

**SORTPO TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY  
June 12, 2024**

**Agenda Title:** Discuss and consider recommending to the SORTPO Transportation Policy Board approval of the population and employment projections for the regional transportation plan.

**Background:** At the April 10<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee meeting information was shared Woods & Poole population and employment forecast data for the SORTPO counties. The Policy Board at their April meeting requested that the HighStreet Team compare this data with data developed for the individual long range transportation plans and bring the results back to the Policy Board for discussion. Attached for your information are slides that were developed in response to the Policy Board's questions.

**Attachment:** Population and employment slides – Comparison of data.

**Recommended Action:** Discuss and consider recommending to the SORTPO Transportation Policy Board approval of the population and employment projections for the regional transportation plan.

<b>Employment in Thousands</b> (Source: 2024 Woods & Poole)					
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2035</b>	<b>2045</b>	<b>2060</b>	<b>Growth Rate</b>
<b>Beckham</b>	13.016	17.58	19.997	24.362	87.2%
<b>Caddo</b>	11.709	12.508	12.648	12.686	8.3%
<b>Comanche</b>	65.728	71.803	74.206	76.925	17.0%
<b>Cotton</b>	2.734	3.208	3.521	4.110	50.3%
<b>Custer</b>	17.824	22.415	24.748	28.672	60.9%
<b>Grady</b>	21.121	24.845	26.02	27.364	29.6%
<b>Harmon</b>	1.256	1.316	1.307	1.286	2.4%
<b>Greer</b>	1.925	1.982	1.933	1.84	-4.4%
<b>Jackson</b>	14.338	15.013	15.121	15.077	5.2%
<b>Jefferson</b>	2.232	2.250	2.215	2.130	-4.6%
<b>Kiowa</b>	3.495	3.410	3.344	3.221	-7.8%
<b>McClain</b>	17.981	24.168	29.34	39.347	118.8%
<b>Roger Mills</b>	2.302	2.633	2.771	3.002	30.4%
<b>Stephens</b>	21.983	24.758	25.724	26.981	22.7%
<b>Tillman</b>	2.890	3.009	2.953	2.849	-1.4%
<b>Washita</b>	4.543	4.823	4.889	4.954	9.0%
<b>Oklahoma State</b>	2263.131	2672.039	2869.824	3155.538	39.4%

**Population in Thousands** (Source: 2024 Woods & Poole)

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2035</b>	<b>2045</b>	<b>2060</b>	<b>Growth Rate</b>
<b>Beckham</b>	22.342	22.959	23.718	24.904	11.5%
<b>Caddo</b>	26.900	25.985	25.821	25.578	-4.9%
<b>Comanche</b>	121.125	126.62	127.359	128.865	6.4%
<b>Cotton</b>	5.535	5.248	5.079	4.834	-12.7%
<b>Custer</b>	28.444	29.334	30.498	32.333	13.7%
<b>Grady</b>	54.873	61.561	64.565	69.558	26.8%
<b>Harmon</b>	2.473	2.223	2.077	1.875	-24.2%
<b>Greer</b>	5.493	5.407	5.301	5.147	-6.3%
<b>Jackson</b>	24.819	23.222	22.246	20.857	-16.0%
<b>Jefferson</b>	5.325	5.123	4.927	4.648	-12.7%
<b>Kiowa</b>	8.502	7.784	7.378	6.809	-19.9%
<b>McClain</b>	41.911	54.107	61.029	73.326	75.0%
<b>Roger Mills</b>	3.428	3.404	3.469	3.57	4.1%
<b>Stephens</b>	42.814	44.282	44.008	43.732	2.1%
<b>Tillman</b>	6.948	6.453	6.078	5.555	-20.0%
<b>Washita</b>	10.903	10.568	10.443	10.258	-5.9%
<b>Oklahoma State</b>	3964.912	4307.788	4494.909	4821.384	21.6%