

## Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists (19-1023)

**Occupation description:** Study the origins, behavior, diseases, genetics, and life processes of animals and wildlife. May specialize in wildlife research and management. May collect and analyze biological data to determine the environmental effects of present and potential use of land and water habitats.

### Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	948	920	-3.0	19	60	76
United States	19,400	20,900	7.6	400	1,300	1,850

#### Job outlook

**Alaska:** Alaska's employment growth is low with high employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

### 2018 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	32.58	19.37	24.26	30.49	38.01	49.44
Alaska	36.85	25.99	30.23	35.92	42.15	50.29
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	35.76	25.99	29.69	34.61	41.60	47.50
Fairbanks North Star Borough	35.72	26.77	29.84	35.25	40.81	45.72
Balance of State	37.66	25.50	31.81	36.33	43.06	50.89

### Labor Force Indicators

#### 2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
863	344	39.9	42.1	29.8

#### 2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	97
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	32
UI claimants previously working in occupation	63

#### 2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	117
Number of job position postings	6
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	19.5

## Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

**Education:** Bachelor's degree

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** None

## Training Resources

	Degree
<b>University of Alaska Fairbanks (Fairbanks)</b>	
<a href="#">Science Management</a>	MS
<a href="#">Wildlife Biology</a>	BS
<a href="#">Wildlife Biology</a>	MS
<a href="#">Wildlife Biology &amp; Conservation</a>	PhD

	Degree
<b>University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau (Juneau)</b>	
<a href="#">Marine Technology</a>	AAS
<a href="#">Marine Technology</a>	CT2

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