

Kenai Peninsula Borough Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data 1990 to 2020

Note: A change in the way labor force statistics are calculated for sub-state areas makes data prior to 2010 not comparable with later data.

2020

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	25,758	24,616	24,947	24,143	25,378	26,860	27,741	26,297	24,676				
Employment	23,758	22,822	23,154	19,989	21,807	23,251	24,506	24,520	22,809				
Unemployment	2,000	1,794	1,793	4,154	3,571	3,609	3,235	1,777	1,867				
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.3%	7.2%	17.2%	14.1%	13.4%	11.7%	6.8%	7.6%				

2019

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	25,390	25,190	25,347	25,259	26,697	27,620	27,934	27,766	26,293	25,612	25,292	25,535	26,161
Employment	23,254	23,037	23,313	23,465	25,053	25,950	26,406	26,303	24,750	23,951	23,470	23,643	24,383
Unemployment	2,136	2,153	2,034	1,794	1,644	1,670	1,528	1,463	1,543	1,661	1,822	1,892	1,778
Unemployment Rate	8.4%	8.5%	8.0%	7.1%	6.2%	6.0%	5.5%	5.3%	5.9%	6.5%	7.2%	7.4%	6.8%

2018

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	25,624	25,429	25,433	25,439	26,926	28,089	28,348	27,840	26,510	25,862	25,477	25,477	26,372
Employment	23,181	22,970	23,068	23,343	24,987	26,154	26,633	26,231	24,828	24,083	23,565	23,559	24,384
Unemployment	2,443	2,459	2,365	2,096	1,939	1,935	1,715	1,609	1,682	1,779	1,912	1,918	1,988
Unemployment Rate	9.5%	9.7%	9.3%	8.2%	7.2%	6.9%	6.0%	5.8%	6.3%	6.9%	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%

2017

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	25,964	25,999	25,948	26,130	27,331	28,700	28,178	27,938	26,918	26,244	25,772	25,868	26,749
Employment	23,436	23,350	23,437	23,825	25,196	26,584	26,242	26,104	25,017	24,232	23,558	23,635	24,551
Unemployment	2,528	2,649	2,511	2,305	2,135	2,116	1,936	1,834	1,901	2,012	2,214	2,233	2,198
Unemployment Rate	9.7%	10.2%	9.7%	8.8%	7.8%	7.4%	6.9%	6.6%	7.1%	7.7%	8.6%	8.6%	8.2%

2016

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,178	26,219	26,263	26,648	27,953	28,687	28,758	28,090	27,319	26,531	26,564	26,319	27,127
Employment	23,633	23,512	23,630	24,217	25,643	26,426	26,714	26,112	25,277	24,381	24,275	23,998	24,818
Unemployment	2,545	2,707	2,633	2,431	2,310	2,261	2,044	1,978	2,042	2,150	2,289	2,321	2,309
Unemployment Rate	9.7%	10.3%	10.0%	9.1%	8.3%	7.9%	7.1%	7.0%	7.5%	8.1%	8.6%	8.8%	8.5%

2015

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	27,259	26,898	26,748	26,745	27,730	29,169	29,534	29,116	27,781	27,139	26,615	26,861	27,633
Employment	24,844	24,376	24,289	24,563	25,663	27,073	27,632	27,319	25,869	25,070	24,411	24,559	25,472
Unemployment	2,415	2,522	2,459	2,182	2,067	2,096	1,902	1,797	1,912	2,069	2,204	2,302	2,161
Unemployment Rate	8.9%	9.4%	9.2%	8.2%	7.5%	7.2%	6.4%	6.2%	6.9%	7.6%	8.3%	8.6%	7.8%

2014

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,625	26,541	26,769	27,012	28,499	29,834	30,406	29,880	28,235	27,384	27,217	27,048	27,954
Employment	24,116	23,958	24,253	24,666	26,383	27,666	28,432	27,991	26,255	25,407	25,097	24,881	25,759
Unemployment	2,509	2,583	2,516	2,346	2,116	2,168	1,974	1,889	1,980	1,977	2,120	2,167	2,195
Unemployment Rate	9.4%	9.7%	9.4%	8.7%	7.4%	7.3%	6.5%	6.3%	7.0%	7.2%	7.8%	8.0%	7.9%

2013

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,631	26,667	26,776	26,969	28,362	29,854	30,082	29,622	27,986	27,202	27,017	26,800	27,831
Employment	24,008	24,013	24,244	24,673	26,193	27,656	28,129	27,764	26,007	25,104	24,767	24,544	25,592
Unemployment	2,623	2,654	2,532	2,296	2,169	2,198	1,953	1,858	1,979	2,098	2,250	2,256	2,239
Unemployment Rate	9.8%	10.0%	9.5%	8.5%	7.6%	7.4%	6.5%	6.3%	7.1%	7.7%	8.3%	8.4%	8.0%

2012

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,388	26,183	26,267	26,493	27,746	29,195	29,533	29,008	27,580	26,842	26,590	26,580	27,367
Employment	23,526	23,305	23,543	24,038	25,438	26,861	27,434	27,031	25,511	24,734	24,354	24,262	25,003
Unemployment	2,862	2,878	2,724	2,455	2,308	2,334	2,099	1,977	2,069	2,108	2,236	2,318	2,364
Unemployment Rate	10.8%	11.0%	10.4%	9.3%	8.3%	8.0%	7.1%	6.8%	7.5%	7.9%	8.4%	8.7%	8.6%

2011

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,305	26,181	26,334	26,304	27,508	28,800	29,689	29,220	27,368	26,664	26,433	26,467	27,273
Employment	23,169	23,000	23,333	23,588	25,046	26,267	27,406	27,040	25,157	24,353	23,919	23,824	24,675
Unemployment	3,136	3,181	3,001	2,716	2,462	2,533	2,283	2,180	2,211	2,311	2,514	2,643	2,598
Unemployment Rate	11.9%	12.2%	11.4%	10.3%	9.0%	8.8%	7.7%	7.5%	8.1%	8.7%	9.5%	10.0%	9.5%

2010

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	26,065	26,018	26,132	26,417	27,568	28,700	28,742	28,231	27,137	26,437	26,220	26,354	27,001
Employment	22,877	22,744	23,005	23,562	25,007	26,139	26,423	26,027	24,815	23,980	23,561	23,584	24,310
Unemployment	3,188	3,274	3,127	2,855	2,561	2,561	2,319	2,204	2,322	2,457	2,659	2,770	2,691
Unemployment Rate	12.2%	12.6%	12.0%	10.8%	9.3%	8.9%	8.1%	7.8%	8.6%	9.3%	10.1%	10.5%	10.0%

2009

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	25,762	25,707	25,821	26,312	27,785	28,910	29,282	28,323	27,042	26,199	25,970	25,790	26,909
Employment	23,035	22,793	22,965	23,598	25,235	26,317	26,898	26,003	24,663	23,573	23,155	22,969	24,267
Unemployment	2,727	2,914	2,856	2,714	2,550	2,593	2,384	2,320	2,379	2,626	2,815	2,821	2,642
Unemployment Rate	10.6%	11.3%	11.1%	10.3%	9.2%	9.0%	8.1%	8.2%	8.8%	10.0%	10.8%	10.9%	9.8%

2008

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	24,872	24,946	25,161	25,431	26,962	28,324	28,899	28,450	26,256	25,578	25,522	25,557	26,330
Employment	22,370	22,309	22,660	23,146	24,945	26,307	27,062	26,708	24,408	23,591	23,332	23,268	24,176
Unemployment	2,502	2,637	2,501	2,285	2,017	2,017	1,837	1,742	1,848	1,987	2,190	2,289	2,154
Unemployment Rate	10.1%	10.6%	9.9%	9.0%	7.5%	7.1%	6.4%	6.1%	7.0%	7.8%	8.6%	9.0%	8.2%

2007

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	24,481	24,634	24,739	24,763	26,168	27,649	27,808	27,432	25,876	25,044	24,950	24,855	25,700
Employment	21,986	22,119	22,357	22,622	24,245	25,700	26,099	25,854	24,187	23,245	22,953	22,724	23,674
Unemployment	2,495	2,515	2,382	2,141	1,923	1,949	1,709	1,578	1,689	1,799	1,997	2,131	2,026
Unemployment Rate	10.2%	10.2%	9.6%	8.6%	7.3%	7.0%	6.1%	5.8%	6.5%	7.2%	8.0%	8.6%	7.9%

2006

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	24,328	24,412	24,399	24,547	25,958	27,481	27,776	27,376	25,609	24,612	24,426	24,600	25,460
Employment	21,632	21,677	21,915	22,317	23,999	25,554	26,062	25,776	23,932	22,780	22,400	22,432	23,373
Unemployment	2,696	2,735	2,484	2,230	1,959	1,927	1,714	1,600	1,677	1,832	2,026	2,168	2,087
Unemployment Rate	11.1%	11.2%	10.2%	9.1%	7.5%	7.0%	6.2%	5.8%	6.5%	7.4%	8.3%	8.8%	8.2%

2005

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	24,245	24,208	24,517	24,401	25,773	27,368	27,946	26,898	25,180	24,606	24,347	24,355	25,321
Employment	21,561	21,436	21,924	22,149	23,688	25,283	26,104	25,152	23,322	22,503	22,130	22,003	23,105
Unemployment	2,684	2,772	2,593	2,252	2,085	2,085	1,842	1,746	1,858	2,103	2,217	2,352	2,216
Unemployment Rate	11.1%	11.5%	10.6%	9.2%	8.1%	7.6%	6.6%	6.5%	7.4%	8.5%	9.1%	9.7%	8.8%

2004

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	23,958	24,100	24,259	24,354	25,608	27,489	28,068	26,760	25,422	24,819	24,543	24,365	25,312
Employment	20,945	21,065	21,392	21,796	23,278	25,069	26,013	24,834	23,393	22,625	22,206	21,981	22,883
Unemployment	3,013	3,035	2,867	2,558	2,330	2,420	2,055	1,926	2,029	2,194	2,337	2,384	2,429
Unemployment Rate	12.6%	12.6%	11.8%	10.5%	9.1%	8.8%	7.3%	7.2%	8.0%	8.8%	9.5%	9.8%	9.6%

2003

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	24,377	24,169	24,370	24,445	25,581	26,818	27,381	26,449	24,707	24,147	24,056	23,966	25,039
Employment	21,377	21,081	21,510	21,810	23,157	24,359	25,140	24,352	22,501	21,717	21,455	21,247	22,476
Unemployment	3,000	3,088	2,860	2,635	2,424	2,459	2,241	2,097	2,206	2,430	2,601	2,719	2,563
Unemployment Rate	12.3%	12.8%	11.7%	10.8%	9.5%	9.2%	8.2%	7.9%	8.9%	10.1%	10.8%	11.3%	10.2%

2002

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	23,731	23,445	23,650	24,237	25,067	26,007	26,978	26,137	24,967	24,405	24,422	24,433	24,790
Employment	21,144	20,790	21,025	21,810	22,779	23,739	24,891	24,162	22,780	22,038	21,890	21,772	22,402
Unemployment	2,587	2,655	2,625	2,427	2,288	2,268	2,087	1,975	2,187	2,367	2,532	2,661	2,388
Unemployment Rate	10.9%	11.3%	11.1%	10.0%	9.1%	8.7%	7.7%	7.6%	8.8%	9.7%	10.4%	10.9%	9.6%

2001

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	22,997	22,958	23,024	23,262	24,509	26,328	27,053	25,796	24,644	23,827	23,844	23,837	24,340
Employment	20,621	20,515	20,732	21,129	22,549	24,430	25,386	24,255	22,964	21,974	21,729	21,582	22,322
Unemployment	2,376	2,443	2,292	2,133	1,960	1,898	1,667	1,541	1,680	1,853	2,115	2,255	2,018
Unemployment Rate	10.3%	10.6%	10.0%	9.2%	8.0%	7.2%	6.2%	6.0%	6.8%	7.8%	8.9%	9.5%	8.3%

2000

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	23,029	23,272	23,217	23,350	24,672	26,756	26,710	26,371	25,303	24,149	24,158	24,189	24,598
Employment	20,389	20,650	20,798	21,148	22,704	24,905	25,085	24,850	23,705	22,361	22,144	22,062	22,567
Unemployment	2,640	2,622	2,419	2,202	1,968	1,851	1,625	1,521	1,598	1,788	2,014	2,127	2,031
Unemployment Rate	11.5%	11.3%	10.4%	9.4%	8.0%	6.9%	6.1%	5.8%	6.3%	7.4%	8.3%	8.8%	8.3%

1999

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	20,752	21,394	21,445	21,590	22,025	23,528	24,411	23,728	22,554	21,448	20,700	20,201	21,981
Employment	17,940	18,166	18,515	18,957	19,793	21,226	22,343	21,797	20,463	19,237	18,313	17,771	19,543
Unemployment	2,812	3,228	2,930	2,633	2,232	2,302	2,068	1,931	2,091	2,211	2,387	2,430	2,438
Unemployment Rate	13.6%	15.1%	13.7%	12.2%	10.1%	9.8%	8.5%	8.1%	9.3%	10.3%	11.5%	12.0%	11.1%

1998

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	20,971	21,176	20,997	20,858	21,606	23,510	24,040	23,388	22,290	20,963	20,204	20,012	21,668
Employment	18,059	18,233	18,252	18,451	19,561	21,188	22,168	21,749	20,358	18,753	17,953	17,661	19,366
Unemployment	2,912	2,943	2,745	2,407	2,045	2,322	1,872	1,639	1,932	2,210	2,251	2,351	2,302
Unemployment Rate	13.9%	13.9%	13.1%	11.5%	9.5%	9.9%	7.8%	7.0%	8.7%	10.5%	11.1%	11.7%	10.6%

1997

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	21,074	21,793	21,498	21,724	21,908	23,926	25,170	24,107	22,274	20,964	20,387	19,916	22,062
Employment	17,375	18,075	18,148	18,720	19,407	21,356	22,979	22,188	20,238	18,561	17,791	17,325	19,347
Unemployment	3,699	3,718	3,350	3,004	2,501	2,570	2,191	1,919	2,036	2,403	2,596	2,591	2,715
Unemployment Rate	17.6%	17.1%	15.6%	13.8%	11.4%	10.7%	8.7%	8.0%	9.1%	11.5%	12.7%	13.0%	12.3%

1996

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	20,765	21,636	21,671	21,497	22,549	23,709	25,152	24,465	22,916	21,367	20,866	20,115	22,226
Employment	17,250	17,863	18,301	18,310	19,609	20,948	22,623	22,264	20,242	18,416	17,639	17,001	19,206
Unemployment	3,515	3,773	3,370	3,187	2,940	2,761	2,529	2,201	2,674	2,951	3,227	3,114	3,020
Unemployment Rate	16.9%	17.4%	15.6%	14.8%	13.0%	11.6%	10.1%	9.0%	11.7%	13.8%	15.5%	15.5%	13.6%

1995

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	20,575	21,256	21,110	20,701	21,294	22,919	24,330	23,575	21,702	21,380	20,398	19,872	21,593
Employment	17,248	17,820	18,002	17,981	19,023	20,548	22,087	21,516	19,681	18,740	17,644	16,963	18,938
Unemployment	3,327	3,436	3,108	2,720	2,271	2,371	2,243	2,059	2,021	2,640	2,754	2,909	2,655
Unemployment Rate	16.2%	16.2%	14.7%	13.1%	10.7%	10.3%	9.2%	8.7%	9.3%	12.3%	13.5%	14.6%	12.3%

1994

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	19,304	20,902	21,039	20,334	20,741	22,989	24,195	23,111	20,981	20,651	19,878	19,313	21,120
Employment	16,247	17,535	17,838	17,470	18,313	20,465	21,812	21,078	19,072	18,129	17,437	16,663	18,505
Unemployment	3,057	3,367	3,201	2,864	2,428	2,524	2,383	2,033	1,909	2,522	2,441	2,650	2,615
Unemployment Rate	15.8%	16.1%	15.2%	14.1%	11.7%	11.0%	9.8%	8.8%	9.1%	12.2%	12.3%	13.7%	12.4%

1993

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
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Labor Force	18,326	19,340	19,718	19,932	20,230	22,677	23,850	22,776	20,440	20,351	19,567	19,221	20,536
Employment	15,011	15,757	16,417	16,881	17,763	20,083	21,776	20,920	18,598	17,929	17,014	16,628	17,898
Unemployment	3,315	3,583	3,301	3,051	2,467	2,594	2,074	1,856	1,842	2,422	2,553	2,593	2,638
Unemployment Rate	18.1%	18.5%	16.7%	15.3%	12.2%	11.4%	8.7%	8.1%	9.0%	11.9%	13.0%	13.5%	12.8%

1992

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	18,631	19,392	19,328	19,607	20,166	22,191	22,668	21,290	20,534	20,056	19,178	19,092	20,178
Employment	14,938	15,397	15,736	16,328	17,287	19,121	20,106	19,189	18,203	17,251	16,314	16,121	17,166
Unemployment	3,693	3,995	3,592	3,279	2,879	3,070	2,562	2,101	2,331	2,805	2,864	2,971	3,012
Unemployment Rate	19.8%	20.6%	18.6%	16.7%	14.3%	13.8%	11.3%	9.9%	11.4%	14.0%	14.9%	15.6%	14.9%

1991

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	18,422	18,708	18,801	19,425	19,839	20,985	22,471	21,499	19,936	18,897	18,751	18,487	19,685
Employment	15,641	15,831	16,023	16,828	17,575	18,567	20,281	19,424	17,714	16,227	15,591	15,202	17,075
Unemployment	2,781	2,877	2,778	2,597	2,264	2,418	2,190	2,075	2,222	2,670	3,160	3,285	2,610
Unemployment Rate	15.1%	15.4%	14.8%	13.4%	11.4%	11.5%	9.7%	9.7%	11.1%	14.1%	16.9%	17.8%	13.3%

1990

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	17,077	17,571	17,738	18,410	19,131	20,370	21,411	20,880	18,620	18,421	18,030	17,923	18,799
Employment	14,431	14,873	15,155	16,006	17,034	18,262	19,674	19,069	16,617	16,152	15,695	15,580	16,546
Unemployment	2,646	2,698	2,583	2,404	2,097	2,108	1,737	1,811	2,003	2,269	2,335	2,343	2,253
Unemployment Rate	15.5%	15.4%	14.6%	13.1%	11.0%	10.3%	8.1%	8.7%	10.8%	12.3%	13.0%	13.1%	12.0%

A change in the way the labor force statistics are calculated for boroughs and census areas makes data prior to 2000 not comparable with data from 2000 forward.

Definitions:

- **Labor Force:** Includes all persons in the civilian noninstitutional population classified as either employed or unemployed. (See the definitions below).
- **Employment:** These are all persons who, during the reference week (the week including the 12th day of the month), (a) did any work as paid employees, worked in their own business or profession or on their own farm, or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of their family, or (b) were not working but who had jobs from which they were temporarily absent because of vacation, illness, bad weather, childcare problems, maternity or paternity leave, labor-management dispute job training, or other family or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off or were seeking other jobs. Each employed person is counted only once, even if he or she holds more than one job.
- **Unemployment:** Includes all persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment some time during the 4 week-period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed.
- **Unemployment Rate:** The ratio of unemployed to the civilian labor force expressed as a percent [i.e., 100 times (unemployed/labor force)].

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