

## Craft Artists (27-1012)

**Occupation description:** Create or reproduce hand-made objects for sale and exhibition using a variety of techniques, such as welding, weaving, pottery, and needlecraft.

### Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
United States	12,500	13,100	4.3	600	400	1,050

#### Job outlook

Alaska: The job outlook for Alaska is not available.

### 2019 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	18.63	9.96	12.51	16.69	22.24	30.27

### Labor Force Indicators

#### 2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
54	10	18.5	36.2	31.9

#### 2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	18
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	11
UI claimants previously working in occupation	5

#### 2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	79
Number of job position postings	6
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	13.2

### Alaska Licensing Information

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

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

**Education:** No formal educational credential

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** Long-term on-the-job training

## Training Resources

	Degree
<b>Calypso Farm &amp; Ecology Center (Ester)</b>	
Basic Blacksmithing Tools: Forging Tongs	
Basic Blacksmithing Tools: Tool steel - Chisel and Punch	
Beginning Spinning	
Blacksmithing – Forging Handles – Twisting and Bending	
Blacksmithing Overview and Forging Hooks: Drawing out	
Blacksmithing, Forging Fire Forks: Chiseling and drawing out	
Blacksmithing, Forging Spoons: Upsetting and Swaging	
Dried Flowers and Wreath Making	
Explore Cut Flowers	
Fleece to Finish	
Intermediate Spinning	
Natural Dyeing from the Garden	
Needle Felting	
Viking Knife: Tool Steel - Create Blades and Sharpen	
Wet Felting	
Wool Dyeing Techniques	

	Degree
<b>School of Integrating Shaitsu Alaska (Fairbanks)</b>	
Sacred Art of Drum Making	

	Degree
<b>Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center (Igiugig)</b>	
Kuspak Making	
Sewing Fur Hats	
Sewing Fur Mittens	

	Degree
<b>University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau (Juneau)</b>	
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Northwest Coast Art	OEC

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**Vocational Training and Resource Center (Juneau)**

Jewelry Design and Repair Technician

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