



Hughes County, OK

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Report Parameters

1 County

40063 Hughes County, OK

Class of Worker

QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen geographical area.

Economy Overview

13,530

Population (2024)

Population **grew by 290** over the last 5 years and is projected to **grow by 416** over the next 5 years.

3,849

Total Regional Employment

Jobs **decreased by 25** over the last 5 years but are projected to **grow by 189** over the next 5 years.

\$47.9K

Median Household Income (2023)

Median household income is **\$30.6K below** the national median household income of \$78.5K.

Takeaways

- As of 2024 the region's population **increased by 2.2%** since 2019, growing by 290. Population is expected to **increase by 3.1%** between 2024 and 2029, adding 416.
- From 2019 to 2024, jobs **declined by 0.6%** in Hughes County, OK from 3,874 to **3,849**. This change **fell short of the national growth rate of 4.1% by 4.7%**. As the number of jobs declined, the **labor force participation rate decreased from 49.5% to 46.1% between 2019 and 2024**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **8.8% of Hughes County, OK residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (12.7% below the national average), and **6.1% hold an Associate's Degree** (2.7% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2024 are Education and Hospitals (Local Government), Animal Production, and Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals.

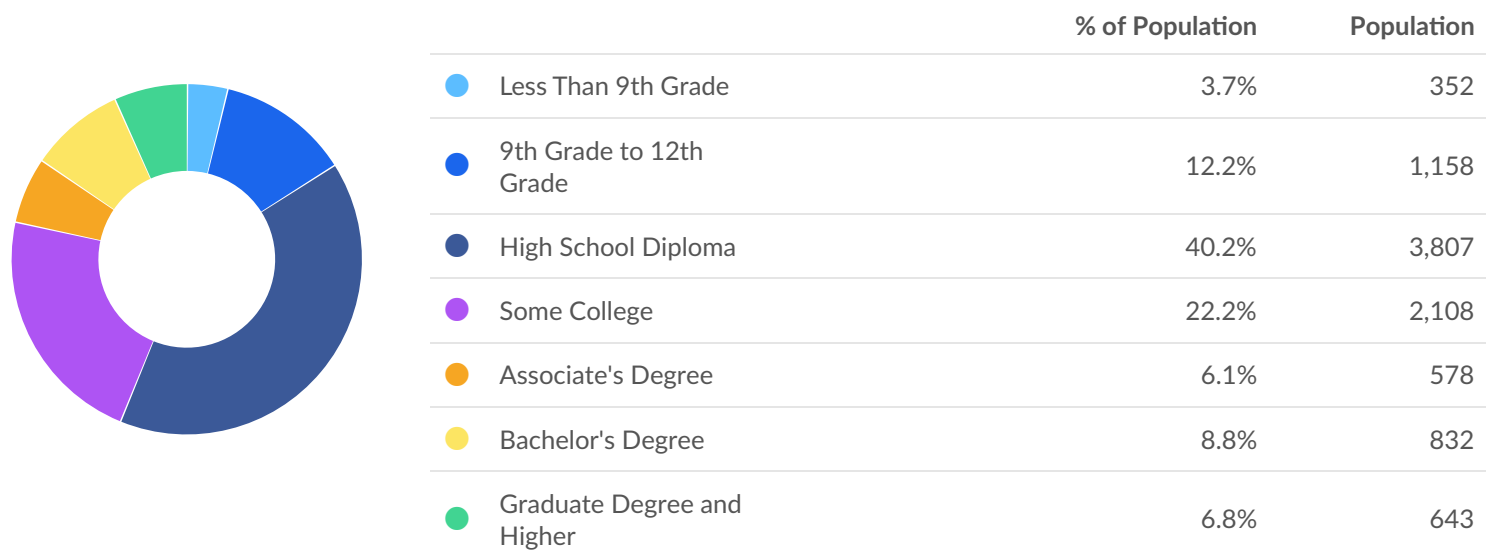
	Population (2025)	Labor Force (Apr 2025)	Jobs (2024)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	13,626	4,301	3,849	89.4	\$513.91M	\$992.91M	\$803.53M
State	4,117,309	2,000,196	1,952,015	93.3	\$267.26B	\$264.02B	\$324.90B

Apr 2025 Labor Force Breakdown



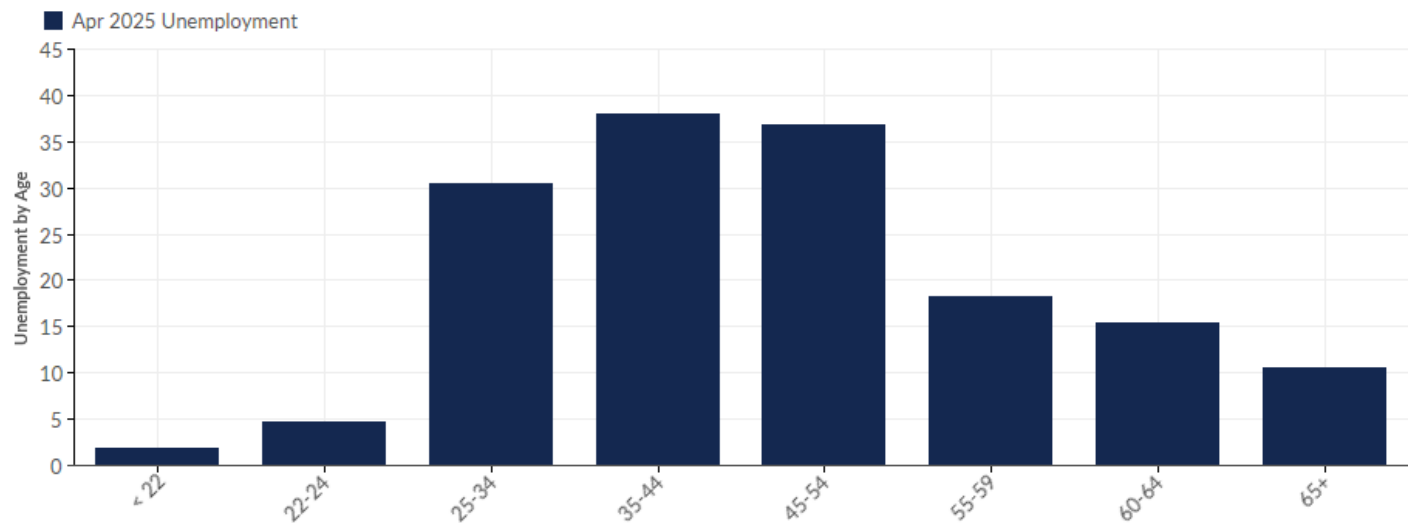
Educational Attainment

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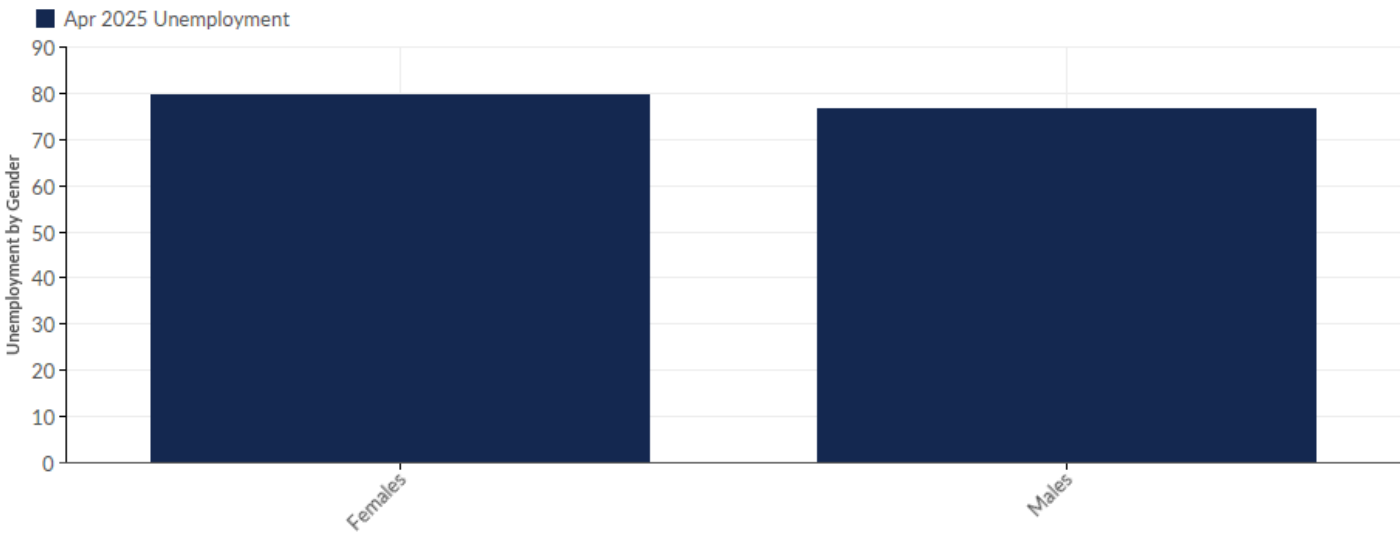
Unemployment by Demographics

Unemployment by Age



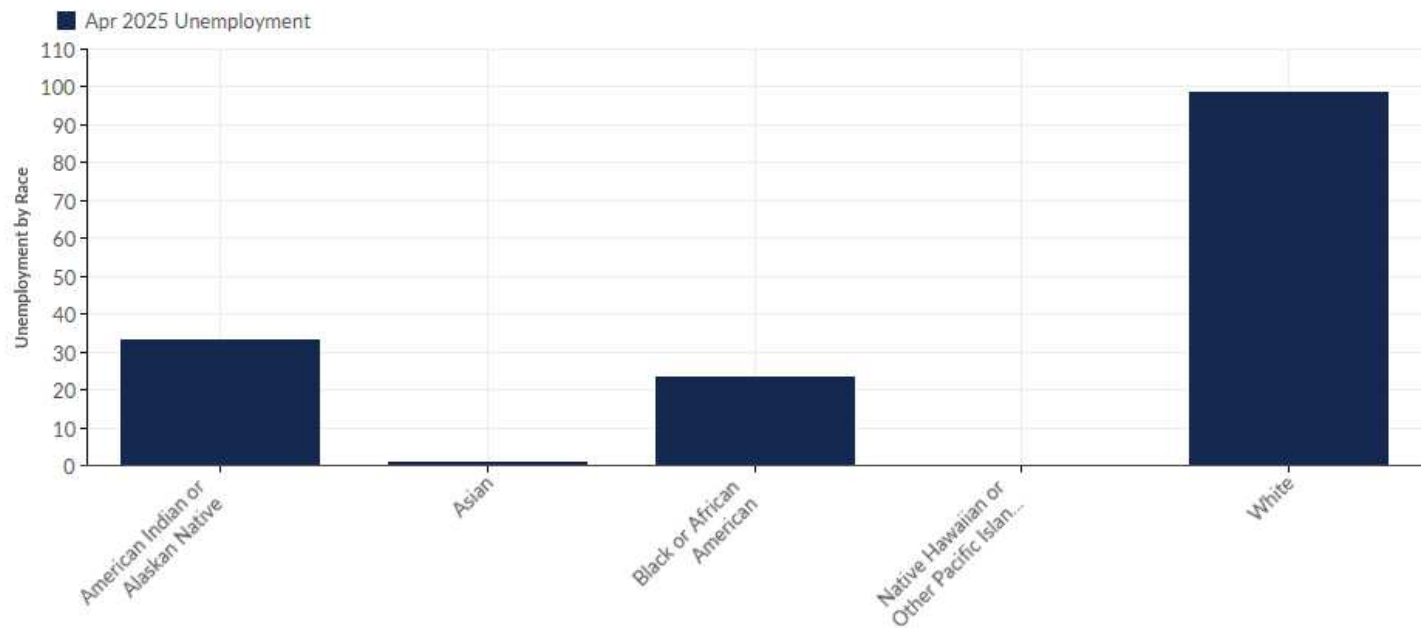
Age	Unemployment (Apr 2025)	% of Unemployed
< 22	2	1.28%
22-24	5	3.21%
25-34	31	19.87%
35-44	38	24.36%
45-54	37	23.72%
55-59	18	11.54%
60-64	15	9.62%
65+	10	6.41%
Total	156	100.00%

Unemployment by Gender



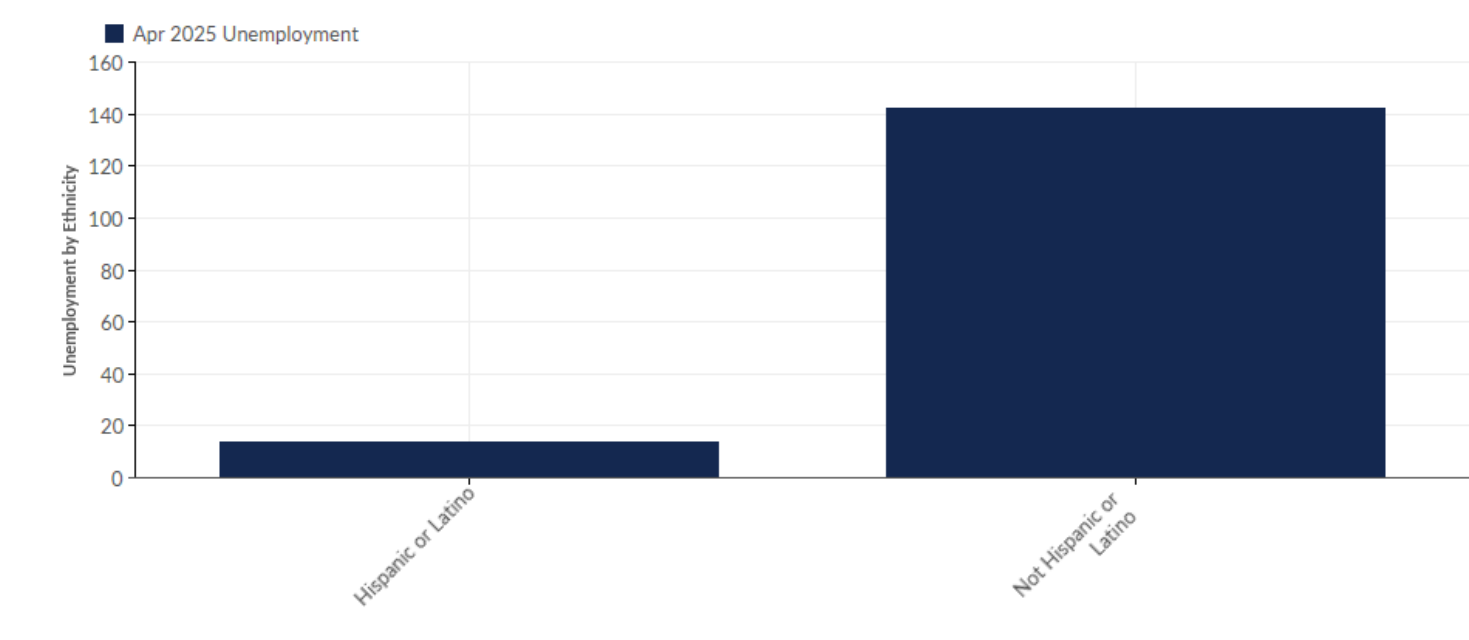
Gender	Unemployment (Apr 2025)	% of Unemployed
Females	80	51.28%
Males	76	48.72%
Total	156	100.00%

Unemployment by Race



Race	Unemployment (Apr 2025)	% of Unemployed
American Indian or Alaskan Native	33	21.15%
Asian	1	0.64%
Black or African American	23	14.74%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.00%
White	99	63.46%
Total	156	100.00%

Unemployment by Ethnicity

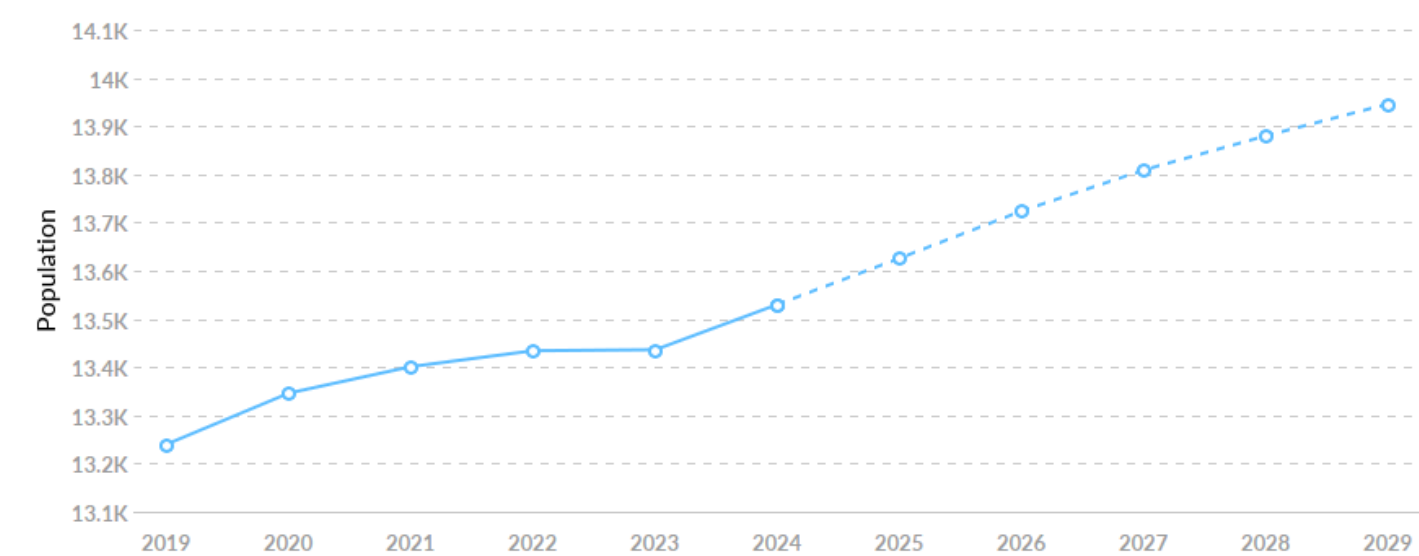


Ethnicity	Unemployment (Apr 2025)	% of Unemployed
Hispanic or Latino	14	8.97%
Not Hispanic or Latino	142	91.03%
Total	156	100.00%

Historic & Projected Trends

Population Trends

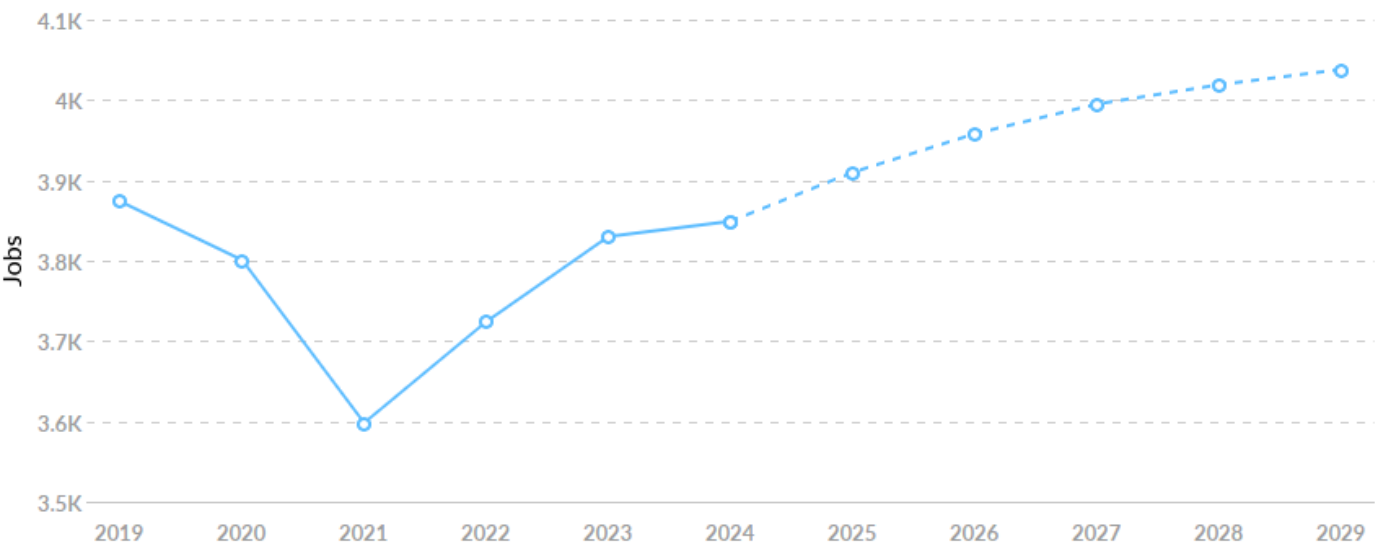
As of 2024 the region's population **increased by 2.2%** since 2019, growing by 290. Population is expected to **increase by 3.1%** between 2024 and 2029, adding 416.



Timeframe	Population
2019	13,240
2020	13,346
2021	13,401
2022	13,434
2023	13,436
2024	13,530
2025	13,626
2026	13,724
2027	13,809
2028	13,880
2029	13,946

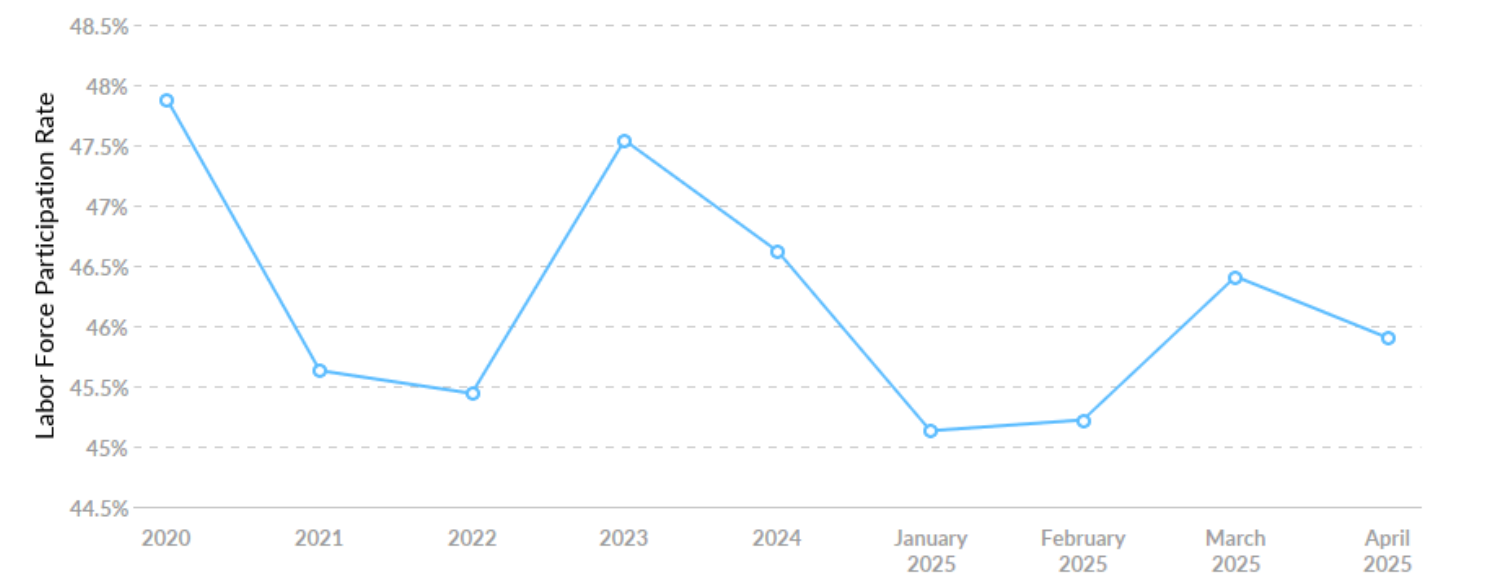
Job Trends

From 2019 to 2024, jobs declined by 0.6% in Hughes County, OK from 3,874 to 3,849. This change fell short of the national growth rate of 4.1% by 4.7%.



Timeframe	Jobs
2019	3,874
2020	3,801
2021	3,598
2022	3,724
2023	3,830
2024	3,849
2025	3,910
2026	3,958
2027	3,995
2028	4,019
2029	4,038

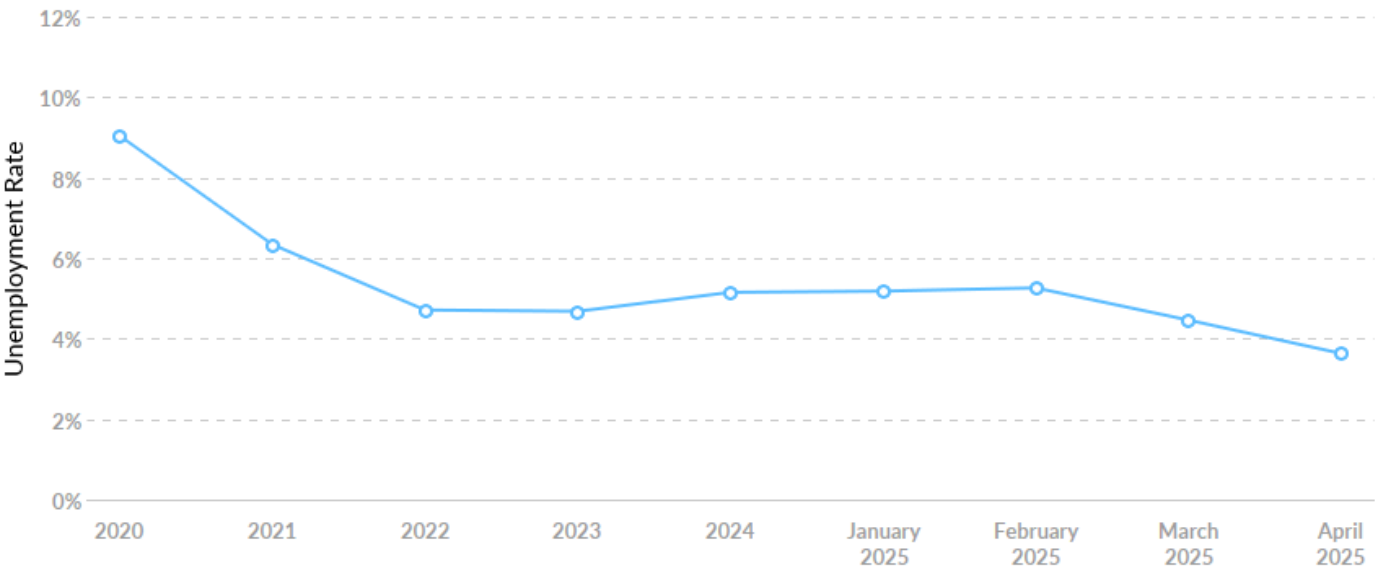
Labor Force Participation Rate Trends



Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2020	47.88%
2021	45.63%
2022	45.44%
2023	47.54%
2024	46.62%
January 2025	45.13%
February 2025	45.22%
March 2025	46.41%
April 2025	45.90%

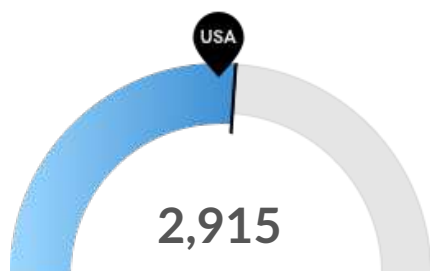
Unemployment Rate Trends

Hughes County, OK had an April 2025 unemployment rate of 3.63%, **decreasing from 9.04%** 5 years before.



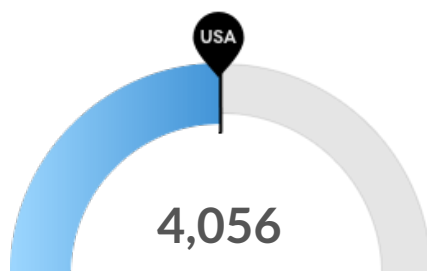
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2020	9.04%
2021	6.34%
2022	4.71%
2023	4.68%
2024	5.15%
January 2025	5.18%
February 2025	5.26%
March 2025	4.46%
April 2025	3.63%

Population Characteristics



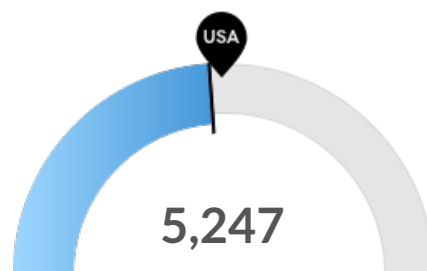
Millennials

Hughes County, OK has 2,915 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 2,730.



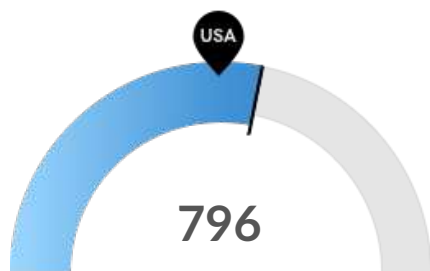
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is about average in Hughes County, OK. The national average for an area this size is 4,056 people 55 or older, while there are 4,056 here.



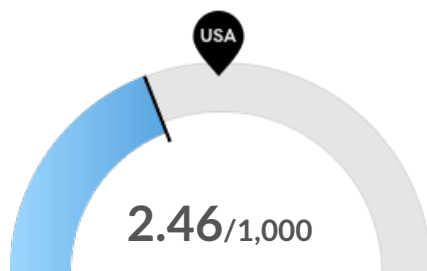
Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is about average in Hughes County, OK. The national average for an area this size is 5,596 racially diverse people, while there are 5,247 here.



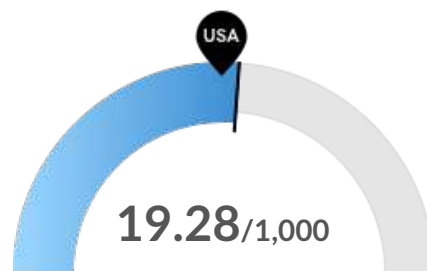
Veterans

Hughes County, OK has 796 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 665.



Violent Crime

Hughes County, OK has 2.46 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.54 per 1,000 people.

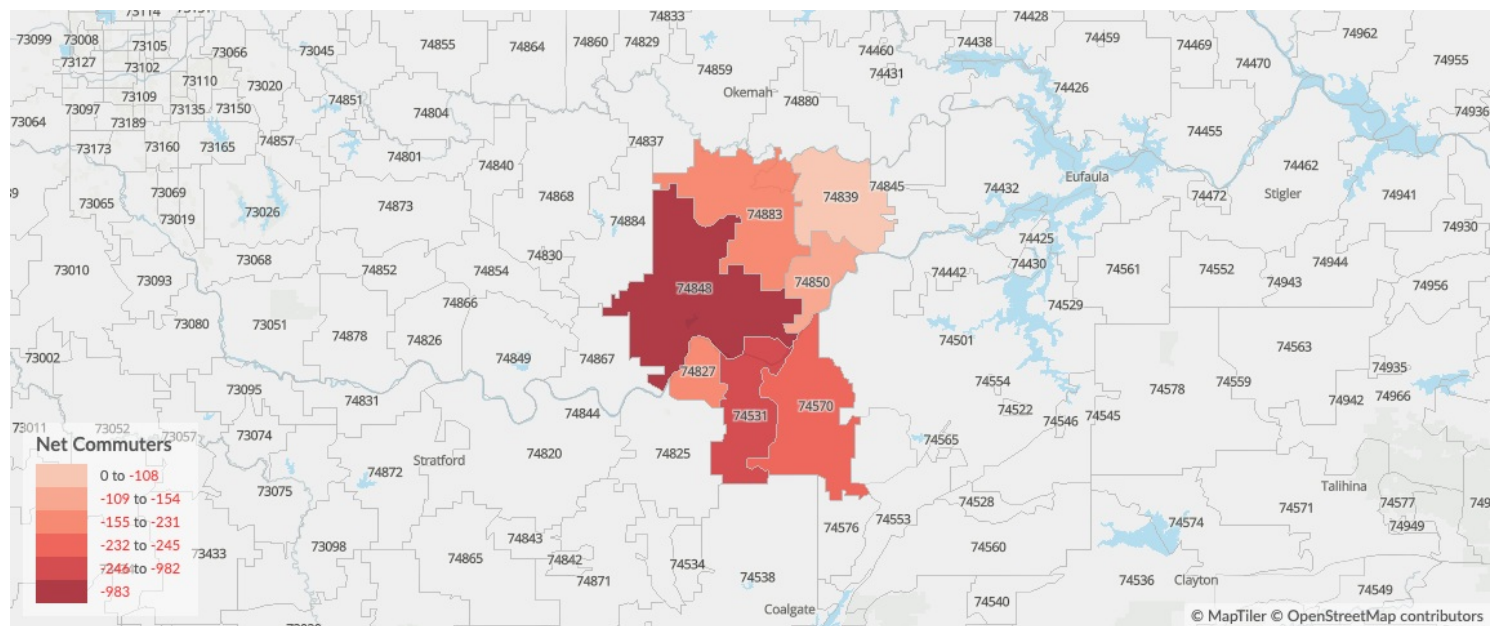


Property Crime

Hughes County, OK has 19.28 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 18.02 per 1,000 people.

Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in Hughes County, OK currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions.



Where Talent Works

ZIP	Name	2024 Employment
74848	Holdenville, OK (in Hug...	2,376
74883	Wetumka, OK (in Hugh...	746
74570	Stuart, OK (in Hughes c...	235
74531	Calvin, OK (in Hughes c...	187
74839	Dustin, OK (in Hughes c...	168

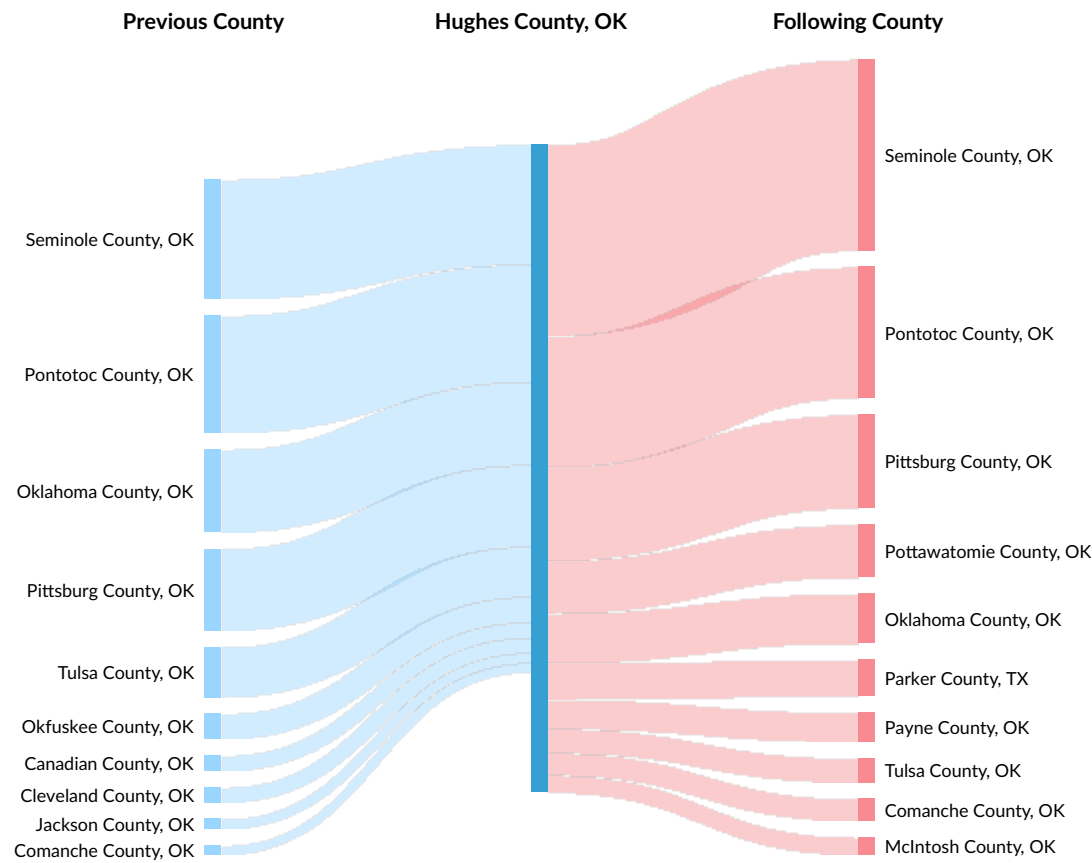
Where Talent Lives

ZIP	Name	2024 Workers
74848	Holdenville, OK (in Hug...	3,359
74883	Wetumka, OK (in Hugh...	901
74570	Stuart, OK (in Hughes c...	467
74531	Calvin, OK (in Hughes c...	433
74827	Atwood, OK (in Hughes...	264

Inbound and Outbound Migration

The table below analyzes past and current residents of Hughes County, OK. The left column shows residents of other counties migrating to Hughes County, OK. The right column shows residents migrating from Hughes County, OK to other counties.

As of 2022, 66 people have migrated from Seminole County, OK to Hughes County, OK. In the same year, 106 people left Hughes County, OK migrating to Seminole County, OK. The total Net Migration for Hughes County, OK in 2022 was 24.

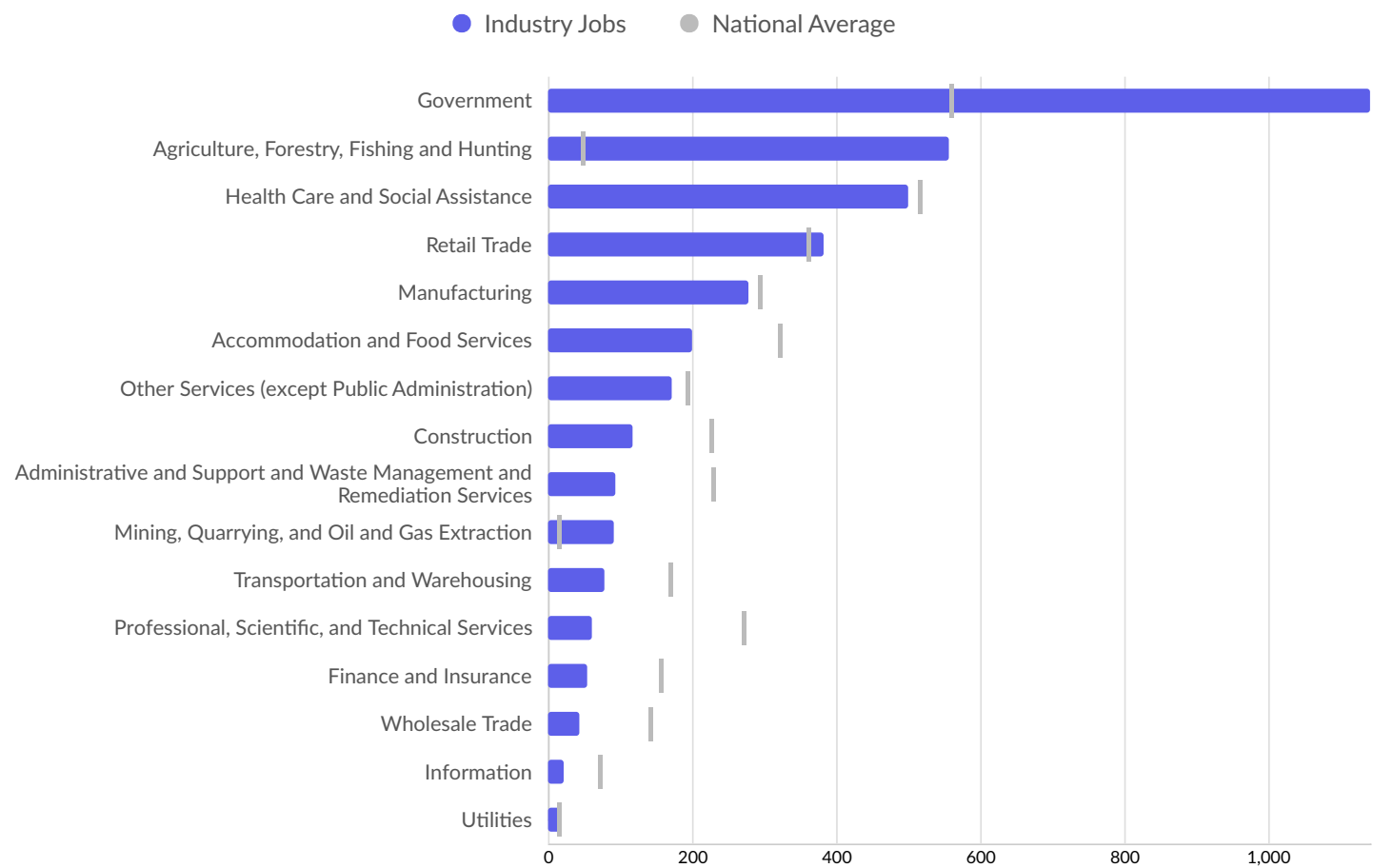


Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Seminole County, OK	66
Pontotoc County, OK	65
Oklahoma County, OK	46
Pittsburg County, OK	45
Tulsa County, OK	28
Okfuskee County, OK	14

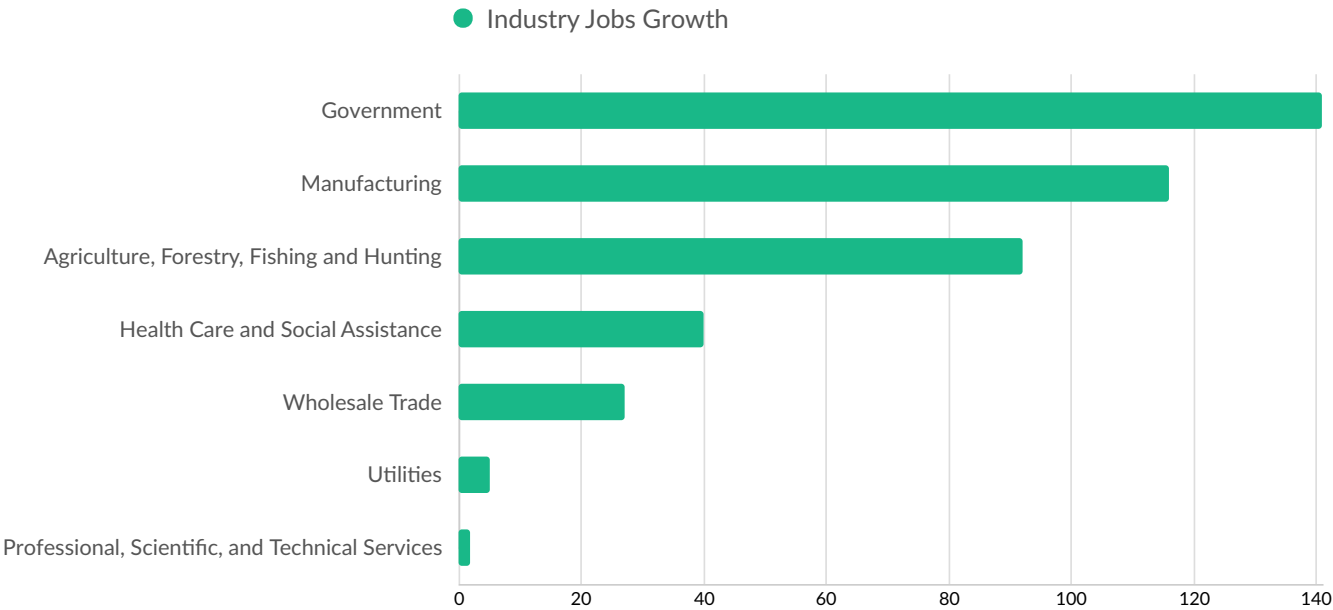
Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Canadian County, OK	9
Cleveland County, OK	8
Jackson County, OK	6
Comanche County, OK	5
Carter County, OK	4
Payne County, OK	4
Okmulgee County, OK	4
Beckham County, OK	4
Muskogee County, OK	4
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Seminole County, OK	106
Pontotoc County, OK	72
Pittsburg County, OK	52
Pottawatomie County, OK	29
Oklahoma County, OK	27
Parker County, TX	20
Payne County, OK	16
Tulsa County, OK	13
Comanche County, OK	12
McIntosh County, OK	10
Garfield County, OK	6
Jackson County, MI	5
Washington County, AR	5
Canadian County, OK	5
Okmulgee County, OK	5

Industry Characteristics

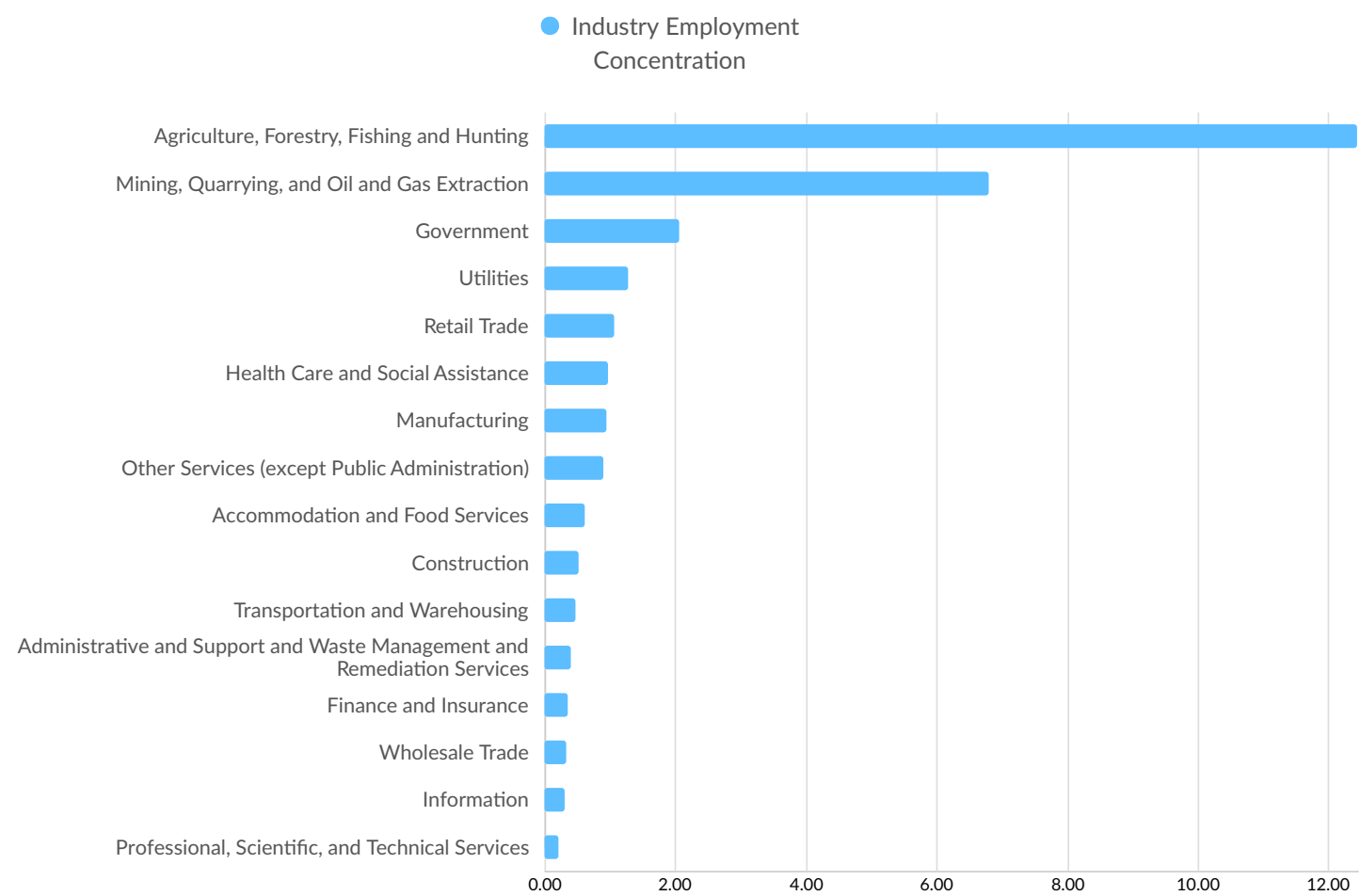
Largest Industries



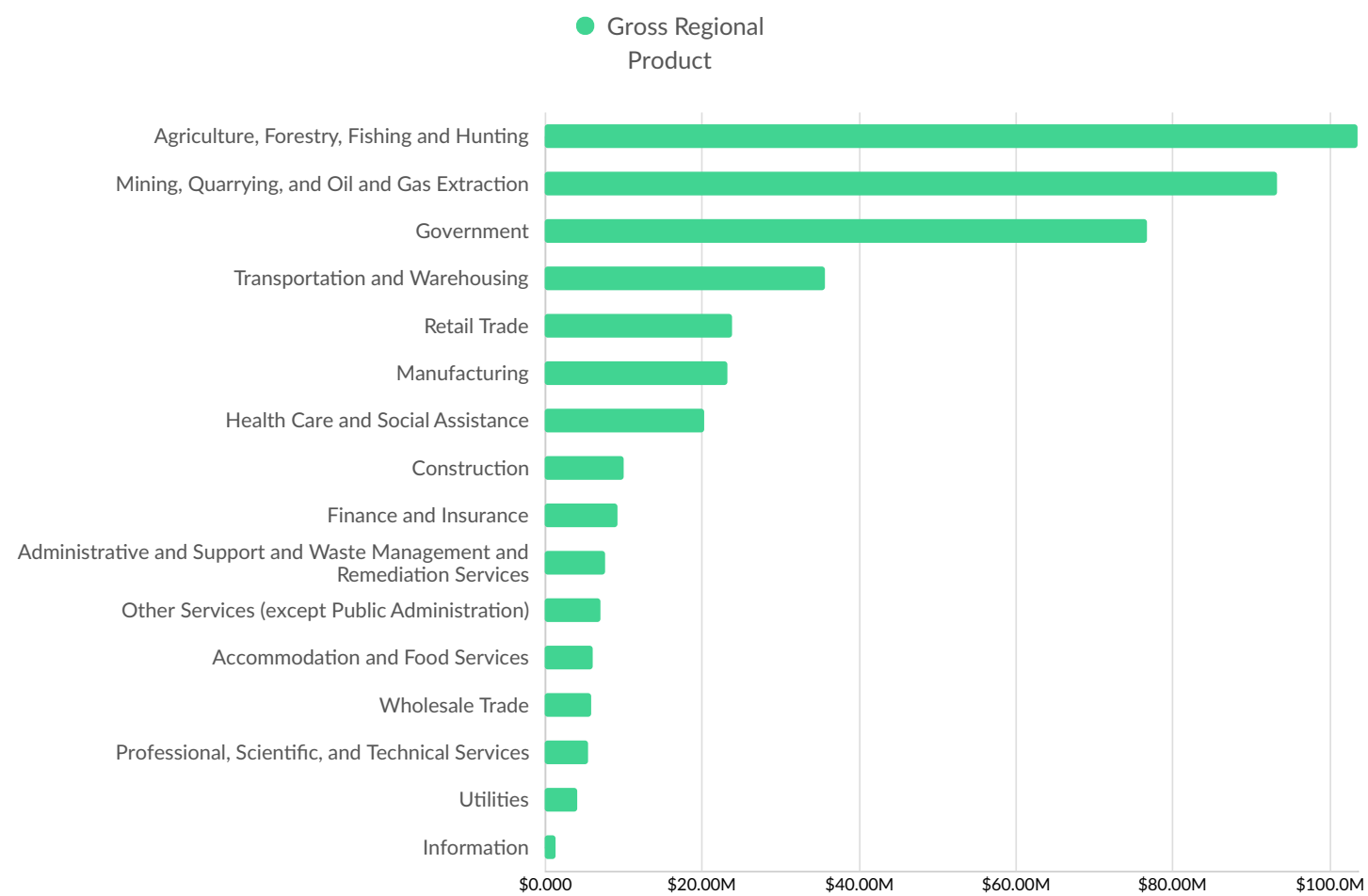
Top Growing Industries



Top Industry Employment Concentration



Top Industry GRP



Top Industry Earnings



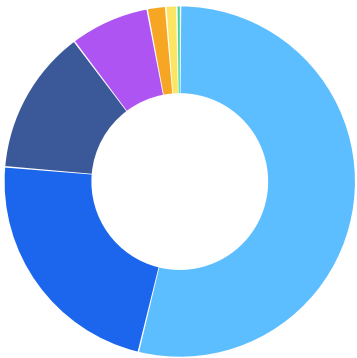
Business Characteristics

767 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 767 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 54 companies in Hughes County, OK posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

Top Companies	Profiles	Top Companies Posting	Unique Postings
State of Oklahoma	31 <div></div>	Walmart	38 <div></div>
Big Five Head Start-reed Elem H...	18 <div></div>	Norman Regional Hospital	27 <div></div>
Tyson Foods	18 <div></div>	Oklahoma State School Boards ...	18 <div></div>
Wes Watkins Technology Center	18 <div></div>	Tyson Foods	17 <div></div>
Walmart	15 <div></div>	Vetted Health	13 <div></div>
CoreCivic	14 <div></div>	Amergis	12 <div></div>
Holdenville General Hospital	12 <div></div>	Gifted Healthcare	12 <div></div>
Seminole Nation Of Oklahoma	10 <div></div>	CoreCivic	9 <div></div>
Deans Casing Service	7 <div></div>	Express Employment Profession...	8 <div></div>
First United Bank	7 <div></div>	CRST International	7 <div></div>

Business Size

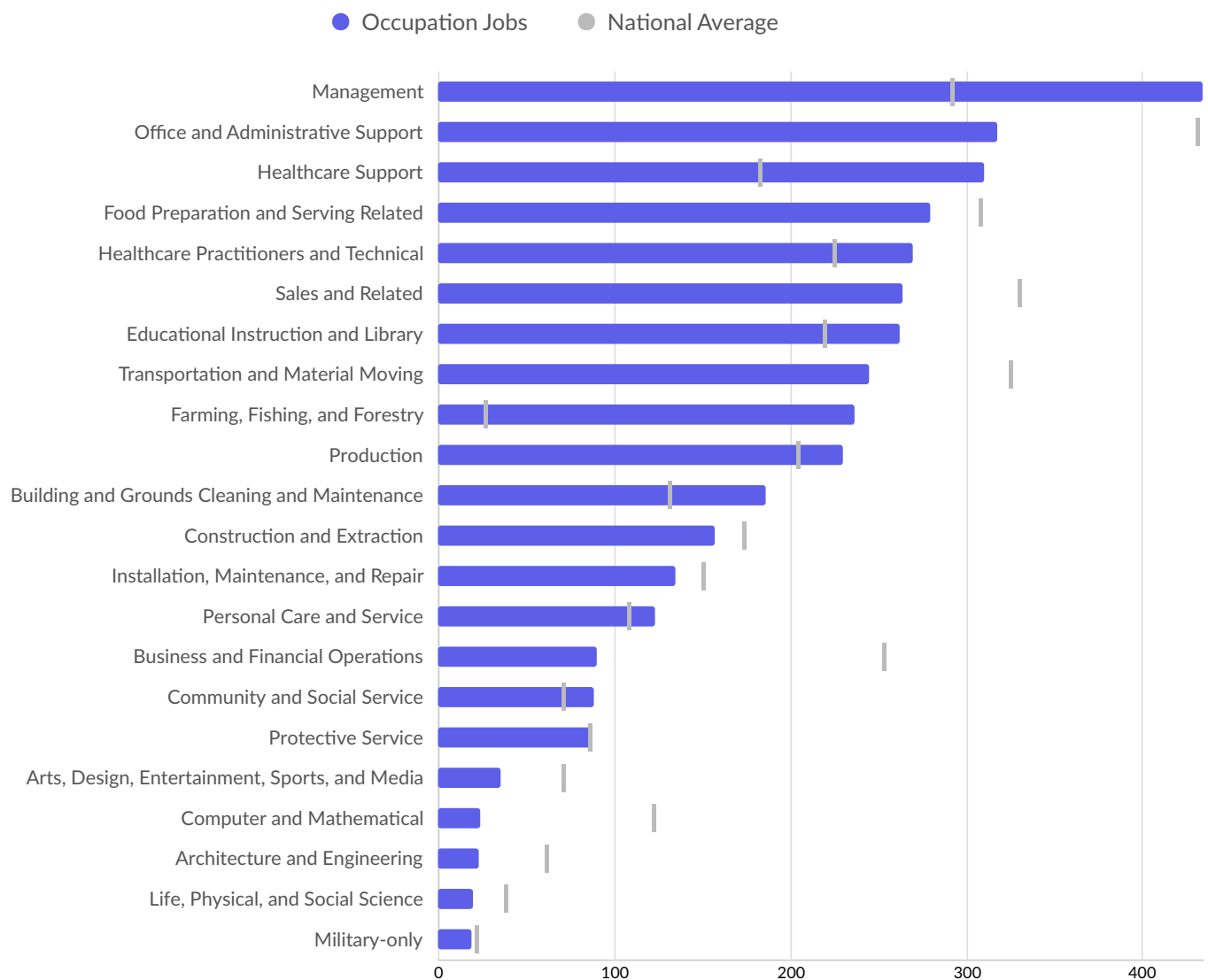


	Percentage	Business Count
1 to 4 employees	53.7%	317
5 to 9 employees	22.5%	133
10 to 19 employees	13.4%	79
20 to 49 employees	7.3%	43
50 to 99 employees	1.7%	10
100 to 249 employees	1.0%	6
250 to 499 employees	0.3%	2

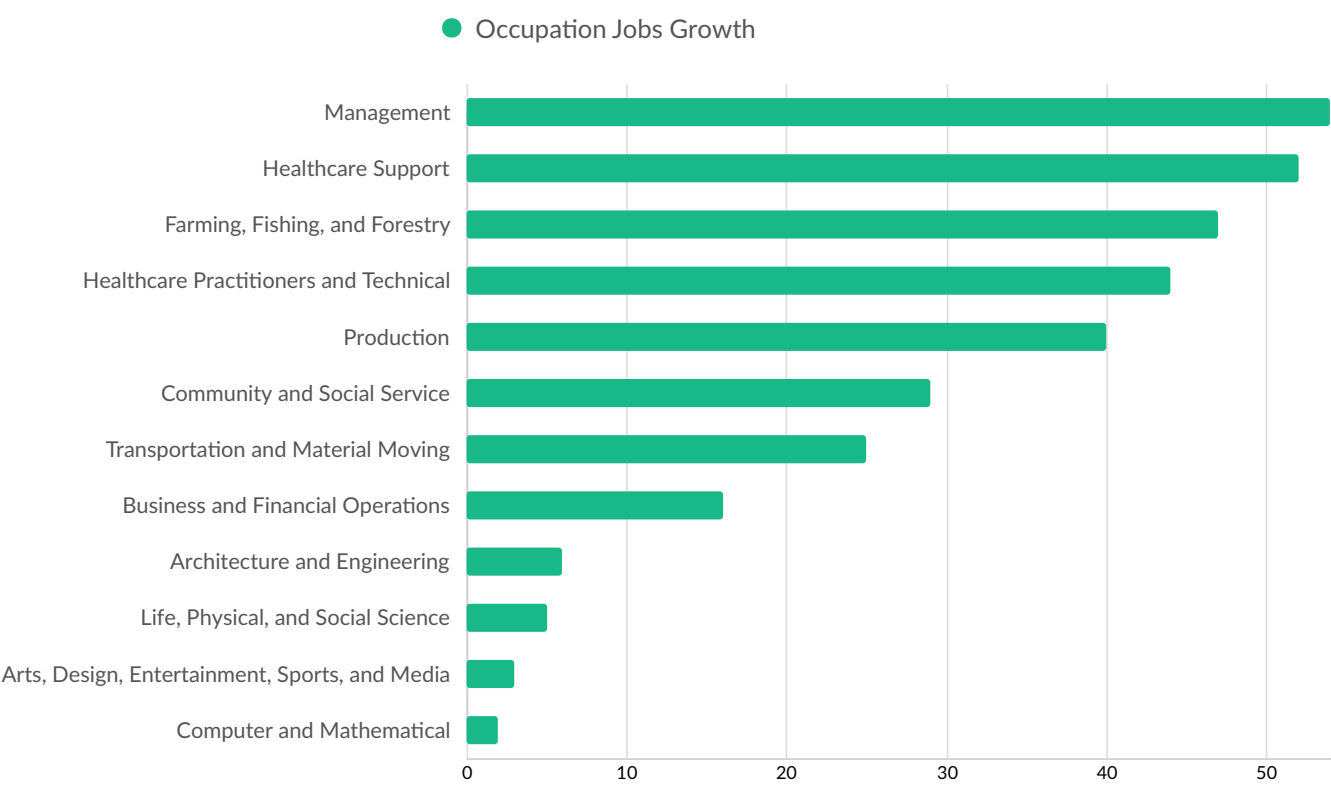
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Workforce Characteristics

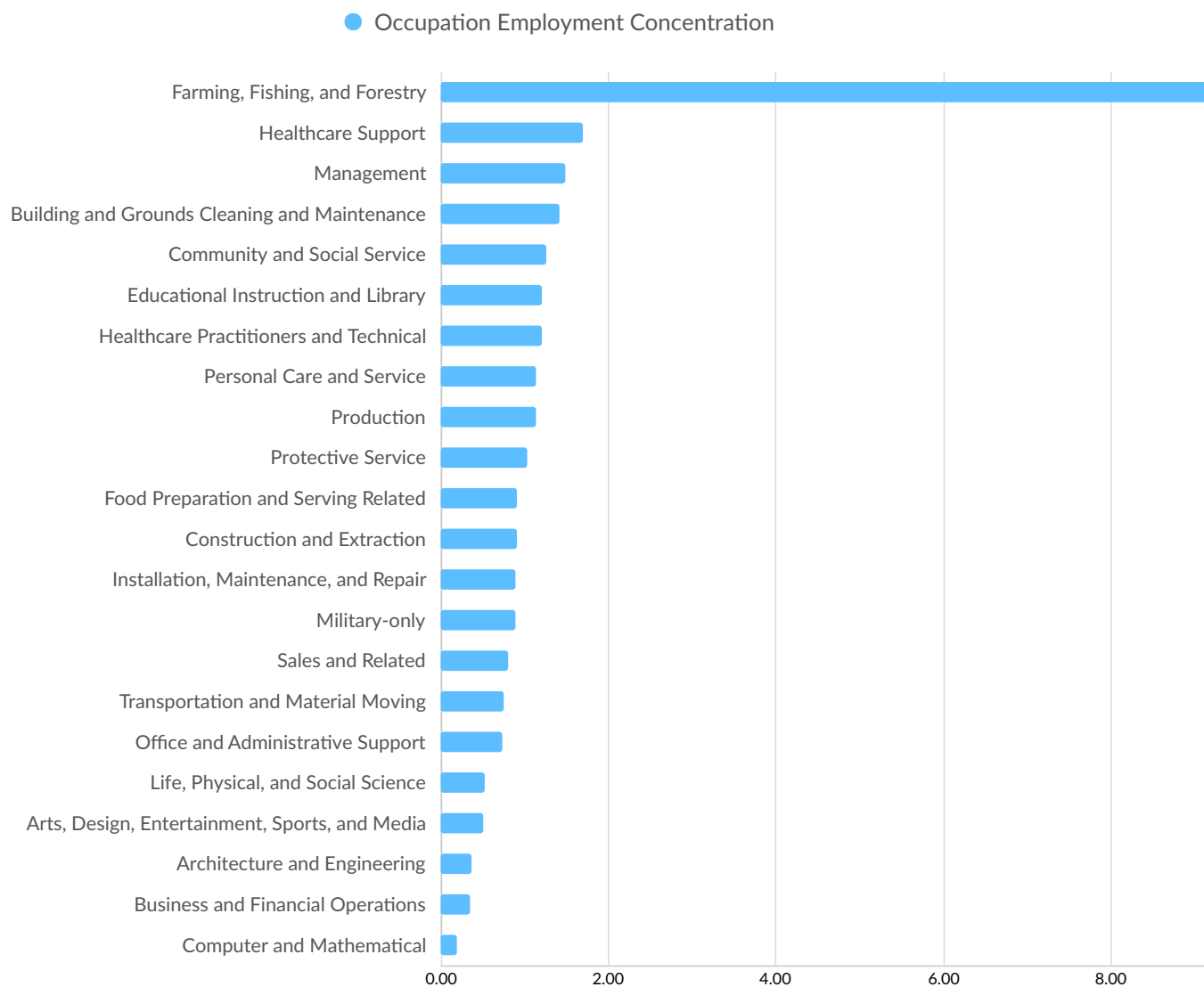
Largest Occupations



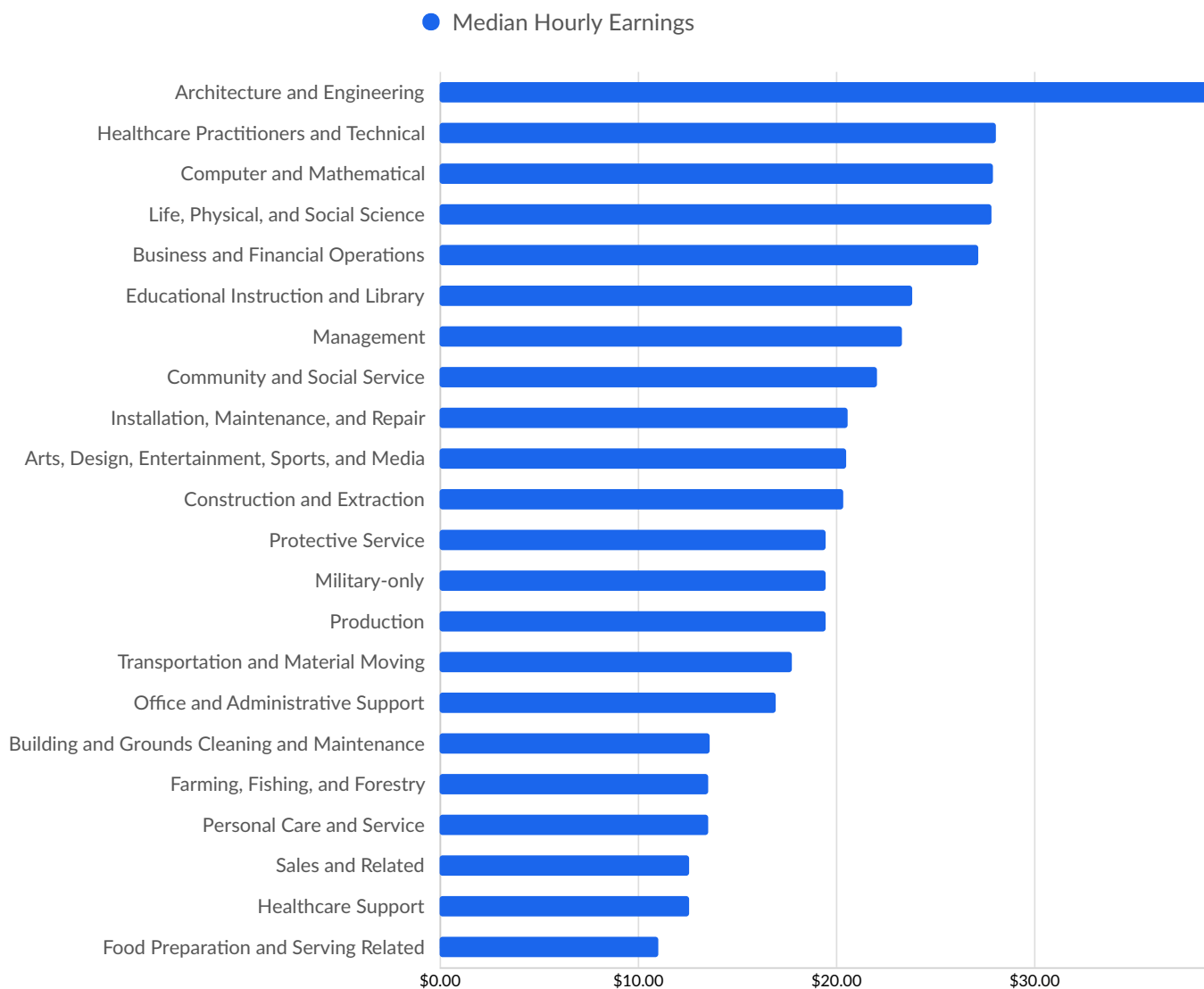
Top Growing Occupations



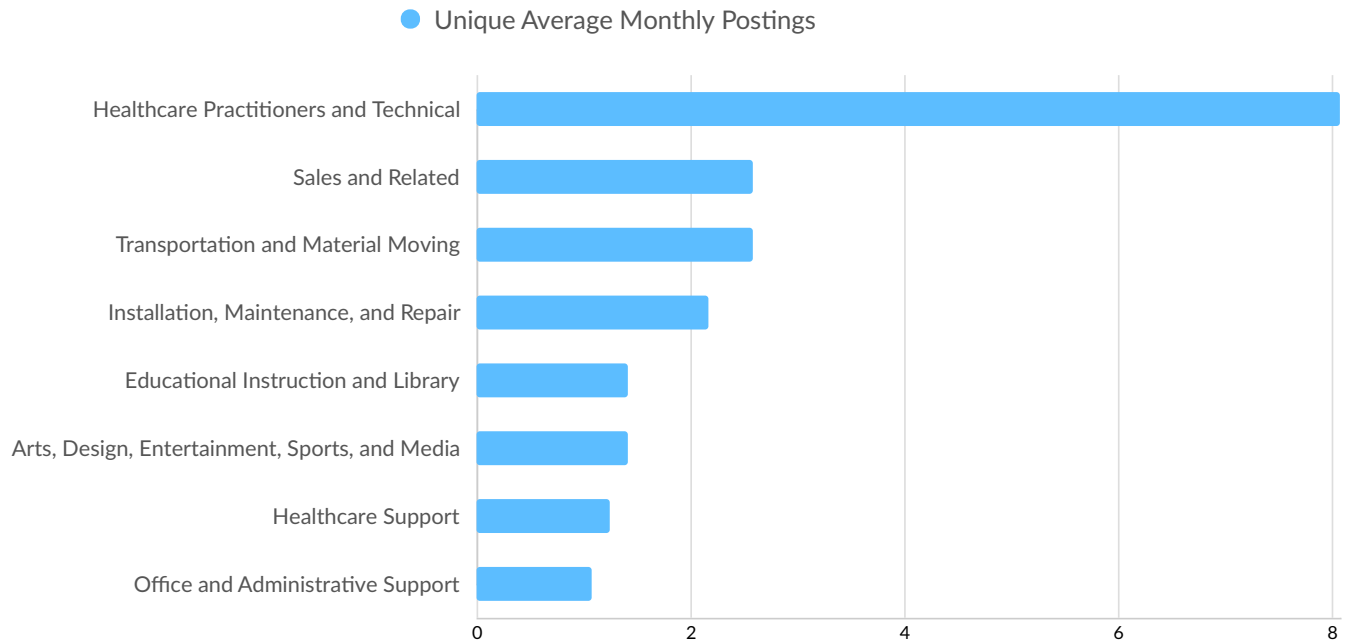
Top Occupation Employment Concentration



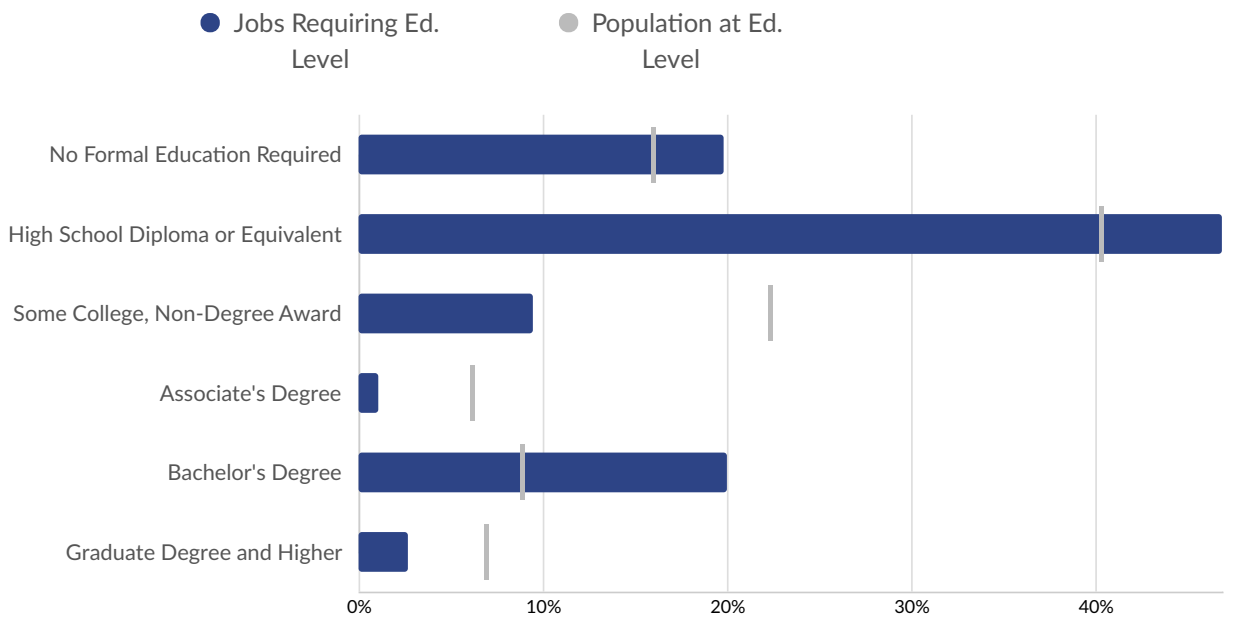
Top Occupation Earnings



Top Posted Occupations

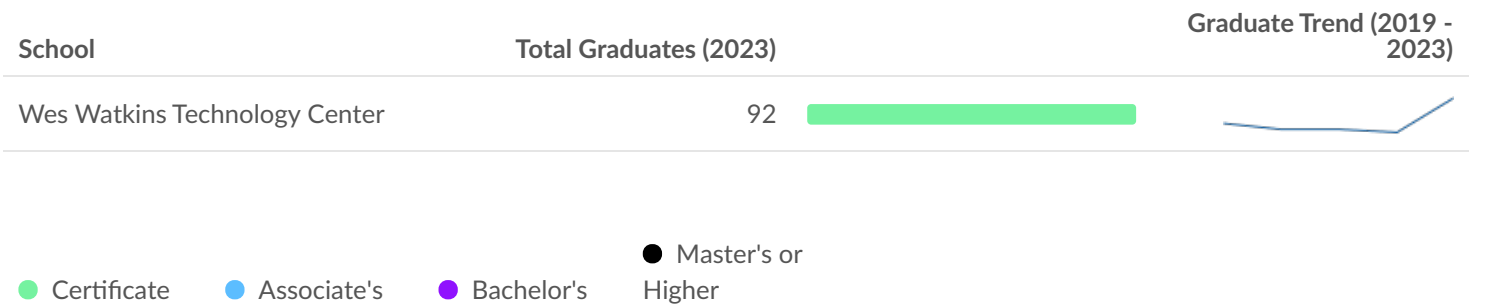


Underemployment



Educational Pipeline

In 2023, there were 92 graduates in Hughes County, OK. This pipeline has grown by 92% over the last 5 years. The highest share of these graduates come from "Medical/Clinical Assistant" (Certificate), "Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training" (Certificate), and "Welding Technology/Welder" (Certificate).



In-Demand Skills

