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## Press Release

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### **Alaska up 1,700 jobs in first quarter 2014**

JUNEAU, Alaska—Alaska added almost 1,700 jobs from the first quarter of 2013 to the first quarter of 2014, according to the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

“For the first quarter of 2014, Alaska posted average monthly employment of 322,565 compared to the first quarter of 2013 that came in at 320,870,” Labor Commissioner Dianne Blumer said.

Oil and gas jobs increased by 189, manufacturing added 602 jobs, retail trade added 760 jobs and construction added 1,098 jobs. Federal government jobs decreased 825 and transportation and warehousing was down 245 jobs.

The numbers come from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program and are a count of the actual employment and wages reported by employers. They are the numbers used to revise the preliminary employment estimates, which can be quite volatile from month to month.

Second quarter QCEW numbers will be available in November.

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**Alaska 2014 QCEW First Quarter**  
<http://laborstats.alaska.gov/qcew/ee20141.pdf>

**Alaska 2013 QCEW**  
<http://laborstats.alaska.gov/qcew/ee13.pdf>

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