

Veterinarians (29-1131)

Occupation description: Diagnose, treat, or research diseases and injuries of animals. Includes veterinarians who conduct research and development, inspect livestock, or care for pets and companion animals.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	148	176	18.9	3	3	9
United States	79,600	94,600	18.8	1,600	1,400	4,500

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	50.39	27.92	36.34	45.90	58.94	77.30
Alaska	45.67	20.90	29.60	41.97	49.12	64.20
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	47.68	20.30	32.55	42.51	49.72	64.24
Balance of State	40.58	25.31	27.91	34.78	45.59	69.06

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
163	29	17.8	43.3	34.0

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	17
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	13
UI claimants previously working in occupation	0

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	8
Number of job position postings	2
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	4.0

Alaska Licensing Information

Veterinarian – [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

Training Resources

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Rural College (Fairbanks)	
Veterinary Science	CT2

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