

## Paralegals and Legal Assistants (23-2011)

**Occupation description:** Assist lawyers by investigating facts, preparing legal documents, or researching legal precedent. Conduct research to support a legal proceeding, to formulate a defense, or to initiate legal action. Excludes Legal Secretaries (43-6012).

### Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	558	467	-16.3	17	34	42
United States	285,600	327,400	14.6	10,100	20,400	34,680

#### Job outlook

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

### 2018 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	26.20	15.10	18.68	24.49	31.29	39.45
Alaska	28.43	17.91	23.48	27.97	33.42	39.00
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	28.12	17.18	22.60	27.75	33.42	39.30
Fairbanks North Star Borough	27.96	19.40	22.93	28.25	32.98	37.06
Balance of State	30.53	22.93	25.93	29.14	34.11	39.11

### Labor Force Indicators

#### 2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
566	38	6.7	50.3	39.5

#### 2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	80
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	30
UI claimants previously working in occupation	36

#### 2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	424
Number of job position postings	32
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	13.2

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

Education: Associate's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

## Training Resources

University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Legal Nurse Consultant Para	CT1
Paralegal Studies	AAS
Paralegal Studies	CT2
Paralegal Studies	PBCT

  

University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)	
Paralegal Studies	AAS

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