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# Preface

Every other year the Alaska Department of Labor (AKDOL) publishes the Unemployment Insurance Actuarial Study & Financial Handbook. The last Handbook was published in December 1997. The next will be published in September 1999.

During the two-year interval between publications of the Handbook, AKDOL staff receive numerous requests for updated Handbook information. To satisfy the requests, AKDOL publishes (in the alternating years) updated versions of the tables in Chapters 1, 2, and 3. This update is entitled *Unemployment Insurance Actuarial Handbook, 1997 Updated Tables*. This is the seventh edition.

Readers of this publication may refer to the complete Handbook for definitions of technical terms used, a short discussion on the history of Alaska unemployment insurance legislation, and an explanation of the state's current unemployment insurance system. For more information, telephone Thom Wylie, UI Actuary, at (907) 465-4507; or James Wilson, Labor Economist, at (907) 465-4520. Or email

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# Chapter 1

## UI Covered Employment and Wages

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment,  
Covered and Noncovered, 1988-1997

Table 1.1

Year	Total Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment	Insured through State UI Programs	Insured through Federal UI Programs	% of Total	% of Total	Not Insured by UI Programs	% of Total
1988	212,057	191,035	17,867	90.1	8.4	3,155	1.5
1989	224,810	203,423	18,218	90.5	8.1	3,169	1.4
1990	236,543	214,644	18,729	90.7	7.9	3,170	1.3
1991	240,873	218,367	18,922	90.7	7.9	3,584	1.5
1992	245,898	221,795	19,549	90.2	8.0	4,554	1.9
1993	251,038	226,475	19,856	90.2	7.9	4,707	1.9
1994	256,763	233,455	18,764	90.9	7.3	4,544	1.8
1995	259,737	237,816	17,504	91.6	6.7	4,417	1.7
1996	261,443	239,654	17,322	91.7	6.6	4,467	1.7
1997	266,251	244,255	17,342	91.7	6.5	4,654	1.7

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.2**

Average Monthly Covered Employment  
(excluding federal) by Industry, 1988-1997

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	191,035	203,423	214,644	218,367	221,795	226,475	233,455	237,816	239,654	244,255
Ag., For. & Fish	936	1,099	1,098	1,181	1,458	1,604	1,327	1,357	1,418	1,517
Mining	9,591	10,248	11,476	11,762	10,481	10,051	10,274	9,812	9,616	9,614
Oil and Gas	8,620	9,166	10,258	10,541	9,229	8,952	9,152	8,687	8,209	8,018
Other Mining	971	1,082	1,218	1,221	1,252	1,099	1,123	1,126	1,407	1,597
Construction	9,034	9,886	10,595	10,683	10,436	11,986	13,029	13,273	13,224	13,381
Manufacturing	15,296	15,706	17,273	18,080	18,052	17,153	16,688	17,137	16,350	15,786
Food Products	8,578	8,591	9,942	11,057	11,660	11,049	10,730	11,012	10,500	10,167
Lumber & Wood	2,670	2,895	3,060	2,605	2,340	2,348	2,247	2,233	1,882	1,990
Paper Products	947	978	907	910	908	771	513	526	524	228
Other Mfg.	3,101	3,242	3,364	3,508	3,144	2,985	3,198	3,366	3,444	3,402
Trans., Comm.& Util.	18,210	21,999	21,482	22,720	23,563	23,805	24,193	23,861	23,766	25,044
Trade	42,058	44,116	46,014	46,832	47,916	49,145	52,668	54,086	54,606	55,963
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	9,966	9,566	9,535	9,800	9,815	10,328	11,115	10,871	10,959	11,287
Services	61,398	65,327	70,821	71,485	74,116	76,192	78,341	81,258	83,529	85,709
Public Admin.	24,182	24,835	25,673	25,253	25,191	25,218	25,308	25,588	25,894	25,656
Unclassified	364	641	677	571	767	994	512	573	295	318

**PERCENT DISTRIBUTION**

Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Mining	5.0	5.0	5.3	5.4	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.9
Oil and Gas	4.5	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.4	3.3
Other Mining	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7
Construction	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.7	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.5	5.5
Manufacturing	8.0	7.7	8.0	8.3	8.1	7.6	7.1	7.2	6.8	6.5
Food Products	4.5	4.2	4.6	5.1	5.3	4.9	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.2
Lumber & Wood	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8
Paper Products	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Other Mfg.	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Trans., Comm.& Util.	9.5	10.8	10.0	10.4	10.6	10.5	10.4	10.0	9.9	10.3
Trade	22.0	21.7	21.4	21.4	21.6	21.7	22.6	22.7	22.8	22.9
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	5.2	4.7	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.6
Services	32.1	32.1	33.0	32.7	33.4	33.6	33.6	34.2	34.9	35.1
Public Admin.	12.7	12.2	12.0	11.6	11.4	11.1	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.5
Unclassified	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1

**REIMBURSABLE ACCOUNTS**

Total	45,035	47,078	50,163	50,512	51,336	51,539	51,509	52,082	52,374	52,911
Trans., Comm.& Util.	863	916	904	912	931	935	868	851	875	829
Services	23,985	25,171	27,412	28,258	29,138	29,516	29,531	29,900	30,144	30,679
Public Admin.	20,180	20,981	21,841	21,338	21,178	21,010	21,020	21,223	21,369	21,307
Other	7	10	6	4	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

Notes: Reimbursable account data are included in the uppermost portion of this table.

(\*) Comparable data no longer available for this series.

Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Table 1.3

# Total Covered Payroll (excluding federal) by Industry, (\$1,000), 1988-1997

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	5,316,310	6,036,041	6,378,361	6,667,085	6,979,390	7,222,753	7,529,797	7,655,455	7,659,605	7,904,441
Ag., For. & Fish	22,033	27,559	29,095	33,265	42,100	45,015	34,764	35,653	37,718	42,791
Mining	589,963	645,454	748,817	802,979	779,290	746,335	777,488	758,946	771,032	771,359
Oil and Gas	545,270	593,868	687,058	737,451	708,737	683,737	712,455	690,411	688,618	675,047
Other Mining	44,693	51,586	61,759	65,528	70,553	62,598	65,033	68,535	82,414	96,313
Construction	366,930	413,146	464,221	446,773	434,411	520,144	592,441	593,813	597,056	607,686
Manufacturing	392,746	439,498	483,658	511,465	529,892	509,508	489,486	511,816	477,371	469,531
Food Products	166,929	189,672	223,152	255,112	279,945	263,136	252,483	263,782	239,458	228,218
Lumber & Wood	97,614	111,218	118,792	101,504	95,294	97,758	92,347	95,766	80,553	84,106
Paper Products	37,729	41,262	37,555	38,505	41,221	39,489	24,745	25,100	23,751	17,732
Other Mfg.	90,474	97,346	104,159	116,344	113,432	109,124	119,911	127,169	133,608	139,474
Trans., Comm.& Util.	605,597	905,372	761,587	828,646	895,258	919,958	964,883	954,099	951,364	1,031,271
Trade	751,272	823,700	894,837	918,643	966,258	990,457	1,063,143	1,106,233	1,135,009	1,173,263
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	265,688	252,966	260,450	274,116	287,190	315,349	337,803	334,499	349,059	370,950
Services	1,474,786	1,633,568	1,796,913	1,872,859	2,022,028	2,135,651	2,206,906	2,288,408	2,349,682	2,439,947
Public Admin.	839,132	881,028	921,567	963,904	1,002,283	1,018,185	1,045,716	1,051,876	978,972	980,491
Unclassified	8,163	13,750	17,216	14,435	20,680	22,152	17,167	20,112	12,342	17,153

## PERCENT DISTRIBUTION

Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Mining	11.1	10.7	11.7	12.0	11.2	10.3	10.3	9.9	10.1	9.8
Oil and Gas	10.3	9.8	10.8	11.1	10.2	9.5	9.5	9.0	9.0	8.5
Other Mining	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2
Construction	6.9	6.8	7.3	6.7	6.2	7.2	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7
Manufacturing	7.4	7.3	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.1	6.5	6.7	6.2	5.9
Food Products	3.1	3.1	3.5	3.8	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.1	2.9
Lumber & Wood	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.1
Paper Products	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
Other Mfg.	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8
Trans., Comm.& Util.	11.4	15.0	11.9	12.4	12.8	12.7	12.8	12.5	12.4	13.0
Trade	14.1	13.6	14.0	13.8	13.8	13.7	14.1	14.5	14.8	14.8
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	5.0	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.4	4.6	4.7
Services	27.7	27.1	28.2	28.1	29.0	29.6	29.3	29.9	30.7	30.9
Public Admin.	15.8	14.6	14.4	14.5	14.4	14.1	13.9	13.7	12.8	12.4
Unclassified	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2

## REIMBURSABLE ACCOUNTS (\$1,000)

Total	1,492,671	1,584,065	1,683,745	1,784,959	1,901,857	1,949,119	2,002,542	2,011,599	1,937,890	1,960,524
Trans., Comm.& Util.	42,645	43,481	45,408	45,283	47,955	47,506	45,960	43,286	46,086	44,331
Services	704,274	754,198	813,463	877,043	949,488	993,881	1,026,279	1,033,936	1,030,096	1,048,399
Public Admin.	745,665	786,239	824,761	862,550	898,614	902,081	921,853	925,569	855,163	856,309
Other	87	147	113	83	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

Notes: Reimbursable account data are included in the uppermost portion of this table.

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Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

A change in definition of covered payroll began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.4**

## Taxable Covered Payroll by Industry (\$1,000), 1988-1997

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	2,552,009	2,964,226	3,039,796	3,184,860	3,263,435	3,397,312	3,592,202	3,698,894	3,739,737	3,853,741
Ag., For. & Fish	16,546	20,793	21,459	25,028	31,158	33,386	26,140	26,811	28,466	29,281
Mining	248,238	266,762	290,700	313,736	291,384	277,035	291,797	301,547	291,153	292,382
Oil and Gas	221,622	236,358	257,209	280,940	258,445	244,147	259,747	266,403	249,099	245,925
Other Mining	26,616	30,404	33,491	32,796	32,939	32,888	32,049	35,144	42,054	46,457
Construction	258,146	287,621	318,541	311,875	300,607	357,668	407,034	408,102	409,505	410,102
Manufacturing	296,021	326,677	361,082	385,073	390,586	375,933	364,459	376,682	352,338	343,164
Food Products	148,155	165,300	192,683	221,522	237,345	225,597	216,050	223,480	205,307	198,445
Lumber & Wood	69,223	76,484	80,748	70,073	62,805	65,205	63,833	64,625	54,887	55,430
Paper Products	22,301	25,158	22,566	23,359	23,281	22,101	14,837	14,467	14,580	11,573
Other Mfg.	56,342	59,735	65,085	70,119	67,155	63,030	69,739	74,110	77,564	77,716
Trans., Comm.& Util.	329,462	540,177	419,187	452,979	475,279	490,335	512,598	507,618	500,036	545,896
Trade	576,584	622,869	667,273	702,260	734,172	750,162	820,991	856,898	881,561	902,972
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	181,968	174,433	175,285	186,443	188,306	204,681	225,623	220,764	227,546	238,200
Services	575,242	650,656	711,716	729,863	771,601	820,112	860,167	911,534	962,675	1,006,797
Public Admin.	63,240	62,988	63,243	66,197	67,380	72,731	75,986	79,359	82,048	80,254
Unclassified	6,562	11,250	11,310	11,406	12,962	15,269	7,407	9,579	4,409	4,693

## PERCENT DISTRIBUTION

Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8
Mining	9.7	9.0	9.6	9.9	8.9	8.2	8.1	8.2	7.8	7.6
Oil and Gas	8.7	8.0	8.5	8.8	7.9	7.2	7.2	7.2	6.7	6.4
Other Mining	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2
Construction	10.1	9.7	10.5	9.8	9.2	10.5	11.3	11.0	11.0	10.6
Manufacturing	11.6	11.0	11.9	12.1	12.0	11.1	10.1	10.2	9.4	8.9
Food Products	5.8	5.6	6.3	7.0	7.3	6.6	6.0	6.0	5.5	5.1
Lumber & Wood	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.4
Paper Products	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3
Other Mfg.	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0
Trans., Comm.& Util.	12.9	18.2	13.8	14.2	14.6	14.4	14.3	13.7	13.4	14.2
Trade	22.6	21.0	22.0	22.0	22.5	22.1	22.9	23.2	23.6	23.4
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	7.1	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.8	6.0	6.3	6.0	6.1	6.2
Services	22.5	22.0	23.4	22.9	23.6	24.1	23.9	24.6	25.7	26.1
Public Admin.	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.1
Unclassified	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

A change in definition of covered payroll began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

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Table 1.5

# Average Annual Earnings in Covered Employment (excluding federal) by Industry (\$), 1988-1997

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	27,829	29,672	29,716	30,532	31,468	31,892	32,254	32,191	31,961	32,361
Ag., For. & Fish	23,540	25,076	26,498	28,167	28,875	28,064	26,197	26,273	26,599	28,208
Mining	61,512	62,983	65,251	68,269	74,353	74,255	75,675	77,349	80,182	80,233
Oil and Gas	63,256	64,790	66,978	69,960	76,795	76,378	77,847	79,476	83,886	84,191
Other Mining	46,028	47,677	50,705	53,667	56,352	56,959	57,910	60,866	58,574	60,309
Construction	40,617	41,791	43,815	41,821	41,626	43,396	45,471	44,738	45,149	45,482
Manufacturing	25,676	27,983	28,001	28,289	29,354	29,704	29,332	29,866	29,197	29,744
Food Products	19,460	22,078	22,445	23,072	24,009	23,815	23,531	23,954	22,806	22,447
Lumber & Wood	36,560	38,417	38,821	38,965	40,724	41,635	41,098	42,887	42,802	42,264
Paper Products	39,841	42,190	41,406	42,313	45,398	51,218	48,236	47,719	45,326	77,772 1/
Other Mfg.	29,176	30,027	30,963	33,165	36,079	36,557	37,496	37,780	38,794	40,998
Trans., Comm.& Util.	33,256	41,155	35,452	36,472	37,994	38,646	39,883	39,986	40,030	41,178
Trade	17,863	18,671	19,447	19,616	20,166	20,154	20,186	20,453	20,785	20,965
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	26,659	26,444	27,315	27,971	29,260	30,533	30,392	30,770	31,851	32,865
Services	24,020	25,006	25,373	26,199	27,282	28,030	28,171	28,162	28,130	28,468
Public Admin.	34,701	35,475	35,896	38,170	39,787	40,375	41,320	41,108	37,807	38,217
Unclassified	22,426	21,451	25,430	25,280	26,962	22,286	33,529	35,099	41,837	53,940
<b>REIMBURSABLE ACCOUNTS (\$)</b>										
Total	33,145	33,648	33,565	35,337	37,047	37,818	38,878	38,624	37,001	37,053
Trans., Comm.& Util.	49,415	47,468	50,230	49,652	51,509	50,809	52,949	50,865	52,670	53,475
Services	29,363	29,963	29,675	31,037	32,586	33,673	34,753	34,580	34,173	34,173
Public Admin.	36,951	37,474	37,762	40,423	42,431	42,936	43,856	43,612	40,019	40,189
Other	12,429	14,700	18,833	20,750	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

Notes: Average Annual Earnings = Total Covered Payroll (Table 1.3) divided by Average Covered Employment (Table 1.2).

Reimbursable account data are included in the uppermost portion of this table.

(\*) Comparable data no longer available for this series.

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1/ The Ketchikan pulp mill closed Mar 97. Workers were given severence payments based on years of service.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.6**

**Average Weekly Earnings in Covered Employment  
(excluding federal) by Industry (\$), 1988-1997**

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	535.17	570.62	571.46	587.15	605.15	613.31	620.26	619.05	614.64	622.34
Ag., For. & Fish	452.68	482.24	509.58	541.67	555.29	539.70	503.80	505.26	511.53	542.45
Mining	1,182.93	1,211.22	1,254.82	1,312.86	1,429.86	1,427.98	1,455.29	1,487.48	1,541.97	1,542.94
Oil and Gas	1,216.47	1,245.97	1,288.03	1,345.39	1,476.82	1,468.81	1,497.06	1,528.39	1,613.19	1,619.07
Other Mining	885.15	916.86	975.10	1,032.07	1,083.70	1,095.37	1,113.66	1,170.50	1,126.43	1,159.78
Construction	781.09	803.67	842.60	804.25	800.50	834.54	874.44	860.35	868.26	874.66
Manufacturing	493.78	538.13	538.48	544.02	564.49	571.23	564.07	574.35	561.48	571.99
Food Products	374.23	424.58	431.64	443.70	461.71	457.99	452.51	460.65	438.57	431.67
Lumber & Wood	703.07	738.79	746.56	749.33	783.15	800.67	790.34	824.74	823.11	812.78
Paper Products	766.16	811.35	796.26	813.72	873.03	984.96	927.61	917.67	871.66	1,495.61
Other Mfg.	561.07	577.43	595.44	637.79	693.60	703.03	721.07	726.55	746.05	788.42
Trans., Comm.& Util.	639.54	791.45	681.78	701.39	730.66	743.18	766.98	768.96	769.82	791.89
Trade	343.51	359.06	373.98	377.23	387.80	387.57	388.19	393.33	399.72	403.17
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	512.68	508.54	525.29	537.90	562.70	587.18	584.45	591.73	612.53	632.02
Services	461.92	480.88	487.93	503.83	524.65	539.04	541.74	541.58	540.96	547.46
Public Admin.	667.32	682.22	690.31	734.04	765.14	776.45	794.61	790.54	727.06	734.94
Unclassified	431.27	412.52	489.04	486.16	518.50	428.57	644.79	674.99	804.56	1,037.31
<b>REIMBURSABLE ACCOUNTS (\$)</b>										
Total	637.40	647.07	645.49	679.56	712.45	727.28	747.64	742.76	711.56	712.56
TCU	950.29	912.85	965.96	954.85	990.56	977.09	1,018.26	978.17	1,012.88	1,028.37
Services	564.68	576.21	570.68	596.87	626.65	647.55	668.32	665.00	657.16	657.18
Public Admin.	710.59	720.65	726.19	777.37	815.99	825.69	843.38	838.68	769.59	772.87
Other	239.01	282.69	362.18	399.04	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

Notes: Average Weekly Earnings = Average Annual Earnings (Table 1.5) divided by 52.

Reimbursable account data are included in the uppermost portion of this table.

(\*) Comparable data no longer available for this series.

A change in definition of covered payroll began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

1/ The Ketchikan pulp mill closed Mar 97. Workers were given severence payments based on years of service.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.7**

## Average Monthly Covered Employment (excluding federal) by Ownership, 1988-1997

OWNERSHIP	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	191,035	203,423	214,644	218,367	221,795	226,475	233,455	237,816	239,654	244,255
State Government	19,082	20,376	21,479	20,807	20,191	19,683	19,887	19,880	19,849	19,441
Local Government	26,425	26,781	28,140	28,660	29,470	29,944	29,815	30,589	30,966	30,997
Private Industry	145,528	156,266	165,025	168,900	172,134	176,848	183,753	187,347	188,839	193,817
Taxable	140,925	151,429	159,453	162,972	165,441	169,641	176,675	180,390	181,707	186,146
Reimbursable	4,603	4,837	5,572	5,928	6,693	7,207	7,078	6,957	7,132	7,671
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
State Government	10.0	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.1	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.0
Local Government	13.8	13.2	13.1	13.1	13.3	13.2	12.8	12.9	12.9	12.7
Private Industry	76.2	76.8	76.9	77.3	77.6	78.1	78.7	78.8	78.8	79.4
Taxable	73.8	74.4	74.3	74.6	74.6	74.9	75.7	75.9	75.8	76.2
Reimbursable	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.2	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.8**

## Total Covered Payroll (excluding federal) by Ownership (\$1,000), 1988-1997

OWNERSHIP	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	5,316,310	6,036,041	6,378,361	6,667,085	6,979,390	7,222,753	7,529,797	7,655,455	7,659,605	7,904,441
State Government	654,330	704,401	752,768	788,394	810,009	816,910	833,973	835,813	755,786	751,853
Local Government	856,018	885,837	923,880	966,951	1,036,179	1,078,060	1,119,757	1,131,558	1,130,507	1,134,393
Private Industry	3,805,962	4,445,803	4,701,713	4,911,740	5,133,202	5,327,783	5,576,067	5,688,084	5,773,312	6,018,195
Taxable	3,701,659	4,328,979	4,565,435	4,751,787	4,945,025	5,124,752	5,372,562	5,487,951	5,565,271	5,790,375
Reimbursable	104,303	116,824	136,278	159,953	188,177	203,031	203,505	200,133	208,041	227,820
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
State Government	12.3	11.7	11.8	11.8	11.6	11.3	11.1	10.9	9.9	9.5
Local Government	16.1	14.7	14.5	14.5	14.8	14.9	14.9	14.8	14.8	14.4
Private Industry	71.6	73.7	73.7	73.7	73.5	73.8	74.1	74.3	75.4	76.1
Taxable	69.6	71.7	71.6	71.3	70.9	71.0	71.4	71.7	72.7	73.3
Reimbursable	2.0	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.9

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

A change in definition of covered payroll began in mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.9**

## Taxable Covered Payroll by Ownership (\$1,000), 1988-1997

OWNERSHIP	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	2,552,009	2,964,226	3,039,796	3,184,860	3,263,435	3,397,312	3,592,202	3,698,894	3,739,737	3,853,741
State Government	6,401	8,248	9,276	8,814	8,795	8,838	9,003	8,801	8,804	8,823
Local Government	76,999	75,013	75,960	76,780	78,476	86,153	87,916	90,299	95,652	91,641
Private Industry	2,468,609	2,880,965	2,954,560	3,099,266	3,176,164	3,302,321	3,495,283	3,599,794	3,635,281	3,753,277
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION</b>										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
State Government	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Local Government	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.4
Private Industry	96.7	97.2	97.2	97.3	97.3	97.2	97.3	97.3	97.2	97.4

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

A change in definition of covered employment began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 1.10**Average Annual Earnings in Covered Employment  
(excluding federal) by Ownership (\$), 1988-1997

OWNERSHIP	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	27,829	29,672	29,716	30,532	31,468	31,892	32,254	32,191	31,961	32,361
State Government	34,290	34,570	35,047	37,891	40,117	41,503	41,936	42,043	38,077	38,674
Local Government	32,394	33,077	32,832	33,739	35,160	36,003	37,557	36,992	36,508	36,597
Private Industry	26,153	28,450	28,491	29,081	29,821	30,126	30,345	30,361	30,573	31,051
Taxable	26,267	28,588	28,632	29,157	29,890	30,209	30,409	30,423	30,628	31,107
Reimbursable	22,660	24,152	24,458	26,983	28,115	28,171	28,752	28,767	29,170	29,699

Note: Average Annual Earnings = Total Covered Payroll (Table 1.8) divided by Average Covered Employment (Table 1.7).

A change in definition of covered payroll began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor

# Average Weekly Earnings in Covered Employment (excluding federal) by Ownership (\$), 1988-1997

**Table 1.11**

OWNERSHIP	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Total	536.89	535.17	570.62	571.46	587.15	605.15	613.31	620.26	619.05	614.64	622.34
State Government	667.90	659.43	664.81	673.97	728.67	771.49	798.14	806.45	808.52	732.25	743.72
Local Government	634.58	622.97	636.10	631.38	648.82	676.16	692.36	722.25	711.39	702.08	703.79
Private Industry	501.77	502.94	547.12	547.90	559.25	573.48	579.35	583.57	583.87	587.94	597.13
Taxable	503.68	505.13	549.76	550.61	560.71	574.81	580.95	584.79	585.05	588.99	598.20
Reimbursable	443.38	435.77	464.46	470.34	518.90	540.68	541.76	552.92	553.21	560.96	571.13

Note: Average Weekly Earnings = Average Annual Earnings (Table 1.10) divided by 52.

A change in definition of covered payroll began mid 1995, see Appendix A.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor



# Chapter 2

## UI Benefit Payments

Unemployment, 1988-1997

**Table 2.1**

Year	Total Labor Force	Total Unemployment	Total Unemployment Rate (TUR)%	Covered Employment	Insured Unemployment	Insured Unemployment Rate (IUR) %	% Ratio IUR to TUR
1988	250,000	23,000	9.2	191,035	10,485	5.5	59.7
1989	253,000	17,000	6.7	203,423	9,056	4.5	66.3
1990	257,000	18,000	7.0	214,644	11,170	5.2	74.3
1991	258,000	22,000	8.5	218,367	13,237	6.1	71.1
1992	262,000	24,000	9.2	221,795	13,880	6.3	68.3
1993	299,000	23,000	7.7	226,475	12,213	5.4	70.1
1994	305,000	24,000	7.9	223,455	13,554	6.1	77.1
1995	303,723	22,220	7.3	237,816	12,885	5.4	74.1
1996	315,928	24,682	7.8	239,654	13,120	5.5	70.1
1997	316,032	24,930	7.9	244,255	12,095	5.0	62.8

Note: Insured unemployment and the insured unemployment rate are for comparison only, and are calculated as the percent of average covered employment filing claims for unemployment compensation during an average week of the year. The Total Unemployment Rate (TUR) uses labor force data, which include unemployment with employment. Labor force data were published using unrounded figures starting in 1995.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
 Employment, Wages, and Contributions, ES 202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.  
 Report of Claims Activities, ETA 539 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.  
 Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS).

**Table 2.2**

## Unemployment Insurance Claimant Characteristics, 1997

Characteristics	All Recipients		Characteristics	All Recipients	
	Number	% of Total		Number	% of Total
Total	54,017	100.0	Average Annual Earnings (\$):		
Gender:			1,000– 9,999	14,764	27.3
Male	34,506	63.9	10,000–19,999	16,405	30.4
Female	19,511	36.1	20,000–29,999	10,332	19.1
			30,000–39,999	5,535	10.2
			40,000–49,999	3,286	6.1
Age:			50,000–59,999	1,877	3.5
Less than 21	1,242	2.3	60,000–69,999	911	1.7
21–24	4,141	7.7	70,000–79,999	454	0.8
25–34	15,631	28.9	80,000–89,999	232	0.4
35–44	17,367	32.2	90,000+	221	0.4
45–54	10,909	20.2			
55–64	3,995	7.4	Geographic Location:		
65+	732	1.4	Aleutians East Borough	179	0.3
Number of Dependents:			Aleutians West Census Area	308	0.6
0	31,746	58.8	Anchorage Borough	13,798	25.5
1	8,678	16.1	Bethel Census Area	929	1.7
2	7,823	14.5	Bristol Bay Borough	124	0.2
3+	5,770	10.7	Denali Borough	245	0.5
Ethnic Background:			Dillingham Census Area	250	0.5
Alaska Native/American Indian	8,896	16.5	Fairbanks North Star Borough	5,256	9.7
Asian and Pacific Islander	3,614	6.7	Haines Borough	265	0.5
Black	1,723	3.2	Juneau Borough	1,914	3.5
Hispanic	2,409	4.5	Kenai Peninsula Borough	5,032	9.3
White	36,373	67.3	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	1,227	2.3
Other	330	0.6	Kodiak Island Borough	1,713	3.2
No Information	672	1.2	Lake & Peninsula Borough	81	0.1
Industry:			Matanuska–Susitna Borough	4,417	8.2
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	467	0.9	Nome Census Area	566	1.0
Mining	2,503	4.6	North Slope Borough	256	0.5
Oil and Gas	2,098	3.9	Northwest Arctic Borough	491	0.9
Other Mining	405	0.7	Prince of Wales–Outer Ketchikan C A	913	1.7
Contract Construction	8,685	16.1	Sitka Borough	551	1.0
Manufacturing	8,808	16.3	Skagway–Hoonah–Angoon C A	446	0.8
Food Products	6,292	11.6	Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	497	0.9
Lumber and Wood Products	1,291	2.4	Valdez–Cordova Census Area	965	1.8
Paper Products	535	1.0	Wade Hampton Census Area	468	0.9
Other Manufacturing	690	1.3	Wrangell–Petersburg Census Area	696	1.3
Transport., Communications and Util.	4,330	8.0	Yakutat Borough	71	0.1
Trade	9,274	17.2	Yukon–Koyukuk Census Area	501	0.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1,977	3.7	Alaska Area Unknown	1,654	3.1
Services	12,567	23.3			
Public Administration	5,169	9.6	Total In-State	43,813	81.1
Unclassified	237	0.4	Out-of-State	10,204	18.9
Occupation:			Local Office:		
Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing	1,663	3.1	Anchorage	26,748	49.5
Benchwork	261	0.5	Central – Interstate Claims	10,204	18.9
Clerical and Sales	9,490	17.6	Central – Rural Mail Claims	7,598	14.1
Machine Trades	1,908	3.5	Fairbanks	5,331	9.9
Processing	5,153	9.5	Juneau / SE Urban	4,136	7.7
Professional, Technical, Managerial	7,955	14.7			
Service	7,476	13.8			
Structural Work	13,899	25.7	Starting 1996, the UI claims processing work at many offices was consolidated into regional centers in Anchorage and Juneau. All UI Claims filing is now done by mail or telephone.		
Miscellaneous and Unknown	6,212	11.5	The Anchorage Center serves clients in Anchorage, Bethel, Dillingham, Eagle River, Glennallen, Homer, Kenai, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Mat-Su, Nome, Seward, Tok, and Valdez.		
			Juneau / SE Urban serves Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka.		

Notes: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
UI Claimant Characteristics Files.

# Schedule of UI Weekly Benefit Amounts

**Table 2.3**

Base Period Earnings (\$)			Weekly Benefit Amount(\$)		
At Least	But Less Than	Starting 10-01-90	At Least	But Less Than	Starting 10-01-90
0	1,000	0	15,000	15,250	156
1,000	1,250	44	15,250	15,500	158
1,250	1,500	46	15,500	15,750	160
1,500	1,750	48	15,750	16,000	162
1,750	2,000	50	16,000	16,250	164
2,000	2,250	52	16,250	16,500	166
2,250	2,500	54	16,500	16,750	168
2,500	2,750	56	16,750	17,000	170
2,750	3,000	58	17,000	17,250	172
3,000	3,250	60	17,250	17,500	174
3,250	3,500	62	17,500	17,750	176
3,500	3,750	64	17,750	18,000	178
3,750	4,000	66	18,000	18,250	180
4,000	4,250	68	18,250	18,500	182
4,250	4,500	70	18,500	18,750	184
4,500	4,750	72	18,750	19,000	186
4,750	5,000	74	19,000	19,250	188
5,000	5,250	76	19,250	19,500	190
5,250	5,500	78	19,500	19,750	192
5,500	5,750	80	19,750	20,000	194
5,750	6,000	82	20,000	20,250	196
6,000	6,250	84	20,250	20,500	198
6,250	6,500	86	20,500	20,750	200
6,500	6,750	88	20,750	21,000	202
6,750	7,000	90	21,000	21,250	204
7,000	7,250	92	21,250	21,500	206
7,250	7,500	94	21,500	21,750	208
7,500	7,750	96	21,750	22,000	210
7,750	8,000	98	22,000	and over	212
8,000	8,250	100			
8,250	8,500	102			
8,500	8,750	104			
8,750	9,000	106			
9,000	9,250	108			
9,250	9,500	110			
9,500	9,750	112			
9,750	10,000	114			
10,000	10,250	116			
10,250	10,500	118			
10,500	10,750	120			
10,750	11,000	122			
11,000	11,250	124			
11,250	11,500	126			
11,500	11,750	128			
11,750	12,000	130			
12,000	12,250	132			
12,250	12,500	134			
12,500	12,750	136			
12,750	13,000	138			
13,000	13,250	140			
13,250	13,500	142			
13,500	13,750	144			
13,750	14,000	146			
14,000	14,250	148			
14,250	14,500	150			
14,500	14,750	152			
14,750	15,000	154			

Source: Alaska Statutes 23.20.350(d).

The existing schedule was amended  
(effective January 1, 1997)  
to provide for earnings over \$22,000.

**Table 2.4**

## Schedule of Weekly Benefits Duration

Ratio of Base Period Earnings to High Quarter Earnings	Duration of Benefits (in Weeks)
Less than 1.50	16
1.50–1.99	18
2.00–2.49	20
2.50–2.99	22
3.00–3.49	24
3.50 or more	26

Source: Alaska Statutes 23.20.350(e).

**Table 2.5**Payment Data, UI Regular Benefits  
(Taxable and Reimbursable), 1988-1997

Year	All Claimants		Claimants Exhausting Benefits		Average Duration (in Weeks)			Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA)	Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount (\$)		
	Number of First Pay- ments 1/	Number of Weeks Paid	Number 3/	Percent of First Pay- ments 1/	Potential	Actual	Exhausts 3/		Without Depen- dents Benefits	With Depen- dents Benefits	
1988	36,090	579,422	18,670	47.0	20.7	16.1	20.5	156.57	0.29	188.00	260.00
1989	33,093	485,552	13,972	42.2	20.7	14.7	20.4	157.17	0.28	188.00	260.00
1990	39,675	584,707	17,690	44.6	20.5	14.7	19.8	162.81	0.29	212.00	284.00
1991	44,523	682,519	20,825	46.8	20.7	15.3	20.1	169.72	0.29	212.00	284.00
1992	44,094	732,262	23,502	53.3	20.9	16.6	20.6	169.92	0.28	212.00	284.00
1993	40,689	642,198	20,292	49.9	21.0	15.8	20.8	170.73	0.28	212.00	284.00
1994	46,801	712,689	21,336	45.6	20.8	15.2	20.5	169.99	0.27	212.00	284.00
1995	46,832	678,057	19,480	41.6	20.9	14.5	20.7	172.88	0.28	212.00	284.00
1996	45,116	684,730	19,623	43.5	20.8	15.2	20.5	172.53	0.28	212.00	284.00
1997	43,617	641,264	17,726	40.6	20.5	14.7	20.6	175.76	0.28	248.00	320.00

1/ The number of first payments relates to the calendar year indicated. The percent who exhaust their benefits relates to first payments in the 12-month period ending June 30 of the same year.

2/ Average weekly benefit amount for all claimants excluding certain part-time workers.

3/ Exhausts: Persons receiving payments for the maximum number of weeks available to them in a particular program.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

ETA 5-159 report to the U.S. Department of Labor;

BEP 3565 P Quarterly Management Reports;

ES-218 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

# Average Weekly Benefits (Regular UI) as a Percentage of Average Weekly Earnings (Covered Employment), 1997

**Table 2.6**

State	Average Benefit Amount (\$)	Rank	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)	Rank	AWBA as % of Earnings	Rank
Alabama	144.67	49	492.89	31	29.4	42
ALASKA	175.76	35	623.06	9	28.2	47
Arizona	146.52	48	526.07	27	27.9	48
Arkansas	198.24	19	441.70	47	44.9	2
California	151.85	46	635.30	6	23.9	51
Colorado	212.73	11	571.12	15	37.2	21
Connecticut	211.37	12	744.41	2	28.4	46
Delaware	193.70	23	616.62	10	31.4	40
Dist. of Columbia	233.48	6	813.12	1	28.7	45
Florida	191.94	25	492.21	32	39.0	14
Georgia	162.47	42	557.28	18	29.2	44
Hawaii	268.83	1	530.79	24	50.6	1
Idaho	187.20	27	455.76	45	41.1	8
Illinois	217.41	10	631.51	7	34.4	33
Indiana	185.90	28	527.81	26	35.2	29
Iowa	205.03	14	473.40	39	43.3	3
Kansas	204.41	15	478.24	37	42.7	4
Kentucky	175.91	34	487.14	34	36.1	24
Louisiana	132.61	51	490.07	33	27.1	50
Maine	151.75	47	471.03	40	32.2	38
Maryland	195.93	21	590.90	11	33.2	35
Massachusetts	262.85	2	683.81	5	38.4	18
Michigan	221.75	9	629.64	8	35.2	30
Minnesota	242.00	4	578.76	13	41.8	6
Mississippi	142.24	50	430.79	48	33.0	36
Missouri	154.21	45	528.46	25	29.2	43
Montana	166.09	38	410.82	50	40.4	10
Nebraska	162.81	41	467.60	41	34.8	31
Nevada	203.88	16	547.59	21	37.2	22
New Hampshire	165.26	39	559.58	17	29.5	41
New Jersey	258.50	3	718.00	4	36.0	26
New Mexico	158.00	43	461.21	43	34.3	34
New York	203.78	17	741.82	3	27.5	49
North Carolina	198.27	18	509.50	30	38.9	15
North Dakota	176.11	33	417.06	49	42.2	5
Ohio	207.99	13	555.00	19	37.5	20
Oklahoma	176.78	32	457.23	44	38.7	16
Oregon	198.14	20	541.35	23	36.6	23
Pennsylvania	227.50	7	575.51	14	39.5	13
Rhode Island	223.63	8	543.55	22	41.1	7
South Carolina	168.62	37	476.33	38	35.4	28
South Dakota	155.68	44	407.39	51	38.2	19
Tennessee	163.31	40	514.75	29	31.7	39
Texas	195.87	22	566.44	16	34.6	32
Utah	193.08	24	487.02	35	39.6	12
Vermont	173.52	36	485.27	36	35.8	27
Virginia	179.20	31	551.16	20	32.5	37
Washington	239.82	5	585.40	12	41.0	9
West Virginia	180.20	30	466.08	42	38.7	17
Wisconsin	188.47	26	523.22	28	36.0	25
Wyoming	181.80	29	450.02	46	40.4	11
United States 1/	192.76		574.08		33.6	

Note: U.S. Data include Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
ETA 5-159 report, and ES-202 Report, U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 2.7**

## Payment Data, UI Extended Benefits, 1988-1997

Year	Number of First Payments	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of Claimants Exhausting Benefits	Average Duration in Weeks	Average Weekly Benefit (\$)
1988	8,281	51,385	2,806	6.2	155.38
1989	4,566	24,489	958	5.4	149.66
1990	5,730	32,267	1,445	5.6	161.28
1991	8,951	57,369	3,272	6.4	164.37
1992	6	32	7	5.3	136.84
1993	2	10	3	5.0	131.75
1994	13,605	89,840	4,857	6.6	166.65
1995	7,505	43,695	2,028	5.8	169.55
1996	7,037	41,199	1,897	5.9	171.15
1997	5,702	33,047	1,434	5.8	167.34

1/ Excludes certain part-time workers.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Claims and Payment Activities, ETA 5-159 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 2.8**

## Payment Data, UI State Supplemental Benefits, 1988-1997

Year	Number of First Payments	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of Claimants Exhausting Benefits	Average Duration in Weeks	Average Weekly Benefit (\$)
1988	504	3,442	259	6.8	95.84
1989	329	1,943	122	5.9	95.13
1990	345	2,155	143	6.2	104.24
1991	761	4,536	336	6.0	102.54
1992	731	5,546	458	7.6	102.42
1993	1,067	7,943	688	7.4	102.75
1994	384	2,696	290	7.0	94.73
1995	233	1,298	104	5.6	101.32
1996	231	1,337	102	5.8	103.19
1997	154	914	72	5.9	97.60

1/ Excludes certain part-time workers.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Claims and Payment Activities, ETA 5-159 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable)  
by Industry—Intrastate, 1988-1997

Table 2.9

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
NUMBER OF WEEKS PAID										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	452,038	386,470	468,952	561,087	596,579	503,348	593,895	550,571	570,030	538,485
Ag., For. & Fish	3,207	3,014	2,681	4,061	4,383	5,005	5,644	4,795	4,685	4,620
Mining	23,324	24,119	53,201	38,071	42,856	27,477	27,332	24,200	29,449	23,149
Oil and Gas	19,986	19,380	47,231	32,442	37,617	22,263	21,893	19,470	25,160	19,390
Other Mining	3,338	4,739	5,970	5,629	5,239	5,214	5,439	4,730	4,289	3,759
Construction	98,122	69,149	73,534	94,468	92,478	69,707	94,806	100,049	101,613	97,178
Manufacturing	40,943	46,672	46,874	63,509	68,333	58,536	85,973	64,437	71,060	66,022
Food Products	24,561	27,162	25,496	35,971	41,458	38,995	59,840	44,708	49,927	44,069
Lumber & Wood	7,654	11,342	12,065	16,813	13,747	7,976	10,459	7,490	10,167	8,456
Paper Products	1,854	2,136	3,093	3,114	2,495	3,658	7,827	5,781	3,372	5,746
Other Mfg.	6,874	6,032	6,220	7,611	10,633	7,907	7,847	6,458	7,594	7,751
Trans., Comm.& Util.	37,513	31,337	57,297	54,547	57,374	50,168	56,454	57,640	52,545	48,083
Trade	80,631	65,200	74,664	102,762	116,967	103,580	111,625	101,412	105,561	98,486
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	21,831	18,050	16,117	19,654	20,033	17,251	20,600	25,147	22,680	21,368
Services	98,120	87,364	101,807	133,303	142,716	127,157	143,670	129,740	138,392	135,416
Public Admin.	44,595	40,019	40,843	47,652	48,925	42,148	45,466	41,734	41,971	42,094
Unclassified	3,752	1,546	1,934	3,060	2,514	2,319	2,325	1,417	2,074	2,069
NUMBER OF FIRST PAYMENTS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	29,332	27,044	33,325	37,031	37,268	32,534	40,329	37,113	36,813	35,920
Ag., For. & Fish	210	215	211	290	296	337	411	330	310	321
Mining	1,671	1,980	3,667	2,546	2,602	1,709	1,849	1,614	1,961	1,354
Oil and Gas	1,432	1,570	3,349	2,163	2,284	1,382	1,518	1,265	1,723	1,095
Other Mining	239	410	318	383	318	327	331	349	238	259
Construction	6,015	4,854	5,184	6,275	5,927	4,989	7,072	6,989	6,760	6,654
Manufacturing	3,161	3,561	3,726	4,431	4,575	4,133	5,508	4,350	4,367	4,337
Food Products	1,814	1,927	2,023	2,495	2,555	2,579	3,651	2,927	2,825	2,791
Lumber & Wood	767	1,024	988	1,172	1,047	618	889	635	724	662
Paper Products	167	175	291	256	255	484	454	356	259	388
Other Mfg.	413	435	424	508	718	452	514	432	559	496
Trans., Comm.& Util.	2,443	2,183	4,184	3,561	3,676	3,215	3,949	3,840	3,390	3,259
Trade	5,175	4,448	5,173	6,845	7,163	6,438	7,313	6,787	6,749	6,548
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	1,286	1,121	1,045	1,211	1,159	1,025	1,406	1,551	1,318	1,414
Services	6,317	5,912	7,223	8,666	8,786	7,864	9,602	8,684	9,024	9,059
Public Admin.	2,832	2,666	2,754	3,042	2,932	2,672	3,047	2,833	2,757	2,807
Unclassified	222	104	158	164	152	152	172	135	177	167
AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS (\$)										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	66,976,459	57,799,996	73,010,065	90,968,612	96,182,266	80,771,580	92,239,211	89,143,076	92,123,501	88,426,083
Ag., For. & Fish	428,169	421,657	389,718	600,373	626,509	722,065	825,949	716,245	722,423	716,400
Mining	4,048,279	4,181,678	9,076,745	6,999,671	8,374,847	5,386,594	5,262,416	4,784,505	5,789,479	4,868,294
Oil and Gas	3,502,579	3,351,894	8,012,061	5,949,790	7,384,851	4,371,425	4,322,462	3,879,894	4,915,804	4,132,349
Other Mining	545,700	829,784	1,064,684	1,049,881	989,996	1,015,169	939,954	904,611	873,675	735,945
Construction	17,161,043	12,021,780	13,154,194	17,924,460	17,279,799	12,888,140	17,384,443	18,898,006	19,193,516	19,204,267
Manufacturing	5,261,260	6,473,636	6,805,843	9,869,443	10,245,401	8,695,512	12,103,658	9,363,301	10,252,579	10,118,976
Food Products	2,571,829	3,229,650	3,194,400	4,807,535	5,478,880	5,155,985	7,285,068	5,659,127	6,348,381	5,704,308
Lumber & Wood	1,254,771	1,945,855	2,075,092	3,234,287	2,518,586	1,450,800	1,863,235	1,400,714	1,894,373	1,637,920
Paper Products	296,948	343,953	542,842	582,280	450,333	745,714	1,629,753	1,153,993	658,751	1,324,327
Other Mfg.	1,137,712	954,178	993,509	1,245,341	1,797,602	1,343,013	1,325,602	1,149,467	1,351,074	1,452,421
Trans., Comm.& Util.	5,645,907	4,737,488	9,449,085	9,017,422	9,400,474	8,241,229	9,110,556	9,825,550	8,756,292	7,881,034
Trade	10,388,687	8,486,999	10,109,746	14,650,040	16,749,124	14,951,744	15,530,548	14,616,436	15,279,534	14,121,728
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	3,466,250	2,878,622	2,570,778	3,200,696	3,265,199	2,881,820	3,407,467	4,206,776	3,761,251	3,477,139
Services	13,404,784	12,252,386	14,799,741	20,364,936	21,716,546	19,549,747	21,121,888	19,723,709	21,064,470	20,767,479
Public Admin.	6,697,095	6,137,466	6,407,134	7,936,502	8,182,038	7,134,760	7,198,484	6,799,592	7,007,920	6,963,130
Unclassified	474,985	208,284	247,081	405,069	342,329	319,969	293,802	208,956	296,037	307,636

**Table 2.9**

**UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable)  
by Industry—Intrastate, 1988-1997 (cont.)**

	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION - AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8
Mining	6.0	7.2	12.4	7.7	8.7	6.7	5.7	5.4	6.3	5.5
Oil and Gas	5.2	5.8	11.0	6.5	7.7	5.4	4.7	4.4	5.3	4.7
Other Mining	0.8	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8
Construction	25.6	20.8	18.0	19.7	18.0	16.0	18.8	21.2	20.8	21.7
Manufacturing	7.9	11.2	9.3	10.8	10.7	10.8	13.1	10.5	11.1	11.4
Food Products	3.8	5.6	4.4	5.3	5.7	6.4	7.9	6.3	6.9	6.5
Lumber & Wood	1.9	3.4	2.8	3.6	2.6	1.8	2.0	1.6	2.1	1.9
Paper Products	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.9	1.8	1.3	0.7	1.5
Other Mfg.	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.6
Trans., Comm.& Util.	8.4	8.2	12.9	9.9	9.8	10.2	9.9	11.0	9.5	8.9
Trade	15.5	14.7	13.8	16.1	17.4	18.5	16.8	16.4	16.6	16.0
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	5.2	5.0	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.7	4.7	4.1	3.9
Services	20.0	21.2	20.3	22.4	22.6	24.2	22.9	22.1	22.9	23.5
Public Admin.	10.0	10.6	8.8	8.7	8.5	8.8	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.9
Unclassified	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
AVERAGE WEEKLY PAYMENTS (\$)										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	148.17	149.56	155.69	162.13	161.22	160.47	155.31	161.91	161.61	164.21
Ag., For. & Fish	133.51	139.90	145.36	147.84	142.94	144.27	146.34	149.37	154.20	155.06
Mining	173.57	173.38	170.61	183.86	195.42	196.04	192.54	197.71	196.59	210.30
Oil and Gas	175.25	172.96	169.64	183.40	196.32	196.35	197.44	199.28	195.38	213.12
Other Mining	163.48	175.10	178.34	186.51	188.97	194.70	172.82	191.25	203.70	195.78
Construction	174.89	173.85	178.89	189.74	186.85	184.89	183.37	188.89	188.89	197.62
Manufacturing	128.50	138.70	145.19	155.40	149.93	148.55	140.78	145.31	144.28	153.27
Food Products	104.71	118.90	125.29	133.65	132.15	132.22	121.74	126.58	127.15	129.44
Lumber & Wood	163.94	171.56	171.99	192.37	183.21	181.90	178.15	187.01	186.33	193.70
Paper Products	160.17	161.03	175.51	186.99	180.49	203.86	208.22	199.62	195.36	230.48
Other Mfg.	165.51	158.19	159.73	163.62	169.06	169.85	168.93	177.99	177.91	187.38
Trans., Comm.& Util.	150.51	151.18	164.91	165.31	163.85	164.27	161.38	170.46	166.64	163.90
Trade	128.84	130.17	135.40	142.56	143.20	144.35	139.13	144.13	144.75	143.39
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	158.78	159.48	159.51	162.85	162.99	167.05	165.41	167.29	165.84	162.73
Services	136.62	140.25	145.37	152.77	152.17	153.74	147.02	152.02	152.21	153.36
Public Admin.	150.18	153.36	156.87	166.55	167.24	169.28	158.33	162.93	166.97	165.42
Unclassified	126.60	134.72	127.76	132.38	136.17	137.98	126.37	147.46	142.74	148.69
AVERAGE DURATION IN WEEKS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	15.4	14.3	14.1	15.2	16.0	15.5	14.7	14.8	15.5	15.0
Ag., For. & Fish	15.3	14.0	12.7	14.0	14.8	14.9	13.7	14.5	15.1	14.4
Mining	14.0	12.2	14.5	15.0	16.5	16.1	14.8	15.0	15.0	17.1
Oil and Gas	14.0	12.3	14.1	15.0	16.5	16.1	14.4	15.4	14.6	17.7
Other Mining	14.0	11.6	18.8	14.7	16.5	15.9	16.4	13.6	18.0	14.5
Construction	16.3	14.2	14.2	15.1	15.6	14.0	13.4	14.3	15.0	14.6
Manufacturing	13.0	13.1	12.6	14.3	14.9	14.2	15.6	14.8	16.3	15.2
Food Products	13.5	14.1	12.6	14.4	16.2	15.1	16.4	15.3	17.7	15.8
Lumber & Wood	10.0	11.1	12.2	14.3	13.1	12.9	11.8	11.8	14.0	12.8
Paper Products	11.1	12.2	10.6	12.2	9.8	7.6	17.2	16.2	13.0	14.8
Other Mfg.	16.6	13.9	14.7	15.0	14.8	17.5	15.3	14.9	13.6	15.6
Trans., Comm.& Util.	15.4	14.4	13.7	15.3	15.6	15.6	14.3	15.0	15.5	14.8
Trade	15.6	14.7	14.4	15.0	16.3	16.1	15.3	14.9	15.6	15.0
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	17.0	16.1	15.4	16.2	17.3	16.8	14.7	16.2	17.2	15.1
Services	15.5	14.8	14.1	15.4	16.2	16.2	15.0	14.9	15.3	14.9
Public Admin.	15.7	15.0	14.8	15.7	16.7	15.8	14.9	14.7	15.2	15.0
Unclassified	16.9	14.9	12.2	18.7	16.5	15.3	13.5	10.5	11.7	12.4

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable)  
by Industry—Interstate, 1988-1997

Table 2.10

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
NUMBER OF WEEKS PAID										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	127,178	98,740	104,638	120,970	147,692	138,247	156,252	142,693	127,164	117,420
Ag., For. & Fish	721	557	776	1,135	1,589	1,921	2,372	1,035	902	1,129
Mining	6,483	5,839	8,226	8,019	10,499	8,058	7,225	7,636	6,044	5,049
Oil and Gas	5,433	4,526	6,804	6,333	9,148	6,373	5,708	6,667	5,061	4,299
Other Mining	1,050	1,313	1,422	1,686	1,351	1,685	1,517	969	983	750
Construction	15,251	8,914	8,790	10,445	10,725	8,154	10,610	12,235	10,865	8,771
Manufacturing	21,057	22,042	25,629	35,468	44,130	47,679	58,561	48,944	45,471	43,679
Food Products	14,347	14,868	17,613	23,981	33,354	38,934	48,124	40,571	38,235	36,046
Lumber & Wood	3,624	4,742	4,985	8,373	7,009	5,057	5,239	4,508	4,794	4,355
Paper Products	940	1,145	1,559	1,845	1,648	2,154	3,892	2,775	1,101	2,548
Other Mfg.	2,146	1,287	1,472	1,269	2,119	1,534	1,306	1,090	1,341	730
Trans., Comm.& Util.	9,440	7,201	9,336	9,792	11,078	9,395	10,986	11,567	9,020	8,358
Trade	23,836	16,166	14,976	16,079	22,733	20,437	20,966	19,547	17,753	15,810
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	8,728	6,704	5,271	4,805	5,730	5,574	5,120	5,711	4,946	4,187
Services	27,303	21,287	21,672	25,293	31,017	27,577	30,617	28,020	24,855	23,775
Public Admin.	13,816	9,800	9,511	9,507	9,781	9,205	9,387	7,885	7,103	6,441
Unclassified	543	230	451	427	410	247	408	113	205	221
NUMBER OF FIRST PAYMENTS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	6,746	5,978	6,609	7,408	8,293	8,052	10,439	9,678	8,293	7,680
Ag., For. & Fish	53	37	70	85	94	130	148	78	69	78
Mining	379	371	574	484	555	418	507	521	413	282
Oil and Gas	309	285	493	389	492	316	416	444	362	233
Other Mining	70	86	81	95	63	102	91	77	51	49
Construction	736	559	537	658	597	515	753	859	716	637
Manufacturing	1,456	1,639	1,955	2,454	2,938	3,254	4,197	3,626	3,288	3,062
Food Products	996	1,095	1,359	1,741	2,216	2,678	3,457	2,972	2,758	2,527
Lumber & Wood	316	375	412	533	494	360	434	425	398	387
Paper Products	59	89	118	105	118	142	229	150	58	104
Other Mfg.	85	80	66	75	110	74	77	79	74	44
Trans., Comm.& Util.	504	403	607	558	578	532	725	727	551	516
Trade	1,160	891	866	969	1,170	1,036	1,349	1,243	1,060	974
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	419	340	283	248	281	273	333	343	282	281
Services	1,381	1,182	1,208	1,433	1,598	1,437	1,859	1,791	1,490	1,465
Public Admin.	634	542	485	492	466	439	551	479	409	369
Unclassified	24	14	24	27	16	18	17	11	15	16
AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS (\$)										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	20,794,671	16,246,234	17,467,401	21,185,177	25,589,312	24,269,843	25,665,432	24,466,248	21,908,339	20,459,119
Ag., For. & Fish	104,083	89,207	130,767	201,318	278,116	338,508	385,177	172,999	156,953	198,756
Mining	1,208,894	1,083,184	1,502,092	1,646,739	2,239,553	1,731,803	1,499,568	1,602,016	1,250,924	1,118,122
Oil and Gas	1,026,508	846,074	1,238,033	1,305,399	1,961,886	1,362,167	1,173,298	1,410,215	1,062,318	959,189
Other Mining	182,386	237,110	264,059	341,340	277,667	369,636	326,270	191,801	188,606	158,933
Construction	2,770,951	1,637,522	1,581,608	2,055,510	2,112,133	1,601,598	1,957,552	2,461,715	2,123,025	1,808,173
Manufacturing	3,032,946	3,277,864	3,941,359	5,795,260	7,016,198	7,748,207	8,890,810	7,618,549	7,224,018	7,142,649
Food Products	1,863,221	2,000,397	2,502,347	3,557,455	4,936,152	5,988,630	6,835,939	5,961,543	5,801,113	5,521,293
Lumber & Wood	642,019	849,603	900,550	1,638,392	1,346,232	1,016,023	1,017,985	877,042	941,660	885,400
Paper Products	179,350	203,602	280,111	367,667	333,233	438,923	804,095	568,802	234,220	581,081
Other Mfg.	348,356	224,262	258,351	231,746	400,581	304,631	232,791	211,162	247,025	154,875
Trans., Comm.& Util.	1,622,567	1,224,692	1,658,151	1,796,869	1,980,400	1,727,884	1,954,966	2,153,581	1,709,935	1,566,659
Trade	3,582,475	2,495,538	2,323,200	2,608,235	3,626,859	3,343,132	3,219,479	3,141,060	2,876,736	2,484,454
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	1,529,736	1,153,281	932,835	844,987	1,057,621	1,018,985	904,711	1,037,681	915,628	766,350
Services	4,396,063	3,457,890	3,611,331	4,367,488	5,343,817	4,926,401	5,078,199	4,775,805	4,252,860	4,114,491
Public Admin.	2,456,636	1,788,158	1,713,194	1,789,958	1,871,331	1,794,809	1,712,125	1,485,577	1,366,070	1,223,650
Unclassified	90,320	38,898	72,864	78,813	63,284	38,516	62,845	17,265	32,190	35,815

**Table 2.10**

**UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable)  
by Industry—Interstate, 1988-1997 (cont.)**

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION - AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.5	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.5	0.7	0.7	1.0
Mining	5.8	6.7	8.6	7.8	8.8	7.1	5.8	6.5	5.7	5.5
Oil and Gas	4.9	5.2	7.1	6.2	7.7	5.6	4.6	5.8	4.8	4.7
Other Mining	0.9	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.5	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.8
Construction	13.3	10.1	9.1	9.7	8.3	6.6	7.6	10.1	9.7	8.8
Manufacturing	14.6	20.2	22.6	27.4	27.4	31.9	34.6	31.1	33.0	34.9
Food Products	9.0	12.3	14.3	16.8	19.3	24.7	26.6	24.4	26.5	27.0
Lumber & Wood	3.1	5.2	5.2	7.7	5.3	4.2	4.0	3.6	4.3	4.3
Paper Products	0.9	1.3	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.8	3.1	2.3	1.1	2.8
Other Mfg.	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.6	1.3	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.8
Trans., Comm.& Util.	7.8	7.5	9.5	8.5	7.7	7.1	7.6	8.8	7.8	7.7
Trade	17.2	15.4	13.3	12.3	14.2	13.8	12.5	12.8	13.1	12.1
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	7.4	7.1	5.3	4.0	4.1	4.2	3.5	4.2	4.2	3.7
Services	21.1	21.3	20.7	20.6	20.9	20.3	19.8	19.5	19.4	20.1
Public Admin.	11.8	11.0	9.8	8.4	7.3	7.4	6.7	6.1	6.2	6.0
Unclassified	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
AVERAGE WEEKLY PAYMENT (\$)										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	163.51	164.54	166.93	175.13	173.26	175.55	164.26	171.46	172.28	174.24
Ag., For. & Fish	144.36	160.16	168.51	177.37	175.03	176.21	162.38	167.15	174.01	176.05
Mining	186.47	185.51	182.60	205.35	213.31	214.92	207.55	209.80	206.97	221.45
Oil and Gas	188.94	186.94	181.96	206.13	214.46	213.74	205.55	211.52	209.90	223.12
Other Mining	173.70	180.59	185.70	202.46	205.53	219.37	215.08	197.94	191.87	211.91
Construction	181.69	183.70	179.93	196.79	196.94	196.42	184.50	201.20	195.40	206.15
Manufacturing	144.04	148.71	153.79	163.39	158.99	162.51	151.82	155.66	158.87	163.53
Food Products	129.87	134.54	142.07	148.34	147.99	153.81	142.05	146.94	151.72	153.17
Lumber & Wood	177.16	179.17	180.65	195.68	192.07	200.91	194.31	194.55	196.42	203.31
Paper Products	190.80	177.82	179.67	199.28	202.20	203.77	206.60	204.97	212.73	228.05
Other Mfg.	162.33	174.25	175.51	182.62	189.04	198.59	178.25	193.73	184.21	212.16
Trans., Comm.& Util.	171.88	170.07	177.61	183.50	178.77	183.92	177.95	186.18	189.57	187.44
Trade	150.30	154.37	155.13	162.21	159.54	163.58	153.56	160.69	162.04	157.14
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	175.27	172.03	176.97	175.86	184.58	182.81	176.70	181.70	185.12	183.03
Services	161.01	162.44	166.64	172.68	172.29	178.64	165.86	170.44	171.11	173.06
Public Admin.	177.81	182.47	180.13	188.28	191.32	194.98	182.39	188.41	192.32	189.98
Unclassified	166.34	169.12	161.56	184.57	154.35	155.94	154.03	152.79	157.02	162.06
AVERAGE DURATION IN WEEKS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	18.9	16.5	15.8	16.3	17.8	17.2	15.0	14.7	15.3	15.3
Ag., For. & Fish	13.6	15.1	11.1	13.4	16.9	14.8	16.0	13.3	13.1	14.5
Mining	17.1	15.7	14.3	16.6	18.9	19.3	14.3	14.7	14.6	17.9
Oil and Gas	17.6	15.9	13.8	16.3	18.6	20.2	13.7	15.0	14.0	18.5
Other Mining	15.0	15.3	17.6	17.7	21.4	16.5	16.7	12.6	19.3	15.3
Construction	20.7	15.9	16.4	15.9	18.0	15.8	14.1	14.2	15.2	13.8
Manufacturing	14.5	13.4	13.1	14.5	15.0	14.7	14.0	13.5	13.8	14.3
Food Products	14.4	13.6	13.0	13.8	15.1	14.5	13.9	13.7	13.9	14.3
Lumber & Wood	11.5	12.6	12.1	15.7	14.2	14.0	12.1	10.6	12.0	11.3
Paper Products	15.9	12.9	13.2	17.6	14.0	15.2	17.0	18.5	19.0	24.5
Other Mfg.	25.2	16.1	22.3	16.9	19.3	20.7	17.0	13.8	18.1	16.6
Trans., Comm.& Util.	18.7	17.9	15.4	17.5	19.2	17.7	15.2	15.9	16.4	16.2
Trade	20.5	18.1	17.3	16.6	19.4	19.7	15.5	15.7	16.7	16.2
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	20.8	19.7	18.6	19.4	20.4	20.4	15.4	16.7	17.5	14.9
Services	19.8	18.0	17.9	17.7	19.4	19.2	16.5	15.6	16.7	16.2
Public Admin.	21.8	18.1	19.6	19.3	21.0	21.0	17.0	16.5	17.4	17.5
Unclassified	22.6	16.4	18.8	15.8	25.6	13.7	24.0	10.3	13.7	13.8

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Table 2.11

# UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry—Total, 1988-1997

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
NUMBER OF WEEKS PAID										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	579,216	485,210	573,590	682,057	744,271	641,595	750,147	693,264	697,194	655,905
Ag., For. & Fish	3,928	3,571	3,457	5,196	5,972	6,926	8,016	5,830	5,587	5,749
Mining	29,807	29,958	61,427	46,090	53,355	35,535	34,557	31,836	35,493	28,198
Oil and Gas	25,419	23,906	54,035	38,775	46,765	28,636	27,601	26,137	30,221	23,689
Other Mining	4,388	6,052	7,392	7,315	6,590	6,899	6,956	5,699	5,272	4,509
Construction	113,373	78,063	82,324	104,913	103,203	77,861	105,416	112,284	112,478	105,949
Manufacturing	62,000	68,714	72,503	98,977	112,463	106,215	144,534	113,381	116,531	109,701
Food Products	38,908	42,030	43,109	59,952	74,812	77,929	107,964	85,279	88,162	80,115
Lumber & Wood	11,278	16,084	17,050	25,186	20,756	13,033	15,698	11,998	14,961	12,811
Paper Products	2,794	3,281	4,652	4,959	4,143	5,812	11,719	8,556	4,473	8,294
Other Mfg.	9,020	7,319	7,692	8,880	12,752	9,441	9,153	7,548	8,935	8,481
Trans., Comm.& Util.	46,953	38,538	66,633	64,339	68,452	59,563	67,440	69,207	61,565	56,441
Trade	104,467	81,366	89,640	118,841	139,700	124,017	132,591	120,959	123,314	114,296
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	30,559	24,754	21,388	24,459	25,763	22,825	25,720	30,858	27,626	25,555
Services	125,423	108,651	123,479	158,596	173,733	154,734	174,287	157,760	163,247	159,191
Public Admin.	58,411	49,819	50,354	57,159	58,706	51,353	54,853	49,619	49,074	48,535
Unclassified	4,295	1,776	2,385	3,487	2,924	2,566	2,733	1,530	2,279	2,290
NUMBER OF FIRST PAYMENTS										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	36,078	33,022	39,934	44,439	45,561	40,586	50,768	46,791	45,106	43,600
Ag., For. & Fish	263	252	281	375	390	467	559	408	379	399
Mining	2,050	2,351	4,241	3,030	3,157	2,127	2,356	2,135	2,374	1,636
Oil and Gas	1,741	1,855	3,842	2,552	2,776	1,698	1,934	1,709	2,085	1,328
Other Mining	309	496	399	478	381	429	422	426	289	308
Construction	6,751	5,413	5,721	6,933	6,524	5,504	7,825	7,848	7,476	7,291
Manufacturing	4,617	5,200	5,681	6,885	7,513	7,387	9,705	7,976	7,655	7,399
Food Products	2,810	3,022	3,382	4,236	4,771	5,257	7,108	5,899	5,583	5,318
Lumber & Wood	1,083	1,399	1,400	1,705	1,541	978	1,323	1,060	1,122	1,049
Paper Products	226	264	409	361	373	626	683	506	317	492
Other Mfg.	498	515	490	583	828	526	591	511	633	540
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,947	2,586	4,791	4,119	4,254	3,747	4,674	4,567	3,941	3,775
Trade	6,335	5,339	6,039	7,814	8,333	7,474	8,662	8,030	7,809	7,522
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	1,705	1,461	1,328	1,459	1,440	1,298	1,739	1,894	1,600	1,695
Services	7,698	7,094	8,431	10,099	10,384	9,301	11,461	10,475	10,514	10,524
Public Admin.	3,466	3,208	3,239	3,534	3,398	3,111	3,598	3,312	3,166	3,176
Unclassified	246	118	182	191	168	170	189	146	192	183
AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS (\$)										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	87,771,130	74,046,230	90,477,466	112,153,789	121,771,578	105,041,423	117,904,643	113,609,324	114,031,840	108,885,202
Ag., For. & Fish	532,252	510,864	520,485	801,691	904,625	1,060,573	1,211,126	889,244	879,376	915,156
Mining	5,257,173	5,264,862	10,578,837	8,646,410	10,614,400	7,118,397	6,761,984	6,386,521	7,040,403	5,986,416
Oil and Gas	4,529,087	4,197,968	9,250,094	7,255,189	9,346,737	5,733,592	5,495,760	5,290,109	5,978,122	5,091,538
Other Mining	728,086	1,066,894	1,328,743	1,391,221	1,267,663	1,384,805	1,266,224	1,096,412	1,062,281	894,878
Construction	19,931,994	13,659,302	14,735,802	19,979,970	19,391,932	14,489,738	19,341,995	21,359,721	21,316,541	21,012,440
Manufacturing	8,294,206	9,751,500	10,747,202	15,664,703	17,261,599	16,443,719	20,994,468	16,981,850	17,476,597	17,261,625
Food Products	4,435,050	5,230,047	5,696,747	8,364,990	10,415,032	11,144,615	14,121,007	11,620,670	12,149,494	11,225,601
Lumber & Wood	1,896,790	2,795,458	2,975,642	4,872,679	3,864,818	2,466,823	2,881,220	2,277,756	2,836,033	2,523,320
Paper Products	476,298	547,555	822,953	949,947	783,566	1,184,637	2,433,848	1,722,795	892,971	1,905,408
Other Mfg.	1,486,068	1,178,440	1,251,860	1,477,087	2,198,183	1,647,644	1,558,393	1,360,629	1,598,099	1,607,296
Trans., Comm. & Util.	7,268,474	5,962,180	11,107,236	10,814,291	11,380,874	9,969,113	11,065,522	11,979,131	10,466,227	9,447,693
Trade	13,971,162	10,982,537	12,432,946	17,258,275	20,375,983	18,294,876	18,750,027	17,757,496	18,156,270	16,606,182
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	4,995,986	4,031,903	3,503,613	4,045,683	4,322,820	3,900,805	4,312,178	5,244,457	4,676,879	4,243,489
Services	17,800,847	15,710,276	18,411,072	24,732,424	27,060,363	24,476,148	26,200,087	24,499,514	25,317,330	24,881,970
Public Admin.	9,153,731	7,925,624	8,120,328	9,726,460	10,053,369	8,929,569	8,910,609	8,285,169	8,373,990	8,186,780
Unclassified	565,305	247,182	319,945	483,882	405,613	358,485	356,647	226,221	328,227	343,451

**Table 2.11**

# UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry—Total, 1988-1997 (cont.)

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>PERCENT DISTRIBUTION - AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8
Mining	6.0	6.1	11.7	7.7	8.7	6.8	5.7	5.6	6.2	5.5
Oil and Gas	5.2	5.4	10.2	6.5	7.7	5.5	4.7	4.7	5.2	4.7
Other Mining	0.8	0.7	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8
Construction	22.7	23.9	16.3	17.8	15.9	13.8	16.4	18.8	18.7	19.3
Manufacturing	9.4	7.8	11.9	14	14.2	15.7	17.8	14.9	15.3	15.9
Food Products	5.1	3.7	6.3	7.5	8.6	10.6	12.0	10.2	10.7	10.3
Lumber & Wood	2.2	1.7	3.3	4.3	3.2	2.3	2.4	2.0	2.5	2.3
Paper Products	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.6	1.1	2.1	1.5	0.8	1.7
Other Mfg.	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.5
Trans., Comm.& Util.	8.3	8.7	12.3	9.6	9.3	9.5	9.4	10.5	9.2	8.7
Trade	15.9	16.5	13.7	15.4	16.7	17.4	15.9	15.6	15.9	15.3
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	5.7	5.3	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.7	4.6	4.1	3.9
Services	20.3	20.9	20.3	22.1	22.2	23.3	22.2	21.6	22.2	22.9
Public Admin.	10.4	9.7	9.0	8.7	8.3	8.5	7.6	7.3	7.3	7.5
Unclassified	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY PAYMENT (\$)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	151.53	153.07	157.74	164.43	163.61	163.72	157.18	163.88	163.56	166.01
Ag., For. & Fish	135.50	139.92	150.56	154.29	151.48	153.13	151.09	152.53	157.40	159.19
Mining	176.37	181.29	172.22	187.60	198.94	200.32	195.68	200.61	198.36	212.30
Oil and Gas	178.18	183.09	171.19	187.11	199.87	200.22	199.11	202.40	197.81	214.93
Other Mining	165.93	168.09	179.75	190.19	192.36	200.73	182.03	192.39	201.49	198.46
Construction	175.81	173.94	179.00	190.44	187.90	186.10	183.48	190.23	189.52	198.33
Manufacturing	133.78	135.70	148.23	158.27	153.49	154.82	145.26	149.78	149.97	157.35
Food Products	113.99	113.92	132.15	139.53	139.22	143.01	130.79	136.27	137.81	140.12
Lumber & Wood	168.18	166.31	174.52	193.47	186.20	189.28	183.54	189.84	189.56	196.97
Paper Products	170.47	171.62	176.90	191.56	189.13	203.83	207.68	201.36	199.64	229.73
Other Mfg.	164.75	160.56	162.75	166.34	172.38	174.52	170.26	180.26	178.86	189.52
Trans., Comm.& Util.	154.80	157.80	166.69	168.08	166.26	167.37	164.08	173.09	170.00	167.39
Trade	133.74	135.93	138.70	145.22	145.86	147.52	141.41	146.81	147.24	145.29
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	163.49	161.18	163.81	165.41	167.79	170.90	167.66	169.95	169.29	166.05
Services	141.93	143.43	149.10	155.95	155.76	158.18	150.33	155.30	155.09	156.30
Public Admin.	156.71	157.46	161.26	170.16	171.25	173.89	162.45	166.98	170.64	168.68
Unclassified	131.62	135.53	134.15	138.77	138.72	139.71	130.50	147.86	144.02	149.98
<b>AVERAGE DURATION IN WEEKS</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	16.1	14.7	14.4	15.3	16.3	15.8	14.8	14.8	15.5	15.0
Ag., For. & Fish	14.9	14.2	12.3	13.9	15.3	14.8	14.3	14.3	14.7	14.4
Mining	14.5	12.7	14.5	15.2	16.9	16.7	14.7	14.9	15.0	17.2
Oil and Gas	14.6	12.9	14.1	15.2	16.8	16.9	14.3	15.3	14.5	17.8
Other Mining	14.2	12.2	18.5	15.3	17.3	16.1	16.5	13.4	18.2	14.6
Construction	16.8	14.4	14.4	15.1	15.8	14.1	13.5	14.3	15.0	14.5
Manufacturing	13.4	13.2	12.8	14.4	15.0	14.4	14.9	14.2	15.2	14.8
Food Products	13.8	13.9	12.7	14.2	15.7	14.8	15.2	14.5	15.8	15.1
Lumber & Wood	10.4	11.5	12.2	14.8	13.5	13.3	11.9	11.3	13.3	12.2
Paper Products	12.4	12.4	11.4	13.7	11.1	9.3	17.2	16.9	14.1	16.9
Other Mfg.	18.1	14.2	15.7	15.2	15.4	17.9	15.5	14.8	14.1	15.7
Trans., Comm.& Util.	15.9	14.9	13.9	15.6	16.1	15.9	14.4	15.2	15.6	15.0
Trade	16.5	15.2	14.8	15.2	16.8	16.6	15.3	15.1	15.8	15.2
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	17.9	16.9	16.1	16.8	17.9	17.6	14.8	16.3	17.3	15.1
Services	16.3	15.3	14.6	15.7	16.7	16.6	15.2	15.1	15.5	15.1
Public Admin.	16.9	15.5	15.5	16.2	17.3	16.5	15.2	15.0	15.5	15.3
Unclassified	17.5	15.1	13.1	18.3	17.4	15.1	14.5	10.5	11.9	12.5

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

**Table 2.12**

**UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable)  
by Industry—Interstate as a Percentage of Total, 1988-1997**

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>NUMBER OF WEEKS PAID (%)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	22.0	20.3	18.2	17.7	19.8	21.5	20.8	20.6	18.2	17.9
Ag., For. & Fish	18.4	15.6	22.4	21.8	26.6	27.7	29.6	17.8	16.1	19.6
Mining	21.7	19.5	13.4	17.4	19.7	22.7	20.9	24.0	17.0	17.9
Oil and Gas	21.4	18.9	12.6	16.3	19.6	22.3	20.7	25.5	16.7	18.1
Other Mining	23.9	21.7	19.2	23.0	20.5	24.4	21.8	17.0	18.6	16.6
Construction	13.5	11.4	10.7	10.0	10.4	10.5	10.1	10.9	9.7	8.3
Manufacturing	34.0	32.1	35.3	35.8	39.2	44.9	40.5	43.2	39.0	39.8
Food Products	36.9	35.4	40.9	40.0	44.6	50.0	44.6	47.6	43.4	45.0
Lumber & Wood	32.1	29.5	29.2	33.2	33.8	38.8	33.4	37.6	32.0	34.0
Paper Products	33.6	34.9	33.5	37.2	39.8	37.1	33.2	32.4	24.6	30.7
Other Mfg.	23.8	17.6	19.1	14.3	16.6	16.2	14.3	14.4	15.0	8.6
Trans., Comm.& Util.	20.1	18.7	14.0	15.2	16.2	15.8	16.3	16.7	14.7	14.8
Trade	22.8	19.9	16.7	13.5	16.3	16.5	15.8	16.2	14.4	13.8
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	28.6	27.1	24.6	19.6	22.2	24.4	19.9	18.5	17.9	16.4
Services	21.8	19.6	17.6	15.9	17.9	17.8	17.6	17.8	15.2	14.9
Public Admin.	23.7	19.7	18.9	16.6	16.7	17.9	17.1	15.9	14.5	13.3
Unclassified	12.6	13.0	18.9	12.2	14.0	9.6	14.9	7.4	9.0	9.7
<b>NUMBER OF FIRST PAYMENTS (%)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	18.7	18.1	16.5	16.7	18.2	19.8	20.6	20.7	18.4	17.6
Ag., For. & Fish	20.2	14.7	24.9	22.7	24.1	27.8	26.5	19.1	18.2	19.5
Mining	18.5	15.8	13.5	16.0	17.6	19.7	21.5	24.4	17.4	17.2
Oil and Gas	17.7	15.4	12.8	15.2	17.7	18.6	21.5	26.0	17.4	17.5
Other Mining	22.7	17.3	20.3	19.9	16.5	23.8	21.6	18.1	17.6	15.9
Construction	10.9	10.3	9.4	9.5	9.2	9.4	9.6	10.9	9.6	8.7
Manufacturing	31.5	31.5	34.4	35.6	39.1	44.1	43.2	45.5	43.0	41.4
Food Products	35.4	36.2	40.2	41.1	46.4	50.9	48.6	50.4	49.4	47.5
Lumber & Wood	29.2	26.8	29.4	31.3	32.1	36.8	32.8	40.1	35.5	36.9
Paper Products	26.1	33.7	28.9	29.1	31.6	22.7	33.5	29.6	18.3	21.1
Other Mfg.	17.1	15.5	13.5	12.9	13.3	14.1	13.0	15.5	11.7	8.1
Trans., Comm.& Util.	17.1	15.6	12.7	13.5	13.6	14.2	15.5	15.9	14.0	13.7
Trade	18.3	16.7	14.3	12.4	14.0	13.9	15.6	15.5	13.6	12.9
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	24.6	23.3	21.3	17.0	19.5	21.0	19.1	18.1	17.6	16.6
Services	17.9	16.7	14.3	14.2	15.4	15.4	16.2	17.1	14.2	13.9
Public Admin.	18.3	16.9	15.0	13.9	13.7	14.1	15.3	14.5	12.9	11.6
Unclassified	9.8	11.9	13.2	14.1	9.5	10.6	9.0	7.5	7.8	8.7
<b>AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS (%)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	23.7	21.9	19.3	18.9	21.0	23.1	21.8	21.5	19.2	18.8
Ag., For. & Fish	19.6	17.5	25.1	25.1	30.7	31.9	31.8	19.5	17.8	21.7
Mining	23.0	20.6	14.2	19.0	21.1	24.3	22.2	25.1	17.8	18.7
Oil and Gas	22.7	20.2	13.4	18.0	21.0	23.8	21.3	26.7	17.8	18.8
Other Mining	25.1	22.2	19.9	24.5	21.9	26.7	25.8	17.5	17.8	18.8
Construction	13.9	12.0	10.7	10.3	10.9	11.1	10.1	11.5	10.0	8.6
Manufacturing	36.6	33.6	36.7	37.0	40.6	47.1	42.3	44.9	41.3	41.4
Food Products	42.0	38.2	43.9	42.5	47.4	53.7	48.4	51.3	47.7	49.2
Lumber & Wood	33.8	30.4	30.3	33.6	34.8	41.2	35.3	38.5	33.2	35.1
Paper Products	37.7	37.2	34.0	38.7	42.5	37.1	33.0	33.0	26.2	30.5
Other Mfg.	23.4	19.0	20.6	15.7	18.2	18.5	14.9	15.5	15.5	9.6
Trans., Comm.& Util.	22.3	20.5	14.9	16.6	17.4	17.3	17.7	18.0	16.3	16.6
Trade	25.6	22.7	18.7	15.1	17.8	18.3	17.2	17.7	15.8	15.0
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	30.6	28.6	26.6	20.9	24.5	26.1	21.0	19.8	19.6	18.1
Services	24.7	22.0	19.6	17.7	19.7	20.1	19.4	19.5	16.8	16.5
Public Admin.	26.8	22.6	21.1	18.4	18.6	20.1	19.2	17.9	16.3	14.9
Unclassified	16.0	15.7	22.8	16.3	15.6	10.7	17.6	7.6	9.8	10.4

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

**Table 2.13**

## UI Regular Benefit Payments by Local Office, 1988-1997

LOCAL OFFICE	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
NUMBER OF WEEKS PAID										
Total	579,422	485,552	584,707	682,519	732,262	642,198	712,689	678,057	684,730	641,264
Anchorage	146,236	111,537	138,790	174,672	185,561	151,071	163,572	156,965	180,726	247,591
Central – Interstate	126,800	98,971	105,494	121,245	146,306	138,688	144,282	133,326	120,163	113,433
Central – Mail	87,644	76,365	75,949	75,518	68,936	57,353	65,459	62,619	75,630	94,878
Eagle River	17,365	11,893	13,210	16,309	16,836	14,198	14,597	15,118	6,777	–
Fairbanks	68,739	57,323	69,466	79,833	75,879	66,261	72,876	69,639	68,375	61,281
Homer	9,109	8,778	13,628	15,015	14,944	13,592	13,966	14,045	9,173	–
Juneau	17,084	17,758	19,893	23,211	25,361	23,199	25,731	26,236	36,182	49,802
Kenai	32,233	27,078	32,605	38,187	46,566	37,766	40,663	40,092	46,113	24,236
Ketchikan	10,473	11,937	14,182	16,910	16,507	15,588	14,976	13,914	9,144	–
Kodiak	7,424	9,527	9,643	15,833	19,192	20,132	32,748	24,906	28,695	4,543
Matanuska-Susitna	43,235	38,348	49,174	54,872	58,219	48,060	54,037	54,162	57,466	42,253
Seward	6,304	5,273	8,719	10,130	10,124	8,897	10,401	10,062	9,456	3,247
Sitka	5,812	5,443	6,436	6,652	6,748	6,396	12,994	7,274	5,572	–
Valdez	964	2,124	6,181	5,055	6,173	5,449	6,693	7,355	5,466	–
Petersburg	–	1,475	3,991	4,412	4,078	3,847	4,009	3,318	2,266	–
Glenallen	–	756	4,509	3,788	4,221	3,983	4,186	4,334	2,783	–
Dillingham	–	366	1,501	1,857	3,216	2,991	3,181	2,444	–	–
Tok	–	600	3,984	4,099	4,299	5,310	7,012	7,541	5,139	–
Bethel	–	–	1,322	3,204	4,764	5,729	6,023	8,201	5,406	–
Nome	–	–	2,910	5,150	5,587	6,530	8,151	9,346	5,623	–
Kotzebue	–	–	3,120	6,567	8,745	7,158	7,132	7,160	4,575	–
AVERAGE DURATION IN WEEKS										
Total	16.1	14.7	14.7	15.3	16.6	15.8	15.2	14.5	15.2	14.7
Anchorage	15.8	14.3	14.5	15.2	16.7	16.3	14.8	14.5	15.2	14.2
Central – Interstate	18.8	16.0	16.4	16.5	17.5	17.1	16.3	14.7	15.1	15.2
Central – Mail	15.5	15.2	14.8	14.5	15.2	13.9	14.1	14.3	15.1	14.9
Eagle River	16.3	14.0	14.3	14.1	15.5	14.5	13.3	13.0	14.4	–
Fairbanks	15.6	14.5	14.2	15.8	16.1	15.4	15.3	14.2	14.9	14.2
Homer	16.0	14.3	14.9	16.4	18.6	16.5	15.5	15.1	16.3	–
Juneau	13.7	14.1	13.7	15.0	15.5	14.3	14.1	13.9	13.8	14.0
Kenai	15.8	14.3	14.5	14.8	17.0	17.1	15.1	15.0	15.2	16.7
Ketchikan	12.0	13.5	13.0	13.3	14.7	12.4	13.2	12.6	14.8	–
Kodiak	11.9	12.0	10.3	13.5	15.4	15.2	18.0	15.4	17.7	24.2
Matanuska-Susitna	16.3	15.0	15.9	15.7	17.7	16.0	15.5	15.1	15.5	16.1
Seward	15.5	13.8	14.9	15.5	18.2	16.1	15.3	15.3	14.9	15.0
Sitka	13.0	12.7	11.6	13.3	14.4	11.5	16.4	13.3	14.1	–
Valdez	11.0	11.4	14.0	14.4	14.8	13.6	14.8	13.2	15.1	–
Petersburg	–	11.0	15.1	13.5	16.6	13.6	15.3	12.2	15.4	–
Glenallen	–	11.3	15.9	15.2	17.0	15.9	15.3	13.7	16.0	–
Dillingham	–	13.6	15.3	13.7	15.9	16.1	14.9	16.5	–	–
Tok	–	12.2	15.7	18.2	16.9	17.8	15.8	15.7	17.1	–
Bethel	–	–	13.4	17.8	18.5	19.8	16.1	14.1	17.3	–
Nome	–	–	14.7	16.0	17.6	16.0	15.3	14.7	16.1	–
Kotzebue	–	–	15.8	16.9	17.6	16.6	15.2	16.1	14.7	–

# UI Regular Benefit Payments by Local Office, 1988-1997 (cont.)

**Table 2.13**

LOCAL OFFICE	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS (\$)</b>										
Total	87,504,334	74,203,051	92,153,624	111,519,227	120,690,885	105,349,484	116,692,350	113,639,510	113,045,662	108,955,464
Anchorage	22,476,609	17,221,687	21,923,893	28,649,167	30,911,712	24,857,790	27,180,705	27,198,316	30,911,558	42,383,717
Central – Interstate	20,754,712	16,356,119	17,702,516	21,214,669	25,771,708	24,751,692	25,125,887	23,541,100	21,236,471	20,390,889
Central – Mail	11,858,165	10,720,521	11,184,127	11,496,539	10,330,181	8,636,930	10,025,547	9,860,742	11,933,454	14,525,601
Eagle River	2,813,039	1,943,293	2,192,049	2,798,431	2,948,298	2,499,068	2,589,869	2,747,639	1,246,621	–
Fairbanks	10,367,979	8,669,137	10,959,589	13,093,808	12,498,548	10,772,401	11,901,280	11,901,532	11,551,384	10,773,006
Homer	1,300,182	1,255,796	2,088,313	2,318,030	2,257,267	1,990,260	2,064,300	2,170,391	1,419,523	–
Juneau	2,488,775	2,715,079	3,068,971	3,790,827	4,225,598	3,876,780	4,371,494	4,500,136	5,030,372	8,443,966
Kenai	4,672,848	3,915,831	4,977,921	6,090,802	7,650,984	6,049,196	6,479,261	6,559,914	7,480,904	3,997,436
Ketchikan	1,418,655	1,729,948	2,068,920	2,698,648	2,608,955	2,534,714	2,379,810	2,230,930	1,433,352	–
Kodiak	885,617	1,372,636	1,413,241	2,318,047	2,796,903	2,883,877	4,622,992	3,298,120	3,732,130	702,713
Matanuska-Susitna	6,701,862	5,968,049	7,825,765	9,082,290	9,856,991	7,974,914	9,090,217	9,321,200	9,930,356	7,253,729
Seward	767,380	686,615	1,350,399	1,487,863	1,427,903	1,172,104	1,475,983	1,419,602	1,386,672	484,407
Sitka	861,407	815,096	977,604	992,108	1,046,710	1,034,793	2,200,458	1,133,720	846,451	–
Valdez	137,104	327,062	1,055,678	817,516	936,071	849,645	1,062,754	1,212,209	897,737	–
Petersburg	–	247,887	652,336	733,376	639,238	587,209	615,645	488,281	346,212	–
Glenallen	–	127,586	749,604	583,010	639,663	613,932	668,016	693,540	459,435	–
Dillingham	–	54,468	232,948	293,927	486,010	489,641	495,926	389,549	–	–
Tok	–	76,241	531,019	573,280	598,960	754,932	1,041,496	1,139,223	792,178	–
Bethel	–	–	200,560	496,174	711,875	858,136	884,779	1,187,441	757,848	–
Nome	–	–	494,078	887,032	880,050	972,357	1,264,382	1,474,925	883,650	–
Kotzebue	–	–	504,093	1,103,683	1,467,260	1,189,113	1,151,549	1,171,000	769,354	–
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY PAYMENT (\$)</b>										
Total	151.02	152.82	157.61	163.39	164.82	164.05	163.74	167.60	165.10	169.91
Anchorage	153.70	154.40	157.96	164.02	166.59	164.54	166.17	173.28	171.04	171.18
Central – Interstate	163.68	165.26	167.81	174.97	176.15	178.47	174.14	176.57	176.73	179.76
Central – Mail	135.30	140.39	147.26	152.24	149.85	150.59	153.16	157.47	157.79	153.10
Eagle River	161.99	163.40	165.94	171.59	175.12	176.02	177.42	181.75	183.95	–
Fairbanks	150.83	151.23	157.77	164.01	164.72	162.58	163.31	170.90	168.94	175.80
Homer	142.74	143.06	153.24	154.38	151.05	146.43	147.81	154.53	154.75	–
Juneau	145.68	152.89	154.27	163.32	166.62	167.11	169.89	171.53	139.03	169.55
Kenai	144.97	144.61	152.67	159.50	164.30	160.18	159.34	163.62	162.23	164.94
Ketchikan	135.46	144.92	145.88	159.59	158.05	162.61	158.91	160.34	156.75	–
Kodiak	119.29	144.08	146.56	146.41	145.73	143.25	141.17	132.42	130.06	154.68
Matanuska-Susitna	155.01	155.63	159.14	165.52	169.31	165.94	168.22	172.10	172.80	171.67
Seward	121.73	130.21	154.88	146.88	141.04	131.74	141.91	141.09	146.64	149.19
Sitka	148.21	149.75	151.90	149.14	155.11	161.79	169.34	155.86	151.91	–
Valdez	142.22	153.98	170.79	161.72	151.64	155.93	158.79	164.81	164.24	–
Petersburg	–	168.06	163.45	166.22	156.75	152.64	153.57	147.16	152.79	–
Glenallen	–	168.76	166.25	153.91	151.54	154.14	159.58	160.02	165.09	–
Dillingham	–	148.82	155.20	158.28	151.12	163.70	155.90	159.39	–	–
Tok	–	127.07	133.29	139.86	139.33	142.17	148.53	151.07	154.15	–
Bethel	–	–	151.71	154.86	149.43	149.79	146.90	144.79	140.19	–
Nome	–	–	169.79	172.24	157.52	148.91	155.12	157.81	157.15	–
Kotzebue	–	–	161.57	168.07	167.78	166.12	161.46	163.55	168.16	–

Notes: The Central – Mail unit included Valdez prior to 1988; Petersburg, Glenallen, Dillingham, and Tok prior to 1989; and Bethel, Nome, and Kotzebue prior to 1990.

Starting 1996, the UI claims processing work at many offices was consolidated into regional centers in Anchorage and Juneau.

The Anchorage Center serves clients in Anchorage, Bethel, Dillingham, Eagle River, Glenallen, Homer, Kenai, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Mat-Su, Nome, Seward, Tok, and Valdez.

The Juneau / SE Urban Center serves Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, and Sitka.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section: BEP 3565 P Quarterly Management Reports.

**Table 2.14**

## Amount of UI Benefit Payments by Census Area, 1997

Census Areas	State UI 1/		UCFE		UCX		All Programs		
	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	EUC	SSB	Total
(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\\$)	
Aleutians East Borough	378,279	3,124	0	0	636	0	0	0	382,039
Aleutians West CA	537,386	4,924	2,896	2,596	0	0	0	0	547,802
Anchorage Borough	28,263,791	1,531,388	678,336	46,911	393,453	11,924	0	12,300	30,938,103
Bethel CA	1,637,469	83,332	23,393	474	0	0	0	4,570	1,749,238
Bristol Bay Borough	201,210	5,338	9,034	0	0	0	0	0	215,582
Denali Borough	504,995	25,184	48,871	4,694	4,840	0	0	0	588,584
Dillingham CA	393,788	18,310	4,550	0	0	0	0	715	417,363
Fairbanks N Star Borough	10,675,967	675,348	432,497	12,440	253,204	9,964	0	8,885	12,068,305
Haines Borough	545,722	33,671	5,258	0	0	0	0	0	584,651
Juneau Borough	3,737,322	161,821	62,794	2,756	324	0	0	4,160	3,969,177
Kenai Peninsula Borough	10,159,035	760,701	129,561	7,104	60,811	2,189	0	15,729	11,135,130
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	2,813,481	108,759	23,167	1,162	10,485	0	0	1,576	2,958,630
Kodiak Island Borough	3,430,281	46,718	13,804	1,034	17,253	0	0	100	3,509,190
Lake & Peninsula Borough	134,961	11,535	9,640	0	0	0	0	251	156,387
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	9,518,093	714,266	205,962	11,605	45,626	1,696	0	14,157	10,511,405
Nome CA	1,193,262	67,198	5,701	0	917	0	0	1,590	1,268,668
North Slope Borough	589,620	13,530	5,704	0	0	0	0	0	608,854
Northwest Arctic Borough	1,062,812	84,546	3,300	0	0	0	0	3,547	1,154,205
Prince of Wales-Outer Ktn	1,812,818	95,723	25,192	1,408	2,968	0	0	2,184	1,940,293
Sitka Borough	1,055,751	62,476	39,160	0	2,882	0	0	728	1,160,997
Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon CA	832,452	38,762	19,868	584	0	0	0	1,224	892,890
Southeast Fairbanks CA	1,071,650	123,500	49,434	4,274	26,564	3,068	0	2,340	1,280,830
Valdez - Cordova CA	2,027,621	121,953	41,624	1,886	6,856	3,380	0	2,596	2,205,916
Wade Hampton CA	808,126	36,717	6,067	1,272	0	0	0	3,330	855,512
Wrangell - Petersburg CA	1,397,411	57,943	19,606	1,492	3,093	0	0	300	1,479,845
Yakutat Borough	109,225	2,598	0	0	0	0	0	0	111,823
Yukon - Koyukuk CA	1,048,534	100,033	30,637	0	6,450	1,377	0	2,204	1,189,235
Area Unknown	2,485,021	182,040	41,462	0	10,873	0	0	5,902	2,725,298
In-State Totals	88,426,083	5,171,438	1,937,518	101,692	847,235	33,598	0	88,388	96,605,952
Interstate Totals	20,459,119	267,032	974,085	13,709	151,424	568	0	2,338	21,868,275
Totals All Areas	108,885,202	5,438,470	2,911,603	115,401	998,659	34,166	0	90,726	118,474,227

## Ten-Year Historical Data Series for Census Area Totals (\$)

Year	State UI 1/		UCFE		UCX		All Programs		
	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	EUC	SSB	Total
(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\\$)	
1988	87,771,130	7,847,768	3,984,634	237,584	517,332	0	0	330,381	100,688,829
1989	74,046,230	3,616,901	3,386,290	206,945	488,506	0	0	184,819	81,929,691
1990	90,477,466	5,126,989	3,252,227	114,624	559,369	0	0	222,974	99,753,649
1991	112,153,789	9,281,316	3,316,482	214,828	814,743	0	2,798,884	473,221	129,053,263
1992	121,771,578	3,801	3,897,584	0	2,476,242	0	47,069,125	613,796	175,832,126
1993	105,041,423	579	3,827,029	0	1,767,553	0	68,737,851	813,931	180,188,366
1994	117,904,643	14,895,807	4,536,264	449,480	1,280,696	144,639	10,494,385	304,145	150,010,059
1995	113,609,324	7,248,703	4,343,639	202,109	1,199,348	57,836	46,043	136,008	126,843,010
1996	114,031,840	6,906,444	3,342,795	186,912	883,029	49,526	15,994	137,013	125,553,553
1997	108,885,202	5,438,470	2,911,603	115,401	998,659	34,166	0	90,726	118,474,227

1/ UI and UI-Combined (includes federal portion of UI-Combined).

Note: EUC program began in Nov. 1991. Prior years' data represent FSC program.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section: UC 217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

UI Regular Benefit Payments to Interstate Claimants 1/  
by State, 1996-1997

Table 2.15

State	1996		1997	
	(\$) Regular Benefits Paid	Percent Distribution	(\$) Regular Benefits Paid	Percent Distribution
Alabama	153,098	0.7	146,561	0.7
Arizona	794,750	3.6	793,044	3.9
Arkansas	199,534	0.9	142,700	0.7
California	3,943,625	18.0	3,895,420	19.0
Colorado	409,727	1.9	409,879	2.0
Connecticut	34,909	0.2	38,329	0.2
Delaware	23,422	0.1	14,651	0.1
Dist. of Columbia	9,308	0.0	1,212	0.0
Florida	578,192	2.6	448,764	2.2
Georgia	302,200	1.4	221,367	1.1
Guam	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hawaii	256,431	1.2	314,539	1.5
Idaho	741,990	3.4	680,327	3.3
Illinois	139,812	0.6	103,480	0.5
Indiana	73,895	0.3	73,532	0.4
Iowa	72,265	0.3	51,735	0.3
Kansas	77,072	0.4	60,436	0.3
Kentucky	134,746	0.6	99,245	0.5
Louisiana	185,725	0.8	200,188	1.0
Maine	87,653	0.4	68,613	0.3
Maryland	70,190	0.3	55,990	0.3
Massachusetts	92,420	0.4	69,624	0.3
Michigan	328,578	1.5	207,969	1.0
Minnesota	437,889	2.0	335,965	1.6
Mississippi	179,419	0.8	125,804	0.6
Missouri	305,081	1.4	260,715	1.3
Montana	731,507	3.3	706,200	3.5
Nebraska	64,531	0.3	47,544	0.2
Nevada	356,725	1.6	393,594	1.9
New Hampshire	67,133	0.3	63,690	0.3
New Jersey	59,370	0.3	63,550	0.3
New Mexico	262,471	1.2	259,617	1.3
New York	257,528	1.2	176,550	0.9
North Carolina	191,294	0.9	217,601	1.1
North Dakota	91,417	0.4	108,025	0.5
Ohio	136,948	0.6	155,365	0.8
Oklahoma	316,269	1.4	242,610	1.2
Oregon	2,033,103	9.3	1,961,483	9.6
Pennsylvania	125,003	0.6	142,071	0.7
Puerto Rico	25,686	0.1	40,167	0.2
Rhode Island	15,083	0.1	4,530	0.0
South Carolina	105,826	0.5	92,102	0.5
South Dakota	82,504	0.4	36,625	0.2
Tennessee	245,431	1.1	226,859	1.1
Texas	827,947	3.8	766,248	3.7
Utah	154,952	0.7	153,633	0.8
Vermont	68,612	0.3	51,954	0.3
Virginia	192,770	0.9	179,394	0.9
Virgin Islands	16,821	0.1	8,821	0.0
Washington	5,397,439	24.7	5,153,684	25.2
West Virginia	64,147	0.3	56,643	0.3
Wisconsin	223,570	1.0	183,746	0.9
Wyoming	123,253	0.6	129,553	0.6
Canada	18,101	0.1	13,976	0.1
Total	21,887,372	100.0	20,455,924	100.0

1/ These are payments from Alaska to recipients in other states.

Note: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section: UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

**Table 2.16****Payment of Dependents' Benefits, 1988-1997**

Year	Number of First Pays with Depen- dents	All First Pays	Percent First Pays with Depen- dents	Weeks Compen- sated		Percent Weeks Compen- sated	(\$) Amount of Depen- dent Benefits	Average (\$) Payment of Dependent Benefits	
				with Depen- dents	All Weeks Compen- sated			Claimants with Dependents	All Claimants
1988	12,716	36,090	35.2	226,748	579,422	39.1	9,978,196	44.01	17.22
1989	12,410	33,093	37.5	200,664	485,552	41.3	8,864,736	44.18	18.26
1990	14,977	39,675	37.7	244,932	584,707	41.9	11,014,824	44.97	18.84
1991	16,413	44,523	36.9	278,019	682,519	40.7	12,413,232	44.65	18.19
1992	15,846	44,094	35.9	291,300	732,262	39.8	13,032,168	44.74	17.80
1993	14,847	40,689	36.5	257,242	642,198	40.1	11,541,100	44.86	17.97
1994	18,586	46,801	39.7	288,853	712,689	40.5	14,004,072	48.48	19.65
1995	19,655	46,832	42.0	288,692	678,057	42.6	13,639,536	47.25	20.12
1996	19,259	45,116	42.7	294,374	684,730	43.0	13,197,336	44.83	19.27
1997	18,511	43,617	42.4	275,395	641,264	42.9	12,363,624	44.89	19.28

Notes: Dependent's allowance is \$24.00 per dependent (maximum \$72.00).

State UI (Regular) program only

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
BEP 3565 P Quarterly Management Report.

# Average Weekly Percentage of Unemployed Receiving UI Benefits, 1997

**Table 2.17**

State	Average Weekly Unemployed	Average Weeks Compensated	Compensated as % of Unemployed	Rank
Alabama	97,225	26,432	27.2	29
Alaska	23,900	12,332	51.6	3
Arizona	103,725	18,501	17.8	47
Arkansas	64,025	21,612	33.8	21
California	1,006,725	339,547	33.7	22
Colorado	70,950	15,009	21.2	42
Connecticut	84,950	33,585	39.5	14
Delaware	16,025	6,293	39.3	15
Dist. of Columbia	20,125	8,163	40.6	13
Florida	342,850	65,126	19.0	44
Georgia	168,500	32,171	19.1	43
Hawaii	35,225	12,463	35.4	20
Idaho	32,300	10,384	32.1	23
Illinois	288,425	104,098	36.1	19
Indiana	103,725	26,134	25.2	33
Iowa	48,825	17,919	36.7	17
Kansas	53,650	12,975	24.2	38
Kentucky	99,675	25,030	25.1	36
Louisiana	119,425	19,788	16.6	51
Maine	31,800	13,397	42.1	9
Maryland	128,925	32,425	25.2	35
Massachusetts	128,300	55,531	43.3	7
Michigan	202,250	79,292	39.2	16
Minnesota	84,600	30,709	36.3	18
Mississippi	69,425	15,861	22.8	40
Missouri	116,100	34,176	29.4	26
Montana	23,100	7,236	31.3	24
Nebraska	21,200	6,103	28.8	27
Nevada	39,375	16,566	42.1	10
New Hampshire	18,775	3,502	18.6	46
New Jersey	221,800	90,225	40.7	12
New Mexico	52,275	9,092	17.4	48
New York	551,825	171,714	31.1	25
North Carolina	138,050	37,511	27.2	30
North Dakota	8,900	3,791	42.6	8
Ohio	263,100	64,777	24.6	37
Oklahoma	58,650	10,072	17.2	49
Oregon	93,425	38,619	41.3	11
Pennsylvania	302,925	136,031	44.9	5
Puerto Rico	176,425	47,150	26.7	31
Rhode Island	25,750	13,383	52.0	2
South Carolina	88,125	20,100	22.8	41
South Dakota	10,825	1,830	16.9	50
Tennessee	141,800	37,797	26.7	32
Texas	534,000	100,275	18.8	45
Utah	31,675	7,324	23.1	39
Vermont	12,700	5,772	45.4	4
Virginia	142,100	19,905	14.0	52
Washington	144,950	64,442	44.5	6
West Virginia	54,125	14,819	27.4	28
Wisconsin	103,700	54,961	53.0	1
Wyoming	11,750	2,957	25.2	34
United States	6,619,900	2,055,760	31.1	

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
UI Data Summary, Quarters 1–4, 1996, produced by the U.S. Department of Labor.



# Chapter 3

## Alaska's UI Benefit Financing System

Benefit Cost Rate, 1988-1997

**Table 3.1**

Year	Taxable Employment			Reimbursable Employment		
	Benefits Paid (\$1,000)	Total Payroll (Lagged 1 Yr) (\$1,000)	Benefit Cost Rate(%)	Benefits Paid (\$1,000)	Total Payroll (Lagged 1 Yr) (\$1,000)	Benefit Cost Rate(%)
1988	85,229	3,724,333	2.3	10,367	1,497,117	0.7
1989	69,780	3,823,639	1.8	8,351	1,492,671	0.6
1990	90,491	4,451,976	2.0	9,081	1,584,065	0.6
1991	112,528	4,694,616	2.4	11,462	1,683,745	0.7
1992	116,833	4,882,126	2.4	11,342	1,784,959	0.6
1993	102,784	5,077,533	2.0	10,632	1,901,857	0.6
1994	119,651	5,273,634	2.3	12,246	1,949,119	0.6
1995	117,353	5,527,255	2.1	10,760	2,002,542	0.5
1996	116,301	5,643,856	2.1	10,747	2,011,599	0.5
1997	113,212	5,721,715	2.0	10,249	1,937,890	0.5

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor;  
Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 3.2**

## Benefit Cost Rates by Industry, 1997

Industry	Benefits Paid (\$) 1997	Total Payroll (\$) 1996	Benefit Cost Rate (%) (Lagged 1 Yr)
<b>Taxable Employers</b>			
Total	99,114,040	5,721,715,522	1.7
Ag., For. & Fish	915,156	37,718,460	2.4
Mining	5,986,416	771,031,663	0.8
Oil and Gas	5,091,538	688,617,710	0.7
Other Mining	894,878	82,413,953	1.1
Construction	21,012,440	597,055,926	3.5
Manufacturing	17,261,625	477,370,579	3.6
Food Products	11,225,601	239,458,400	4.7
Lumber & Wood	2,523,320	80,553,277	3.1
Paper Products	1,905,408	23,750,866	8.0
Other Mfg.	1,607,296	133,608,036	1.2
Trans., Comm.& Util.	9,286,400	905,278,521	1.0
Trade	16,605,313	1,134,869,781	1.5
Fin., Ins. & R.E.	4,243,430	349,059,306	1.2
Services	20,895,072	1,319,585,981	1.6
Public Admin.	2,564,737	123,809,338	2.1
Unclassified	343,451	5,935,967	5.8
<b>Reimbursable Employers</b>			
Total	9,771,162	1,937,889,829	0.5
Trans., Comm.& Util.	161,293	46,085,633	0.3
Services	3,986,898	1,030,095,689	0.4
Public Admin.	5,622,043	855,163,094	0.7
Other	928	6,545,413	0.0

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section;  
 UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area;  
 Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

# Trust Fund Deposits and Disbursements, 1988-1997

**Table 3.3**

Deposits (\$)									
Year	Contributions Net of Reim- bursements	Federal Share Extended Benefits	Amounts Rec'd From Reimb. Employers	Interstate Benefits Wage Combining	Federal Emerg. Comp.	Penalty& Interest	Other	Trust Fund Interest Earned	Total Revenue Deposited 4/
1988	108,610,463	3,403,000	11,387,339	1,130,134	0	733,907	5,703,814	5,553,585	136,522,241
1989	142,332,580	1,474,000	8,674,228	1,103,362	0	880,127	5,905,396	9,225,750	169,595,443
1990	124,867,499	2,184,454	8,779,661	1,467,283	0	2,289,582	6,548,538	16,321,178	162,458,194
1991	102,443,803	3,926,000	10,871,942	2,102,229	0	3,634,996	9,300,240	14,834,425	147,113,635
1992	84,063,743	0	11,666,761	2,452,749	48,336,000	4,034,596	10,905,998	23,562,812	185,022,659
1993	83,513,846	0	9,940,970	1,572,065	68,582,000	3,809,622	7,570,305	16,554,512	191,543,321
1994	86,627,444	6,359,000	13,074,629	1,662,708	10,213,200	4,021,879	7,761,625	14,529,694	144,250,178
1995	91,354,148	3,223,200	11,537,794	1,571,217	0	4,074,458	7,151,800	13,798,221	132,710,838
1996	95,809,515	3,076,000	10,847,305	1,521,687	0	4,125,073	5,727,000	13,153,679	134,260,259
1997	108,001,845	2,384,800	10,440,082	1,202,063	0	4,298,297	5,376,077	16,119,266	147,822,431

  

Disbursements (\$)									
Year	Regular Benefits + SSB	Extended Benefit Payments	Reimburs- able Benefit Payments	Interstate Benefits Wage Combining	Federal Emerg. Comp.	Training And Building Fund	Other	Total Benefits Disbursed 4/	Reserve Fund Balance 5/
1988	78,034,550	6,856,341	10,367,059	4,763,025	(4,678)	854,292	6,829,117	107,699,704	91,802,462
1989	65,597,394	3,236,702	8,351,199	3,551,443	(4,316)	853,331	6,369,043	87,954,796	173,443,109
1990	83,559,395	4,710,158	9,080,645	5,953,329	(9,169)	1,167,358	7,154,239	111,615,955	224,285,349
1991	101,455,428	8,565,970	11,461,785	8,638,807	2,822,831	3,958,611	6,017,449	142,920,880	228,478,104
1992	108,463,706	163,553	11,342,163	10,609,741	46,414,029	3,696,468	10,176,661	190,866,322	222,634,440
1993	95,057,075	329,604	10,632,482	8,938,721	68,895,999	3,816,169	6,928,597	194,598,645	219,579,116
1994	108,852,719	11,911,904	12,246,477	7,149,765	7,838,127	4,031,097	6,161,042	158,191,131	205,638,163
1995	103,314,489	6,426,203	10,760,456	12,380,540	(155,124)	4,075,596	7,129,544	143,931,704	194,417,297
1996	104,442,247	6,097,233	10,746,992	10,325,627	(188,894)	4,091,045	5,647,092	141,161,342	187,516,215
1997	102,836,147	4,718,468	10,248,935	9,223,653	(230,513)	4,311,808	5,392,125	136,500,623	198,838,022

1/ FSC – Federal Supplemental Compensation: October 1982 – March 1985.

EUC – Emergency Unemployment Compensation: November 1991 – April 1994.

2/ Net collections of penalties, interest, and fines.

3/ CETA, PSE, DUA, TRA, SUA, transfer to Training and Building fund, prior year refunds, child support withholding transfers, federal UCFE and UCX benefits and receipts, federal share of regular benefits.

4/ Deposits from all sources including federal and all disbursements made to claimants.

5/ Amount available for benefits in trust fund on December 31.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 3.4**

**Tax Base, Average Employer and Employee Tax Rates  
and Ratio of Taxable to Total Wages, 1988-1997**

Year	Payroll in Taxable Employment (\$1,000)		Ratio of Taxable to Total Payroll (%)	Average Employer Tax Rate			Average Employee Tax Rate	
	Total Payroll	Taxable Payroll		Tax Base (\$)	% of Taxable Payroll	% of Total Payroll	% of Taxable Payroll	% of Total Payroll
1988	3,823,639	2,552,009	66.7	21,100	3.67	2.45	0.70	0.5
1989	4,451,976	2,964,226	66.6	20,900	4.14	2.76	0.70	0.5
1990	4,694,616	3,039,796	64.8	21,300	3.51	2.27	0.60	0.4
1991	4,882,126	3,184,860	65.2	22,400	2.66	1.74	0.50	0.3
1992	5,077,533	3,263,435	64.3	22,600	2.15	1.38	0.50	0.3
1993	5,273,634	3,397,312	64.4	23,200	1.96	1.26	0.50	0.3
1994	5,527,255	3,592,202	65.0	23,800	1.98	1.29	0.50	0.3
1995	5,643,856	3,698,894	65.5	23,900	2.04	1.34	0.50	0.3
1996	5,721,715	3,739,737	65.4	24,400	2.17	1.42	0.50	0.3
1997	5,943,917	3,853,741	64.8	24,200	2.33	1.51	0.58	0.4

Sources: Alaska Statutes 23.20.175.

Alaska Statutes 23.20.290.

Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor;

Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 3.5**

# Employer Accounts by Rate Type and Average Tax Rates by Industry

1998 Employers by Rate Type										
Industry	A-Rated		B-Rated		C-Rated		No.	% of Grand Total		
	No.	% of A-Rated	No.	% of B-Rated	No.	% of C-Rated				
Agriculture, For. & Fish.	222	1.7	32	1.8	9	2.7	263	1.7		
Mining	138	1.0	20	1.1	4	1.2	162	1.0		
Contract Construction	1,764	13.1	316	17.6	43	13.0	2,123	13.7		
Manufacturing	461	3.4	63	3.5	20	6.0	544	3.5		
Trans., Commun., & Util.	985	7.3	102	5.7	24	7.3	1,111	7.1		
Trade	3,607	26.9	372	20.7	83	25.1	4,062	26.1		
Finance, Ins., & Real Estate	816	6.1	76	4.2	5	1.5	897	5.8		
Services	5,227	39.0	684	38.1	123	37.2	6,034	38.8		
Public Administration	133	1.0	0	0.0	10	3.0	143	0.9		
Unclassified	65	0.5	131	7.3	10	3.0	206	1.3		
Total	13,418	100.0	1,796	100.0	331	100.0	15,545	100.0		
Percent of Grand Total		86.3		11.6		2.1		100.0		
Average Employer Tax Rates										
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Total	4.79	4.05	3.08	2.54	2.38	2.43	2.51	2.63	2.76	2.67
Agriculture, For. & Fish.	5.21	4.57	3.53	2.88	2.72	2.81	2.93	3.03	3.10	3.02
Mining	5.38	4.46	3.31	2.73	2.71	2.76	2.86	2.97	3.12	2.99
Contract Construction	5.84	5.00	3.81	3.19	3.05	3.14	3.21	3.31	3.43	3.31
Manufacturing	5.15	4.40	3.33	2.79	2.68	2.76	2.81	2.89	3.07	2.95
Trans., Commun., & Util.	4.67	3.96	3.12	2.53	2.35	2.44	2.50	2.61	2.73	2.63
Trade	4.63	3.90	2.98	2.45	2.28	2.33	2.45	2.57	2.70	2.61
Finance, Ins., & Real Estate	4.39	3.66	2.75	2.23	2.02	2.04	2.05	2.19	2.33	2.31
Services	4.48	3.84	2.90	2.38	2.22	2.28	2.35	2.48	2.61	2.52
Public Administration	5.01	4.18	3.27	2.72	2.50	2.35	2.36	2.45	2.55	2.45
Unclassified	4.89	4.15	3.12	2.77	2.70	2.66	2.80	2.77	3.02	2.89

Notes: A-rated firms are those which have been subject to the Employment Security Act for four or more quarters and therefore qualify for a rate determination based on their quarterly payroll experience. Employers are assigned a rate class based on their payroll decline experience as compared to all other ratable employers. Employers with a low quarterly payroll decline receive more favorable rates than those employers showing more excessive declines in quarterly payroll figures.

B-rated firms are those which have been subject to the Employment Security Act for fewer than four quarters immediately preceding the computation date and must pay the standard industry tax rate.

C-rated firms are those which fail to pay contributions or file reports on a timely basis and must pay contributions at the highest rate. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Taxable Wages Within Size of Payroll Code, Report No. BRT 5500 P.

**Table 3.6****UI Tax Rate Calculations, and Tax Rates by Rate Class for 1998**

Tax Rate Calculations				
	SFY 1994	SFY 1995	SFY 1996	SFY 1997
(1) Benefit Cost (Ben-Reimb-Int)		101,800,907	105,734,134	100,104,207
(2) Total Payroll (taxable employers)	5,392,034,729	5,647,651,919	5,682,267,480	5,782,036,411
(3) Taxable Payroll				3,789,385,594
(4) Benefit Cost for 3 Prev SFY				\$307,639,247
(5) Total Payroll, First 3 of Last 4 SFY				\$16,721,954,128
(6) 3-Yr Benefit Cost/Total Payroll (4)/(5)				0.018397
(7) Taxable/Total Payroll, Last SFY				0.655372
(8) Average Benefit Cost Rate (6)/(7)				0.028072
(9) UI Trust Fund Balance, Sep 30				\$190,406,873
(10) Total Payroll, Last SFY				\$5,782,036,411
(11) UI Trust Fund Reserve Rate (9)/(10)				0.032931
(12) Solvency Adjustment				0.000
(13) Average Employer Tax Rate as a Percent of Taxable Payroll (0.80 x ABCR) + TFSA = (0.80 x #8) + #12				2.25%
(14) Average Employee Tax Rate: (0.20 x ABCR) = (0.20 x #8)				0.56%

**Tax Rates for Employees and Experience Rated Employers**

Rate Class	Experience Factor	Employee Contribution Rate (%)	Employer Contribution Rate (%)	Total Contribution Rate (%)
1	0.40	0.56	1.00	1.56
2	0.45	0.56	1.01	1.57
3	0.50	0.56	1.12	1.68
4	0.55	0.56	1.24	1.80
5	0.60	0.56	1.35	1.91
6	0.65	0.56	1.46	2.02
7	0.70	0.56	1.57	2.13
8	0.80	0.56	1.80	2.36
9	0.90	0.56	2.02	2.58
10	1.00	0.56	2.25	2.81
11	1.00	0.56	2.25	2.81
12	1.10	0.56	2.47	3.03
13	1.20	0.56	2.69	3.25
14	1.30	0.56	2.92	3.48
15	1.35	0.56	3.03	3.59
16	1.40	0.56	3.14	3.70
17	1.45	0.56	3.26	3.82
18	1.50	0.56	3.37	3.93
19	1.55	0.56	3.48	4.04
20	1.60	0.56	3.59	4.15
21	1.65	0.56	5.40	5.96

Note: Total payroll, taxable payroll, and UI benefits costs are all for employees (current or former) of contributing (taxable) employers only. Reimbursable employers are excluded.

Sources: Alaska Statutes 23.20.290.

Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Employment, Wages, and Contributions, ES-202 report to the U.S. Dept. of Labor;  
Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report.

# Administrative Costs, 1988-1997

**Table 3.7**

Federal Fiscal Year 1/	F.U.T.A. Collections (\$1,000,000)	UI Admin. Grants (\$1,000,000)	ES Admin. Grants (\$1,000,000)	Total Admin. Grants (\$1,000,000)	% of F.U.T.A.
1988	8.7	15.1	9.7	24.8	285.1
1989	9.6	13.9	7.9	21.8	227.1
1990	9.9	15.6	8.3	23.9	241.4
1991	10.2	15.6	8.3	23.9	234.3
1992	10.2	18.7	8.5	27.2	266.7
1993	10.7	19.0	8.6	27.6	257.9
1994	11.1	19.8	8.8	28.6	257.7
1995	11.4	18.8	8.6	27.4	240.4
1996	11.7	19.4	8.4	27.8	237.6
1997	12.1	19.1	8.1	27.2	224.8

1/ Federal fiscal years are 12-month periods between October 1 of one year through September 30 of the following year.

Note: In 1995, U.S. Department of Labor estimation methods for FUTA were changed. Figures in earlier publications of this table will not match these data.

Source: U. S. Department of Labor, Division of Actuarial Services.

# Collections, UI Regular Benefits Paid—Reimbursable Employment, 1988-1997

**Table 3.8**

Year	Collections (\$)			Benefits Paid (\$)			Total Collections less Benefits Paid (\$)
	Total	Private Nonprofit	Government (State & Local)	Total	Private Nonprofit	Government (State & Local)	
1988	11,387,339	403,449	10,983,890	10,367,059	406,858	9,960,201	1,020,280
1989	8,674,228	379,439	8,294,789	8,351,199	377,385	7,973,814	323,029
1990	8,779,661	442,525	8,337,136	9,080,645	454,115	8,626,530	(300,984)
1991	10,871,942	906,192	9,965,750	11,461,785	784,303	10,677,482	(589,843)
1992	11,666,761	813,968	10,852,793	11,342,163	860,886	10,481,276	324,598
1993	9,940,970	891,492	9,049,478	10,632,482	954,723	9,677,758	(691,512)
1994	13,074,629	1,220,156	11,854,473	12,246,477	885,469	11,361,008	828,152
1995	11,537,794	1,063,269	10,474,526	10,760,456	1,200,773	9,559,683	777,339
1996	10,847,305	1,063,556	9,783,749	10,746,992	1,632,636	9,114,357	100,313
1997	10,440,082	1,006,860	9,433,222	10,248,935	1,648,463	8,600,472	191,147
Ten-Year Total							1,982,518

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:  
Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 3.9**

**Benefits Paid, Contributions Assessed and Ratio of Benefits  
to Contributions, Taxable Employment, 1988-1997**

INDUSTRY	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<b>BENEFITS PAID (Regular + 1/2 EB), from UC-217 report (\$1,000)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	81,318	67,398	84,011	105,145	110,408	94,559	113,472	105,945	107,028	101,833
Ag., For. & Fish	550	523	533	830	905	1,061	1,287	922	906	931
Mining	5,530	5,407	11,036	9,199	10,614	7,118	7,229	6,645	7,272	6,238
Oil and Gas	4,774	4,318	9,644	7,742	9,347	5,734	5,870	5,511	6,159	5,320
Other Mining	756	1,089	1,391	1,456	1,268	1,385	1,358	1,134	1,113	918
Construction	21,209	14,141	15,236	20,947	19,392	14,490	20,443	22,203	22,141	21,613
Manufacturing	8,504	9,892	10,934	16,059	17,262	16,444	21,783	17,372	17,808	17,449
Food Products	4,551	5,314	5,802	8,569	10,416	11,145	14,639	11,821	12,355	11,350
Lumber & Wood	1,925	2,820	3,009	4,983	3,865	2,467	2,980	2,317	2,879	2,547
Paper Products	491	556	836	974	784	1,185	2,503	1,826	936	1,918
Other Mfg.	1,538	1,203	1,286	1,534	2,198	1,648	1,661	1,409	1,638	1,635
Trans., Comm.& Util.	7,216	5,916	11,244	11,135	11,137	9,698	11,386	11,959	10,572	9,500
Trade	14,483	11,227	12,688	17,861	20,376	18,295	20,154	18,314	18,672	17,030
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	5,196	4,121	3,595	4,193	4,321	3,899	4,610	5,395	4,813	4,359
Services	14,857	13,034	15,431	21,132	22,271	20,000	22,774	20,158	21,617	21,594
Public Admin.	3,188	2,882	2,985	3,279	3,724	3,196	3,426	2,740	2,887	2,766
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS ASSESSED, from ES-202 report (\$1,000)</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	112,619	147,593	126,381	100,150	86,611	86,136	91,740	96,386	100,987	-
Ag., For. & Fish	821	1,165	1,061	979	887	964	812	874	955	
Mining	11,551	13,404	12,044	8,856	6,964	6,735	7,180	7,613	7,279	
Oil and Gas	10,106	11,686	10,430	7,898	6,204	5,987	6,304	6,581	5,870	
Other Mining	1,445	1,718	1,614	958	760	748	876	1,032	1,409	
Construction	14,802	18,194	17,178	12,883	10,702	12,181	14,139	14,598	14,835	
Manufacturing	15,360	18,208	17,105	13,892	12,096	11,351	11,480	12,445	12,233	
Food Products	8,494	10,329	10,029	8,796	8,065	7,570	7,576	8,251	8,057	
Lumber & Wood	3,740	4,268	3,880	2,562	2,015	1,982	2,018	2,168	1,943	
Paper Products	762	807	650	531	455	371	264	272	330	
Other Mfg.	2,364	2,804	2,546	2,003	1,560	1,428	1,623	1,753	1,903	
Trans., Comm.& Util.	13,403	27,368	16,628	13,528	11,892	11,554	11,782	11,482	12,064	
Trade	23,275	28,170	25,004	20,183	17,657	16,909	18,689	19,714	21,276	
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	6,403	7,058	5,979	4,857	4,121	4,236	4,637	4,597	5,068	
Services	23,989	30,396	28,068	22,146	19,774	19,638	20,768	22,631	24,881	
Public Admin.	2,642	2,909	2,690	2,344	2,037	2,048	1,974	2,066	2,234	
<b>RATIO OF BENEFITS TO PRIOR YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS</b>										
Totals (incl. unclass.)	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
Ag., For. & Fish	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0
Mining	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.0	0.9
Oil and Gas	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9
Other Mining	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.8	1.8	1.3	1.1	0.7
Construction	1.6	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5
Manufacturing	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.4	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.4
Food Products	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.4	1.9	1.6	1.5	1.4
Lumber & Wood	0.8	0.8	0.7	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.1	1.3	1.3
Paper Products	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.6	6.7	6.9	3.4	5.8
Other Mfg.	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.1	1.1	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.9
Trans., Comm.& Util.	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8
Trade	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.9
Services	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.9
Public Admin.	1.5	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.2

Notes: Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

\*Current year data are not used in calculating the ratio of benefits to contributions.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section, UC-217 and ES-202 reports.

Collections, Benefits Paid, Trust Fund Reserves and Average  
Employer Tax Rate as Percentages of Payroll, 1988-1997

**Table 3.10**

Year	Percent of Total Payroll				Percent of Taxable Payroll			
	Collections	Benefits Paid	Year-End Reserve	Average Employer Tax Rate	Collections	Benefits Paid	Year-End Reserve	Average Employer Tax Rate
1988	2.8	2.2	2.4	2.45	4.3	3.3	3.6	3.67
1989	3.2	1.6	3.9	2.76	4.8	2.4	5.9	4.14
1990	2.7	1.9	4.8	2.27	4.1	3.0	7.4	3.51
1991	2.1	2.3	4.7	1.74	3.2	3.5	7.2	2.66
1992	1.7	2.3	4.4	1.38	2.6	3.6	6.8	2.15
1993	1.6	1.9	4.2	1.26	2.5	3.0	6.5	1.96
1994	1.6	2.2	3.7	1.29	2.4	3.3	5.7	1.98
1995	1.6	2.1	3.4	1.34	2.5	3.2	5.3	2.04
1996	1.7	2.0	3.3	1.42	2.6	3.1	5.0	2.17
1997	1.8	1.9	3.3	1.51	2.8	2.9	5.2	2.33

Note: Net benefits paid by taxable employers include regular unemployment benefits plus all State Supplemental Benefits payments plus Alaska's share of extended benefit payments for taxable employers plus the net of benefits paid minus receipts for interstate wage combining.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor; Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor.

**Table 3.11**

# UI Benefits Paid, Taxes Assessed, and Covered Payroll by Industry, 1997

INDUSTRY	Amount of Benefits Paid (\$)		Employer and Employee Contributions Assessed (\$)	Total Payroll (\$)	Taxable Payroll (\$)	Percent of Total Payroll Taxable
	Regular	Plus 1/2 EB				
Total	99,114,040	101,833,278	112,177,291	5,943,916,840	3,853,741,100	64.8
Ag., For. & Fish	915,156	931,356	1,034,969	42,790,821	29,281,304	68.4
Mining	5,986,416	6,237,650	8,234,840	771,359,214	292,381,823	37.9
Oil and Gas	5,091,538	5,319,613	6,711,229	675,046,566	245,924,723	36.4
Other Mining	894,878	918,037	1,523,611	96,312,648	46,457,100	48.2
Construction	21,012,440	21,613,177	15,683,793	607,686,439	410,101,606	67.5
Manufacturing	17,261,625	17,449,410	12,530,896	469,530,833	343,163,891	73.1
Food Products	11,225,601	11,349,662	7,995,597	228,217,511	198,444,761	87.0
Lumber & Wood	2,523,320	2,546,703	2,131,362	84,106,386	55,429,538	65.9
Paper Products	1,905,408	1,917,726	317,861	17,732,473	11,573,238	65.3
Other Mfg.	1,607,296	1,635,319	2,086,076	139,474,463	77,716,354	55.7
Trans., Comm.& Util.	9,286,400	9,499,679	14,770,061	986,939,163	545,896,380	55.3
Trade	16,605,313	17,029,769	23,729,748	1,173,132,855	902,971,580	77.0
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	4,243,430	4,358,528	5,753,142	370,950,065	238,199,697	64.2
Services	20,895,072	21,594,382	27,855,342	1,391,547,635	1,006,797,127	72.4
Public Admin.	2,564,737	2,765,916	2,393,584	124,182,081	80,254,419	64.6
Unclassified	343,451	353,411	190,916	5,797,734	4,693,273	81.0

Notes: Reimbursable account data are excluded.

Federally funded programs and federal employment are excluded.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor;  
UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.

# UI Benefits Paid as a Percent of Taxes Assessed and Covered Payroll by Industry, 1997

**Table 3.12**

INDUSTRY	Regular Benefits as a Percentage of:			Regular Benefits plus 1/2 Extended Benefits as a Percentage of:		
	Collections	Total Payroll	Taxable Payroll	Collections	Total Payroll	Taxable Payroll
Total	88.4	1.7	2.6	90.8	1.7	2.6
Ag., For. & Fish	88.4	2.1	3.1	90.0	2.2	3.2
Mining	72.7	0.8	2.0	75.7	0.8	2.1
Oil and Gas	75.9	0.8	2.1	79.3	0.8	2.2
Other Mining	58.7	0.9	1.9	60.3	1.0	2.0
Construction	134.0	3.5	5.1	137.8	3.6	5.3
Manufacturing	137.8	3.7	5.0	139.3	3.7	5.1
Food Products	140.4	4.9	5.7	141.9	5.0	5.7
Lumber & Wood	118.4	3.0	4.6	119.5	3.0	4.6
Paper Products 1/	599.4	10.7	16.5	603.3	10.8	16.6
Other Mfg.	77.0	1.2	2.1	78.4	1.2	2.1
Trans., Comm.& Util.	62.9	0.9	1.7	64.3	1.0	1.7
Trade	70.0	1.4	1.8	71.8	1.5	1.9
Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	73.8	1.1	1.8	75.8	1.2	1.8
Services	75.0	1.5	2.1	77.5	1.6	2.1
Public Admin.	107.2	2.1	3.2	115.6	2.2	3.4
Unclassified	179.9	5.9	7.3	185.1	6.1	7.5

Notes: Reimbursable account data are excluded.

Federally funded programs and federal employment are excluded.

/1 The Ketchikan pulp mill closed permanently in March 1997.

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor, Research and Analysis Section:

Employment, Wages, and Contributions/ES-202 report to the U.S. Department of Labor;  
UC-217 report, Benefit Payments by Industry and Area.



### Limitations of Data

The data in this publication are derived from a number of different sources, each with its own limitations. Much of the data come from reports that are produced directly from computer files in the state's mainframe computer. While the reports come from the same source, data that appear similar are not necessarily comparable, because the programs that produce the reports are run at different times and using different selection criteria.

Consequently, some of the tables in this publication are not directly comparable. For instance, Table 2.13 reports payment data by local office, while Tables 2.9-2.12 report the same data by industry grouping. The totals are not the same, however, because Table 2.13 comes from the Quarterly Management Report, which scans the file each week, while Tables 2.9-2.12 come from the UC-217 report, which scans the file once each month. Supplemental payments for weeks previously paid, overpayments, and other adjustments made during the month will cause the totals to differ slightly. Similarly, Table 2.13 differs slightly from Table 2.14 for the same reasons, even though both report benefit payments by area.

Differences also will occur whenever two tables are derived from different sources. Each table includes the data source at the bottom of the page. The reader should be cautious about other limitations as well. Percentages occasionally do not sum to 100% due to rounding when using only one or two digits. The data are reported to the full dollar amount whenever possible throughout the publication, but the dollar amounts in some tables are rounded to the nearest \$1,000 because of space limitations. Finally, industry groupings include subcategories for manufacturing and mining; these must be subtracted when summing the columns.

### CHAPTER 1: UI Covered Employment and Wages

Chapter I provides information on employment, payroll, and earnings. The major source of data is the Employment, Wages, and Contributions report (ES-202), a report submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The information used in ES-202 is derived from quarterly payroll and employment information submitted to the Alaska Department of Labor (AKDOL) by all employers in Alaska. The information is also derived from AKDOL estimates for delinquent employers.

The ES-202 includes all employers covered by Alaska's unemployment insurance system. It also includes all Alaska employers' average monthly employment, total payroll, and taxable payroll. Additionally, ES-202 includes taxable employers' contributions assessed by the state and paid into the UI Trust Fund.

There was a change in the legal definition of wages for UI tax reporting purposes, which went into effect July 1, 1995. Employers, however, had the option of waiting to implement the change at the start of the next calendar year. Under the new definition, certain retirement benefits are excluded from the computation of wages paid to employees. The impact of this change will be the lowering of wages reported by employers. This definitional change should be kept in mind when comparing annual time series data (such as Tables 1.3, 1.4, or 1.5) after 1994. The full impact of the change should be seen starting in 1996. All data series which use ES-202 wages will be affected.

All data found in the chapters are broken out by industry, area, ownership, and tax status.

"Average monthly employment" is an estimate of employment based on actual employment data covering that pay period which includes the 12th of each month. It is an estimate of the number of jobs filled each month. Caution must be used when deriving annual earnings from these figures, as they represent average annual earnings per job, not per worker. Payroll is the actual total payroll during each quarter.

Throughout Chapter 1, industries are broken out according to categories established in the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual. Specific industries, based on 2-digit SIC codes, were selected because of their relevance to the Alaskan economy. The same categories are used for benefit payments in Chapters 2 and 3. Employment, payroll, and earnings information is also broken out by ownership—private, state government, and local government. In all industry and ownership categories, federal government employment is excluded, as federal employees and members of the military are not covered under the state unemployment insurance program.

It is noteworthy that public administration (SIC codes 91-97) is not directly comparable with state and local government ownership. While all of public administration employment is included in either state or local government, the opposite is not true; some of the operations included under state or local government ownership are listed under other industries than public administration, particularly construction, transportation, and services.

## **CHAPTER 2: UI Benefit Payments**

Chapter 2 provides information on benefit payments. Information on unemployment claims is entered into Alaska's Data Base 2 System (DB2) and is recorded in the state's computer. Three of the basic reports from this file form the basis of most benefit payment data used in this publication.

Payments by industry and area, Tables 2.9-2.12 and Tables 2.14-2.15, are derived from the UC-217 report. The UC-217 report is a monthly compilation of data by 2-digit SIC codes and 3-digit geographic area codes. Payment amounts differ from the amounts shown in Table 2.13 due to the omission of supplemental payments for weeks previously paid, penalties and interest, and other adjustments.

Two reports provide information for the payment data in Tables 2.5-2.8, 2.13, and 2.16. These data are derived from AKDOL's Quarterly Management Report, which scans weekly the department's active claimant file. Some of the data are also derived from the U.S. Department of Labor's Claims Activity Report (ETA 5-159), which is taken from the weekly and monthly management reports.

Data in Table 2.2 are derived from the 'Claimant Characteristics' program. This program provides a special compilation of information on all claimants who received unemployment compensation during a specified year. Occupations are listed according to classifications in the Dictionary of Occupational Titles (or DOT codes). Ethnic information is based on information voluntarily submitted at the time of initial filing.

Table 2.1 uses data from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS), an AKDOL report produced for the U.S. Department of Labor. This report estimates the total number of employed and unemployed in the state each month.

Table 2.6 uses payment data from the yearly ETA 5-159 report on all states compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor, Division of Actuarial Services.

Table 2.17 is derived from the **UI Data Summary**, a quarterly publication of key UI information published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Division of Actuarial Services.

## **CHAPTER 3: Alaska's UI Benefit Financing System**

Chapter 3 discusses financial transactions, Alaska's UI Trust Fund, and Alaska's benefit financing structure. One of the major subjects of the chapter is benefit costs. Therefore, it draws heavily from the Alaska Department of Labor's Benefit Payments by Industry and Area (UC 217) report and the ES-202 quarterly reports (the USDOL's Employment, Wages, and Contributions report). In fact, several of the tables directly reproduce data reported in Chapters I and 2.

The other major data source for Chapter 3 is the Financial Transactions Summary (ETA 2-112). This is a monthly accounting report produced by AKDOL. It is the most accurate source of information on financial transactions and cash flow. Its major limitation is that it does not break out data by industry or area. It is used to compute UI tax rates (Tables 3.4 and 3.6), benefit costs, and benefit cost rates (Tables 3.1, 3.2 and 3.6). It is also the source for UI Trust Fund balances (Tables 3.3 , 3.6 and 3.10), deposits and disbursements for all programs (Table 3.3), as well as interstate wage combining, reimbursable employers (Table 3.8), and collections, benefits and trust fund balance as a percentage of wages (Tables 3.4, 3.10, and 3.11).

Table 3.3 also uses data from the USDOL Contributions Operations (ETA 58 1) report in order to estimate reimbursable contributions between 1981 and 1984.

Table 3.5 lists experience ratings by industry, which are reported on the Array of Taxable Wages Within Size of Payroll Codes—a yearly listing of employers, their payroll experience, and their quarterly decline quotients. This information is also produced by AKDOL.





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