

Rehabilitation Counselors (21-1015)

Occupation description: Counsel individuals to maximize the independence and employability of persons coping with personal, social, and vocational difficulties that result from birth defects, illness, disease, accidents, or the stress of daily life. Coordinate activities for residents of care and treatment facilities. Assess client needs and design and implement rehabilitation programs that may include personal and vocational counseling, training, and job placement.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	184	193	4.9	7	12	20
United States	119,300	134,400	12.7	4,700	8,300	14,510

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	19.31	11.45	13.53	17.28	23.13	30.67
Alaska	22.00	15.16	16.65	19.19	25.18	35.34
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	19.99	14.71	16.08	18.12	22.51	28.80
Balance of State	27.19	17.51	20.84	25.05	33.49	38.80

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
189	15	7.9	35.4	25.8

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	75
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	37
UI claimants previously working in occupation	12

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	96
Number of job position postings	38
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	2.5

Alaska Licensing Information

Professional Counselor – [View licensing requirements and number licensed](#)

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

Education: Master's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

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