The Oklahoma City Branch is one of three branches of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, which serves the Tenth Federal Reserve District. It is located in the downtown Oklahoma City with approximately 50 employees focused on economic research, public outreach, community development and bank examination. The Oklahoma City Branch opened on Aug. 2, 1920, and for 100 years, it has been the Federal Reserve’s conduit to the Oklahoma business community.

**Branch Focus Areas:**
- Provide insights and analysis on Oklahoma’s economy.
- Lead energy research and business surveys for the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and Federal Reserve System.
- Promote economic and financial education and understanding of the Federal Reserve.
- Support community economic growth through research and resources for bankers, economic developers and small business owners.
- Promote a safe, stable and competitive banking system through the supervision and regulation of financial institutions.

**Public Outreach and Community Engagement:**
- Work with Oklahoma educators to equip them with resources and training to teach economic and personal finance concepts.
- Partner with Oklahoma Council on Economic Education and Oklahoma Jump$tart Coalition to provide programs focused on students, educators and the low- and moderate-income community.
- Join with non-profits, bankers and government entities to support efforts in entrepreneurship-based economic development, workforce development, community investments and neighborhood stabilization.
- Meet with community and business organizations about economic conditions in the state and gather information and insights about diverse perspectives on the economy.

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He is also responsible for briefing the Kansas City Fed’s president on business activity in the state. Chad leads the District’s business surveys and research on the manufacturing and energy sectors.
Oklahoma City Branch Board of Directors

Each Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City has its own seven-member Board of Directors. The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City appoints four of these directors, while the Board of Governors in Washington, D.C. appoints the other three directors. Branch directors serve three-year terms and provide Oklahoma City Branch Executive Chad Wilkerson with insight on regional economic conditions as well as advice and counsel.

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The Federal Reserve Act in 1913 established a framework for a decentralized central bank, one that included a regional structure of 12 Reserve Banks around the country. The Act also extended that regional presence by providing for Branch offices. The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City serves seven states: Kansas, western Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Colorado and northern New Mexico. There are three Branches in the Tenth District in Denver, Oklahoma City and Omaha.