



Unemployment Insurance Program July 2016-June 2017

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan seasonally adjusted labor force was 362,335.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 38,877.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$258.
- Statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate averaged 6.6 percent — lowest in February-March at 6.4 percent and highest in June at 6.8 percent.
- The UI program collected \$2,233,587 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, \$1,028,658 in penalties for fraud and \$1,866,497 in other overpaid benefits.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$128,986,064.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$2,188,546, paid on Dec. 27, 2016.
- 98 percent of clients used automated systems to file their biweekly claims.

- Claim centers responded to 155,390 phone calls from claimants.

TAX

- 18,584 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 69 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 72,340 Contribution Reports were processed.
- \$136,292,300 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account.
- \$20,160,075 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program and Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than 1,504,846 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- More than \$2,032,550 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



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