



10 Companies Headquartered in Oklahoma

From roots that run deep to the appreciation of Oklahoma's quality of life and a second-to-none workforce, many companies have good reason to keep or locate their headquarters in Oklahoma. Here are just a few:



- 1 SONIC Corp. (SONC), Oklahoma City**
For more than 50 years, SONIC has built a dominant position in the drive-in restaurant business by offering made-to-order American classics, signature menu items and service from friendly carhops. Today, SONIC is the largest chain of drive-in restaurants in America.
- 2 Devon Energy Corp. (DVN), Oklahoma City**
Devon Energy Corporation is one of the world's leading independent oil and gas exploration and production companies. Devon's operations are focused primarily in the United States and Canada; however, the company also explores for and produces oil and natural gas in select international areas.
- 3 Chesapeake Energy Corp. (CHK), Oklahoma City**
Chesapeake Energy Corporation is the largest producer of natural gas in the United States. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the company's operations are focused on exploratory and developmental drilling and corporate and property acquisitions.
- 4 SandRidge Energy (SD), Oklahoma City**
A rapidly growing independent natural gas and oil company, SandRidge Energy concentrates its efforts in exploration, development and production activities. The company's main focus is to expand reserves and production in West Texas.
- 5 Williams Companies (WMB), Tulsa**
Tulsa. An integrated natural gas company, Williams produces, gathers, processes and transports clean-burning natural gas to heat homes and power electric generation across the country.
- 6 QuikTrip Convenience Stores, Tulsa**
With nearly 500 convenience stores, none of which are franchised, QuikTrip boasts high standards for variety, fairness and service. The company enjoys more than \$7 billion in sales annually and is on the *Forbes Magazine* list of privately held companies.
- 7 Continental Resources (CLR), Enid**
The company was originally formed in 1967 to explore, develop and produce oil and gas properties in Oklahoma. It then expanded its activity into the Gulf Coast and Rocky Mountain regions. By the end of 2007, 82 percent of the company's proved reserves were in the Bakken Shale play in North Dakota and Montana. There, Continental Resources was a pioneer in developing horizontal drilling techniques that have made the play one of the most important oil resources in the United States.
- 8 Express Employment Professionals, Oklahoma City**
For nearly 25 years, the mission of Express Employment Professionals has been to help people find jobs and help businesses find the people and human resource services they need. The company accomplishes this mission through a network of more than 600 locations in the United States, Canada, South Africa and Australia. Each Express office is locally owned and operated and backed by the expertise and support of an international headquarters.
- 9 Pre-Paid Legal Services Inc. (PPD), Ada**
Pre-Paid Legal Services Inc., was one of the first companies in the United States organized solely to design, underwrite and market legal expense plans. For a monthly fee, the company's legal expense plans (referred to as memberships) offer a variety of legal services in a manner similar to medical reimbursement plans or HMOs. Currently, the company provides legal services to more than 1.5 million families across the U.S. and Canada. Plan benefits are delivered through a network of independent provider law firms.
- 10 The NORDAM Group, Tulsa**
The NORDAM Group is a growing Oklahoma company and acknowledged leader in aircraft component manufacturing and repair. With worldwide operations and facilities on three continents, its customer base is diverse – commercial carriers; OEMs for commercial, corporate and general aircraft power plant manufacturers; U.S. and foreign military services and aircraft maintenance facility operators.