

# Facts & Figures



## Unemployment Insurance Program July 2019-June 2020

### UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- Total Alaskan seasonally adjusted labor force was 344,609.
- Total number of people receiving an Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment for at least one week was 76,701.
- Average weekly amount paid out to claimants was \$244 (not including Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation/enhanced dependent allowance).
- Statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate averaged 7.7 percent — lowest in March at 5.2 percent and highest in April at 13.5 percent.
- The UI program collected \$1,893,491 in overpaid benefits from fraudulent claims, \$777,255 in penalties from fraud and \$1,902,603 in other overpaid benefits.
- Total benefit dollars paid for this period was \$502,739,229.
- Largest daily UI payout was \$29,311,850, paid on April 27, 2020.
- 99 percent of clients used automated systems to file their weekly claims.

- Claim centers responded to 196,798 phone calls from claimants.

## TAX

- 18,933 employers were registered in Alaska.
- 70 percent of registered employers had fewer than 10 employees.
- More than 73,925 Contribution Reports were processed.
- More than 1,524,281 quarterly wage records were added to the wage file.
- \$109,072,700 was deposited in the UI Tax Trust Account.
- \$21,298,438 was collected and deposited into the accounts of the State Training and Employment Program Account and the Alaska Technical and Vocational Education Program.
- More than \$6,251,000 was refunded to Alaska employers who overpaid their taxes.



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