

Paralegals and Legal Assistants (23-2011)

Occupation description: Assist lawyers by investigating facts, preparing legal documents, or researching legal precedent. Conduct research to support a legal proceeding, to formulate a defense, or to initiate legal action. Excludes Legal Secretaries (43-6012).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	558	467	-16.3	17	34	42
United States	285,600	327,400	14.6	10,100	20,400	34,680

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	26.45	15.46	18.99	24.87	31.54	39.66
Alaska	27.09	17.60	22.32	26.96	30.60	37.01
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	26.42	16.75	20.39	26.40	30.15	37.02
Fairbanks North Star Borough	27.70	19.97	23.25	27.32	32.03	35.71
Balance of State	29.57	23.61	25.41	28.46	31.60	38.59

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
566	38	6.7	50.3	39.5

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	80
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	30
UI claimants previously working in occupation	36

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	424
Number of job position postings	32
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	13.2

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

Education: Associate's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

Training Resources

University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage)	
Legal Nurse Consultant Para	CT1
Paralegal Studies	AAS
Paralegal Studies	CT2
Paralegal Studies	PBCT

University of Alaska Fairbanks, CTC (Fairbanks)	
Paralegal Studies	AAS

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