

Table 1. Distribution of property in Oklahoma when someone dies without leaving a valid will.

Surviving Heirs	Distribution
<p>Spouse—Decedent</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Case 1. Spouse No children No parents</p>	<p>Spouse inherits everything.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Mom — Dad Spouse — Decedent Child 1 — Child 2 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Case 2. Spouse Children Parents</p>	<p>Spouse inherits 1/2 Children share 1/2 (regardless of number of children)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Spouse — Decedent Child 1 — Child 2 — Deceased child Grandchild 1 — Grandchild 2 — Grandchild 3 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Case 3. Spouse 2 living children 1 Deceased child 3 Grandchildren</p>	<p>Spouse inherits 1/2 children share 1/2 (1/2 divided by 3 equals 1/6 each) Children of deceased child will divide that share (1/6 divided by 2 equals 1/12 each) Other grandchildren receive nothing.</p>
<p>Grandparents</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Mom — Dad Spouse — Decedent — Sister </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Case 4. Parents Grandparents Spouse</p>	<p>Spouse receives all joint-industry property and 1/3 of nonjoint property. Parents receive 2/3 of nonjoint property. If parents are deceased, sister would receive 2/3 of nonjoint property.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Spouse — Decedent Child 1 — Child 2 — Child 3 </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Case 5. Spouse Decedent's children (Not children of spouse)</p>	<p>Spouse receives 1/2 of joint industry property. Children share 1/2. Spouse receives child's share of nonjoint property (1/4 in example). Children each receive share of non-joint property (1/4 in this case).</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Case 6. No relatives</p>	<p>The estate escheats to the state.</p>

*Joint industry property is property acquired by joint efforts during marriage (including individual salaries). Nonjoint property might include individual inheritances or property owned before marriage if that property is held in separate bank accounts or otherwise maintained as separate property.