

Municipality of Anchorage Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data 1990 to 2021

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.

2021

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	149,486	148,636	146,846										
Employment	140,034	138,932	137,190										
Unemployment	9,452	9,704	9,656										
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.5%	6.6%										

2020

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	150,045	148,989	148,587	146,093	148,097	148,057	148,495	142,607	142,512	152,130	152,637	152,457	148,392
Employment	143,738	143,088	141,117	127,936	130,790	131,946	133,686	133,582	133,160	143,315	143,604	143,093	137,421
Unemployment	6,307	5,901	7,470	18,157	17,307	16,111	14,809	9,025	9,352	8,815	9,033	9,364	10,971
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.0%	5.0%	12.4%	11.7%	10.9%	10.0%	6.3%	6.6%	5.8%	5.9%	6.1%	7.4%

2019

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	149,721	149,461	149,344	147,798	148,990	149,066	148,011	146,259	147,711	149,987	151,656	151,419	149,118
Employment	141,910	142,095	141,992	141,431	142,259	142,033	141,500	140,060	141,671	144,082	145,409	145,381	142,485
Unemployment	7,811	7,366	7,352	6,367	6,731	7,033	6,511	6,199	6,040	5,905	6,247	6,038	6,633
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	4.9%	4.9%	4.3%	4.5%	4.7%	4.4%	4.2%	4.1%	3.9%	4.1%	4.0%	4.4%

2018

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	152,350	151,775	151,388	150,437	151,754	151,105	150,141	147,609	149,361	151,825	152,746	152,313	151,067
Employment	143,880	143,116	143,246	142,677	144,476	143,169	143,096	140,890	142,592	144,893	145,741	145,015	143,566
Unemployment	8,470	8,659	8,142	7,760	7,278	7,936	7,045	6,719	6,769	6,932	7,005	7,298	7,501
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	5.7%	5.4%	5.2%	4.8%	5.3%	4.7%	4.6%	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.8%	5.0%

2017

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	155,250	154,834	153,876	153,687	154,121	154,877	154,310	151,614	152,395	153,689	155,435	154,457	154,046
Employment	146,242	145,670	145,084	145,302	145,785	146,186	146,186	143,715	144,384	145,966	147,284	146,280	145,674
Unemployment	9,008	9,164	8,792	8,385	8,336	8,691	8,124	7,899	8,011	7,723	8,151	8,177	8,372
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	5.9%	5.7%	5.5%	5.4%	5.6%	5.3%	5.2%	5.3%	5.0%	5.2%	5.3%	5.4%

2016

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	155,690	155,445	155,457	154,973	155,307	155,811	155,170	153,120	154,555	155,059	157,496	157,565	155,471
Employment	147,533	146,866	146,989	146,801	147,300	147,225	147,152	145,491	146,242	147,032	149,218	149,194	147,254

Unemployment	8,157	8,579	8,468	8,172	8,007	8,586	8,018	7,629	8,313	8,027	8,278	8,371	8,217
Unemployment Rate	5.2%	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%	5.2%	5.5%	5.2%	5.0%	5.4%	5.2%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%

2015

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,010	155,858	156,397	155,476	157,394	156,477	155,942	153,877	154,664	156,721	158,791	159,097	156,476
Employment	148,932	147,706	148,394	147,877	149,722	148,411	148,777	147,185	147,651	149,411	150,968	151,235	148,856
Unemployment	8,078	8,152	8,003	7,599	7,672	8,066	7,165	6,692	7,013	7,310	7,823	7,862	7,620
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	5.2%	5.1%	4.9%	4.9%	5.2%	4.6%	4.3%	4.5%	4.7%	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%

2014

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,334	157,093	157,943	155,971	158,435	158,409	157,245	154,946	156,437	158,670	159,958	159,357	157,650
Employment	148,791	148,042	149,047	148,017	150,315	149,770	149,185	147,169	148,924	151,493	152,254	152,082	149,591
Unemployment	8,543	9,051	8,896	7,954	8,120	8,639	8,060	7,777	7,513	7,177	7,704	7,275	8,059
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.8%	5.6%	5.1%	5.1%	5.5%	5.1%	5.0%	4.8%	4.5%	4.8%	4.6%	5.1%

2013

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	158,086	157,686	156,396	156,298	158,022	158,633	157,081	155,296	156,401	157,762	160,092	159,893	157,637
Employment	148,824	148,810	147,926	148,091	149,763	149,738	149,072	147,796	148,903	149,848	152,100	152,202	149,423
Unemployment	9,262	8,876	8,470	8,207	8,259	8,895	8,009	7,500	7,498	7,914	7,992	7,691	8,214
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	5.6%	5.4%	5.3%	5.2%	5.6%	5.1%	4.8%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	4.8%	5.2%

2012

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,263	157,394	157,449	156,526	157,473	158,230	157,175	155,725	156,223	159,251	159,625	160,645	157,748
Employment	147,808	147,802	148,071	147,822	148,743	149,042	148,635	147,984	148,707	151,668	151,613	152,230	149,177
Unemployment	9,455	9,592	9,378	8,704	8,730	9,188	8,540	7,741	7,516	7,583	8,012	8,415	8,571
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	6.1%	6.0%	5.6%	5.5%	5.8%	5.4%	5.0%	4.8%	4.8%	5.0%	5.2%	5.4%

2011

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	158,023	157,260	157,042	156,465	158,013	158,927	157,525	156,542	157,539	159,899	161,475	161,872	158,382
Employment	147,220	146,548	146,570	146,687	148,361	148,751	148,268	147,701	148,501	150,989	152,418	152,757	148,731
Unemployment	10,803	10,712	10,472	9,778	9,652	10,176	9,257	8,841	9,038	8,910	9,057	9,115	9,651
Unemployment Rate	6.8%	6.8%	6.7%	6.2%	6.1%	6.4%	5.9%	5.6%	5.7%	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%	6.1%

2010

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	157,212	156,378	156,467	157,204	156,860	157,840	158,445	156,453	156,807	158,921	159,887	160,449	157,743
Employment	145,637	144,314	144,354	146,015	146,078	147,016	148,420	146,730	146,841	149,014	149,341	150,160	146,993
Unemployment	11,575	12,064	12,113	11,189	10,782	10,824	10,025	9,723	9,966	9,907	10,546	10,289	10,750
Unemployment Rate	7.4%	7.7%	7.7%	7.1%	6.9%	6.9%	6.3%	6.2%	6.4%	6.2%	6.6%	6.4%	6.8%

2009

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	153,718	153,703	153,565	153,524	153,732	153,555	151,349	150,890	152,469	155,262	156,519	155,578	153,655
Employment	144,014	143,450	143,094	143,491	143,291	142,415	141,170	141,148	142,053	144,614	145,999	145,317	143,338
Unemployment	9,704	10,253	10,471	10,033	10,441	11,140	10,179	9,742	10,416	10,648	10,520	10,261	10,317
Unemployment Rate	6.3%	6.7%	6.8%	6.5%	6.8%	7.3%	6.7%	6.5%	6.8%	6.9%	6.7%	6.6%	6.7%

2008

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,272	150,796	151,265	151,478	150,990	151,473	149,714	149,370	150,478	154,236	155,000	156,008	151,840
Employment	143,152	142,626	143,057	143,731	142,858	143,105	142,006	141,879	142,861	146,550	146,922	147,726	143,873
Unemployment	8,120	8,170	8,208	7,747	8,132	8,368	7,708	7,491	7,617	7,686	8,078	8,282	7,967
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.4%	5.4%	5.1%	5.4%	5.5%	5.1%	5.0%	5.1%	5.0%	5.2%	5.3%	5.2%

2007

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	151,412	150,212	150,659	149,402	149,159	150,975	150,608	147,463	149,091	152,228	154,111	154,752	150,839
Employment	143,228	141,998	142,806	141,725	141,748	143,054	143,407	140,509	141,601	145,153	146,499	146,962	143,224
Unemployment	8,184	8,214	7,853	7,677	7,411	7,921	7,201	6,954	7,490	7,075	7,612	7,790	7,615
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.5%	5.2%	5.1%	5.0%	5.2%	4.8%	4.7%	5.0%	4.6%	4.9%	5.0%	5.0%

2006

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	150,115	150,582	150,194	149,722	151,030	151,712	149,788	148,644	149,866	152,911	154,172	154,829	151,131
Employment	141,435	141,469	141,649	141,253	142,846	143,548	142,075	141,423	142,188	145,743	146,533	147,094	143,105
Unemployment	8,680	9,113	8,545	8,469	8,184	8,164	7,713	7,221	7,678	7,168	7,639	7,735	8,026
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	6.1%	5.7%	5.7%	5.4%	5.4%	5.1%	4.9%	5.1%	4.7%	5.0%	5.0%	5.3%

2005

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	147,898	148,281	147,834	147,986	147,445	148,652	147,057	145,388	148,405	151,336	152,494	153,297	148,840
Employment	139,121	139,041	139,110	139,674	139,401	140,242	139,391	138,251	140,468	143,574	143,932	145,064	140,606
Unemployment	8,777	9,240	8,724	8,312	8,044	8,410	7,666	7,137	7,937	7,762	8,562	8,233	8,234
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.2%	5.9%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.2%	4.9%	5.3%	5.1%	5.6%	5.4%	5.5%

2004

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	146,283	145,620	145,958	144,983	145,039	146,267	144,839	143,462	145,211	148,965	151,106	151,500	146,603
Employment	136,894	136,136	136,281	135,967	136,276	137,011	136,757	135,813	137,195	141,022	142,604	143,166	137,927
Unemployment	9,389	9,484	9,677	9,016	8,763	9,256	8,082	7,649	8,016	7,943	8,502	8,334	8,676
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.5%	6.6%	6.2%	6.0%	6.3%	5.6%	5.3%	5.5%	5.3%	5.6%	5.5%	5.9%

2003

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	147,227	146,072	144,852	145,035	145,130	147,061	143,212	142,155	144,142	147,010	148,768	149,447	145,843
Employment	137,874	136,326	135,349	135,681	136,012	137,057	134,491	133,798	135,607	138,758	139,756	140,759	136,789
Unemployment	9,353	9,746	9,503	9,354	9,118	10,004	8,721	8,357	8,535	8,252	9,012	8,688	9,054

Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.7%	6.6%	6.4%	6.3%	6.8%	6.1%	5.9%	5.9%	5.6%	6.1%	5.8%	6.2%
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2002

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	143,572	143,700	143,579	142,291	142,797	146,424	142,495	141,704	143,505	145,839	147,203	147,350	144,205
Employment	135,214	135,188	134,624	133,645	134,832	137,711	134,705	134,072	135,703	138,246	138,782	138,580	135,942
Unemployment	8,358	8,512	8,955	8,646	7,965	8,713	7,790	7,632	7,802	7,593	8,421	8,770	8,263
Unemployment Rate	5.8%	5.9%	6.2%	6.1%	5.6%	6.0%	5.5%	5.4%	5.4%	5.2%	5.7%	6.0%	5.7%

2001

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	143,429	141,224	141,929	141,644	141,537	143,246	140,121	138,845	139,989	143,355	144,754	145,118	142,100
Employment	135,710	133,718	134,262	134,560	134,888	136,210	133,783	132,511	133,548	136,579	137,587	137,841	135,100
Unemployment	7,719	7,506	7,667	7,084	6,649	7,036	6,338	6,334	6,441	6,776	7,167	7,277	7,000
Unemployment Rate	5.4%	5.3%	5.4%	5.0%	4.7%	4.9%	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.7%	5.0%	5.0%	4.9%

2000

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	142,242	141,508	141,985	140,653	140,833	141,466	138,775	137,368	137,706	140,859	142,028	143,572	140,750
Employment	134,728	133,670	134,056	133,343	133,470	133,895	132,301	130,937	131,200	134,456	135,093	136,780	133,661
Unemployment	7,514	7,838	7,929	7,310	7,363	7,571	6,474	6,431	6,506	6,403	6,935	6,792	7,089
Unemployment Rate	5.3%	5.5%	5.6%	5.2%	5.2%	5.4%	4.7%	4.7%	4.7%	4.5%	4.9%	4.7%	5.0%

1999

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	143,424	142,505	142,181	140,494	140,810	142,149	141,455	139,781	139,923	142,814	145,611	146,879	142,335
Employment	136,609	135,049	135,086	133,692	134,250	135,497	135,215	134,097	134,037	136,743	139,218	140,732	135,852
Unemployment	6,815	7,456	7,095	6,802	6,560	6,652	6,240	5,684	5,886	6,071	6,393	6,147	6,483
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	5.2%	5.0%	4.8%	4.7%	4.7%	4.4%	4.1%	4.2%	4.3%	4.4%	4.2%	4.6%

1998

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	141,253	139,404	140,456	139,264	140,057	141,028	139,227	137,884	138,517	141,620	143,590	144,223	140,544
Employment	134,420	132,529	133,299	132,974	133,856	134,235	133,241	132,345	132,437	135,603	137,473	138,392	134,234
Unemployment	6,833	6,875	7,157	6,290	6,201	6,793	5,986	5,539	6,080	6,017	6,117	5,831	6,310
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.9%	5.1%	4.5%	4.4%	4.8%	4.3%	4.0%	4.4%	4.2%	4.3%	4.0%	4.5%

1997

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual
Labor Force	137,497	136,752	136,668	135,185	136,494	136,205	136,229	135,242	135,539	137,717	141,008	142,427	137,247
Employment	129,905	128,808	128,558	127,844	129,797	129,183	129,792	128,985	128,783	131,259	134,306	136,135	130,280
Unemployment	7,592	7,944	8,110	7,341	6,697	7,022	6,437	6,257	6,756	6,458	6,702	6,292	6,967
Unemployment Rate	5.5%	5.8%	5.9%	5.4%	4.9%	5.2%	4.7%	4.6%	5.0%	4.7%	4.8%	4.4%	5.1%

1996

Unemployment Rate	5.8%	5.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	5.1%	4.8%	4.9%	5.2%	4.8%	5.1%	5.2%	5.3%
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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)].

Source: Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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