Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse (45-2092)

Occupation description: Manually plant, cultivate, and harvest vegetables, fruits, nuts, horticultural specialties, and field crops. Use hand tools, such as shovels, trowels, hoes, tampers, pruning hooks, shears, and knives. Duties may include tilling soil and applying fertilizers; transplanting, weeding, thinning, or pruning crops; applying pesticides; or cleaning, grading, sorting, packing, and loading harvested products. May construct trellises, repair fences and farm buildings, or participate in irrigation activities. Excludes Graders and Sorters, Agricultural Products (45-2041) and Forest, Conservation, and Logging Workers (45-4011 through 45-4029).

Employment and Job Openings

		Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total	
Alaska	242	484	100.0	13	41	78	
United States	503,700	509,200	1.1	18,500	57,700	76,750	

Job outlook

Alaska: Alaska's employment growth is robust with high employment opportunities. Read more.

2019 Wages 2

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	13.36	11.06	11.50	12.23	14.32	17.75
Alaska	15.54	11.48	12.93	14.68	17.29	20.90
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	16.87	12.20	13.77	16.11	18.55	22.76
Fairbanks North Star Borough	14.31	10.64	11.42	13.03	15.63	19.90
Balance of State	14.39	12.79	13.37	14.33	15.25	16.75

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics					
Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus	
537	127	23.6	25.3	21.8	

2016 Potential Supply			
Qualified but working in another occupation	112		
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	0		
UI claimants previously working in occupation	34		

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data	
Number of registrants	459
Number of job position postings	54

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

Education: No formal educational credential On-the-job training: Short-term on-the-job training Work experience: None

Training Resources

Degree

Beacon Occupational Health and Safety Services (Anchorage)

Respiratory Protection

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