

## Physical Therapists (29-1123)

**Occupation description:** Assess, plan, organize, and participate in rehabilitative programs that improve mobility, relieve pain, increase strength, and improve or correct disabling conditions resulting from disease or injury.

### Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	496	608	22.6	11	11	33
United States	239,800	306,900	28.0	5,300	5,700	17,710

#### Job outlook

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

### 2019 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	43.35	29.87	35.55	43.00	50.10	59.97
Alaska	49.35	32.81	41.07	47.48	58.53	70.26
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	51.38	35.97	42.24	48.80	61.14	73.03
Fairbanks North Star Borough	41.85	26.97	32.85	42.62	50.54	59.07
Balance of State	48.56	33.93	41.29	46.54	54.88	67.76

### Labor Force Indicators

#### 2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
548	110	20.1	40.4	28.4

#### 2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	32
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	18
UI claimants previously working in occupation	3

#### 2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	8
Number of job position postings	10
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	0.8

## Alaska Licensing Information

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

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

**Education:** Doctoral or professional degree

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** None

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