

Tax Preparers (13-2082)

Occupation description: Prepare tax returns for individuals or small businesses. Excludes Accountants and Auditors (13-2011).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	246	253	2.8	14	12	27
United States	95,900	106,200	10.8	5,500	5,000	11,530

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	23.82	10.46	13.68	20.71	30.32	41.86
Alaska	28.31	13.01	19.63	26.76	40.71	46.68
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	29.80	12.76	17.76	28.10	43.30	47.53

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
288	24	8.3	44.8	36.6

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	106
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	49
UI claimants previously working in occupation	51

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	242
Number of job position postings	130
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	1.9

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

Education: High school diploma or equivalent

Work experience: None

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

Training Resources

Degree

QuickBooks Training

Degree

Tax Preparer

Certificate

Degree

Alaska Career College (Anchorage)

Business: Accounting Technology

AAS

Business: Computer Technology

AAS

Business: Human Resources

Certificate

Degree

Alaska Computer Business Solutions LLC (Anchorage)

QuickBooks 2 Day Training Basics

QuickBooks Advance 1 Day (Requires Basic)

Degree

Alaska Job Corps (Palmer)

Accounting Services

Certificate

Degree

AVTEC (Seward)

Business & Office Technology Accounting Specialist

Degree

Central Texas College, Fort Richardson/Elmendorf AFB (Fort Richardson)

Accounting Technician

AAS

Degree

Iisagvik College (Barrow)

Accounting Technician I

Certificate

Accounting Technician II

Certificate

Degree

North Star Computing (Fairbanks)

QuickBooks

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Bookkeeping	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Kenai (Soldotna)	
Bookkeeping	OEC
Bookkeeping Support	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Kodiak (Kodiak)	
Bookkeeping	OEC
Bookkeeping Support	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage, Mat-Su (Palmer)	
Bookkeeping	OEC
Bookkeeping Support	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Bristol Bay (Dillingham)	
Accounting Technician	CT1
	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Chukchi (Kotzebue)	
Accounting Technician	CT1
Accounting Technician	CT2
	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)	
Accounting Technician	CT1
Accounting Technician	CT2
Bookkeeping Technician	OEC
	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Kuskokwim (Bethel)	
Accounting Technician	CT2
Bookkeeping Technician	CT1
	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Northwest (Nome)	
Accounting Technician	CT1

Accounting Technician	CT2
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Degree

University of Alaska Fairbanks, Rural College (Fairbanks)

Accounting Technician	CT1
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Accounting Technician	CT2
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Degree

University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau (Juneau)

Accountant Endorsement	OEC
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Accounting Technician	CT2
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University of Alaska Southeast, Ketchikan (Ketchikan)

Accounting Technician	CT2
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Degree

University of Alaska Southeast, Sitka (Sitka)

Accounting Technician	CT2
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Degree

Vocational Training and Resource Center (Juneau)

Bookkeeping	
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