

Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)

Occupation description: Take orders and serve food and beverages to patrons at tables in dining establishment. Excludes Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, and Coffee Shop (35-3022).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	4,678	5,105	9.1	362	555	960
United States	2,600,500	2,783,000	7.0	199,200	305,300	522,750

Job outlook

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

2018 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	12.42	8.33	9.05	10.47	13.60	19.61
Alaska	12.31	10.21	10.50	11.29	12.32	16.38
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	12.08	10.17	10.33	11.11	11.92	14.77
Fairbanks North Star Borough	12.35	10.32	10.73	11.37	12.14	16.54
Balance of State	12.80	10.28	10.73	11.76	14.77	17.33

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
6,083	1,910	31.4	18.2	12.1

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	2,327
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	71
UI claimants previously working in occupation	615

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	3,144
Number of job position postings	267
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	11.8

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

Education: No formal educational credential

Work experience: None

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

Training Resources

	Degree
Alaska CHARR (Anchorage)	
ServSafe	
Training for Alcohol Professionals	
	Degree
Alaska Hospitality Retailers (Anchorage)	
Certified Food Protection Manager	Certificate
	Degree
Partners for Progress in Delta, Inc (Delta Junction)	
Certified Food Protection Manager Certification	
Cottage Foods	
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Foodservice Technology	AAS