

Gas Plant Operators (51-8092)

Occupation description: Distribute or process gas for utility companies and others by controlling compressors to maintain specified pressures on main pipelines.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	84	85	1.2	2	6	8
United States	17,300	17,300	0.0	400	1,300	1,700

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	34.16	21.19	27.31	34.00	39.97	48.71
Alaska	30.55	18.98	23.60	30.26	36.96	44.59

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
97	14	14.4	42.9	36.3

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	51
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	45
UI claimants previously working in occupation	22

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	62
Number of job position postings	9
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	6.9

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

Education: High school diploma or equivalent

Work experience: None

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

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