

Forensic Science Technicians (19-4092)

Occupation description: Collect, identify, classify, and analyze physical evidence related to criminal investigations. Perform tests on weapons or substances, such as fiber, hair, and tissue to determine significance to investigation. May testify as expert witnesses on evidence or crime laboratory techniques. May serve as specialists in area of expertise, such as ballistics, fingerprinting, handwriting, or biochemistry.

Employment and Job Openings

| | Employment | | | Average annual openings | | |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2016 estimate | 2026 projection | Percent change | Labor force exits | Occupation transfers | Total |
| Alaska | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| United States | 15,400 | 18,000 | 16.8 | 700 | 1,200 | 2,160 |

Job outlook

Alaska: The job outlook for Alaska is not available.

2018 Wages ?

| | Mean Wage | Wage by Percentile | | | | |
|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| | Mean | 10th | 25th | Median | 75th | 90th |
| United States | 30.05 | 16.63 | 21.32 | 27.99 | 36.75 | 46.73 |

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

| Total workers | Nonresident workers | Percent nonresident | Percent age 45 plus | Percent age 50 plus |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 16 | 0 | 0.0 | 43.8 | 37.5 |

2016 Potential Supply

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|-----------------------------------------------|---|
| Qualified but working in another occupation | 5 |
| Currently employed in a lower paid occupation | 2 |
| UI claimants previously working in occupation | 1 |

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

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|-----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of registrants | 10 |
| Number of job position postings | 0 |
| Ratio of registrants to job position postings | 0.0 |

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

Education: Bachelor's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: Moderate-term on-the-job training

Training Resources

| | Degree |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Forensic Solutions, LLC (Sitka) | |
| Forensics | |

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