



OKLAHOMA [OK]

Capital: Oklahoma City
 Area: 69,899 sq. mi.
 Population: 3,751,351
 Pop. density: 55.2/sq. mi.
 Nickname: "Sooner State"
 State motto: "Labor Omnia Vincit" ("Labor Conquers All")
 Governor: Mary Fallin (R)
 U.S. Senators: James M. Inhofe (R), Thomas Coburn (R)



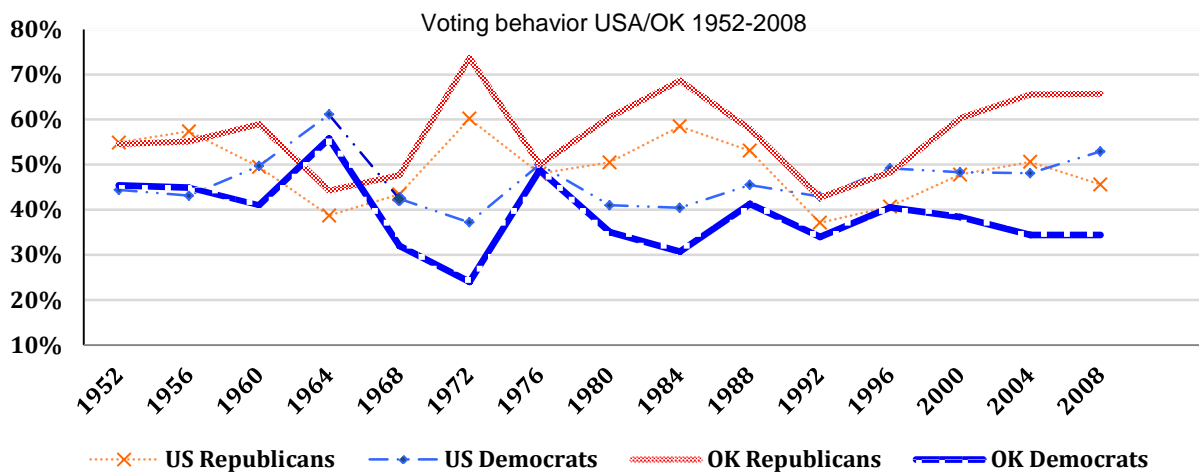
"Oklahoma." *Encyclopædia Britannica*. *Encyclopædia Britannica Online*. Encyclopædia Britannica Inc., 2012. Web. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/426523/Oklahoma>>.



I. VOTING BEHAVIOR:

"Oklahoma was once almost solidly Democratic. The state began to develop a two-party system during the 1960s. Oklahoma voters elected the state's first Republican governor in 1962. Oklahomans have favored Republican candidates in most presidential elections held since 1948."

Resource: *World Book 2008*



Resource: "Election Information" *Office of the Clerk*. February 2008. April 25, 2012. <http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/electioninfo/index.asp>

VOTING RATES

	Percent voted (citizen) US	Percent voted (citizen) OK
2000	50.3%	48.2%
2004	55.7%	55.6%
2008	57.1%	53.4%

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/2011pubs/12statab/election.pdf>>

Oklahoma has one of the highest American Indian and Alaska Native population percentages in the United States, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics. About 53 percent of Oklahoma's citizens cast a ballot in the 2008 general election, not statistically different from the national rate of 57 percent. Overall, Oklahoma has a lower median household income and median home value than the nation as a whole.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>



II. DEMOGRAPHICS

Selected Characteristics	Oklahoma	U.S.
Median age	36.3	36.9
Women	50.5%	50.8%
White persons, not Hispanic	68.7%	63.7%
Black persons	7.4%	12.6%
Hispanic or Latino	8.9%	16.3%
Median household income	\$42,972	\$51,914
Foreign born	5.2%	12.7%
Persons below poverty	16.2%	13.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	22.6%	27.9%
Median home value	\$104,300	\$188,400

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *State and County QuickFacts*. 17. January 2012. April 25, 2012.
<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/40000.html>



III. MORE RESOURCES

Government Information

Oklahoma's Official Website: <http://www.ok.gov/>
 Governor of Oklahoma: <http://www.ok.gov/governor/>
 Elected Officials in U.S. Senate - Oklahoma:
http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=OK
 Elected Officials in U.S. House of Representatives – Oklahoma:
http://www.house.gov/representatives/#state_ok

Elections 2012

Politics 1 – Oklahoma Directory: <http://www.politicsone.com/ok.htm>
The Green Papers – Oklahoma 2012 General Elections: <http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G12/OK>
My Time to Vote: <http://elections.mytimetovote.com/dates/oklahoma.html>
 Secretary of State – Oklahoma: <https://www.sos.ok.gov/Default.aspx>

Statistics

Quick Facts from the US Census Bureau – Oklahoma: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/40000.html>
 Election 2008 (Voting and Registration): <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/socdemo/voting/index.html>
Polling Report – Collection of National Polling Results: <http://www.pollingreport.com/>
Gallup – America's largest Polling Institute: <http://www.gallup.com/poll/election.aspx>

Media

General Media Collection by the U.S. Embassy: <http://usa.usembassy.de/media.htm>

Local newspapers

News Link, newspapers: <http://www.newslink.org/oknews.html>
U.S. Newspapers List (USNPL): <http://www.usnpl.com/oknews.php>

Local radio stations

News Link, radio stations: <http://www.newslink.org/okradi.html>
On the Radio: <http://www.ontheradio.net/states/oklahoma.aspx>

General Information

Infoplease – Oklahoma: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108260.html>
50states.com – Oklahoma: <http://www.50states.com/oklahoma.htm>
 Official Tourism Website of Oklahoma: <http://www.travelok.com/>

Web 2.0-Representation of the State and Parties

	Democratic Party	Republican Party
Official website:	http://www.okdemocrats.org/	http://www.okgop.com/
Facebook:	http://www.facebook.com/okdemocrats	http://www.facebook.com/OKGOP
YouTube:	http://www.youtube.com/user/NewsODP	http://www.youtube.com/user/OKGOP
Twitter:	http://twitter.com/okdemocrats	http://twitter.com/officialOKGOP