

# Heat Treating Equipment Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (51-4191)

**Occupation description:** Set up, operate, or tend heating equipment, such as heat-treating furnaces, flame-hardening machines, induction machines, soaking pits, or vacuum equipment to temper, harden, anneal, or heat-treat metal or plastic objects.

## Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
United States	19,800	17,000	-14.2	700	1,300	1,720

### Job outlook

**Alaska:** The job outlook for Alaska is not available.

## 2019 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	19.16	12.69	15.00	18.39	22.69	27.23

## Labor Force Indicators

### 2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
6	1	16.7	20.0	20.0

### 2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	2
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	1
UI claimants previously working in occupation	3

### 2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	5
Number of job position postings	1
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	5.0

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

**Education:** High school diploma or equivalent

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** Moderate-term on-the-job training

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