

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (29-2032)

Occupation description: Produce ultrasonic recordings of internal organs for use by physicians.

Employment and Job Openings

| | Employment | | | Average annual openings | | |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| | 2016 estimate | 2026 projection | Percent change | Labor force exits | Occupation transfers | Total |
| Alaska | 123 | 152 | 23.6 | 4 | 3 | 10 |
| United States | 67,300 | 82,900 | 23.2 | 1,900 | 1,900 | 5,360 |

Job outlook

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

2017 Wages

| | Mean Wage | Wage by Percentile | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| | Mean | 10th | 25th | Median | 75th | 90th |
| United States | 35.19 | 24.40 | 28.42 | 34.33 | 40.53 | 48.00 |
| Alaska | 39.76 | 23.32 | 32.15 | 41.75 | 47.41 | 52.40 |
| Anchorage/Mat-Su Area | 38.93 | 22.44 | 30.90 | 40.66 | 46.90 | 51.81 |

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

| Total workers | Nonresident workers | Percent nonresident | Percent age 45 plus | Percent age 50 plus |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 127 | 37 | 29.1 | 41.1 | 28.4 |

2016 Potential Supply

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| Qualified but working in another occupation | 14 |
| Currently employed in a lower paid occupation | 9 |
| UI claimants previously working in occupation | 2 |

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

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| Number of registrants | 5 |
| Number of job position postings | 3 |
| Ratio of registrants to job position postings | 1.7 |

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

| | Degree |
|---|--------|
| University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage) | |
| Diagnostic Medical Sonography | AAS |

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