

Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals (45-2093)

Occupation description: Attend to live farm, ranch, or aquacultural animals that may include cattle, sheep, swine, goats, horses and other equines, poultry, finfish, shellfish, and bees. Attend to animals produced for animal products, such as meat, fur, skins, feathers, eggs, milk, and honey. Duties may include feeding, watering, herding, grazing, castrating, branding, de-beaking, weighing, catching, and loading animals. May maintain records on animals; examine animals to detect diseases and injuries; assist in birth deliveries; and administer medications, vaccinations, or insecticides as appropriate. May clean and maintain animal housing areas. Includes workers who shear wool from sheep, and collect eggs in hatcheries.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	102	115	12.7	4	12	17
United States	268,100	258,000	-3.8	9,600	30,000	38,590

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	14.37	9.10	10.86	13.38	17.03	21.01

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
168	45	26.8	28.2	22.1

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	24
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	2
UI claimants previously working in occupation	13

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	188
Number of job position postings	48
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	3.9

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

Education: No formal educational credential

Work experience: None

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

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