

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan seasonally adjusted labor force was 366,669.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 42,474.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$243.
- Statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate averaged 6.6 percent — lowest from January to February at 6.3 percent and highest from July to August at 6.9 percent.
- The UI program collected \$2,228,415 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, \$783,923 in penalties for fraud and \$2,086,113 in other overpaid benefits.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$129,330,345.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$2,757,178, paid on Dec. 29, 2014.
- 98 percent of clients used automated systems to file their biweekly claims.

• Claim centers responded to 174,634 phone calls from claimants.

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- 18,611 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 69 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 74,268 Contribution Reports were processed.
- \$182,493,000 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account.
- \$19,691,068 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program and Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than 1,525,587 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- More than \$1,913,700 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



Division of Employment and Training Services

This card presents information about the Alaska Unemployment Insurance Program.

For an explanation of any item or if you have questions, please contact the UI Technical Unit at (907) 465-5802.