

Technical Writers (27-3042)

Occupation description: Write technical materials, such as equipment manuals, appendices, or operating and maintenance instructions. May assist in layout work.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	152	159	4.6	5	9	15
United States	52,400	58,100	11.0	1,800	3,300	5,670

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	36.95	21.31	27.20	35.03	44.99	56.37
Alaska	34.92	23.86	27.90	33.07	41.33	48.54
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	31.75	21.83	26.12	29.64	39.20	45.89

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
158	17	10.8	42.3	35.6

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	32
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	14
UI claimants previously working in occupation	20

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	150
Number of job position postings	29
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	5.2

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

Education: Bachelor's degree

Work experience: Less than 5 years

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

Training Resources

	Degree
Conflict Prevention and Business Communication	
From Propects to Customers - 5 Keys to Accelerate Business Growth	
Team Building & Efficiency	

	Degree
Alaska Pacific University (Anchorage)	
Information Technology	MBA

	Degree
North Star Computing (Fairbanks)	
Advanced Business Writing	

	Degree
Partners for Progress in Delta, Inc (Delta Junction)	
Academic Writing About Literature	
Academic Writing About Science and Nature	
Intro to Academic Writing	

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks (Fairbanks)	
Professional Communication	MA

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