

Special Education Teachers, Kindergarten and Elementary School (25-2052)

Occupation description: Teach elementary school subjects to educationally and physically handicapped students. Includes teachers who specialize and work with audibly and visually handicapped students and those who teach basic academic and life processes skills to the mentally impaired. Substitute teachers are included in Teachers and Instructors, All Other (25-3099).

Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2014 estimate	2024 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	334	351	5.1	2	7	8
United States	198,100	210,600	6.3	1,250	3,730	4,980

Job outlook

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

2015 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	58,640	36,900	44,710	55,810	70,220	86,990
Alaska	73,920	48,520	58,890	72,920	89,190	101,840
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	80,450	58,070	67,550	79,220	94,280	105,930
Southeast Region	68,200	40,520	48,820	71,070	86,570	96,130
Balance of State	63,130	43,970	50,650	61,660	74,650	87,880

Labor Force Indicators

2015 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
409	36	8.8	52.9	38.6

2015 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	53
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	17
UI claimants previously working in occupation	1

2015 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	70
Number of job position postings	23
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	3.0

Alaska Licensing Information

Teacher – [View licensing requirements and number licensed](#)

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

Education: Bachelor's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: Internship/Residency

Training Resources

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Early Childhood Special Educ	Mas
Special Education	Lic
Special Education	Mas
Speech Language Pathology	Lic

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Prince William Sound (Valdez)	
Direct Services Specialist	OEC

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks (Fairbanks)	
Post-Bacc K-12 Spec Ed Lic Prg	Lic
Special Education	Mas

	Degree
University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau (Juneau)	
Ed Cert - Special Education	Lic
Special Education	Bac
Special Education	Mas
Special Education	Mas