

Construction Laborers (47-2061)

Occupation description: Perform tasks involving physical labor at construction sites. May operate hand and power tools of all types: air hammers, earth tampers, cement mixers, small mechanical hoists, surveying and measuring equipment, and a variety of other equipment and instruments. May clean and prepare sites, dig trenches, set braces to support the sides of excavations, erect scaffolding, and clean up rubble, debris and other waste materials. May assist other craft workers. Construction laborers who primarily assist a particular craft worker are classified under Helpers, Construction Trades (47-3010). Excludes Hazardous Materials Removal Workers (47-4041).

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	3,771	3,931	4.2	134	254	404
United States	1,216,700	1,367,100	12.4	45,100	85,200	145,340

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	20.06	11.96	14.28	17.72	23.63	32.65
Alaska	25.44	16.26	20.02	24.44	29.57	36.86
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area	27.14	17.23	21.07	26.35	31.32	39.46
Fairbanks North Star Borough	24.23	15.58	20.48	23.38	28.24	33.49
Balance of State	23.84	15.39	18.43	23.06	27.98	31.47

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
6,581	1,287	19.6	25.8	18.2

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	1,898
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	580
UI claimants previously working in occupation	2,476

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	7,133
Number of job position postings	277

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

Training Resources

	Degree
ABC of Alaska (Anchorage)	
Fall Protection	
Fire Detection and Protection	
Fire Prevention	
Hazard Communication	
Hazard Recognition Training, 16-Hour EM 385-1-1	
Hazard Recognition Training, 40-Hour EM 385-1-1	
Health Hazards in Construction	
Introduction to OSHA - Construction	
Introduction to OSHA - General Industry	
Laborer Apprenticeship	
Lockout and Tagout	
Machine Guarding	
OSHA 10-Hour Outreach for Construction	
OSHA 10-Hour Outreach for General Industry	
OSHA 30-Hour Outreach for Construction	
OSHA 30-Hour Outreach for General Industry	
Personal Protective Equipment	
Safety Programs and Subpart C	
Scaffolds	
Stairways and Ladders	
Walking and Working Surfaces	

	Degree
Alaska Carpenters Training Trust (Anchorage)	
Scaffold Erector	

	Degree
Alaska Laborers Training School (Chugiak)	
Construction Craft Laborers	

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Alaska Teamster-Employer Service Training Trust (Anchorage)

OSHA 10 Hour General Construction	
OSHA 30 Hour General Construction	

Degree

Alaska Technical Center (Kotzebue)

Construction Trades	
NCCER Core Curriculum	

Degree

Alaska West Training Center (Fairbanks)

Fall Protection - S08	
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Degree

Alaska Works (Anchorage)

Pipeline Training	
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Degree

American Health and Safety, LLC (Fairbanks)

Fall Protection	
OSHA 10 Hours	
OSHA 30 Hours	

Degree

AVTEC (Seward)

Construction Technology	
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Degree

Beacon Occupational Health and Safety Services (Anchorage)

Fall Protection (NSTC and OSHA Offered)	
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Degree

Center for Employment Education (Anchorage)

OSHA 10 hour	
OSHA 30 hour	

Degree

Environmental Management Inc (Anchorage)

OSHA 10/30 Hour General Industry	
OSHA Construction Outreach - 10 Hours	Certificate
OSHA Construction Outreach - 30 Hours	Certificate
OSHA General Industry Outreach - 30 Hours	Certificate

Scaffold Safety and Fall Protection	Certificate
Trenching, Excavating & Shoring	Certificate
Degree	
Iisagvik College (Barrow)	
Construction Management	Endorsement
Construction Technology	AAS
Construction Technology I	Certificate
Construction Technology II	Certificate
Scaffolding I	Endorsement
Degree	
Laborers Local 942 (Fairbanks)	
Laborers Apprenticeship Program	
Degree	
Northern Industrial Training (Palmer)	
Energy Isolation-Lockout/Tag Out/018	
Fall Protection Authorized User	
OSHA 10 Hour Construction / 020 Training	
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry / 021	
OSHA 30 Hour Construction / 022	
OSHA 30 Hour General Industry / 023	
Degree	
Satori Group Inc (Anchorage)	
Fall Protection	
OSHA Outreach Training, 10 Hour	Certificate
OSHA Outreach Training, 30 Hour	Certificate
Trenching and Excavation Competent Person Training	Certificate
Degree	
Southwest Alaska Vocational and Education Center (Igiugig)	
Construction Trades	Certificate
Degree	
TSS - The Safety Specialists (Ketchikan)	
OSHA Compliance Training	
Degree	
Wisdom & Associates, Inc. (Kenai)	
Basic Math Skills	

	Degree
Yuut Elitnaurviat (Bethel)	
Construction Trades	Certificate

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