

FACTS & FIGURES



Unemployment Insurance Program January-December 2018

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan seasonally adjusted labor force was 359,871.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 33,664.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$243.
- Statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate averaged 6.9 percent — lowest in November at 6.3 percent and highest in January-April at 7.3 percent.
- The UI program collected \$2,582,587 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, \$1,697,206 in penalties for fraud and \$1,603,937 in other overpaid benefits.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$99,433,887.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$2,209,753, paid on Jan. 2, 2018.
- 98 percent of clients used automated systems to file their biweekly claims.

- Claim centers responded to 126,702 phone calls from claimants.

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- 18,567 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 69 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 72,304 Contribution Reports were processed.
- More than 1,495,883 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- \$116,114,707 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account.
- \$20,628,189 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program and Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than \$1,665,154 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



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