

Unemployment Insurance Program



Facts and Figures

January 2011 to December 2011

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan labor force was 365,839.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 72,696.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$352,393,100.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$6,247,057, paid on Dec. 27, 2011.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$242.
- The UI program collected \$1,504,020 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, 370,821 in penalties for fraud and \$3,441,388 in other overpaid benefits.
- Statewide unemployment rate averaged 7.5 percent — lowest in August 2011 at 6.6 percent and highest in January 2011 at 8.6 percent.
- 94.4 percent of clients used automated systems for filing their biweekly claims.

- Claim centers responded to 292,018 phone calls from claimants.

TAX

- 17,997 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 70 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 72,161 Contribution Reports were processed.
- \$165,444,000 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account.
- \$17,282,426 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program and the Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than 1,489,331 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- More than \$803,845 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



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