open Market Committee**: 19 members; 12 voting
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- **Functions and purposes ~ 50 staff**
  - Research on U.S. and Oklahoma economies; energy sector and business survey focus
  - Examinations of Oklahoma financial institutions (~45 banks, ~175 holding cos.)
  - Risk analysis and IT development for bank exams; exam assistance for other Fed offices
  - Community development programming for low/moderate income groups, workforce focus
  - Economic education and public outreach programming

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- **Federal Advisory Council (FAC):**
  - Jill Castilla, CEO, Citizens Bank, Edmond

- **Economic Advisory Council (EAC):**
  - Scott Case, President, Case & Associates Properties, Tulsa
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  - Rebecca Thompson, CFO, AAON, Inc., Sand Springs

- **Community Development Advisory Council (CDAC):**
  - Michelle Bish, Executive Director, Northeast Workforce Development Board, Catoosa
  - Quintin Hughes, Sr., Program Director, Northeast Oklahoma City Renaissance, Inc., Oklahoma City
  - Cindy Logsdon, Executive Director/CEO, Citizen Potawatomi Community Development Corp., Shawnee

- **Community Depository Inst. Advisory Council (CDIAC):**
  - Alicia Wade, President, Valliance Bank, Oklahoma City
Overview

• U.S. economic growth was solid in late 2022 and early 2023

• Inflation has eased but remains too high, with continued high wage gains in a tight labor market now a key contributor

• Oklahoma’s economy continues to recover, but jobs remain below pre-pandemic levels in some sectors, especially energy

• Oklahoma’s population growth has outpaced the nation in recent years, driven by strong domestic in-migration
U.S. GDP and employment growth were solid in the second half of 2022, at or above pre-pandemic levels.
GDP growth is expected to be somewhat sluggish in 2023 before rebounding to trend in 2024 and 2025.
U.S. unemployment remains historically low and is projected to rise only slightly in coming years.

U.S. Unemployment Rate

- Current (Jan. 2023): 3.4%

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, FOMC

Note: Data and FOMC projections are for year-end.
Meanwhile, although inflation has come down from its 2022 peaks, it remains elevated on year-over-year basis.

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Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, FOMC
CPI inflation eased again in January to 6.4% as goods prices fell further, but services inflation remains high.

**Consumer Price Index**

*y/y % change*

- All Items
- Food & Energy (22%)
- Goods* (21%)
- Services* (24%)
- Shelter (33%)

*Goods excluding Food; Services excluding Energy.
Note: Relative Importance as Share of CPI shown in parenthesis.

Sources: BLS/Haver Analytics
3- and 6-month inflation rates have come down by a larger amount, but moved back up a bit in January.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics
Over the past 6 months, shelter and services inflation have been the main drivers, and are stubbornly high.

CPI 6-Month Annualized Inflation

Percent Change, seasonally adjusted

-10%  -5%   0%   5%   10%   15%   20%   25%


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Sources: BLS/Haver Analytics
Wage growth is a key factor keeping services inflation high, but has come down from highs in recent months.
Longer-term inflation expectations remain anchored around their 20-year average

Expected Inflation Rate

Source: University of Michigan/Haver Analytics
Job openings still greatly exceed unemployed workers, keeping wage pressures from easing much.

Job Openings/Unemployment Ratios

U.S.

Oklahoma

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
Labor force participation still lags due to older workers, while immigration rebounded after several low years.

**U.S. Labor Force Participation Rate**

- **Index, Feb. 2020, sa**
- **Prime-age women**
- **Total**
- **Age 65+**

**Net International Migration to the U.S.**

- **Ths. People**
- **2012**: 859K
- **2013**: 850K
- **2014**: 946K
- **2015**: 1.06M
- **2016**: 1.06M
- **2017**: 948K
- **2018**: 720K
- **2019**: 569K
- **2020**: 20K
- **2021**: 376K
- **2022**: 1.01M

Source: BLS, Census Bureau/Haver Analytics
The Fed raised the federal funds rate by 25 basis points in January, and the latest FOMC projections are shown.

Federal Funds Rate
Year-End Target

Current Target: 4.5% - 4.75%

FOMC Projections

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Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, FOMC
The Fed has also been reducing its balance sheet of securities, further tightening policy.
Jobs in Oklahoma were back to pre-COVID levels in December, while unemployment stays low.
Energy, manufacturing, and construction jobs in OK are still below pre-pandemic but up during the past year.
The Oklahoma housing market has eased with rising interest rates

Sources: Freddie Mac, Redfin
Energy activity cooled slightly in Q4, with profitability falling for the first time in two years.

Energy Survey Indexes

Energy Prices

Sources: EIA, FRBKC Energy Survey
Drilling rig counts have begun to edge down in Oklahoma and the nation with lower profitability.

Source: Baker Hughes/Haver Analytics
Oklahoma farm income continued to decline in Q4 2022, partially due to drought and higher interest rates.
Oklahoma’s population grew in 2021 & 2022, despite a historic increase in deaths, due to massive in-migration

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
Many people have moved to OK from CA and TX, mostly to the metros but also to other parts of the state.

Note: Vintage 2020 population estimates through 2020.

Sources: FRBNY CCP/Equifax, U.S. Census Bureau
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