

# Facts & Figures



## Unemployment Insurance Program July 2018-June 2019

### UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan seasonally adjusted labor force was 355,250.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 28,725.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$248.
- Statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate averaged 6.5 percent — lowest in May and June 2019 at 6.4 percent and highest in July 2018 at 6.6 percent.
- The UI program collected \$720,454 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, \$916,173 in penalties for fraud and \$906,037 in other overpaid benefits.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$85,078,693.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$1,677,428, paid on Jan. 22, 2019.
- 98 percent of clients used automated systems to file their biweekly claims.

- Claim centers responded to 113,438 phone calls from claimants.

## TAX

- 18,718 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 69 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 72,640 Contribution Reports were processed.
- More than 1,504,719 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- \$113,150,300 was deposited in the UI Trust Fund Account.
- \$20,532,260 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program and Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than \$2,160,845 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



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