

Crushing, Grinding, and Polishing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders (51-9021)

Occupation description: Set up, operate, or tend machines to crush, grind, or polish materials, such as coal, glass, grain, stone, food, or rubber.

Employment and Job Openings

	Employment			Average annual openings		
	2016 estimate	2026 projection	Percent change	Labor force exits	Occupation transfers	Total
Alaska	69	85	23.2	3	6	11
United States	30,200	28,200	-6.7	1,100	2,200	3,100

Job outlook

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

2019 Wages ?

	Mean Wage	Wage by Percentile				
	Mean	10th	25th	Median	75th	90th
United States	18.88	12.01	14.45	18.06	22.72	27.42
Alaska	*	*	14.45	*	22.72	*

* indicates the estimate is not available, or the hourly wage is greater than \$100, or the annual wage is greater than \$208,000.

Labor Force Indicators

2016 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
98	26	26.5	20.7	9.8

2016 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	14
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	3
UI claimants previously working in occupation	20

2016 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	75
Number of job position postings	10
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	7.5

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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