



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

13,433

Population (2025)

Population **grew by 87** over the last 5 years and is projected to **grow by 295** over the next 5 years.

3,858

Total Regional Employment

Jobs **grew by 57** over the last 5 years and are projected to **grow by 256** over the next 5 years.

\$47.9K

Median Household Income (2023)

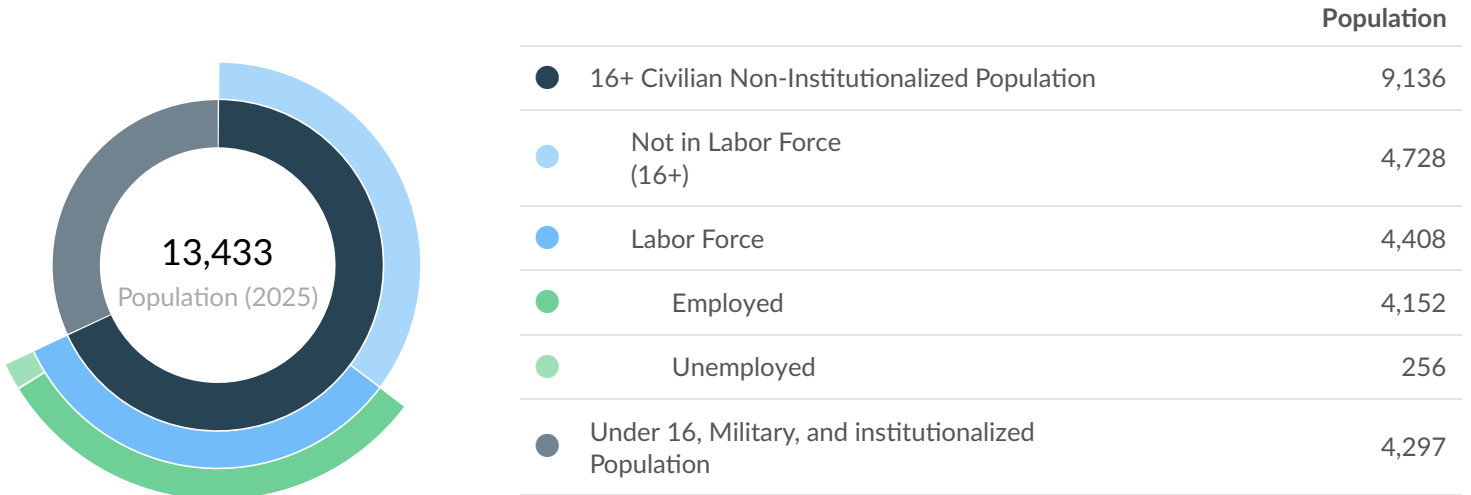
Median household income is **\$30.6K below** the national median household income of \$78.5K.

Takeaways

- As of 2025 the region's population **increased by 0.7%** since 2020, growing by 87. Population is expected to **increase by 2.2%** between 2025 and 2030, adding 295.
- From 2020 to 2025, jobs **increased by 1.5%** in Hughes County, OK from 3,801 to **3,858**. This change **fell short of the national growth rate of 10.6% by 9.1%**. As the number of jobs increased, the **labor force participation rate increased from 47.9% to 48.2% between 2020 and 2025**.
- Concerning educational attainment, **8.9% of Hughes County, OK residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (12.9% below the national average), and **6.2% hold an Associate's Degree** (2.7% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2025 are Education and Hospitals (Local Government), Animal Production, and Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals.

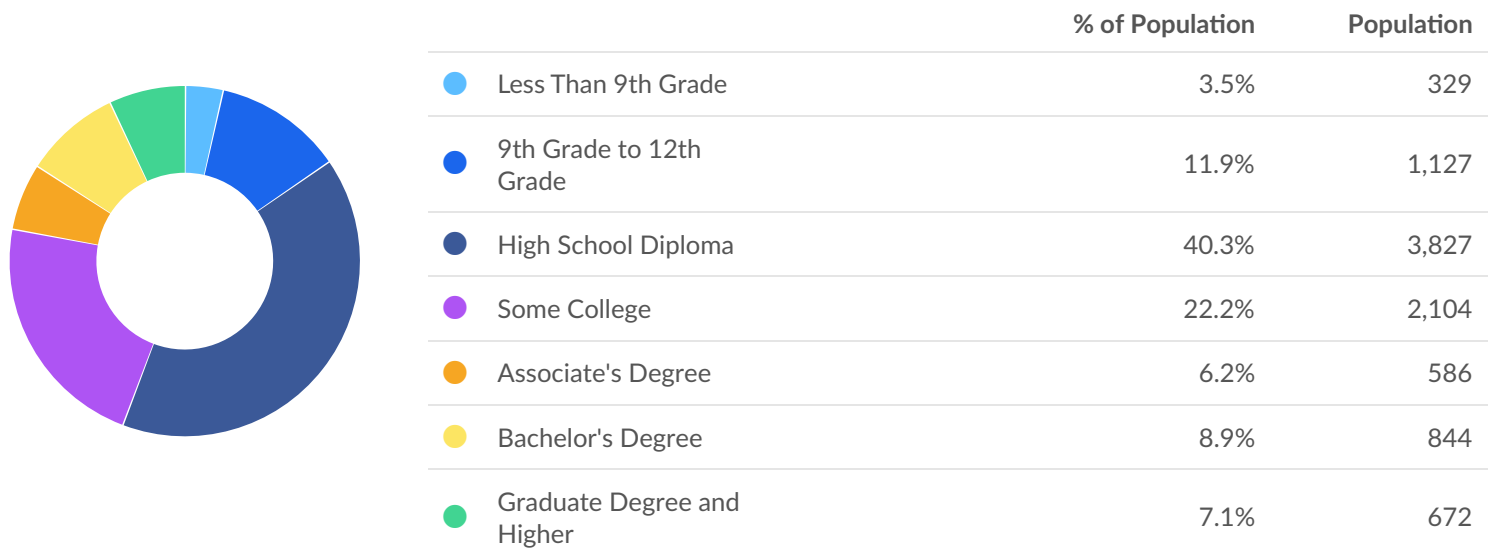
	Population (2025)	Labor Force (Dec 2025)	Jobs (2025)	Cost of Living	GRP	Imports	Exports
Region	13,433	4,408	3,858	89.4	\$472.67M	\$956.44M	\$702.36M
State	4,122,977	2,002,981	1,964,442	93.3	\$270.50B	\$266.82B	\$321.02B

Dec 2025 Labor Force Breakdown



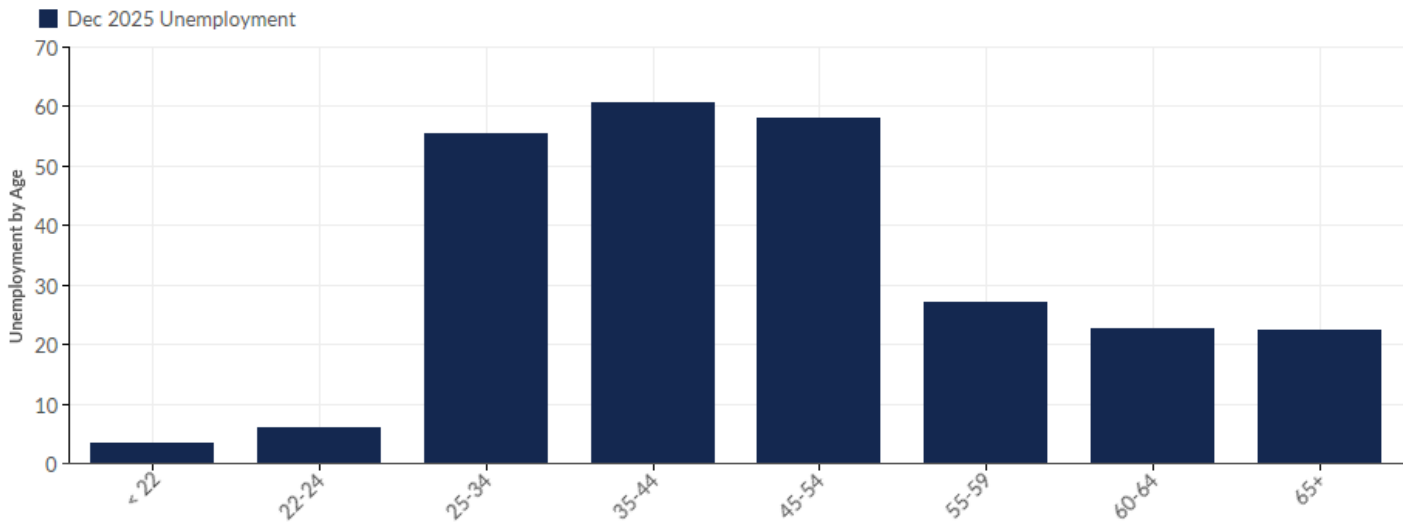
Educational Attainment

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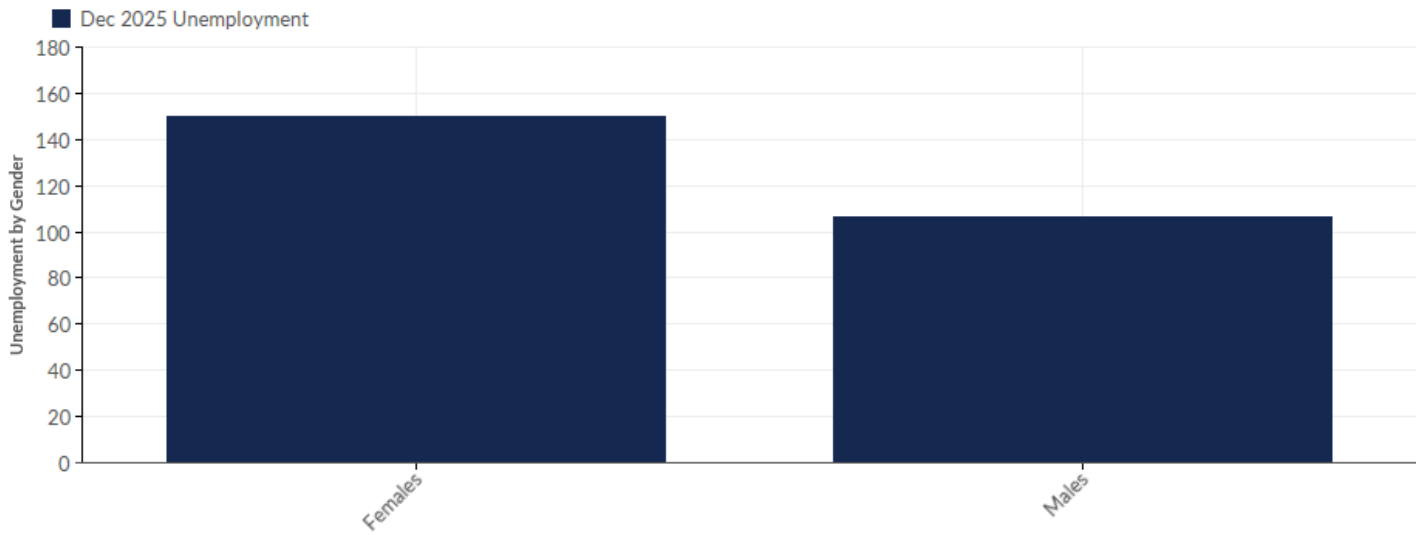
Unemployment by Demographics

Unemployment by Age



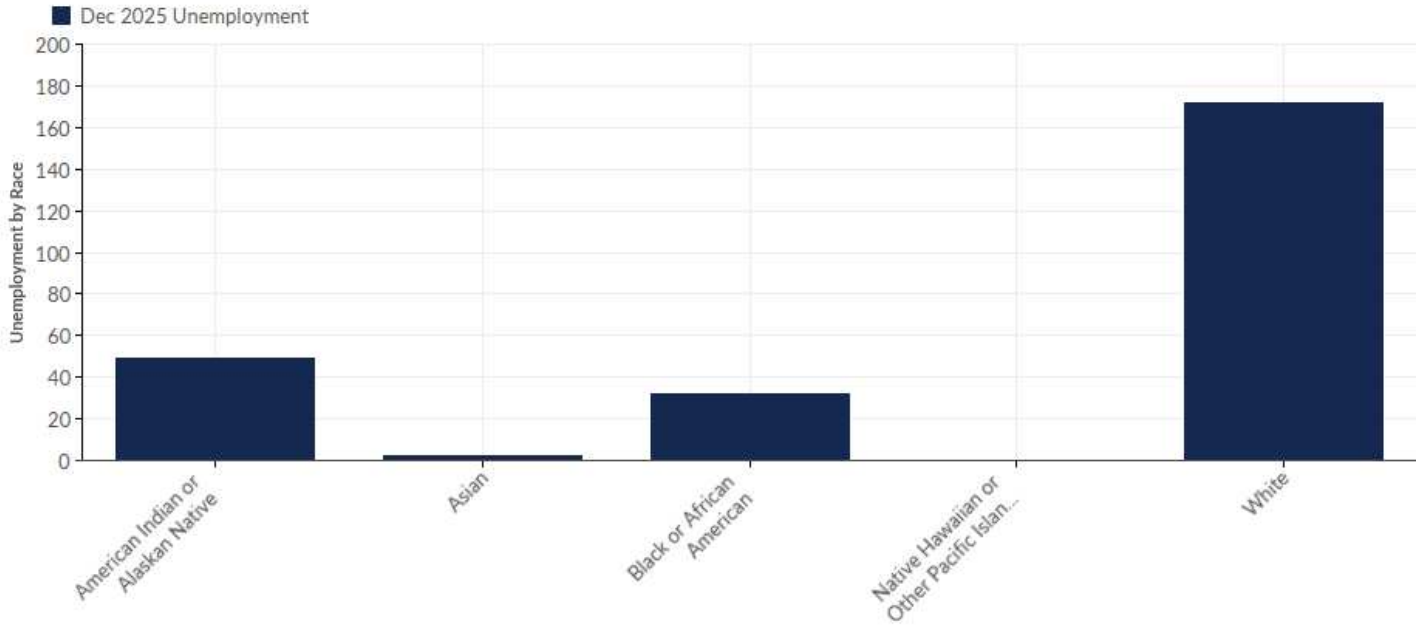
Age	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
< 22	3	1.17%
22-24	6	2.34%
25-34	56	21.88%
35-44	61	23.83%
45-54	58	22.66%
55-59	27	10.55%
60-64	23	8.98%
65+	23	8.98%
Total	256	100.00%

Unemployment by Gender



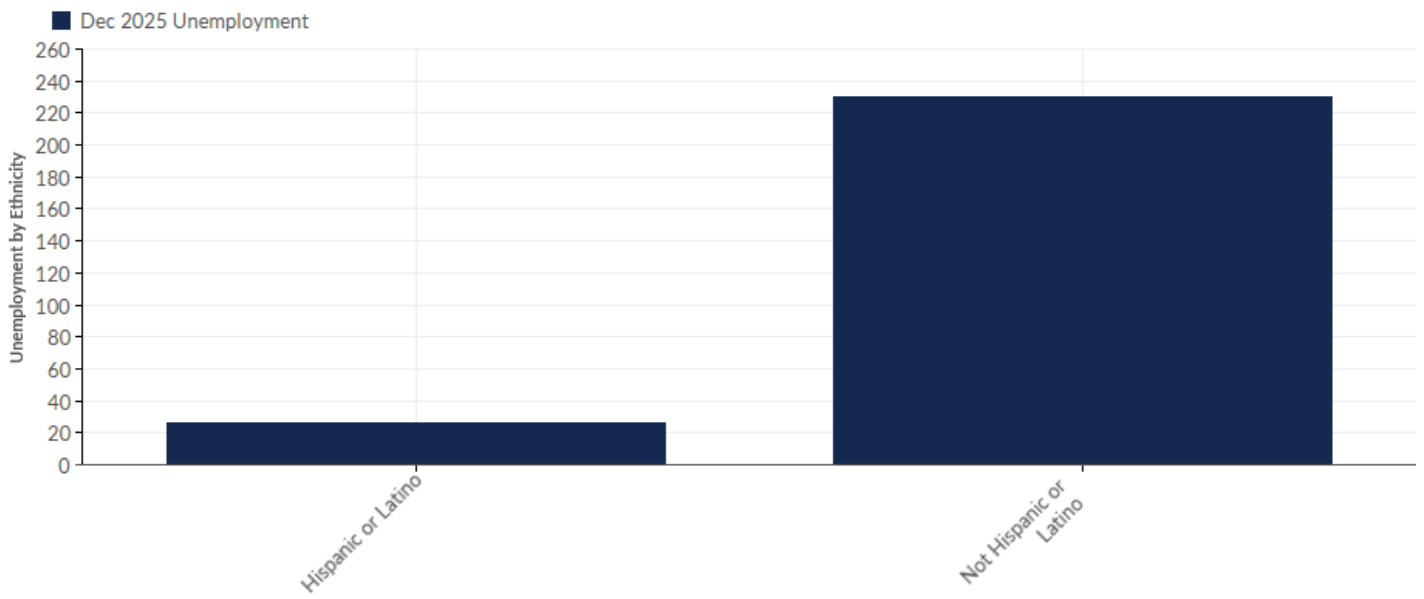
Gender	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
Females	150	58.59%
Males	106	41.41%
Total	256	100.00%

Unemployment by Race



Race	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
American Indian or Alaskan Native	49	19.14%
Asian	3	1.17%
Black or African American	32	12.50%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.00%
White	172	67.19%
Total	256	100.00%

Unemployment by Ethnicity

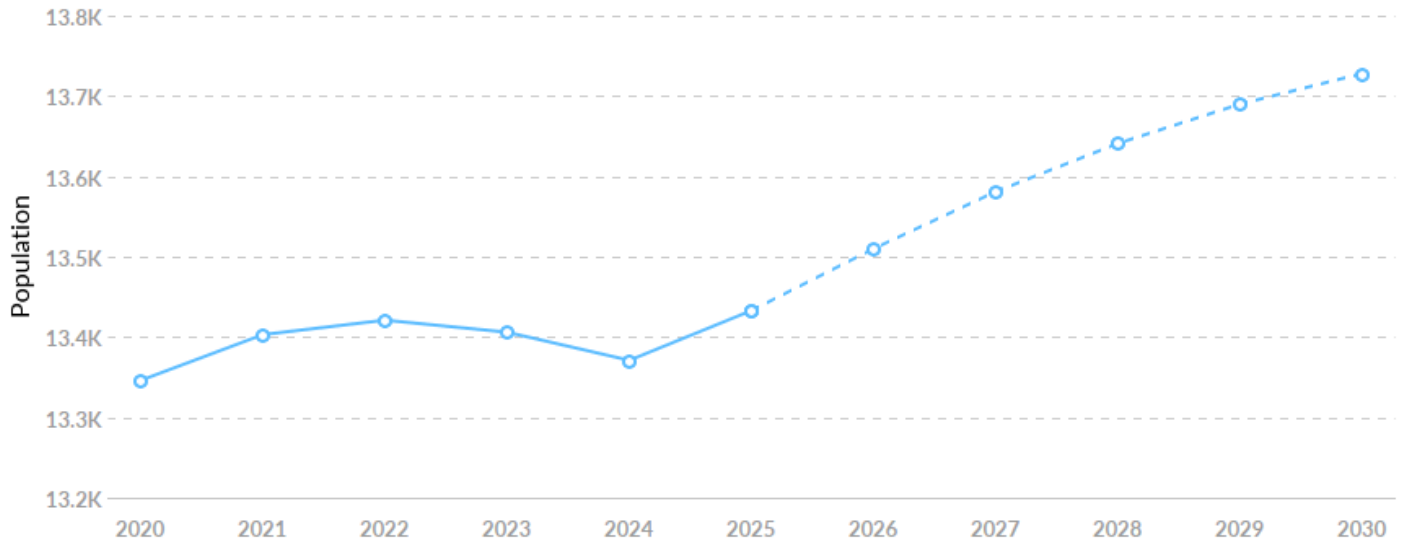


Ethnicity	Unemployment (Dec 2025)	% of Unemployed
Hispanic or Latino	26	10.16%
Not Hispanic or Latino	230	89.84%
Total	256	100.00%

Historic & Projected Trends

Population Trends

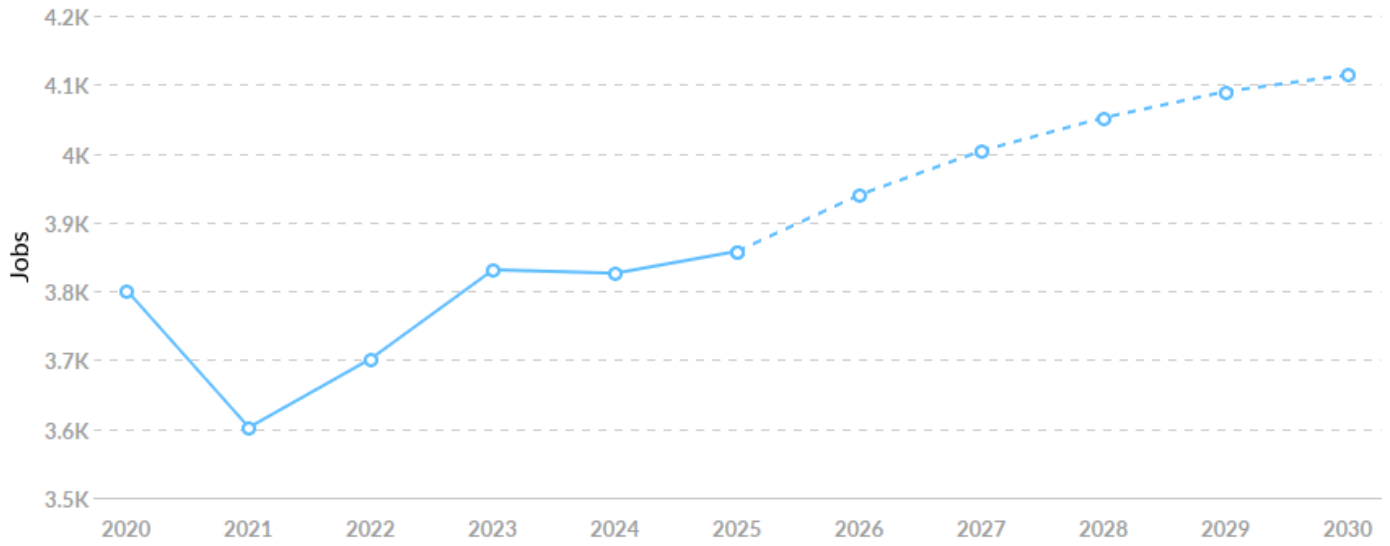
As of 2025 the region's population increased by 0.7% since 2020, growing by 87. Population is expected to increase by 2.2% between 2025 and 2030, adding 295.



Timeframe	Population
2020	13,346
2021	13,403
2022	13,421
2023	13,406
2024	13,371
2025	13,433
2026	13,510
2027	13,581
2028	13,641
2029	13,690
2030	13,728

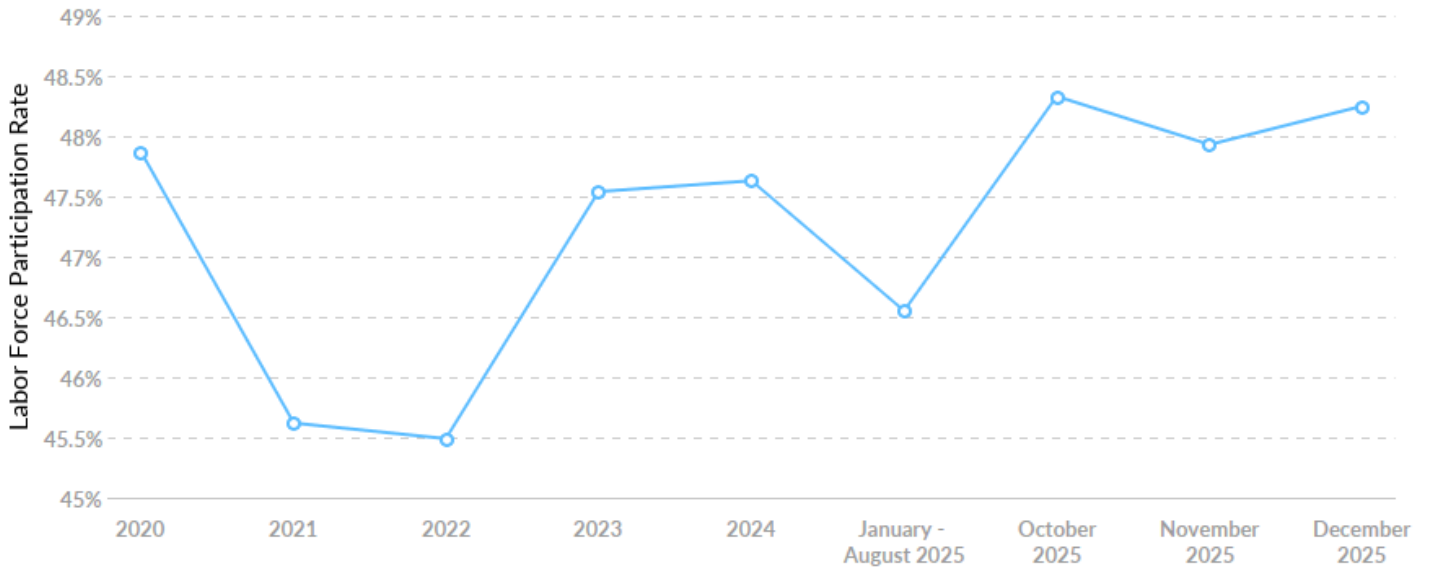
Job Trends

From 2020 to 2025, jobs increased by 1.5% in Hughes County, OK from 3,801 to 3,858. This change fell short of the national growth rate of 10.6% by 9.1%.



Timeframe	Jobs
2020	3,801
2021	3,602
2022	3,702
2023	3,831
2024	3,826
2025	3,858
2026	3,940
2027	4,004
2028	4,052
2029	4,090
2030	4,114

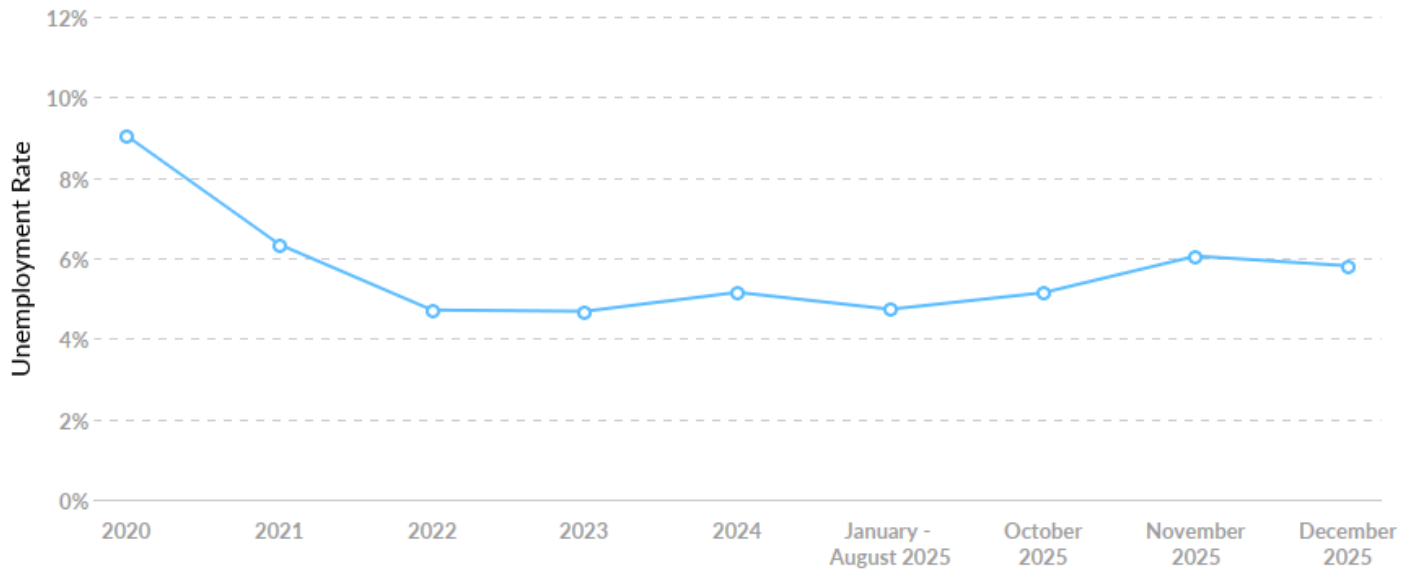
Labor Force Participation Rate Trends



Timeframe	Labor Force Participation Rate
2020	47.87%
2021	45.62%
2022	45.49%
2023	47.54%
2024	47.63%
January - August 2025	46.55%
October 2025	48.33%
November 2025	47.93%
December 2025	48.25%

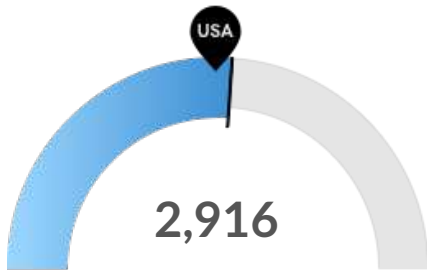
Unemployment Rate Trends

Hughes County, OK had a December 2025 unemployment rate of 5.81%, decreasing from 9.04% 5 years before.



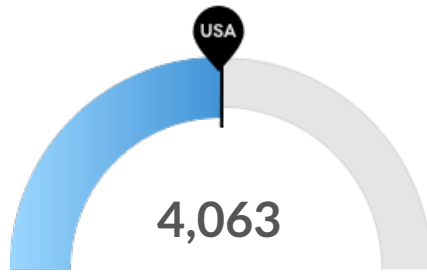
Timeframe	Unemployment Rate
2020	9.04%
2021	6.34%
2022	4.71%
2023	4.68%
2024	5.15%
January - August 2025	4.73%
October 2025	5.14%
November 2025	6.05%
December 2025	5.81%

Population Characteristics



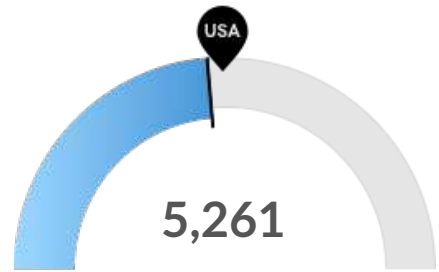
Millennials

Hughes County, OK has 2,916 millennials (ages 25-39). The national average for an area this size is 2,737.



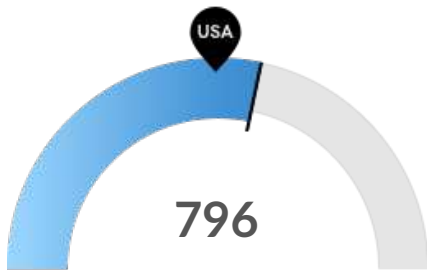
Retiring Soon

Retirement risk is about average in Hughes County, OK. The national average for an area this size is 4,043 people 55 or older, while there are 4,063 here.



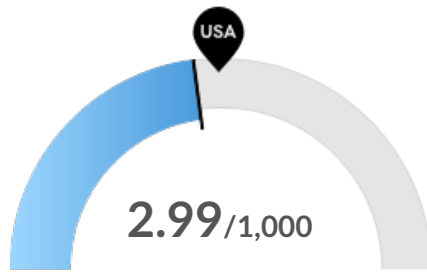
Racial Diversity

Racial diversity is about average in Hughes County, OK. The national average for an area this size is 5,688 racially diverse people, while there are 5,261 here.



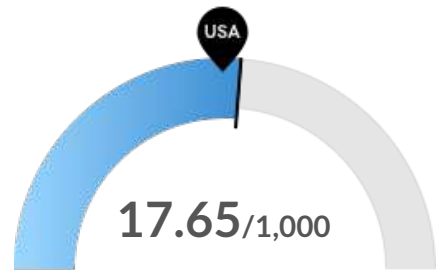
Veterans

Hughes County, OK has 796 veterans. The national average for an area this size is 660.



Violent Crime

Hughes County, OK has 2.99 violent crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 3.38 per 1,000 people.

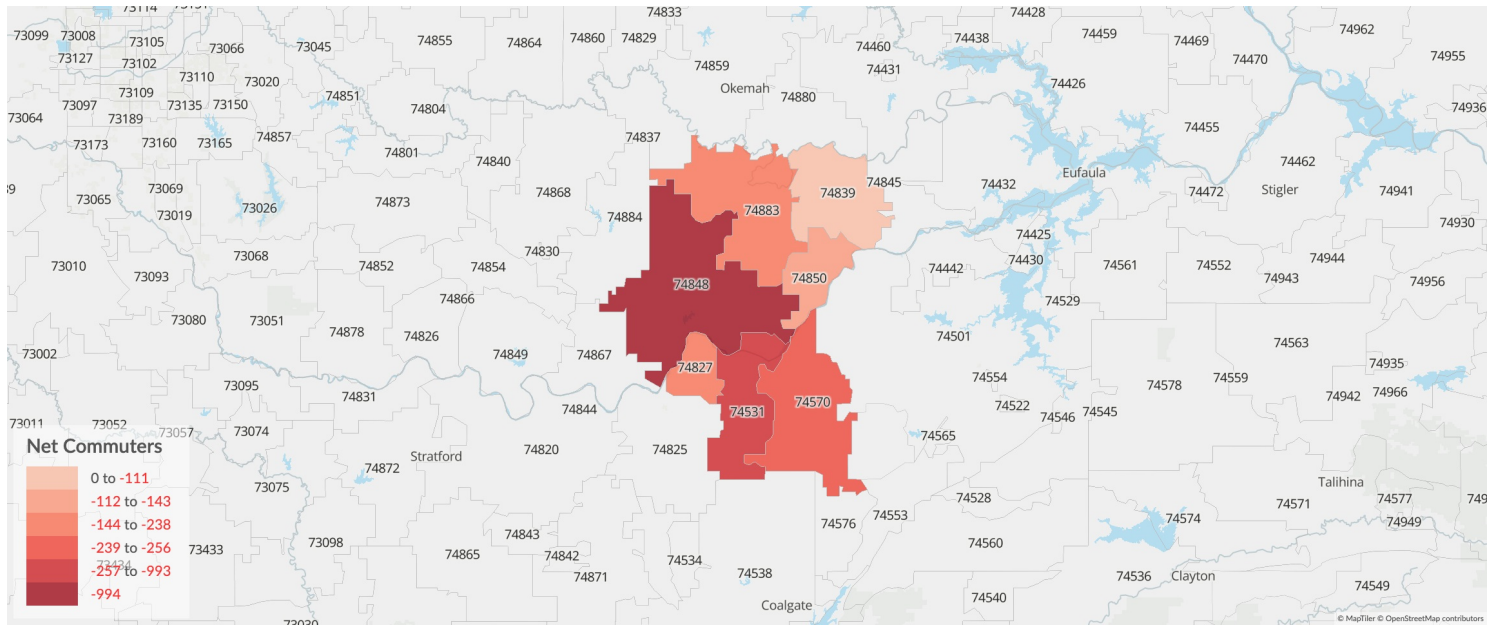


Property Crime

Hughes County, OK has 17.65 property crimes per 1,000 people. The national rate is 16.44 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	2025 Employment
74848	Holdenville, OK (in Hug...	2,372
74883	Wetumka, OK (in Hugh...	764
74570	Stuart, OK (in Hughes c...	232
74531	Calvin, OK (in Hughes c...	183
74839	Dustin, OK (in Hughes c...	168

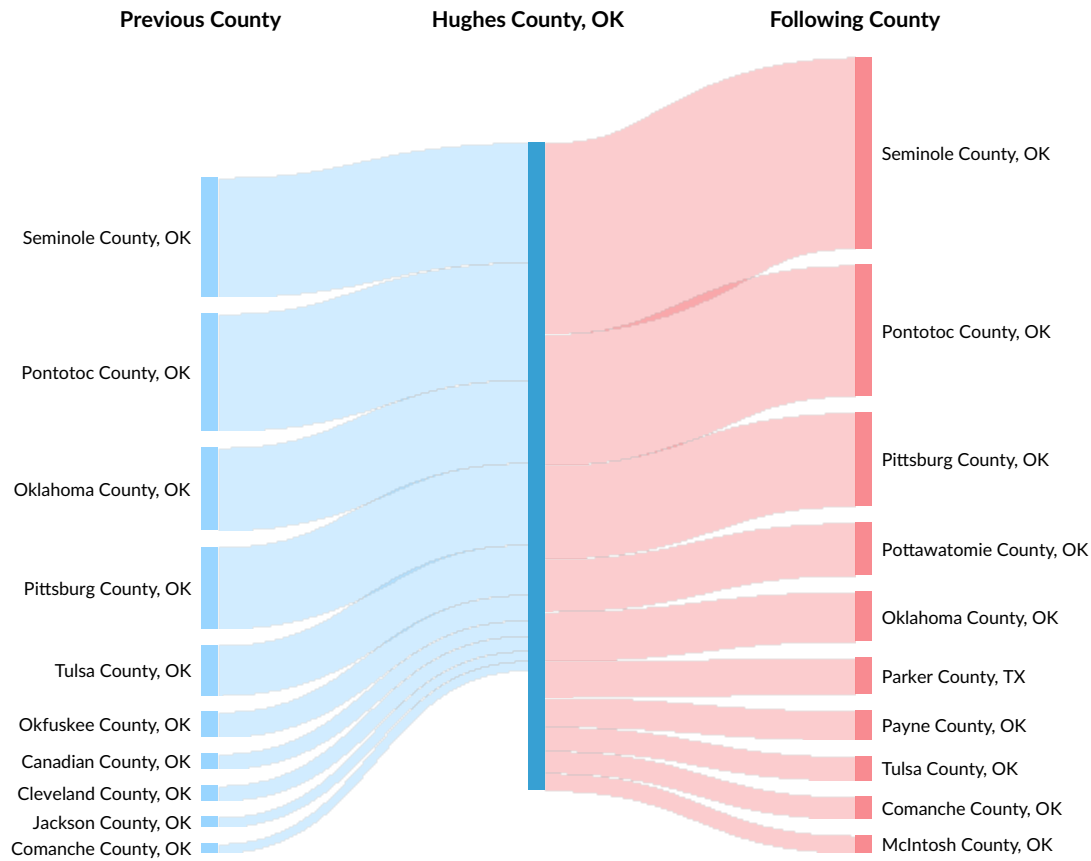
Where Talent Lives

ZIP	Name	2025 Workers
74848	Holdenville, OK (in Hug...	3,366
74883	Wetumka, OK (in Hugh...	908
74570	Stuart, OK (in Hughes c...	470
74531	Calvin, OK (in Hughes c...	440
74827	Atwood, OK (in Hughes...	265

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.

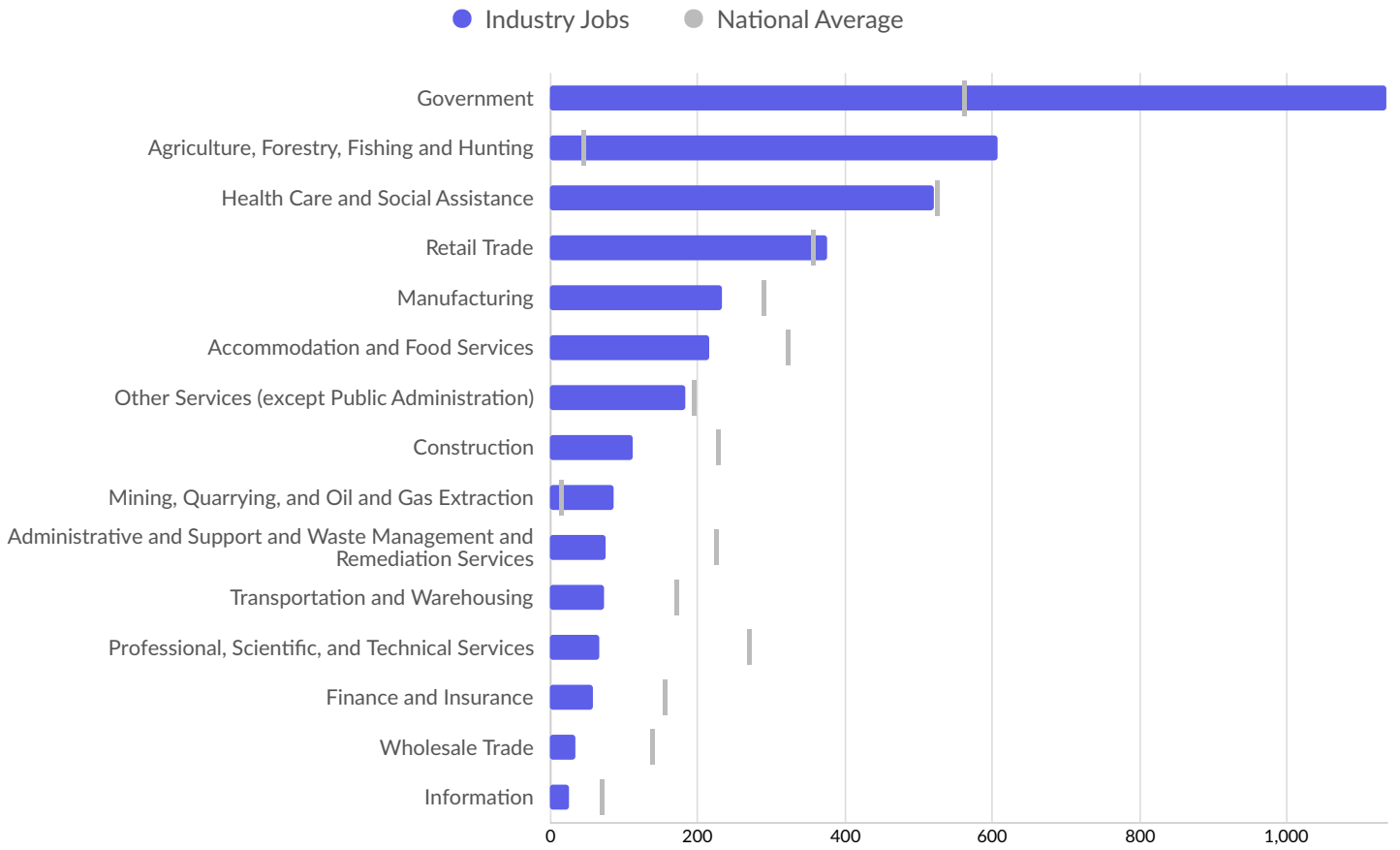


Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Seminole County, OK	66
Pontotoc County, OK	65
Oklahoma County, OK	46
Pittsburg County, OK	45
Tulsa County, OK	28
Okfuskee County, OK	14

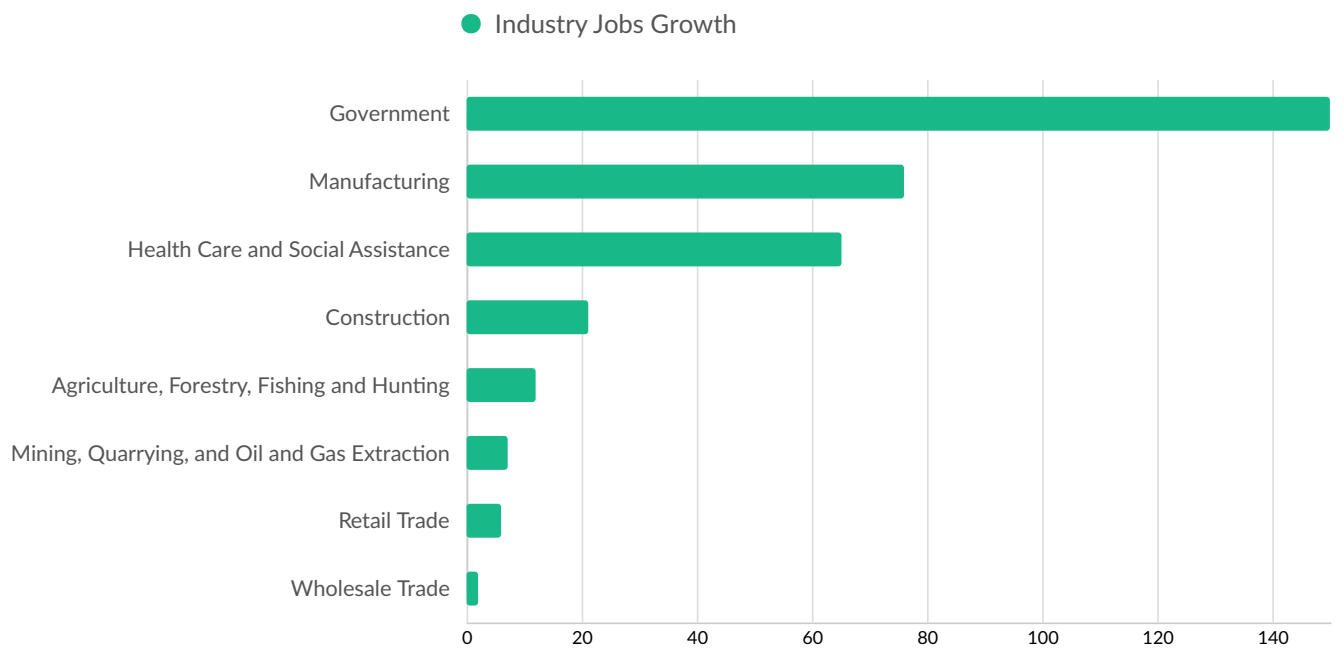
Top Previous Counties	Migrations
Canadian County, OK	9
Cleveland County, OK	8
Jackson County, OK	6
Comanche County, OK	5
Carter County, OK	4
Payne County, OK	4
Okmulgee County, OK	4
Beckham County, OK	4
Muskogee County, OK	4
Top Following Counties	Migrations
Seminole County, OK	106
Pontotoc County, OK	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

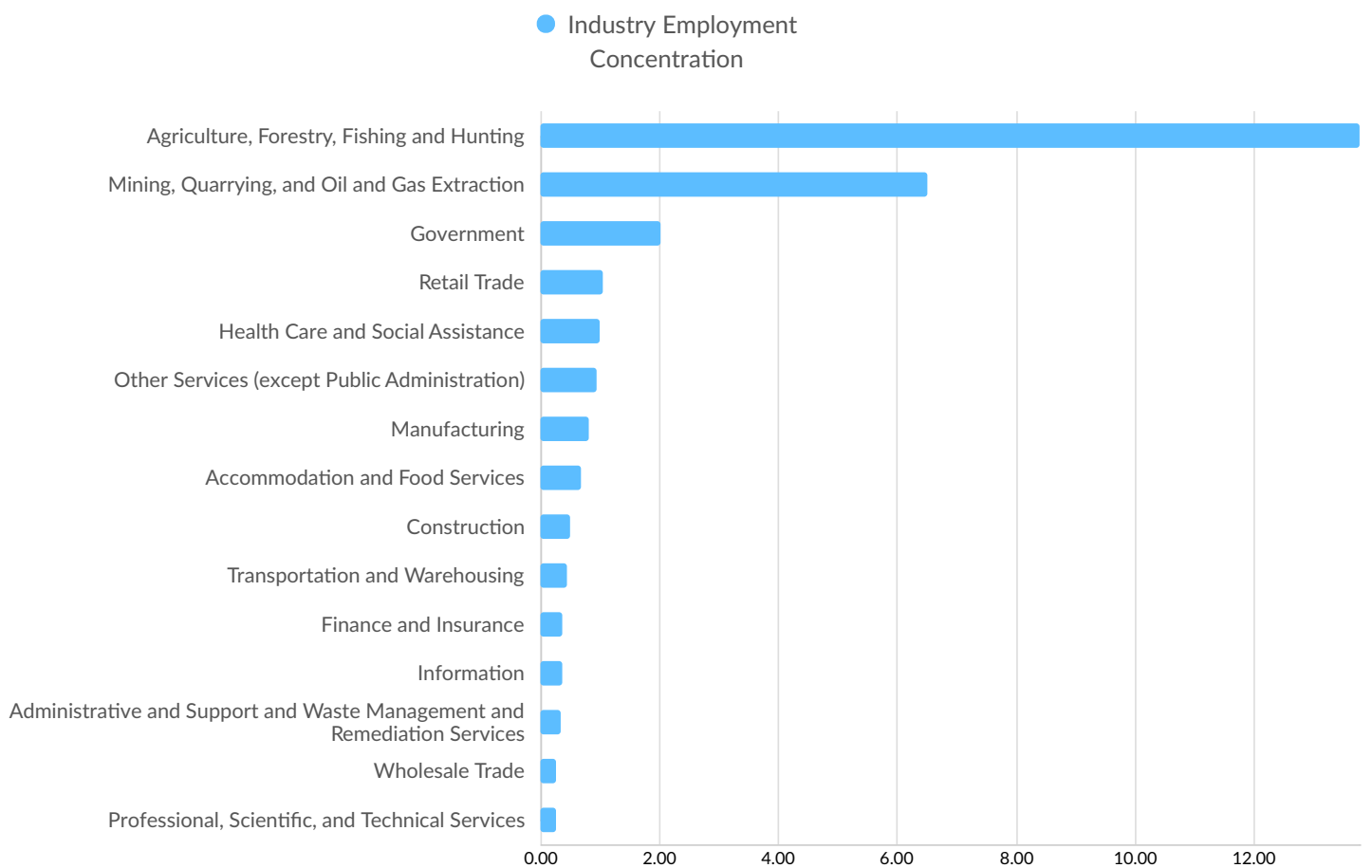
Largest Industries



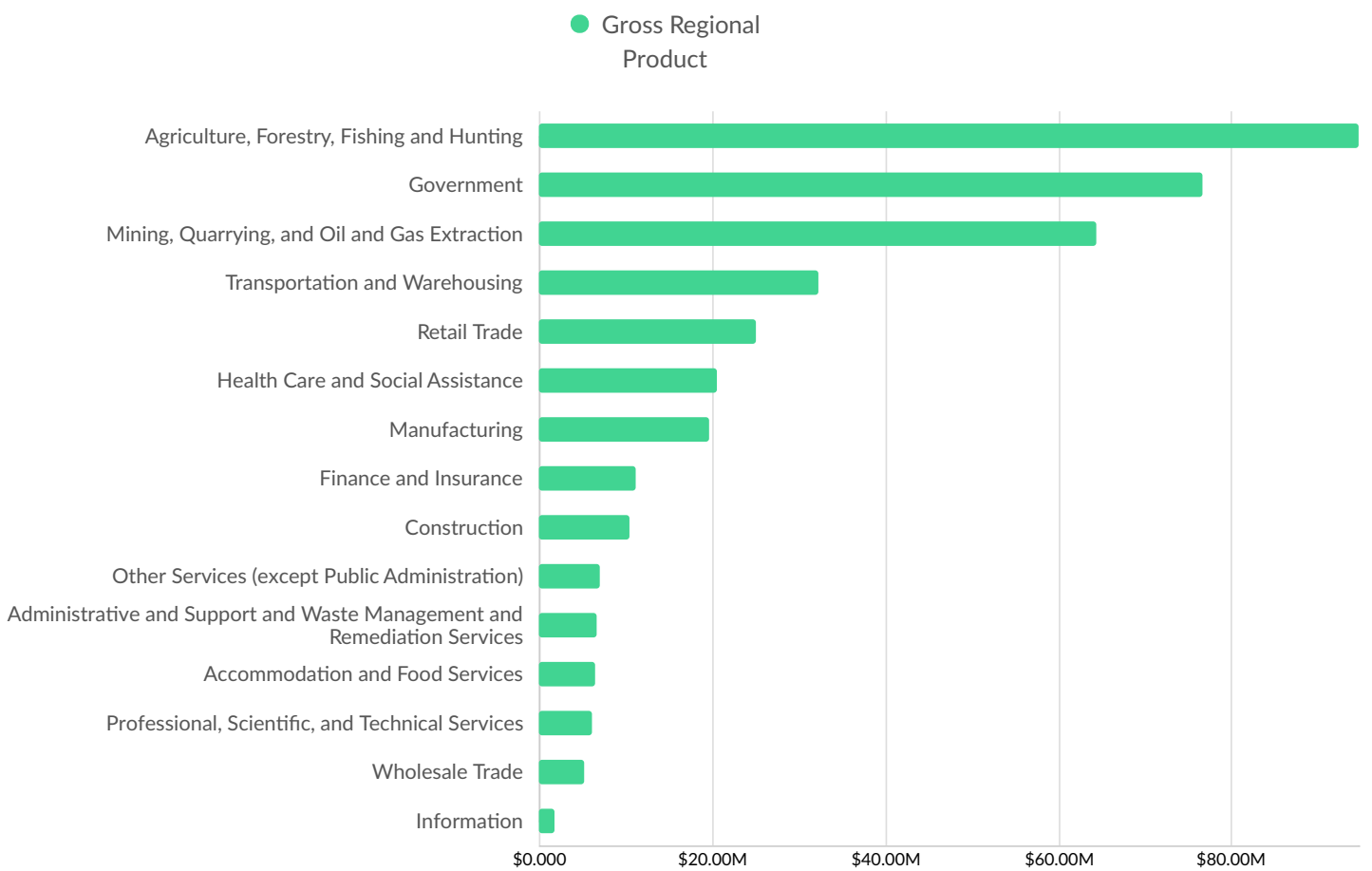
Top Growing Industries



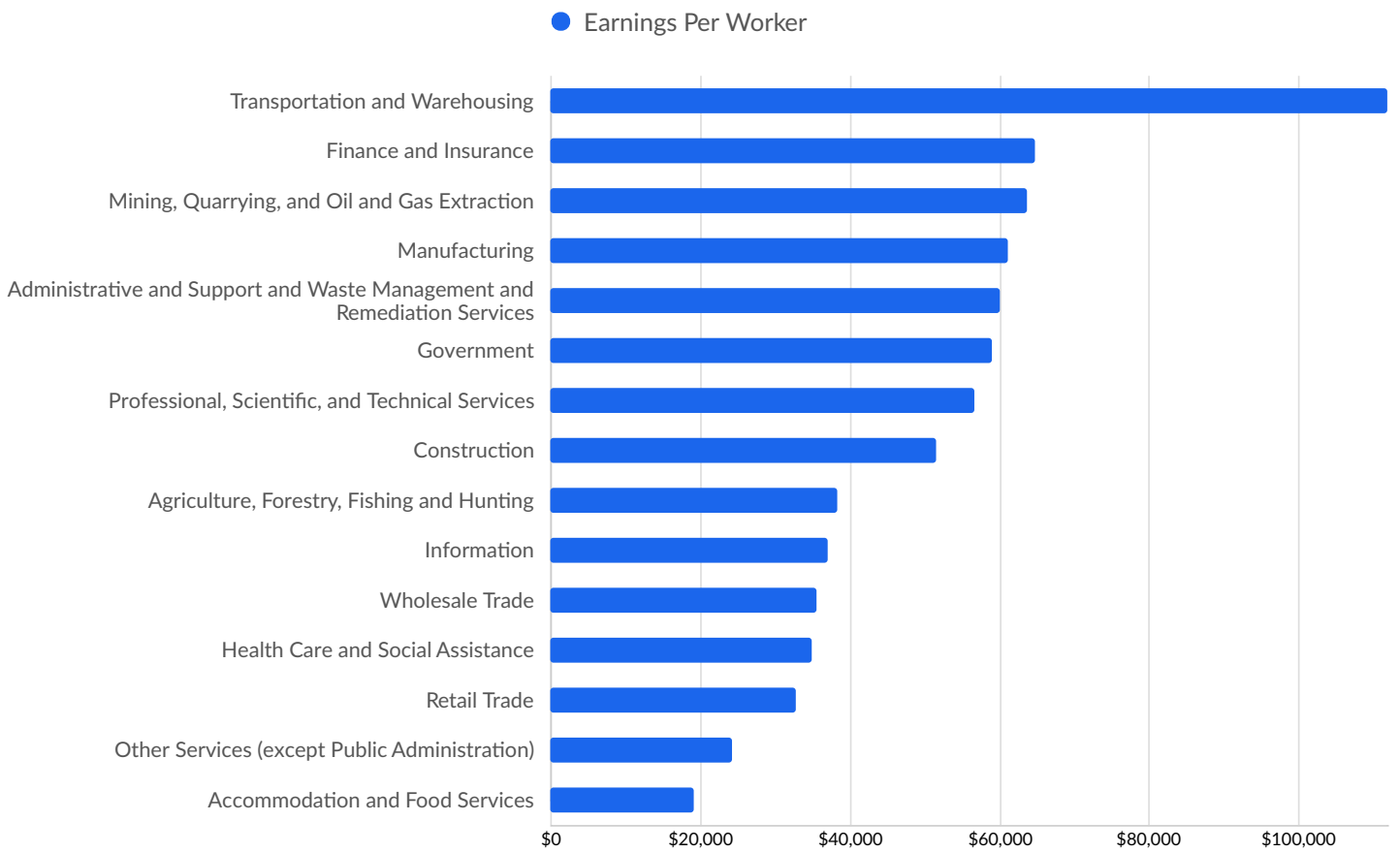
Top Industry Employment Concentration



Top Industry GRP























Top Industry Earnings



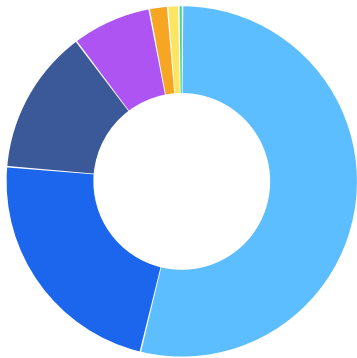
Business Characteristics

955 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 955 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 125 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	37 	Walmart	33 
Tyson Foods	19 	Hubbell	20 
Holdenville General Hospital	17 	Tyson Foods	18 
Wes Watkins Technology Center	17 	Vetted Health	17 
Big Five Head Start-reed Elem H...	16 	Bct Greater Austin And The Stat...	15 
Walmart	14 	Dollar General	14 
CoreCivic	13 	Airport Security	13 
Seminole Nation Of Oklahoma	10 	Amergis	13 
City Of Holdenville	9 	CRST International	11 
First United Bank	9 	Holdenville Hospital Authority	11 

Business Size

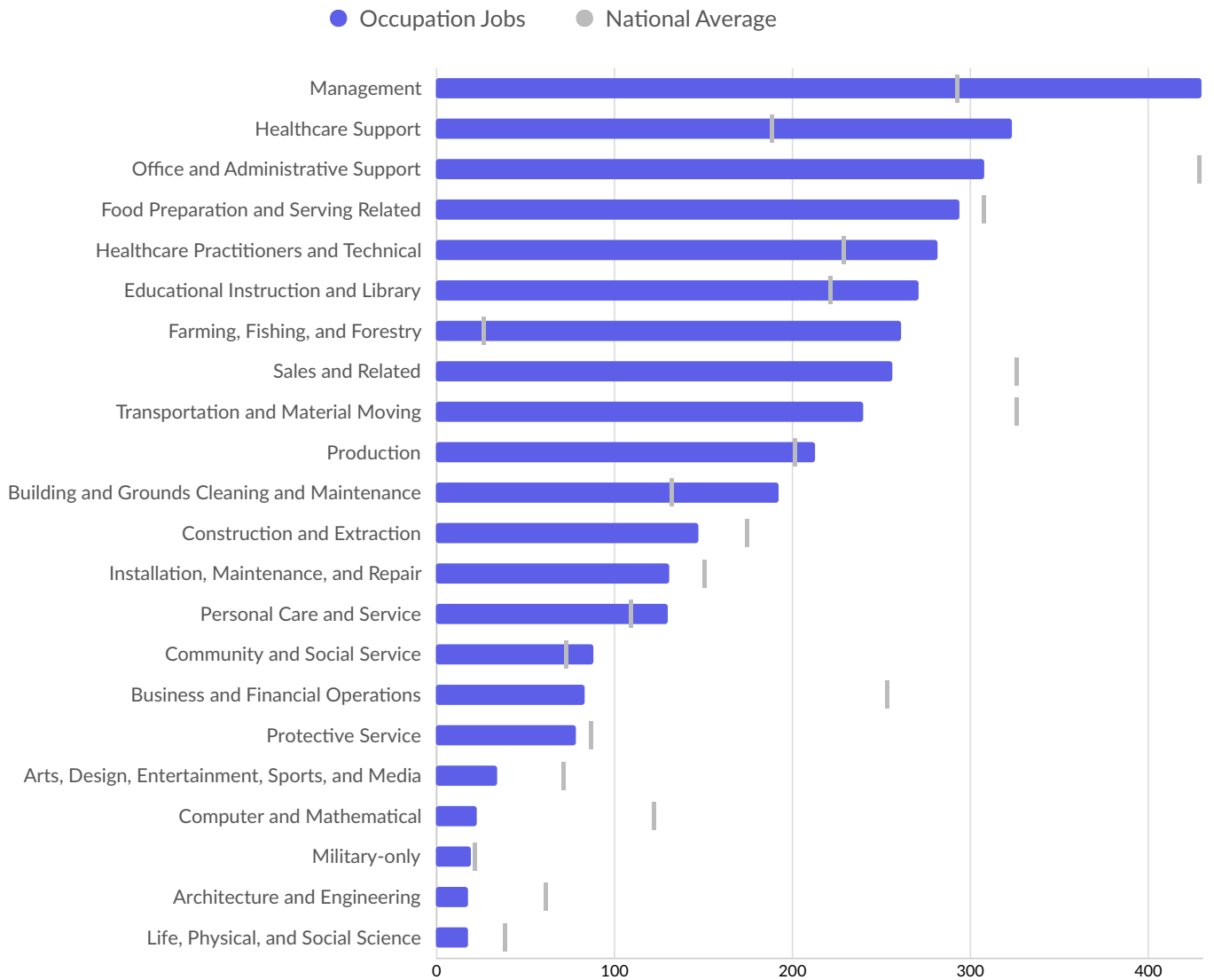


	Percentage	Business Count
● 1 to 4 employees	53.7%	317
● 5 to 9 employees	22.5%	133
● 10 to 19 employees	13.4%	79
● 20 to 49 employees	7.3%	43
● 50 to 99 employees	1.7%	10
● 100 to 249 employees	1.0%	6
● 250 to 499 employees	0.3%	2

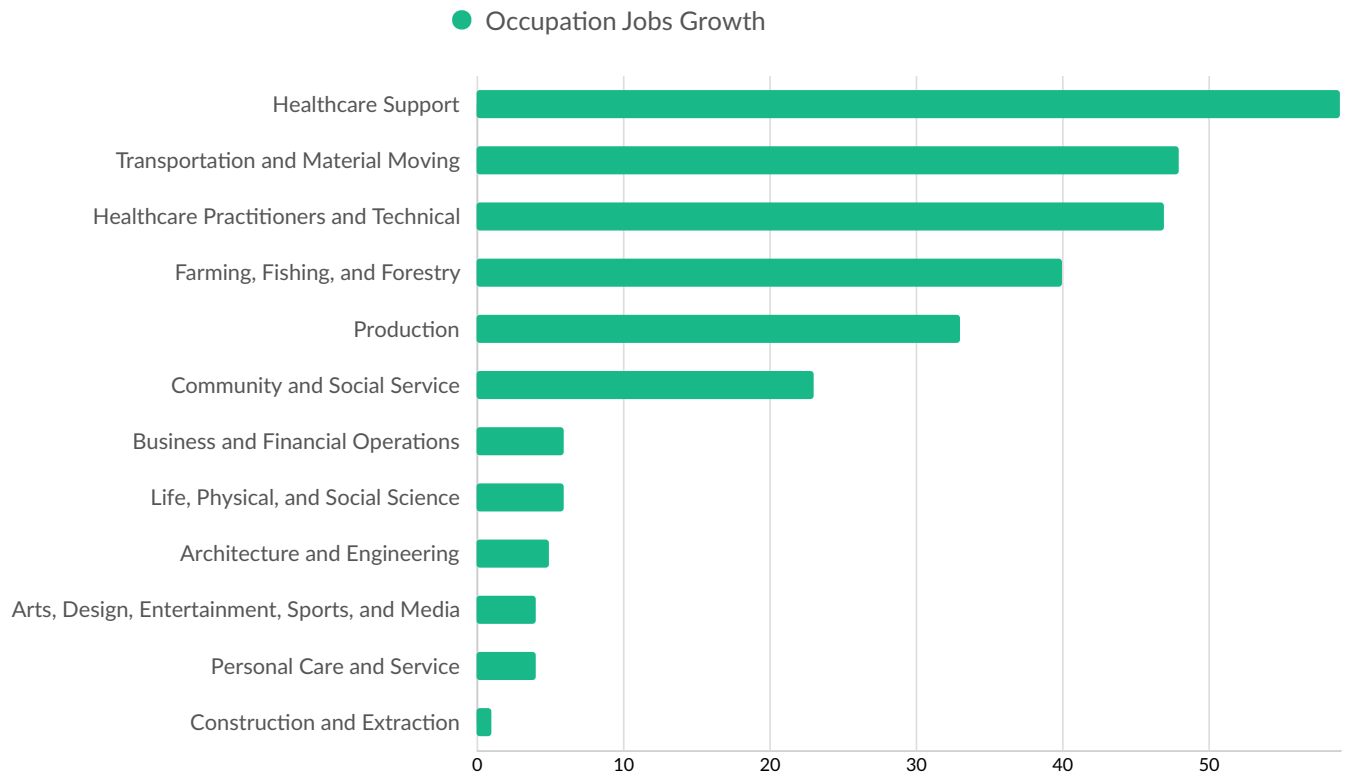
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Workforce Characteristics

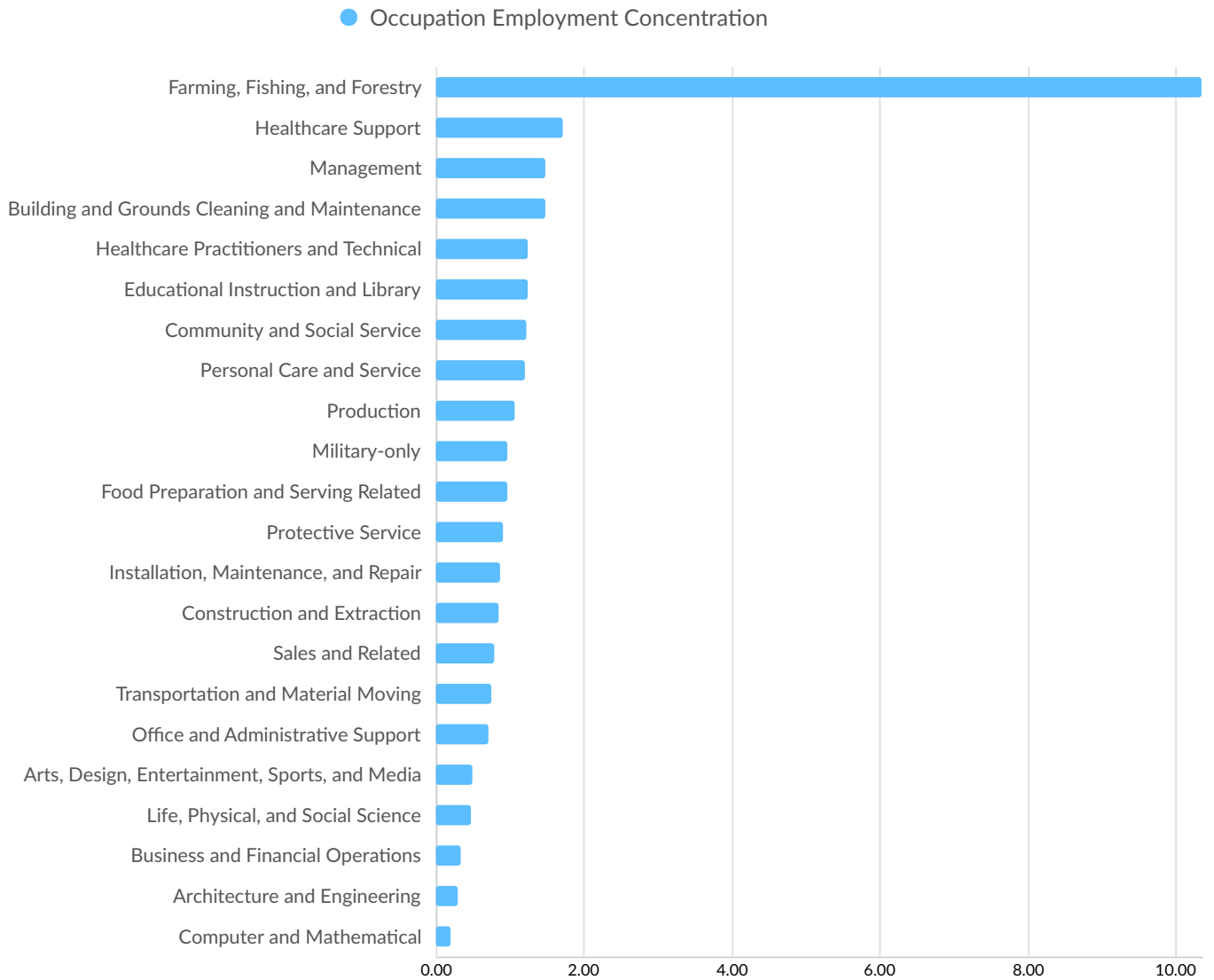
Largest Occupations



Top Growing Occupations



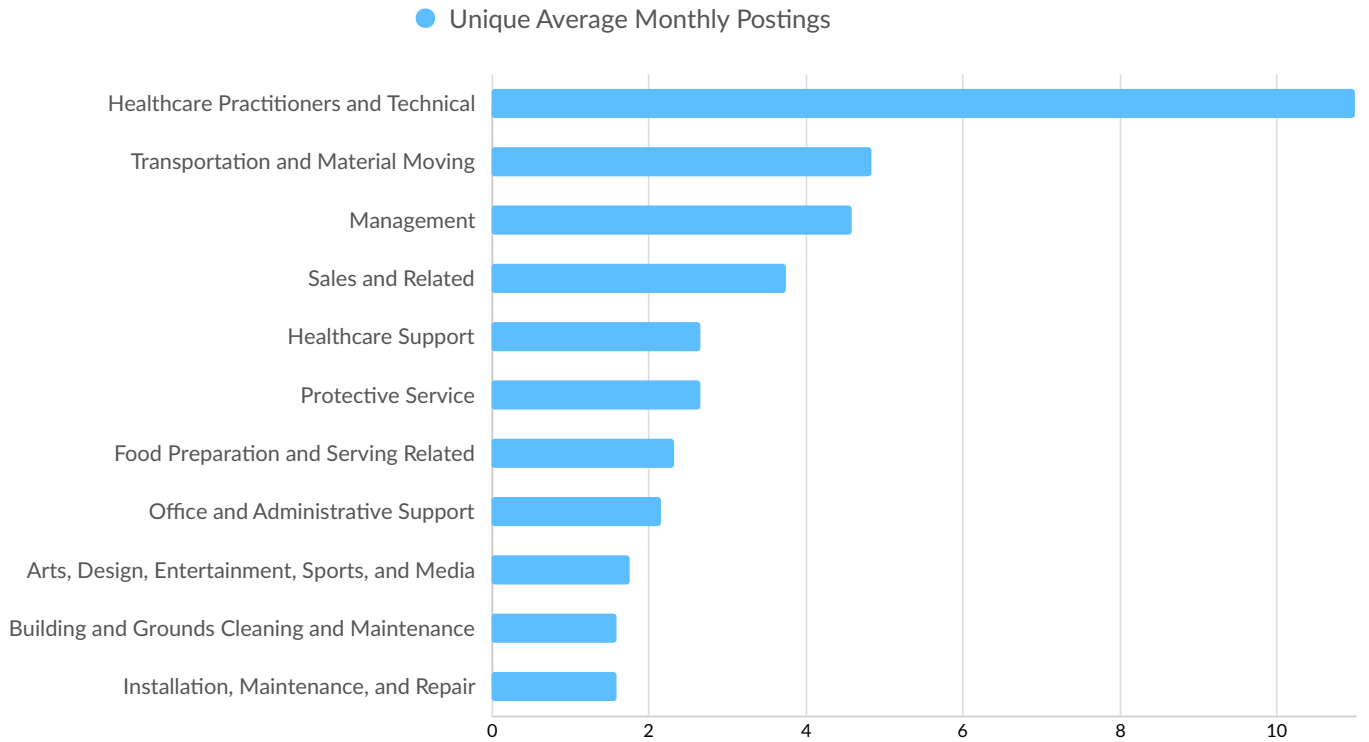
Top Occupation Employment Concentration



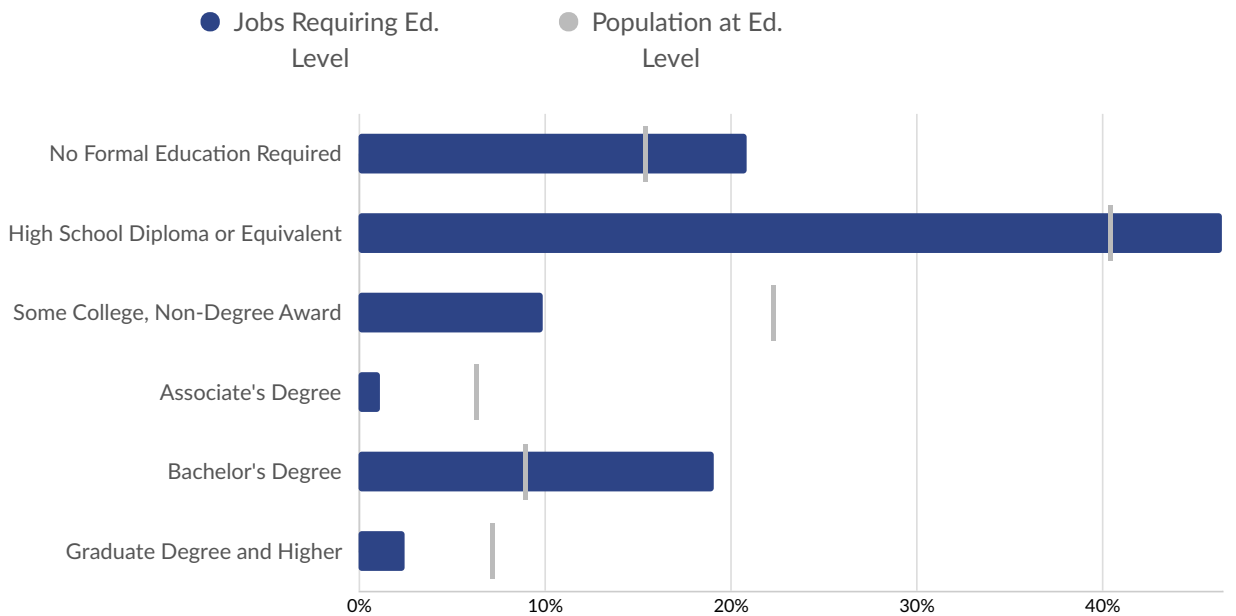
Top Occupation Earnings



Top Posted Occupations




Underemployment



Educational Pipeline

In 2024, there were 74 graduates in Hughes County, OK. This pipeline has grown by 95% 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).

School	Total Graduates (2024)	Graduate Trend (2020 - 2024)
Wes Watkins Technology Center	74	

- Certificate
- Associate's
- Bachelor's
- Master's or Higher

In-Demand Skills

