



Unemployment Insurance Program Facts and Figures

January 2009 to December 2009

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan labor force is 358,408
- The total number of people receiving a UI payment for at least one week is 63,630
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period is \$274,595,679
- Largest daily UI payout was \$6,555,875
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants is \$241
- Average duration of UI for a claimant is 13.4 weeks
- Collected \$1,338,787 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims; \$428,884 in penalties for fraud; \$2,460,972 in other overpaid benefits
- Statewide unemployment rate averaged 8.3%; lowest in August at 7.1%; highest in February and March at 9.2%

- 95.7% of clients use automated systems for filing their biweekly claims
- Claim centers responded to 263,359 phone calls from claimants

TAX

- 17,757 employers are registered in Alaska
- 76.2% of registered employers have fewer than 10 employees
- Over 72,120 Contribution Reports have been processed
- \$134,172,763 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account
- \$16,006,483 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program, and the Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program
- Over 1,332,338 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file
- Over \$1,812,181 was refunded to Alaskan employers who overpaid their taxes



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