

Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)

Occupation description: Assist in providing client services in a wide variety of fields, such as psychology, rehabilitation, or social work, including support for families. May assist clients in identifying and obtaining available benefits and social and community services. May assist social workers with developing, organizing, and conducting programs to prevent and resolve problems relevant to substance abuse, human relationships, rehabilitation, or dependent care. Excludes Rehabilitation Counselors (21-1015), Psychiatric Technicians (29-2053), Personal Care Aides (39-9021), and Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs (43-4061).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	767	851	11.0	36	58	102
United States	389,800	453,600	16.4	18,800	30,200	55,390

Job outlook

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

2017 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	17.05	10.33	12.56	15.92	20.15	25.66
Alaska	18.13	12.30	14.27	17.50	21.52	24.73
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	17.38	12.52	13.89	16.64	20.33	24.31
Fairbanks North Star Borough	18.33	13.61	15.78	18.29	21.23	23.54
Southeast Region	17.99	11.96	14.11	16.88	20.16	26.50
Balance of State	19.71	11.06	15.55	20.28	23.38	28.02

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
910	113	12.4	38.2	28.6

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	369
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	135
UI claimants previously working in occupation	99

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	1,038
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Number of job position postings	484
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	2.1

Alaska Licensing Information

Assistant Behavioral Analyst – [View licensing requirements and number licensed](#)
Private Professional Guardians and Conservators – [View licensing requirements and number licensed](#)

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

Education: High school diploma or equivalent **Work experience:** None **On-the-job training:** Short-term on-the-job training

Training Resources

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Advanced Human Service Systems	GCRT
Human Services	AAS
Human Services	BHS
Human Services	BS

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Mat-Su (Palmer)	
Human Services	AAS

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Prince William Sound (Valdez)	
Human Services	AAS

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Bristol Bay (Dillingham)	
Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Chukchi (Kotzebue)	
Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS

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University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)

Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS

Degree

University of Alaska Fairbanks, Kuskokwim (Bethel)

Human Service Technology	AAS
Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS

Degree

University of Alaska Fairbanks, Northwest (Nome)

Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS

Degree

University of Alaska Fairbanks, Rural College (Fairbanks)

Human Services	AAS
Human Services w/ RHS Certification	AAS