

Municipality of Anchorage 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	144,538	144,632	144,897	143,893	142,804								
Employment	137,112	138,169	138,052	123,898	125,284								
Unemployment	7,426	6,463	6,845	19,995	17,520								
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	4.5%	4.7%	13.9%	12.3%								

2019

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	148,049	146,967	146,913	146,540	147,570	147,549	146,936	145,090	145,481	146,368	148,116	147,801	146,949
Employment	140,162	138,920	138,995	139,189	140,048	139,737	139,805	138,245	138,354	139,300	140,837	140,718	139,526
Unemployment	7,887	8,047	7,918	7,351	7,522	7,812	7,131	6,845	7,127	7,068	7,279	7,083	7,423
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	5.5%	5.4%	5.0%	5.1%	5.3%	4.9%	4.7%	4.9%	4.8%	4.9%	4.8%	5.1%

2018

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,205	149,863	149,600	149,097	150,114	149,808	148,752	146,689	147,736	149,494	150,620	150,188	149,431
Employment	142,249	140,667	140,795	140,686	141,930	141,431	141,105	139,541	140,211	141,998	143,006	142,735	141,363
Unemployment	8,956	9,196	8,805	8,411	8,184	8,377	7,647	7,148	7,525	7,496	7,614	7,453	8,068
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.1%	5.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.6%	5.1%	4.9%	5.1%	5.0%	5.1%	5.0%	5.4%

2017

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	154,379	153,158	152,633	152,333	153,594	154,271	153,846	151,024	151,442	152,757	154,260	153,595	153,108
Employment	145,017	143,533	143,194	143,309	144,613	145,050	145,370	142,953	142,938	144,381	145,624	145,079	144,255
Unemployment	9,362	9,625	9,439	9,024	8,981	9,221	8,476	8,071	8,504	8,376	8,636	8,516	8,853
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.3%	6.2%	5.9%	5.8%	6.0%	5.5%	5.3%	5.6%	5.5%	5.6%	5.5%	5.8%

2016

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	155,842	155,131	154,869	154,449	155,388	155,840	155,619	153,170	153,833	154,909	157,175	157,064	155,274
Employment	147,128	146,049	146,046	145,970	146,820	146,936	147,392	145,344	145,502	146,643	148,457	148,351	146,720
Unemployment	8,714	9,082	8,823	8,479	8,568	8,904	8,227	7,826	8,331	8,266	8,718	8,713	8,554
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.9%	5.7%	5.5%	5.5%	5.7%	5.3%	5.1%	5.4%	5.3%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%

2015

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	156,737	156,216	156,252	155,557	157,003	157,390	156,865	154,385	155,308	157,342	159,018	158,987	156,755
Employment	148,408	147,698	147,852	147,608	149,198	149,161	149,482	147,387	147,890	149,802	150,877	150,914	148,856

Unemployment	8,329	8,518	8,400	7,949	7,805	8,229	7,383	6,998	7,418	7,540	8,141	8,073	7,899
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	5.5%	5.4%	5.1%	5.0%	5.2%	4.7%	4.5%	4.8%	4.8%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%

2014

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,886	157,530	157,510	156,813	158,277	159,010	157,996	156,203	156,701	158,765	160,178	160,033	158,075
Employment	149,176	148,377	148,616	148,330	149,932	150,161	149,960	148,571	149,006	151,339	152,271	152,448	149,849
Unemployment	8,710	9,153	8,894	8,483	8,345	8,849	8,036	7,632	7,695	7,426	7,907	7,585	8,226
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.8%	5.6%	5.4%	5.3%	5.6%	5.1%	4.9%	4.9%	4.7%	4.9%	4.7%	5.2%

2013

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	158,570	157,742	157,236	157,149	158,420	159,278	158,375	156,604	156,858	158,851	160,838	160,900	158,401
Employment	149,627	148,779	148,555	148,707	150,098	150,524	150,390	149,136	149,315	151,077	152,753	153,071	150,169
Unemployment	8,943	8,963	8,681	8,442	8,322	8,754	7,985	7,468	7,543	7,774	8,085	7,829	8,232
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.7%	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%	5.5%	5.0%	4.8%	4.8%	4.9%	5.0%	4.9%	5.2%

2012

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	158,531	157,802	157,567	156,965	158,106	158,878	158,469	156,870	156,667	159,342	160,485	160,879	158,380
Employment	149,100	148,247	148,277	148,133	149,443	149,890	150,239	149,275	149,097	151,754	152,523	152,786	149,897
Unemployment	9,431	9,555	9,290	8,832	8,663	8,988	8,230	7,595	7,570	7,588	7,962	8,093	8,483
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.1%	5.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.2%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.4%

2011

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	158,848	157,695	157,326	157,403	158,399	160,038	159,205	157,462	157,829	160,274	161,416	162,184	159,006
Employment	148,325	147,072	147,036	147,669	148,921	150,044	150,164	148,804	149,116	151,551	152,537	153,268	149,542
Unemployment	10,523	10,623	10,290	9,734	9,478	9,994	9,041	8,658	8,713	8,723	8,879	8,916	9,464
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	6.7%	6.5%	6.2%	6.0%	6.2%	5.7%	5.5%	5.5%	5.4%	5.5%	5.5%	6.0%

2010

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,229	156,352	156,096	155,858	157,159	158,666	159,023	156,901	156,941	159,423	160,347	161,081	157,923
Employment	146,239	144,903	144,713	145,101	146,621	147,866	149,158	147,430	147,180	149,664	150,335	151,257	147,539
Unemployment	10,990	11,449	11,383	10,757	10,538	10,800	9,865	9,471	9,761	9,759	10,012	9,824	10,384
Unemployment Rate	7.0%	7.3%	7.3%	6.9%	6.7%	6.8%	6.2%	6.0%	6.2%	6.1%	6.2%	6.1%	6.6%

2009

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	154,098	153,660	153,738	153,183	153,758	153,632	151,937	150,742	152,449	155,725	156,630	156,446	153,834
Employment	144,604	143,697	143,702	143,288	143,634	142,846	142,009	141,156	142,342	145,474	146,346	146,569	143,806
Unemployment	9,494	9,963	10,036	9,895	10,124	10,786	9,928	9,586	10,107	10,251	10,284	9,877	10,028
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.6%	7.0%	6.5%	6.4%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.3%	6.5%

2008

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,877	151,482	151,202	151,605	151,287	152,057	150,687	149,255	150,784	154,442	155,114	155,534	152,111
Employment	143,454	142,821	142,671	143,295	142,922	143,295	142,718	141,559	142,847	146,449	146,736	147,251	143,835
Unemployment	8,423	8,661	8,531	8,310	8,365	8,762	7,969	7,696	7,937	7,993	8,378	8,283	8,276
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%	5.5%	5.8%	5.3%	5.2%	5.3%	5.2%	5.4%	5.3%	5.4%

2007

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,064	150,610	150,226	149,827	149,966	151,721	150,920	148,542	148,934	152,522	153,809	154,469	151,051
Employment	142,900	142,302	142,201	142,174	142,381	143,615	143,636	141,436	141,395	145,140	146,076	146,771	143,336
Unemployment	8,164	8,308	8,025	7,653	7,585	8,106	7,284	7,106	7,539	7,382	7,733	7,698	7,715
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.5%	5.3%	5.1%	5.1%	5.3%	4.8%	4.8%	5.1%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.1%

2006

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,052	150,666	150,663	150,664	151,537	152,695	150,690	148,967	150,190	153,032	153,684	154,520	151,530
Employment	142,108	141,583	142,060	142,320	143,325	144,351	143,130	141,722	142,573	145,586	146,104	146,918	143,482
Unemployment	8,944	9,083	8,603	8,344	8,212	8,344	7,560	7,245	7,617	7,446	7,580	7,602	8,048
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.0%	5.7%	5.5%	5.4%	5.5%	5.0%	4.9%	5.1%	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%	5.3%

2005

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	148,363	148,135	147,821	147,910	147,935	148,808	147,895	146,019	148,114	151,265	152,636	153,433	149,028
Employment	139,441	138,995	139,097	139,696	139,840	140,273	140,158	138,716	140,396	143,549	144,519	145,398	140,840
Unemployment	8,922	9,140	8,724	8,214	8,095	8,535	7,737	7,303	7,718	7,716	8,117	8,035	8,188
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.2%	5.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.2%	5.0%	5.2%	5.1%	5.3%	5.2%	5.5%

2004

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	145,620	145,158	145,137	144,459	144,766	146,219	144,810	143,685	145,037	148,536	150,520	151,386	146,277
Employment	136,135	135,475	135,687	135,517	136,021	136,980	136,641	135,882	136,908	140,465	142,167	143,218	137,591
Unemployment	9,485	9,683	9,450	8,942	8,745	9,239	8,169	7,803	8,129	8,071	8,353	8,168	8,686
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.7%	6.5%	6.2%	6.0%	6.3%	5.6%	5.4%	5.6%	5.4%	5.5%	5.4%	5.9%

2003

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	146,338	145,095	144,729	144,613	144,754	146,710	143,645	142,617	143,482	146,371	148,069	148,703	145,428
Employment	136,781	135,110	134,970	135,124	135,409	136,831	134,671	134,086	134,829	137,863	139,148	139,896	136,227
Unemployment	9,557	9,985	9,759	9,489	9,345	9,879	8,974	8,531	8,653	8,508	8,921	8,807	9,201
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.9%	6.7%	6.6%	6.5%	6.7%	6.2%	6.0%	6.0%	5.8%	6.0%	5.9%	6.3%

2002

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	143,671	142,788	142,778	141,943	142,398	146,045	142,749	141,760	142,594	145,297	147,098	147,516	143,887
Employment	135,380	134,068	133,939	133,401	134,110	137,179	134,628	133,958	134,531	137,327	138,664	138,873	135,505
Unemployment	8,291	8,720	8,839	8,542	8,288	8,866	8,121	7,802	8,063	7,970	8,434	8,643	8,382

Unemployment Rate	5.8%	6.1%	6.2%	6.0%	5.8%	6.1%	5.7%	5.5%	5.7%	5.5%	5.7%	5.9%	5.8%
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2001

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	142,878	140,911	141,125	141,276	141,843	143,586	140,601	139,375	140,161	142,544	144,205	144,691	141,933
Employment	135,028	133,066	133,400	134,083	134,748	136,144	133,849	132,992	133,559	135,811	137,144	137,564	134,782
Unemployment	7,850	7,845	7,725	7,193	7,095	7,442	6,752	6,383	6,602	6,733	7,061	7,127	7,151
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.6%	5.5%	5.1%	5.0%	5.2%	4.8%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.9%	4.9%	5.0%

2000

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	142,124	140,668	140,896	140,362	140,649	141,270	139,509	137,718	137,918	140,701	142,149	143,256	140,602
Employment	134,340	132,589	133,022	132,998	133,390	133,660	132,881	131,416	131,472	134,141	135,215	136,307	133,453
Unemployment	7,784	8,079	7,874	7,364	7,259	7,610	6,628	6,302	6,446	6,560	6,934	6,949	7,149
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	5.2%	5.2%	5.4%	4.8%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%

1999

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	143,290	141,875	141,632	140,256	140,697	142,136	141,533	140,010	139,680	142,801	145,497	146,326	142,144
Employment	136,313	134,375	134,430	133,442	134,116	135,315	135,317	134,307	133,809	136,765	139,109	140,022	135,610
Unemployment	6,977	7,500	7,202	6,814	6,581	6,821	6,216	5,703	5,871	6,036	6,388	6,304	6,534
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	5.3%	5.1%	4.9%	4.7%	4.8%	4.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.2%	4.4%	4.3%	4.6%

1998

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	141,278	140,078	140,324	139,738	140,230	141,138	140,234	138,345	138,603	141,404	143,448	144,544	140,781
Employment	134,212	133,008	133,348	133,208	133,948	134,350	134,282	132,799	132,717	135,572	137,394	138,631	134,456
Unemployment	7,066	7,070	6,976	6,530	6,282	6,788	5,952	5,546	5,886	5,832	6,054	5,913	6,325
Unemployment Rate	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	4.7%	4.5%	4.8%	4.2%	4.0%	4.2%	4.1%	4.2%	4.1%	4.5%

1997

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	138,282	137,043	136,723	135,660	136,438	137,277	136,416	135,764	135,565	138,338	141,099	142,409	137,585
Employment	130,529	128,800	128,540	128,126	129,414	129,904	129,689	129,248	128,709	131,601	134,151	135,942	130,388
Unemployment	7,753	8,243	8,183	7,534	7,024	7,373	6,727	6,516	6,856	6,737	6,948	6,467	7,197
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	6.0%	6.0%	5.6%	5.1%	5.4%	4.9%	4.8%	5.1%	4.9%	4.9%	4.5%	5.2%

1996

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	137,224	134,794	134,634	133,829	133,486	134,502	133,900	132,791	133,416	136,725	138,945	139,812	135,338
Employment	129,195	126,891	126,757	126,292	126,427	127,184	127,084	126,477	126,602	130,014	131,778	132,967	128,139
Unemployment	8,029	7,903	7,877	7,537	7,059	7,318	6,816	6,314	6,814	6,711	7,167	6,845	7,199
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	5.9%	5.9%	5.6%	5.3%	5.4%	5.1%	4.8%	5.1%	4.9%	5.2%	4.9%	5.3%

1995

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	135,975	133,631	133,540	132,285	132,343	133,178	132,601	131,353	131,379	134,431	136,314	137,990	133,751
Employment	128,388	125,881	126,021	125,193	125,451	126,101	126,151	125,077	124,752	127,518	129,247	130,889	126,722
Unemployment	7,587	7,750	7,519	7,092	6,892	7,077	6,450	6,276	6,627	6,913	7,067	7,101	7,029
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.8%	5.6%	5.4%	5.2%	5.3%	4.9%	4.8%	5.0%	5.1%	5.2%	5.1%	5.3%

1994

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	135,432	133,538	132,909	133,068	133,870	134,107	134,224	132,716	132,660	134,550	135,337	137,165	134,131
Employment	127,460	125,186	124,950	125,287	126,355	126,334	126,836	126,132	125,942	127,714	128,537	130,355	126,757
Unemployment	7,972	8,352	7,959	7,781	7,515	7,773	7,388	6,584	6,718	6,836	6,800	6,810	7,374
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.3%	6.0%	5.8%	5.6%	5.8%	5.5%	5.0%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%	5.5%

1993

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	131,143	129,965	129,776	129,457	131,848	133,514	133,288	131,643	131,844	134,070	135,989	136,737	132,440
Employment	122,537	121,139	121,105	121,333	123,935	125,020	125,597	124,526	124,770	126,867	128,679	129,675	124,599
Unemployment	8,606	8,826	8,671	8,124	7,913	8,494	7,691	7,117	7,074	7,203	7,310	7,062	7,841
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	6.8%	6.7%	6.3%	6.0%	6.4%	5.8%	5.4%	5.4%	5.4%	5.4%	5.2%	5.9%

1992

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	125,793	125,518	125,153	124,409	126,122	128,101	130,006	128,698	127,807	129,661	130,348	131,435	127,755
Employment	116,309	115,668	115,281	114,984	116,877	118,394	121,010	120,332	118,998	121,102	121,933	123,303	118,683
Unemployment	9,484	9,850	9,872	9,425	9,245	9,707	8,996	8,366	8,809	8,559	8,415	8,132	9,072
Unemployment Rate	7.5%	7.8%	7.9%	7.6%	7.3%	7.6%	6.9%	6.5%	6.9%	6.6%	6.5%	6.2%	7.1%

1991

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	121,266	121,312	121,575	120,578	121,606	124,907	124,737	123,317	122,789	125,219	125,358	126,003	123,222
Employment	113,973	113,405	113,533	112,573	113,611	116,364	116,591	115,410	114,245	116,726	116,581	117,326	115,028
Unemployment	7,293	7,907	8,042	8,005	7,995	8,543	8,146	7,907	8,544	8,493	8,777	8,677	8,194
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.5%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.8%	6.5%	6.4%	7.0%	6.8%	7.0%	6.9%	6.6%

1990

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	120,297	119,818	120,710	118,762	120,780	123,114	123,611	122,476	122,710	123,997	124,334	124,181	122,065
Employment	113,482	113,073	113,917	112,261	114,289	116,593	117,627	116,491	116,567	118,061	118,100	117,896	115,696
Unemployment	6,815	6,745	6,793	6,501	6,491	6,521	5,984	5,985	6,143	5,936	6,234	6,285	6,369
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	5.6%	5.6%	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%	4.8%	4.9%	5.0%	4.8%	5.0%	5.1%	5.2%

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 (c) were not working but into that job 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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