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Prefatory Note

Every other year the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOLWD) publishes the Unemployment Insurance Actuarial Study and Financial Handbook. The last Handbook was published in March 2004. The next will be published in November or December 2005.

In order to satisfy requests for data received in the interval between publications of the Handbook, in alternating years DOLWD publishes updated versions of the tables in Chapters 1, 2, and 3. These are the Updated Tables for 2003. This is the eleventh 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.

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UI Covered Employment and Wages

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment Covered and Noncovered, 1994-2003

**Table
1.1**

Year	Total Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment	State UI Taxable and Reimbursable Employment	% of Total	Alaska Federal Government Employment	% of Total	Non-Covered Employment	% of Total
1994	256,763	233,455	90.9	18,764	7.3	4,544	1.8
1995	259,737	237,816	91.6	17,504	6.7	4,417	1.7
1996	261,443	239,654	91.7	17,322	6.6	4,467	1.7
1997	266,251	244,255	91.7	17,342	6.5	4,654	1.7
1998	272,141	250,251	92.0	17,182	6.3	4,708	1.7
1999	273,839	252,228	92.1	16,828	6.1	4,783	1.7
2000	280,348	258,428	92.2	17,119	6.1	4,801	1.7
2001	287,720	265,945	92.4	16,807	5.8	4,968	1.7
2002	293,117	271,349	92.6	16,757	5.7	5,011	1.7
2003	296,909	274,755	92.5	17,104	5.8	5,050	1.7

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

Table
1.2

**Average Monthly Covered Employment (excluding federal)
by Industry, 2003**

	Employment	Percent
<u>Total Taxable and Reimbursable</u>	274,755	100
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1,137	0.4
Mining	9,593	3.5
Oil & Gas Extraction	2,571	0.9
Mining Support	5,593	2.0
Other Mining	1,429	0.5
Utilities	1,997	0.7
Construction	17,078	6.2
Manufacturing	11,683	4.3
Food	8,540	3.1
Wood Products	290	0.1
Other Manufacturing	2,854	1.0
Transportation & Warehousing	19,604	7.1
Trade	40,201	14.6
Information	6,908	2.5
Finance & Insurance	8,464	3.1
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	5,007	1.8
Professional & Technical Services	11,049	4.0
Management of Companies	1,094	0.4
Administrative & Waste Services	10,969	4.0
Educational Services	27,916	10.2
Health Care & Social Assistance	32,212	11.7
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	3,952	1.4
Accommodation & Food Services	25,691	9.4
Other Services, except Public Administration	9,853	3.6
Public Administration	30,087	11.0
Unclassified	264	0.1
<u>Total Reimbursable Accounts</u>	60,254	
Transportation & Warehousing	847	
Educational Services	26,147	
Health Care & Social Assistance	9,208	
Other Services, except Public Administration	1,339	
Public Administration	22,437	
Unclassified	277	

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

Total Covered Payroll (excluding federal) by Industry (\$1,000), 2003

Table
1.3

	Wages	Percent
<u>Total Taxable and Reimbursable</u>	\$10,093,400	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	45,585	0.5
Mining	839,940	8.3
Oil & Gas Extraction	326,372	3.2
Mining Support	418,575	4.1
Other Mining	94,993	0.9
Utilities	114,871	1.1
Construction	893,230	8.8
Manufacturing	400,443	4.0
Food	257,603	2.6
Wood Products	8,953	0.1
Other Manufacturing	133,888	1.3
Transportation & Warehousing	886,564	8.8
Trade	1,122,220	11.1
Information	310,402	3.1
Finance & Insurance	383,850	3.8
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	144,082	1.4
Professional & Technical Services	511,205	5.1
Management of Companies	65,822	0.7
Administrative & Waste Services	326,602	3.2
Educational Services	991,650	9.8
Health Care & Social Assistance	1,135,931	11.3
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	59,621	0.6
Accommodation & Food Services	430,933	4.3
Other Services, except Public Administration	267,615	2.7
Public Administration	1,147,270	11.4
Unclassified	15,565	0.2
<u>Total Reimbursable Accounts</u>	2,362,563	
Transportation & Warehousing	41,286	
Educational Services	942,177	
Health Care & Social Assistance	374,606	
Other Services, except Public Administration	28,661	
Public Administration	959,376	
Unclassified	16,456	

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
1.4**

Taxable Covered Payroll (excluding federal) by Industry (\$1,000), 2003

	Wages	Percent
Total	\$4,874,371	100
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	32,913	0.7
Mining	306,285	6.3
Oil & Gas Extraction	74,914	1.5
Mining Support	187,835	3.9
Other Mining	43,536	0.9
Utilities	53,414	1.1
Construction	571,202	11.7
Manufacturing	287,921	5.9
Food	204,767	4.2
Wood Products	7,165	0.1
Other Manufacturing	75,989	1.6
Transportation & Warehousing	457,595	9.4
Trade	816,553	16.8
Information	171,248	3.5
Finance & Insurance	212,295	4.4
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	104,610	2.1
Professional & Technical	283,810	5.8
Management of Companies	34,742	0.7
Administrative & Waste Services	236,771	4.9
Educational Services	36,363	0.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	514,564	10.6
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	51,907	1.1
Accommodation & Food Services	386,329	7.9
Other Services, except Public Administration	175,008	3.6
Public Administration	136,800	2.8
Unclassified	4,040	0.1

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

Average Annual Earnings in Covered Employment (excluding federal) by Industry (\$) 2003

**Table
1.5**

<u>Total Taxable and Reimbursable</u>	\$36,736
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	40,092
Mining	87,558
Oil & Gas Extraction	126,944
Mining Support	74,839
Other Mining	66,475
Utilities	57,522
Construction	52,303
Manufacturing	34,276
Food	30,164
Wood Products	30,872
Other Manufacturing	46,912
Transportation & Warehousing	45,224
Trade	27,915
Information	44,934
Finance & Insurance	45,351
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	28,776
Professional & Technical Services	46,267
Management of Companies	60,166
Administrative & Waste Services	29,775
Educational Services	35,523
Health Care & Social Assistance	35,264
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	15,086
Accommodation & Food Services	16,774
Other Services, except Public Administration	27,161
Public Administration	38,132
Unclassified	59,412
<u>Total Reimbursable Accounts</u>	39,210
Transportation & Warehousing	48,758
Educational Services	36,034
Health Care & Social Assistance	40,685
Other Services, except Public Administration	21,405
Public Administration	42,758

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
1.6**

**Average Weekly Earnings in Covered Employment
(excluding federal) by Industry (\$) 2003**

<u>Total Reimbursable and Non-Reimbursable</u>	\$706.46
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	771.01
Mining	1,683.80
Oil & Gas Extraction	2,441.22
Mining Support	1,439.21
Other Mining	1,278.37
Utilities	1,106.19
Construction	1,005.83
Manufacturing	659.15
Food	580.08
Wood Products	593.70
Other Manufacturing	902.16
Transportation & Warehousing	869.69
Trade	536.83
Information	864.11
Finance & Insurance	872.13
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	553.39
Professional & Technical	889.75
Management of Companies	1,157.05
Administrative & Waste Services	572.60
Educational Services	683.13
Health Care & Social Assistance	678.16
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	290.12
Accommodation & Food Services	322.57
Other Services, except Public Administration	522.32
Public Administration	733.30
Unclassified	1,142.54
<u>Total Reimbursable Accounts</u>	754.04
Transportation & Warehousing	937.66
Educational Services	692.97
Health Care & Social Assistance	782.40
Other Services	411.63
Public Administration	822.27

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Average Monthly Covered Employment
(excluding federal) by Ownership 1994-2003**

**Table
1.7**

Ownership	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	233,455	237,816	239,654	244,255	250,251	252,228	258,428	265,945	271,350	274,755
State Government	19,887	19,880	19,849	19,441	19,831	19,950	20,198	20,988	21,830	22,022
Local Government	29,815	30,589	30,966	30,997	31,276	31,305	31,468	35,281	37,353	37,076
Private Industry	183,753	187,347	188,839	193,817	199,144	200,973	206,762	209,676	212,167	215,657
Taxable	176,675	180,390	181,707	186,146	191,254	193,007	198,361	200,825	203,010	205,949
Reimbursable	7,078	6,957	7,132	7,671	7,890	7,966	8,401	8,851	9,157	9,708
Percent Distribution										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
State Government	8.5	8.4	8.3	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.0
Local Government	12.8	12.9	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.4	12.2	13.3	13.8	13.5
Private Industry	78.7	78.8	78.8	79.4	79.6	79.7	80.0	78.8	78.2	78.5
Taxable	75.7	75.9	75.8	76.2	76.4	76.5	76.8	75.5	74.8	75.0
Reimbursable	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.5

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Total Covered Payroll (excluding federal)
by Ownership (\$1,000) 1994-2003**

**Table
1.8**

Ownership	1994 (\$1,000)	1995 (\$1,000)	1996 (\$1,000)	1997 (\$1,000)	1998 (\$1,000)	1999 (\$1,000)	2000 (\$1,000)	2001 (\$1,000)	2002 (\$1,000)	2003 (\$1,000)
Total	7,529,797	7,655,455	7,659,605	7,904,441	8,261,192	8,389,193	8,862,098	9,384,548	9,779,538	10,093,400
State Gov't	833,973	835,813	755,786	751,853	761,013	766,996	800,004	826,632	879,064	910,098
Local Gov't	1,119,757	1,131,558	1,130,507	1,134,393	1,120,982	1,125,164	1,127,624	1,218,672	1,280,960	1,312,305
Private Ind.	5,576,067	5,688,084	5,773,312	6,018,195	6,379,197	6,497,033	6,934,470	7,339,244	7,619,514	7,870,997
Taxable	5,372,562	5,487,951	5,565,271	5,790,375	6,136,602	6,248,464	6,652,396	7,029,444	7,285,303	7,511,133
Reimbursable	203,505	200,133	208,041	227,820	242,595	248,569	282,074	309,800	334,211	359,864
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
State Gov't	11.1	10.9	9.9	9.5	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.8	9.0	9.0
Local Gov't	14.9	14.8	14.8	14.4	13.6	13.4	12.7	13.0	13.1	13.0
Private Industry	74.1	74.3	75.4	76.1	77.2	77.4	78.2	78.2	77.9	78.0
Taxable	71.4	71.7	72.7	73.3	74.3	74.5	75.1	74.9	74.5	74.4
Reimbursable	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
1.9****Taxable Covered Payroll by Ownership
(\$1,000) 1994-2003**

Ownership	1994 (\$1,000)	1995 (\$1,000)	1996 (\$1,000)	1997 (\$1,000)	1998 (\$1,000)	1999 (\$1,000)	2000 (\$1,000)	2001 (\$1,000)	2002 (\$1,000)	2003 (\$1,000)
Total	3,592,202	3,698,894	3,739,737	3,853,741	3,995,639	4,124,730	4,396,916	4,556,600	4,722,968	4,874,371
State Government	9,003	8,801	8,804	8,823	8,841	8,933	9,125	9,491	8,877	8,675
Local Government	87,916	90,299	95,652	91,641	86,997	83,215	84,403	133,487	147,575	149,563
Private Industry	3,495,283	3,599,794	3,635,281	3,753,277	3,899,801	4,032,582	4,303,388	4,413,622	4,566,516	4,716,133

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION

Ownership	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
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	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Local Government	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.9	3.1	3.1
Private Industry	97.3	97.3	97.2	97.4	97.6	97.8	97.9	96.9	96.7	96.8

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
1.10****Average Annual Earnings in Covered Employment
(excluding federal) by Ownership (\$) 1994-2003**

Ownership	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	\$32,254	\$32,191	\$31,961	\$32,361	\$33,012	\$33,260	\$34,292	\$35,288	\$36,040	\$36,736
State Government	41,936	42,043	38,077	38,674	38,375	38,446	39,608	39,386	40,269	41,327
Local Government	37,557	36,992	36,508	36,597	35,842	35,942	35,834	34,542	34,293	35,395
Private Industry	30,345	30,361	30,573	31,051	32,033	32,328	33,538	35,003	35,913	36,498
Taxable	30,409	30,423	30,628	31,107	32,086	32,374	33,537	35,003	35,887	36,471
Reimbursable	28,752	28,767	29,170	29,699	30,747	31,204	33,576	35,002	36,498	37,069

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
1.11****Average Weekly Earnings in Covered Employment
(excluding federal) by Ownership (\$) 1994-2003**

Ownership	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	\$620.26	\$619.05	\$614.64	\$622.34	\$634.84	\$639.62	\$659.47	\$678.62	\$693.08	\$706.46
State Government	806.45	808.52	732.25	743.72	737.98	739.34	761.69	757.42	774.40	794.75
Local Government	722.25	711.39	702.08	703.79	689.26	691.19	689.12	664.27	659.48	680.67
Private Industry	583.57	583.87	587.94	597.13	616.02	621.69	644.97	673.13	690.63	701.88
Taxable	584.79	585.05	588.99	598.20	617.04	622.58	644.94	673.13	690.13	701.36
Reimbursable	552.92	553.21	560.96	571.13	591.29	600.07	645.70	673.12	701.88	712.86

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

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

Chapter 2 Tables

UI Benefit Payments

Unemployment, 1994-2003

**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
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
1998	316,898	18,351	5.8	250,251	12,140	4.9	83.8
1999	315,209	20,072	6.4	252,228	12,866	5.1	80.1
2000	321,964	21,296	6.6	258,428	12,290	4.8	71.9
2001	321,983	20,191	6.3	265,945	12,224	4.6	73.0
2002	322,793	24,962	7.7	271,350	13,980	5.2	66.9
2003	331,675	26,561	8.0	274,755	14,259	5.2	64.9

Note:

The Total Unemployment Rate (TUR), and the Insured Unemployment Rate (IUR) are presented for the purpose of comparison. The TUR is the rate most often used in the media when discussing rates of unemployment in the population. The TUR is the percentage derived from dividing total unemployment (both insured and uninsured) by the total labor force (both insured and uninsured). The IUR is the percentage derived by dividing the 13 week average of UI weeks claimed by the insured labor force.

Sources:

Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Employment, Wages, and Contributions, QCEW 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, 2003

Characteristics	Number	Percent	Characteristics	Number	Percent
Total	64,071	100.0	Average Annual Earnings (\$):		
Gender:			1,000- 9,999	16,173	25.2
Male	39,553	61.7	10,000-19,999	18,486	28.9
Female	24,518	38.3	20,000-29,999	12,405	19.4
Age:			30,000-39,999	7,110	11.1
Less than 21	1,959	3.1	40,000-49,999	4,081	6.4
21-24	8,173	12.8	50,000-59,999	2,373	3.7
25-34	14,637	22.8	60,000-69,999	1,463	2.3
35-44	17,169	26.8	70,000-79,999	843	1.3
45-54	14,943	23.3	80,000-89,999	481	0.8
55-64	6,078	9.5	90,000+	656	1.0
65+	1,112	1.7	Geographic Location:		
Number of Dependents:			Aleutians East Borough	137	0.2
0	39,072	61.0	Aleutians West Census Area	403	0.6
1	10,167	15.9	Anchorage Borough	17,157	26.8
2	8,241	12.9	Bethel Census Area	1,814	2.8
3+	6,591	10.3	Bristol Bay Borough	126	0.2
Ethnic Background:			Denali Borough	283	0.4
Alaska Native/American Indian	14,485	22.6	Dillingham Census Area	446	0.7
Asian and Pacific Islander	4,502	7.0	Fairbanks North Star Borough	5,946	9.3
Black	2,345	3.7	Haines Borough	315	0.5
Hispanic	2,690	4.2	Juneau Borough	2,107	3.3
White	39,114	61.0	Kenai Peninsula Borough	5,287	8.3
Other	740	1.2	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	1,340	2.1
No Information	195	0.3	Kodiak Island Borough	1,610	2.5
Industry:			Lake & Peninsula Borough	172	0.3
Ag, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	825	1.3	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	6,033	9.4
Mining	3,330	5.2	Nome Census Area	866	1.4
Oil and Gas	149	0.2	North Slope Borough	737	1.2
Other Mining	3,181	5.0	Northwest Arctic Borough	757	1.2
Utilities	306	0.5	Prince of Wales-Outer Ketchikan C A	797	1.2
Construction	9,921	15.5	Sitka Borough	615	1.0
Manufacturing	7,358	11.5	Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon C A	503	0.8
Food Products	6,535	10.2	Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	632	1.0
Wood Products	154	0.2	Valdez-Cordova Census Area	1,074	1.7
Other Manufacturing	669	1.0	Wade Hampton Census Area	1,029	1.6
Trade	7,310	11.4	Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area	737	1.2
Transportation & Warehousing	4,289	6.7	Yakutat Borough	96	0.1
Information	849	1.3	Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	770	1.2
Finance & Insurance	1,234	1.9	Alaska Area Unknown	1,190	1.9
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	1,266	2.0	Total In-State	52,979	82.7
Professional & Technical Services	1,645	2.6	Out-of-State	11,092	17.3
Management of Companies	48	0.1	Local Office:		
Administrative & Waste Services	2,898	4.5	Anchorage	32,079	50.1
Educational Services	1,833	2.9	Central - Interstate Claims	10,931	17.1
Health Care & Social Assistance	4,468	7.0	Central - Rural Mail Claims	10,682	16.7
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	679	1.1	Fairbanks	6,025	9.4
Accommodation & Food Services	5,858	9.1	Juneau/SE Urban	4,354	6.8
Other Services, except Pub Admin	3,021	4.7	Starting in 1996, the UI claims processing work at many offices was consolidated into regional centers in Anchorage and Juneau. All UI Claims are now filed by mail or telephone.		
Public Administration	5,718	8.9	The Anchorage Center serves clients in Anchorage, Bethel, Dillingham, Eagle River, Glennallen, Homer, Kenai, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Mat-Su, Nome, Seward, Tok, and Valdez.		
Unclassified/Unknown	1,215	1.9	Juneau/SE Urban serves Juneau, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Sitka.		
Occupation:			Notes: Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.		
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	1,282	2.0	Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: UI Claimant Characteristics Files		
Benchwork	161	0.3			
Clerical & Sales	11,494	17.9			
Machine Trades	1,544	2.4			
Processing	6,410	10.0			
Professional, Technical, Managerial Service	9,807	15.3			
Structural Work	16,542	25.8			
Miscellaneous & Unknown	6,821	10.6			

Schedule of UI Weekly Benefit Amounts

Weekly Benefit			Weekly Benefit		
Base Period Earnings (\$)		Amount (\$)	Base Period Earnings (\$)		Amount (\$)
At Least	But Less Than	Starting 10/1/1990	At Least	But Less Than	Starting 10/1/1990
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	Amendment effective 01-01-97 *		
8,500	8,750	104			
8,750	9,000	106	22,000	22,250	212
9,000	9,250	108	22,250	22,500	214
9,250	9,500	110	22,500	22,750	216
9,500	9,750	112	22,750	23,000	218
9,750	10,000	114	23,000	23,250	220
10,000	10,250	116	23,250	23,500	222
10,250	10,500	118	23,500	23,750	224
10,500	10,750	120	23,750	24,000	226
10,750	11,000	122	24,000	24,250	228
11,000	11,250	124	24,250	24,500	230
11,250	11,500	126	24,500	24,750	232
11,500	11,750	128	24,750	25,000	234
11,750	12,000	130	25,000	25,250	236
12,000	12,250	132	25,250	25,500	238
12,250	12,500	134	25,500	25,750	240
12,500	12,750	136	25,750	26,000	242
12,750	13,000	138	26,000	26,250	244
13,000	13,250	140	26,250	26,500	246
13,250	13,500	142	26,500	26,750	248
13,500	13,750	144	26,750	and over	248
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			

* The schedule was amended January 1, 1997, to provide for earnings over \$22,000.

Source: Alaska Statutes 23.20.350(d)

**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) 1994-2003**

Year	All Claimants		Claimants Exhausting Benefits		Average Duration (in Weeks)			Average Weekly Benefit Amount (AWBA)	Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount (\$)		
	Number of First Payments 1/	Number of Weeks Paid	Number 3/	Percent of First Payments 1/	Potential	Actual	Actual Exhausts 3/	(\$)	Without Dependent Benefits	With Dependent Benefits	
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
1998	43,750	632,329	17,706	40.5	20.8	14.5	20.8	176.00	0.28	248.00	320.00
1999	45,635	679,381	19,252	42.2	20.9	14.9	20.8	181.58	0.28	248.00	320.00
2000	43,557	619,357	16,962	38.9	20.8	14.2	20.7	189.86	0.29	248.00	320.00
2001	44,017	626,241	17,256	39.2	20.8	14.2	20.7	192.99	0.28	248.00	320.00
2002	48,722	696,807	20,353	41.8	20.7	14.3	20.7	193.34	0.28	248.00	320.00
2003	49,493	729,399	21,728	43.9	20.7	14.7	20.7	193.04	0.27	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 and Workforce Development, 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), 2003

**Table
2.6**

State	Average Benefit (\$)	Rank	Average Weekly Earnings	Rank	AWBA as % of Earnings	Rank
Alabama	\$175.84	49	\$607.10	33	29.0	48
ALASKA	193.04	48	706.49	16	27.3	49
Arizona	173.26	51	667.35	23	26.0	50
Arkansas	228.90	36	548.38	46	41.7	12
California	246.37	28	814.85	6	30.2	45
Colorado	307.68	7	741.42	12	41.5	13
Connecticut	286.19	10	928.40	2	30.8	44
Delaware	235.46	32	785.99	7	30.0	46
Dist. of Columbia	258.43	21	1071.88	1	24.1	51
Florida	225.02	37	637.34	30	35.3	36
Georgia	243.43	29	695.47	19	35.0	38
Hawaii	312.21	5	627.95	31	49.7	1
Idaho	231.77	33	543.32	47	42.7	8
Illinois	280.94	11	776.02	8	36.2	34
Indiana	263.44	16	637.63	29	41.3	15
Iowa	260.12	18	586.42	37	44.4	5
Kansas	275.99	13	598.77	35	46.1	2
Kentucky	249.62	27	606.94	34	41.1	17
Louisiana	194.93	47	584.39	39	33.4	40
Maine	231.13	34	581.31	40	39.8	22
Maryland	252.14	24	754.51	9	33.4	39
Massachusetts	356.58	1	887.76	5	40.2	19
Michigan	290.52	9	753.56	10	38.6	26
Minnesota	322.15	4	739.36	13	43.6	7
Mississippi	173.43	50	520.98	49	33.3	41
Missouri	205.62	44	643.67	25	31.9	43
Montana	201.91	46	503.49	51	40.1	20
Nebraska	216.16	40	578.45	41	37.4	31
Nevada	236.29	31	674.56	21	35.0	37
New Hampshire	258.60	19	713.18	15	36.3	33
New Jersey	333.67	2	887.83	4	37.6	29
New Mexico	210.63	41	563.53	43	37.4	30
New York	271.55	14	907.12	3	29.9	47
North Carolina	258.33	22	640.33	26	40.3	18
North Dakota	222.30	38	523.41	48	42.5	9
Ohio	252.04	25	670.38	22	37.6	28
Oklahoma	229.45	35	557.31	44	41.2	16
Oregon	258.45	20	655.97	24	39.4	23
Pennsylvania	291.84	8	705.67	17	41.4	14
Rhode Island	308.78	6	690.70	20	44.7	4
South Carolina	210.05	43	585.68	38	35.9	35
South Dakota	201.96	45	512.86	50	39.4	24
Tennessee	210.24	42	638.02	28	33.0	42
Texas	260.80	17	705.25	18	37.0	32
Utah	269.38	15	587.28	36	45.9	3
Vermont	255.08	23	610.57	32	41.8	11
Virginia	276.09	12	721.69	14	38.3	27
Washington	324.40	3	743.01	11	43.7	6
West Virginia	219.87	39	549.32	45	40.0	21
Wisconsin	251.69	26	640.05	27	39.3	25
Wyoming	238.07	30	565.93	42	42.1	10
United States	261.67		716.44		36.5	

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

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

**Table
2.7**

Payment Data, UI Extended Benefits, 1994-2003

Year	Number of First Payments	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of Claimants Exhausting Benefits	Average Duration in Weeks	Average Weekly Benefit (\$)
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
1998	5,973	31,666	1,293	5.3	171.60
1999	7,160	41,123	1,970	5.7	168.77
2000	5,368	28,266	1,084	5.3	182.33
2001	5,137	27,065	1,066	5.3	182.24
2002	10,950	59,234	1,757	5.4	255.32
2003	14,527	111,012	8,262	7.6	188.10

* Excludes certain part-time workers.

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

Payment Data, UI State Supplemental Benefits, 1994–2003

Year	Number of First Payments	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of Claimants Exhausting Benefits	Average Duration in Weeks	Average Weekly Benefit (\$)
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
1998	212	1,212	91	5.7	97.43
1999	250	1,470	128	5.9	92.68
2000	226	1,218	82	5.4	92.68
2001	193	1,096	90	5.7	102.92
2002	307	1,755	139	5.7	102.94
2003	476	3,398	385	7.1	98.47

* Excludes certain part-time workers.

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

**Table
2.9**

**UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry
Intrastate, 2003**

	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of First Payments	Amount of (\$) Payments
Totals (including unclassified)	620,015	42,137	\$105,256,026
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	6,719	519	1,229,805
Mining	27,610	1,645	6,108,356
Utilities	3,180	219	607,177
Construction	101,045	7,222	20,487,938
Manufacturing	46,319	3,033	6,785,785
Wholesale Trade	9,986	658	1,846,340
Retail Trade	68,858	4,600	10,604,198
Transportation & Warehousing	44,360	2,981	7,498,962
Information	7,940	509	1,552,782
Finance & Insurance	13,486	882	2,346,059
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	15,124	955	2,501,196
Professional & Technical Services	15,662	1,158	2,983,027
Management of Companies	302	17	66,475
Administrative & Waste Services	28,723	1,916	4,665,167
Educational Services	20,026	1,371	3,109,603
Health Care & Social Assistance	44,555	2,974	7,999,665
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	7,376	517	1,030,621
Accommodation & Food Services	59,957	4,304	8,050,716
Other Services, except Public Admin	24,977	1,751	4,055,954
Public Administration	66,828	4,400	10,664,347
Unclassified	6,982	506	1,061,853

	Percent Distribution of Payments	Average Weekly (\$) Payments	Average Duration in Weeks
Totals (including unclassified)	100.0	\$169.76	14.7
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	1.2	183.03	12.9
Mining	5.8	221.24	16.8
Utilities	0.6	190.94	14.5
Construction	19.5	202.76	14.0
Manufacturing	6.4	146.50	15.3
Wholesale Trade	1.8	184.89	15.2
Retail Trade	10.1	154.00	15.0
Transportation & Warehousing	7.1	169.05	14.9
Information	1.5	195.56	15.6
Finance & Insurance	2.2	173.96	15.3
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2.4	165.38	15.8
Professional & Technical Services	2.8	190.46	13.5
Management of Companies	0.1	220.12	17.8
Administrative & Waste Services	4.4	162.42	15.0
Educational Services	3.0	155.28	14.6
Health Care & Social Assistance	7.6	179.55	15.0
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1.0	139.73	14.3
Accommodation & Food Services	7.6	134.27	13.9
Other Services, except Public Admin	3.9	162.39	14.3
Public Administration	10.1	159.58	15.2
Unclassified	1.0	152.08	13.8

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

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

UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry Interstate, 2003

**Table
2.10**

	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of First Payments	Amount of (\$) Payments
Totals (including unclassified)	123,898	7,361	\$22,704,677
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	2,360	145	494,330
Mining	5,559	298	1,332,622
Utilities	459	23	107,440
Construction	8,574	518	1,863,549
Manufacturing	43,258	2,852	7,213,871
Wholesale Trade	2,070	110	400,254
Retail Trade	9,429	496	1,614,841
Transportation & Warehousing	7,086	423	1,340,084
Information	1,413	82	289,424
Finance & Insurance	2,960	160	622,668
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	964	56	188,206
Professional & Technical Services	2,773	154	594,976
Management of Companies	49	3	10,927
Administrative & Waste Services	3,784	196	704,808
Educational Services	3,376	188	625,446
Health Care & Social Assistance	7,458	391	1,532,844
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,060	56	159,533
Accommodation & Food Services	9,682	561	1,465,064
Other Services, except Public Admin	3,313	175	566,961
Public Administration	5,809	324	1,186,756
Unclassified	2,462	150	390,073
	Percent Distribution of Payments	Average Weekly (\$) Payments	Average Duration in Weeks
Totals (including unclassified)	100.0	\$183.25	16.8
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	2.2	209.46	16.3
Mining	5.9	239.72	18.7
Utilities	0.5	234.07	20.0
Construction	8.2	217.35	16.6
Manufacturing	31.8	166.76	15.2
Wholesale Trade	1.8	193.36	18.8
Retail Trade	7.1	171.26	19.0
Transportation & Warehousing	5.9	189.12	16.8
Information	1.3	204.83	17.2
Finance & Insurance	2.7	210.36	18.5
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	0.8	195.23	17.2
Professional & Technical Services	2.6	214.56	18.0
Management of Companies	0.0	223.00	16.3
Administrative & Waste Services	3.1	186.26	19.3
Educational Services	2.8	185.26	18.0
Health Care & Social Assistance	6.8	205.53	19.1
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	0.7	150.50	18.9
Accommodation & Food Services	6.5	151.32	17.3
Other Services, except Public Admin	2.5	171.13	18.9
Public Administration	5.2	204.30	17.9
Unclassified	1.7	158.44	16.4

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

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

**Table
2.11**

**UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry
Total Intrastate and Interstate, 2003**

Industry	Number of Weeks Paid	Number of First Payments	Amount of (\$) Payments
Totals (including unclassified)	743,913	49,061	\$127,960,703
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	9,079	664	1,724,135
Mining	33,169	1,943	7,440,978
Utilities	3,639	242	714,617
Construction	109,619	7,740	22,351,487
Manufacturing	89,577	5,885	13,999,656
Wholesale Trade	12,056	768	2,246,594
Retail Trade	78,287	5,096	12,219,039
Transportation & Warehousing	51,446	3,404	8,839,046
Information	9,353	591	1,842,206
Finance & Insurance	16,446	1,042	2,968,727
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	16,088	1,011	2,689,402
Professional & Technical Services	18,435	1,312	3,578,003
Management of Companies	351	20	77,402
Administrative & Waste Services	32,507	2,112	5,369,975
Educational Services	23,402	1,559	3,735,049
Health Care & Social Assistance	52,013	3,365	9,532,509
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	8,436	573	1,190,154
Accommodation & Food Services	69,639	4,865	9,515,780
Other Services, except Public Admin	28,290	1,826	4,622,915
Public Administration	72,637	4,724	11,851,103
Unclassified	9,444	656	1,451,926
	Percent Distribution of Payments	Average Weekly (\$) Payments	Average Duration in Weeks
Totals (including unclassified)	100.0	\$172.01	15.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	1.3	189.90	13.7
Mining	5.8	224.34	17.1
Utilities	0.6	196.38	15.0
Construction	17.5	203.90	14.2
Manufacturing	10.9	156.29	15.2
Wholesale Trade	1.8	186.35	15.7
Retail Trade	9.5	156.08	15.4
Transportation & Warehousing	6.9	171.81	15.1
Information	1.4	196.96	15.8
Finance & Insurance	2.3	180.51	15.8
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2.1	167.17	15.9
Professional & Technical Services	2.8	194.09	14.1
Management of Companies	0.1	220.52	17.6
Administrative & Waste Services	4.2	165.19	15.4
Educational Services	2.9	159.60	15.0
Health Care & Social Assistance	7.4	183.27	15.5
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	0.9	141.08	14.7
Accommodation & Food Services	7.4	136.64	14.3
Other Services, except Public Admin	3.6	163.41	15.5
Public Administration	9.3	163.16	15.4
Unclassified	1.1	153.74	14.4

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

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

UI Regular Benefit Payments (Taxable and Reimbursable) by Industry Interstate as Percentage of Total, 2003

**Table
2.12**

	Number of Weeks Paid Percent	Number of First Payments Percent	Payment Amount Percent
Totals (including unclassified)	16.7	15.0	17.7
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	26.0	21.8	28.7
Mining	16.8	15.3	17.9
Utilities	12.6	9.5	15.0
Construction	7.8	6.7	8.3
Manufacturing	48.3	48.5	51.5
Wholesale Trade	17.2	14.3	17.8
Retail Trade	12.0	9.7	13.2
Transportation & Warehousing	13.8	12.4	15.2
Information	15.1	13.9	15.7
Finance & Insurance	18.0	15.4	21.0
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	6.0	5.5	7.0
Professional & Technical Services	15.0	11.7	16.6
Management of Companies	14.0	15.0	14.1
Administrative & Waste Services	11.6	9.3	13.1
Educational Services	14.4	12.1	16.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	14.3	11.6	16.1
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	12.6	9.8	13.4
Accommodation & Food Services	13.9	11.5	15.4
Other Services, except Public Admin	11.7	9.6	12.3
Public Administration	8.0	6.9	10.0
Unclassified	26.1	22.9	26.9

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

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

Table 2.13

UI Regular Benefits Payments by Census Area, 2003

Census Areas	State UI *	State UI	UCFE	UCFE	UCX	UCX	**	SSB	All
	Regular (\$)	EB (\$)	Regular (\$)	EB (\$)	Regular (\$)	EB (\$)	TEUC (\$)		Programs Total (\$)
Aleutians East Borough	\$332,594	\$55,236	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$29,973	\$0	417,803
Aleutians West CA	814,215	89,477	6,832	0	0	0	65,105	300	975,929
Anchorage Municipality	34,289,497	4,894,723	528,092	83,679	402,924	45,109	5,581,540	50,602	45,876,166
Bethel Census Area	3,247,152	640,134	10,642	1,810	9,786	3,056	637,634	38,926	4,589,140
Bristol Bay Borough	189,046	36,465	3,621	0	0	0	30,875	830	260,837
Denali Borough	557,637	108,862	76,795	12,866	0	0	45,775	301	802,236
Dillingham Census Area	735,377	138,504	0	0	0	0	162,182	5,901	1,041,964
Fairbanks North Star Bor.	11,455,462	1,622,517	384,534	30,516	249,333	23,964	1,377,142	21,190	15,164,658
Haines Borough	575,501	120,160	8,279	1,177	6,104	0	70,438	1,904	783,563
Juneau Borough	3,881,521	474,226	55,283	2,919	9,909	0	605,839	5,910	5,035,607
Kenai Peninsula Borough	10,837,715	1,984,692	123,418	21,431	26,055	0	1,636,869	23,054	14,653,234
Ketchikan Gateway Bor.	2,358,613	425,208	14,576	1,968	37,237	3,330	388,012	12,142	3,241,086
Kodiak Island Borough	3,152,022	291,493	14,127	0	13,845	2,684	151,512	3,052	3,628,735
Lake & Peninsula Bor.	295,915	37,057	5,400	2,229	0	0	32,844	2,097	375,542
Matanuska-Susitna Bor.	12,666,573	2,113,996	160,351	20,664	51,792	7,413	1,981,270	30,156	17,032,215
Nome Census Area	1,640,950	295,686	12,856	904	1,804	0	322,765	11,365	2,286,330
North Slope Borough	1,639,874	310,987	510	1,530	1,784	0	453,646	6,886	2,415,217
Northwest Arctic Borough	1,707,793	426,036	13,621	3,575	4,014	0	578,514	11,550	2,745,103
Pr. of Wales-Outer Ketch	1,514,086	258,432	2,216	944	16,937	6,989	217,818	4,589	2,022,011
Sitka Borough	1,171,065	129,163	21,561	320	5,977	0	122,193	2,112	1,452,391
Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon	908,940	156,305	18,159	6,267	1,784	0	78,302	1,633	1,171,390
Southeast Fairbanks CA	1,270,189	249,070	42,136	6,119	8,984	0	197,598	3,629	1,777,725
Valdez - Cordova CA	2,306,718	481,457	61,893	21,454	0	0	376,181	10,923	3,258,626
Wade Hampton CA	1,927,179	414,188	150	0	2,230	2,701	392,730	24,923	2,764,101
Wrangell - Petersburg CA	1,637,584	260,462	14,506	0	0	0	182,313	6,243	2,101,108
Yakutat Borough	200,179	30,864	0	0	9,846	0	16,592	0	257,481
Yukon - Koyukuk CA	1,514,279	387,263	22,880	6,938	3,900	0	336,609	6,655	2,278,524
Area Unknown	2,428,350	516,987	35,691	4,820	8,192	7,554	452,843	12,037	3,466,474
In-State Totals	105,256,026	16,949,650	1,638,129	232,130	872,437	102,800	16,488,956	298,910	141,839,038
Interstate Totals	22,704,677	2,155,639	820,097	48,509	97,643	10,495	7,190,436	11,763	33,039,259
Totals All Areas	127,960,703	19,105,289	2,458,226	280,639	970,080	113,295	23,715,550	310,673	174,914,455

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

Year	State UI *	State UI *	UCFE	UCFE	UCX	UCX	**	SSB	All
	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	Regular	EB	EUC/TEUC		Programs Total
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
1998	109,037,747	5,478,978	3,243,112	115,178	962,573	39,421	0	119,680	118,996,689
1999	117,903,392	6,842,307	2,992,843	172,629	1,129,943	56,767	0	136,217	129,234,098
2000	105,694,293	4,721,726	2,681,902	87,153	986,447	44,851	0	115,354	114,331,726
2001	109,267,895	4,507,552	2,516,390	108,500	967,571	40,899	0	106,195	117,515,002
2002	120,352,390	9,941,415	2,389,643	194,986	900,034	44,535	21,226,533	161,904	155,211,440
2003	127,960,703	19,105,289	2,458,226	280,639	970,080	113,295	23,715,550	310,673	174,914,455

* UI and UI-Combined (includes federal portion of UI-Combined).

** The EUC program expired on April 30, 1994. The TEUC program was effective March, 2002 through April, 2004.

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

UI Regular Benefit Payments to Interstate Claimants by State, 2002– 2003

**Table
2.14**

State	2002		2003	
	(\$) Regular Benefits Paid	Percent Distribution	(\$) Regular Benefits Paid	Percent Distribution
Alabama	\$161,066	0.7	\$248,042	1.1
Arizona	860,522	4.0	920,565	4.1
Arkansas	150,064	0.7	169,866	0.7
California	4,654,505	21.7	5,060,869	22.3
Colorado	345,587	1.6	395,927	1.7
Connecticut	23,804	0.1	18,522	0.1
Delaware	16,430	0.1	20,129	0.1
Dist. of Columbia	4,897	0.0	4,780	0.0
Florida	688,828	3.2	681,216	3.0
Georgia	246,168	1.1	238,055	1.0
Guam	0	0.0	0	0.0
Hawaii	556,507	2.6	569,675	2.5
Idaho	742,073	3.5	745,657	3.3
Illinois	147,948	0.7	150,267	0.7
Indiana	72,282	0.3	79,828	0.4
Iowa	47,653	0.2	74,821	0.3
Kansas	75,946	0.4	103,121	0.5
Kentucky	66,598	0.3	99,066	0.4
Louisiana	194,231	0.9	167,729	0.7
Maine	77,299	0.4	64,857	0.3
Maryland	92,312	0.4	99,246	0.4
Massachusetts	33,705	0.2	39,164	0.2
Michigan	200,970	0.9	243,670	1.1
Minnesota	243,188	1.1	257,167	1.1
Mississippi	127,893	0.6	121,614	0.5
Missouri	229,275	1.1	199,610	0.9
Montana	620,000	2.9	584,028	2.6
Nebraska	81,823	0.4	70,619	0.3
Nevada	514,372	2.4	573,546	2.5
New Hampshire	50,060	0.2	50,221	0.2
New Jersey	63,368	0.3	65,848	0.3
New Mexico	237,668	1.1	264,412	1.2
New York	175,006	0.8	169,080	0.7
North Carolina	234,144	1.1	328,469	1.4
North Dakota	119,144	0.6	91,939	0.4
Ohio	176,844	0.8	169,141	0.7
Oklahoma	297,777	1.4	277,234	1.2
Oregon	2,014,063	9.4	2,049,983	9.0
Pennsylvania	162,824	0.8	151,423	0.7
Puerto Rico	24,742	0.1	14,234	0.1
Rhode Island	17,393	0.1	21,607	0.1
South Carolina	126,617	0.6	135,106	0.6
South Dakota	54,050	0.3	56,249	0.2
Tennessee	183,507	0.9	191,095	0.8
Texas	1,052,626	4.9	1,048,999	4.6
Utah	170,845	0.8	205,233	0.9
Vermont	46,221	0.2	67,751	0.3
Virginia	144,859	0.7	131,672	0.6
Virgin Islands	5,268	0.0	1,579	0.0
Washington	4,449,595	20.7	4,805,738	21.2
West Virginia	50,982	0.2	26,753	0.1
Wisconsin	172,399	0.8	204,840	0.9
Wyoming	123,497	0.6	95,637	0.4
Canada	58,183	0.3	72,603	0.3
US Other	8,872	0.0	6,175	0.0
Total	21,496,500	100.0	22,704,677	100.0

Note: Data in this table are payments from Alaska to recipients in other states. Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: UC-217 report

Table 2.15

Payments of Dependents' Benefits, 1994-2003

Year	Number of First Pays with Dependents	All First Pays	Percent First Pays with Dependents	Weeks Compensated with Dependents	All Weeks Compensated	Percent Weeks Compensated with Dependents	(\$) Amount of Dependent Benefits	Average (\$) Payment of Dependent Benefits	
								Claimants with Dependents	All Claimants
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
1998	19,226	43,750	43.9	278,024	632,329	44.0	12,486,840	44.91	19.75
1999	20,315	45,635	44.5	305,563	679,381	45.0	13,733,040	44.94	20.21
2000	19,228	43,557	44.1	278,312	619,357	44.9	12,545,376	45.08	20.26
2001	19,099	44,017	43.4	277,275	626,241	44.3	12,523,440	45.17	19.99
2002	20,491	48,722	42.1	298,151	696,807	42.8	13,446,864	45.10	19.30
2003	20,642	49,493	41.7	311,362	729,399	42.7	13,930,008	44.74	19.10

Notes: Dependent's allowance is \$24.00 per dependent (maximum \$72.00).
Data is for state UI (regular) program only.

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

Average Weekly Unemployed Receiving UI Benefits, 2003

**Table
2.16**

State	Average Weekly Unemployed	Average Weeks Compensated	Compensated as % of Unemployed	Rank
Alabama	122,075	34,214	28.0	40
ALASKA	25,625	14,027	54.7	4
Arizona	149,475	39,875	26.7	41
Arkansas	71,000	27,813	39.2	19
California	1,173,925	480,549	40.9	16
Colorado	140,100	33,576	24.0	47
Connecticut	89,250	53,375	59.8	1
Delaware	17,025	10,145	59.6	2
Dist. of Columbia	20,475	8,291	40.5	17
Florida	422,550	99,897	23.6	51
Georgia	201,050	61,764	30.7	35
Hawaii	23,725	8,951	37.7	22
Idaho	36,775	16,162	43.9	10
Illinois	421,625	166,400	39.5	18
Indiana	160,200	55,751	34.8	28
Iowa	70,100	29,469	42.0	13
Kansas	70,775	27,437	38.8	21
Kentucky	113,550	37,916	33.4	33
Louisiana	127,425	31,781	24.9	46
Maine	33,175	11,397	34.4	29
Maryland	126,025	39,633	31.4	34
Massachusetts	192,325	101,706	52.9	6
Michigan	358,550	134,795	37.6	23
Minnesota	131,000	54,551	41.6	15
Mississippi	81,325	21,422	26.3	43
Missouri	156,175	58,016	37.1	25
Montana	20,975	8,178	39.0	20
Nebraska	37,150	12,484	33.6	32
Nevada	56,950	23,826	41.8	14
New Hampshire	30,350	7,865	25.9	44
New Jersey	253,350	127,211	50.2	7
New Mexico	53,125	12,602	23.7	50
New York	580,500	214,850	37.0	26
North Carolina	262,075	92,457	35.3	27
North Dakota	12,400	3,706	29.9	39
Ohio	350,400	105,847	30.2	37
Oklahoma	90,675	24,163	26.6	42
Oregon	142,750	62,599	43.9	11
Pennsylvania	346,300	194,135	56.1	3
Puerto Rico	166,775	39,826	23.9	49
Rhode Island	29,550	13,174	44.6	9
South Carolina	130,300	39,219	30.1	38
South Dakota	13,650	2,815	20.6	52
Tennessee	150,550	55,944	37.2	24
Texas	721,825	172,600	23.9	48
Utah	62,900	15,829	25.2	45
Vermont	14,325	7,818	54.6	5
Virginia	147,000	44,620	30.4	36
Washington	225,225	94,891	42.1	12
West Virginia	47,825	16,203	33.9	31
Wisconsin	169,050	83,935	49.7	8
Wyoming	11,200	3,837	34.3	30
United States	8,764,750	3,140,530	35.8	

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: UI Data Summary 2003, U.S. Department of Labor, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Chapter 3 Alaska's UI Benefit Financing System

Benefit Cost Rate, 1994-2003

**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 (%)
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
1998	112,764	5,943,917	1.9	10,347	1,960,524	0.5
1999	124,144	6,279,782	2.0	10,207	1,981,410	0.5
2000	111,096	6,389,605	1.7	9,273	1,999,588	0.5
2001	114,259	6,793,721	1.7	9,046	2,068,377	0.4
2002	114,736	7,230,311	1.6	9,862	2,154,236	0.5
2003	145,288	7,501,125	1.9	12,514	2,278,413	0.5

Sources: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor; Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

Table 3.2

Benefit Cost Rates by Industry

	Benefits Paid (\$)	Total Payroll (\$)	Benefit Cost Rate (%) (Lagged 1 Yr)
<u>Taxable Employers</u>	2003	2002	
Total	\$117,852,460	\$7,501,124,987	1.6
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	1,724,135		
Mining	7,440,978		
Utilities	714,617		
Construction	22,351,487		
Manufacturing	13,999,656		
Wholesale Trade	2,246,594		
Retail Trade	12,218,885		
Transportation & Warehousing	8,597,710		
Information	1,835,425		
Finance & Insurance	2,968,727		
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2,689,402		
Professional & Technical Services	3,548,972		
Management of Companies	77,402		
Administrative & Waste Services	5,369,973		
Educational Services	831,208		
Health Care & Social Assistance	7,523,856		
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,180,286		
Accommodation & Food Services	9,515,780		
Other Services, except Public Administration	4,433,080		
Public Administration	7,132,361		
Unclassified	1,451,926		
<u>Reimbursable Employers</u>			
Total	\$10,108,087	2,278,412,745	0.4
Transportation & Warehousing	241,336		
Information	6,781		
Professional & Technical Services	29,031		
Educational Services	2,903,841		
Health Care & Social Assistance	2,008,653		
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	9,868		
Other Services, except Public Administration	189,835		
Public Administration	4,718,742		

Note:
Due to the transition from the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system to the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS), comparable 2002 Total Payroll by industry is not available.

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

Trust Fund Deposits and Disbursements, 1994-2003

**Table
3.3**

DEPOSITS (\$)

Year	U.I. Tax Contributions (ex. Reimb.)	Federal Share Extended Benefits	Receipts From Reimbursable Employers	Interstate Benefits Wage Combining	Federal Emerg. Comp. 1/	Penalty & Interest 2/	Other 3/	Trust Fund Interest Earned	Total Revenue Deposited 4/
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
1998	109,544,374	2,392,600	10,491,200	1,401,321	0	4,555,936	5,689,820	13,410,177	147,485,428
1999	105,253,612	3,131,500	10,317,683	2,732,710	0	4,760,095	5,982,654	13,297,687	145,475,942
2000	110,928,171	2,016,000	9,754,979	2,425,500	0	6,765,671	5,209,934	13,465,280	150,565,535
2001	109,083,728	1,960,100	9,190,683	2,015,866	0	9,574,918	5,013,393	14,054,171	150,892,859
2002	107,100,241	3,985,800	9,654,868	17,715,300	23,256,300	9,722,188	4,825,500	14,439,725	190,699,922
2003	105,714,018	8,612,100	11,915,678	1,901,601	26,363,100	10,103,941	5,359,601	12,550,021	182,520,060

DISBURSEMENTS (\$)

Year	Regular Benefits + SSB	Extended Benefit Payments	Reimburs- able Benefit Payments	Interstate Benefits Wage Combining	Federal Emerg. Comp. 1/	Training and Building Fund	Other 3/	Total Benefits Disbursed 4/	Reserve Fund Balance 5/
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
1998	103,394,074	4,854,224	10,347,429	8,336,648	(54,352)	4,556,761	7,386,723	138,821,506	207,501,944
1999	115,358,617	6,102,710	10,207,166	8,466,554	(214,357)	4,675,030	5,915,499	150,511,220	202,466,665
2000	103,636,278	4,146,009	9,272,649	7,805,675	(263,836)	7,179,296	5,179,377	136,955,449	216,076,750
2001	104,948,376	3,872,511	9,045,948	9,381,601	(190,514)	7,189,124	5,295,069	139,542,115	227,427,495
2002	115,649,332	8,671,278	9,862,070	12,479,230	23,080,741	12,174,169	6,632,040	188,548,860	229,578,558
2003	125,467,879	17,066,115	12,513,957	13,239,427	26,565,752	10,116,699	7,987,796	212,957,625	199,140,993

1/ EUC - Emergency Unemployment Compensation: November 1991 - April 1994.

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

3/ PSE, DUA, TRA, 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 and Workforce Development, 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, 1994-2003**

Year	Payroll in Taxable Employment (\$1,000)		Ratio of Taxable to Total Payroll (%)	Tax Base (\$)	Average Employer Tax Rate		Average Employee Tax Rate	
	Total Payroll	Taxable Payroll			% of Taxable Payroll	% of Total Payroll	% of Taxable Payroll	% of Total Payroll
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
1998	6,279,782	3,995,639	63.6	24,100	2.25	1.43	0.56	0.4
1999	6,389,605	4,124,730	64.6	24,500	2.06	1.33	0.54	0.3
2000	6,793,721	4,396,916	64.7	24,800	2.14	1.39	0.54	0.3
2001	7,230,311	4,556,600	63.0	25,500	2.08	1.31	0.52	0.3
2002	7,501,125	4,722,968	63.0	26,000	1.99	1.25	0.50	0.3
2003	7,730,838	4,874,370	63.1	26,700	1.85	1.17	0.50	0.3

Sources: Alaska Statutes 23.20.175 and 23.20.290.

Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section:
Employment, Wages, and Contributions QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor;

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

Employer Accounts by Rate Type and Average Tax Rates by Industry

**Table
3.5**

2003 Employers by Rate Type

	A-Rated		B-Rated		C-Rated		Total	
	No.	% of A-Rated	No.	% of B-Rated	No.	% of C-Rated	No.	% of Grand Total
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	236	1.6	26	1.4	4	2.2	266	1.6
Mining	151	1.0	9	0.5	2	1.1	162	1.0
Construction	2,123	14.6	269	14.1	22	12.1	2,414	14.5
Manufacturing	448	3.1	36	1.9	11	6.0	495	3.0
Trans/Comm/Utilities	1,013	7.0	78	4.1	13	7.1	1,104	6.6
Trade	3,530	24.3	259	13.6	40	22.0	3,829	23.0
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	893	6.1	64	3.4	8	4.4	965	5.8
Services	5,712	39.3	491	25.7	64	35.2	6,267	37.7
Public Administration	332	2.3	7	0.4	11	6.0	350	2.1
Unclassified	114	0.8	668	35.0	7	3.8	789	4.7
Total	14,552	100.0	1,907	100.0	182	100.0	16,641	100.0
Percent of Grand Total		87.4		11.5		1.1		100.0

Average Employer Tax Rates

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total	2.51	2.63	2.76	2.67	2.49	2.56	2.47	2.40	2.24	2.19
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	2.93	3.03	3.10	3.02	2.81	2.84	2.73	2.68	2.49	2.47
Mining	2.86	2.97	3.12	2.99	2.76	2.89	2.80	2.71	2.41	2.45
Construction	3.21	3.31	3.43	3.31	3.08	3.14	3.03	2.90	2.69	2.66
Manufacturing	2.81	2.89	3.07	2.95	2.74	2.81	2.67	2.62	2.41	2.36
Trans/Comm/Utilities	2.50	2.61	2.73	2.63	2.47	2.53	2.48	2.42	2.24	2.21
Trade	2.45	2.57	2.70	2.61	2.43	2.49	2.39	2.32	2.17	2.11
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	2.05	2.19	2.33	2.31	2.14	2.18	2.12	2.11	1.98	1.92
Services	2.35	2.48	2.61	2.52	2.36	2.43	2.34	2.28	2.14	2.08
Public Administration	2.36	2.45	2.55	2.45	2.32	2.41	2.30	2.28	2.15	2.14
Unclassified	2.80	2.77	3.02	2.89	2.71	2.74	2.62	2.50	2.46	2.30

A-rated firms are those which have been subject to the Employment Security Act for four or more quarters and qualify for a rate determination based on their quarterly payroll experience. Employers are assigned to rate classes 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 employers with higher 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 and Workforce Development, 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 2004

Tax Rate Calculations

	SFY 2000	SFY 2001	SFY 2002	SFY 2003
(1) Benefit Cost (Ben-Reimb-Int)		\$98,503,603	\$92,691,519	\$123,916,647
(2) Total Payroll (taxable employers)	6,630,911,665	6,998,331,083	7,357,892,192	7,579,697,940
(3) Taxable Payroll				4,807,314,343
(4) Benefit Cost for 3 Prev SFY				\$315,111,769
(5) Total Payroll, First 3 of Last 4 SFY				\$20,987,134,940
(6) 3-Yr Benefit Cost/Total Payroll (4)/(5)				0.015015
(7) Taxable/Total Payroll, Last SFY				0.634236
(8) Average Benefit Cost Rate (6)/(7)				0.023673
(9) UI Trust Fund Balance, Sep 30				\$206,201,463
(10) Total Payroll, Last SFY				\$7,579,697,940
(11) UI Trust Fund Reserve Rate (9)/(10)				0.027204
(12) Solvency Adjustment				0.003
(13) Average Employer Tax Rate as a Percent of Taxable Payroll (0.80 x ABCR) + TFSA = (0.80 x #8) + #12				2.19%
(14) Average Employee Tax Rate: (0.20 x ABCR) = (0.20 x #8)				0.50%

Tax Rates for Employees and Experience Rated Employers

Rate Class	Experience Factor	Employee Tax Rate (%)	Employer Tax Rate (%)	Total Tax Rate (%)
1	0.40	0.50	1.06	1.56
2	0.45	0.50	1.15	1.65
3	0.50	0.50	1.25	1.75
4	0.55	0.50	1.34	1.84
5	0.60	0.50	1.44	1.94
6	0.65	0.50	1.53	2.03
7	0.70	0.50	1.63	2.13
8	0.80	0.50	1.82	2.32
9	0.90	0.50	2.00	2.50
10	1.00	0.50	2.19	2.69
11	1.00	0.50	2.19	2.69
12	1.10	0.50	2.38	2.88
13	1.20	0.50	2.57	3.07
14	1.30	0.50	2.76	3.26
15	1.35	0.50	2.86	3.36
16	1.40	0.50	2.95	3.45
17	1.45	0.50	3.05	3.55
18	1.50	0.50	3.14	3.64
19	1.55	0.50	3.24	3.74
20	1.60	0.50	3.33	3.83
21	1.65	0.50	5.40	5.90

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

Administrative Costs, 1994-2003

Federal Fiscal Year*	F.U.T.A. Collections (\$1,000,000)	UIAdmin. Grants (\$1,000,000)	ESAdmin. Grants (\$1,000,000)	Total Admin. Grants	
				(\$1,000,000)	% of F.U.T.A.
1994	\$11.1	\$19.8	\$8.8	\$28.6	257.7
1995	11.4	18.8	8.6	27.4	240.4
1996	11.8	19.4	8.7	28.1	238.1
1997	12.5	19.1	8.1	27.2	217.6
1998	13.1	20.0	8.1	28.1	214.5
1999	13.1	20.0	9.4	29.4	224.4
2000	13.9	19.9	7.8	27.7	199.3
2001	14.3	20.8	7.9	28.7	200.7
2002	14.4	22.7	8.2	30.9	214.6
2003	14.4	22.7	8.1	30.8	213.9

* Federal fiscal years are 12-month periods between October 1 of one year and 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, 1994-2003**

Year	Collections (\$)			Benefits Paid (\$)			Total Collections less Benefits Paid (\$)
	Total	Private Nonprofit	Government (State & Local)	Total	Private Nonprofit	Government (State & Local)	
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
1998	10,491,200	913,961	9,577,239	10,347,429	1,648,836	8,698,593	143,771
1999	10,317,683	1,021,259	9,296,424	8,316,206	1,910,398	6,405,809	2,001,477
2000	9,754,979	995,435	8,759,545	9,272,649	1,656,099	7,616,550	482,330
2001	9,190,683	911,483	8,279,200	9,045,949	1,616,565	7,429,384	144,734
2002	9,654,868	1,095,234	8,559,634	9,862,070	1,352,348	8,509,722	-207,202
2003	11,915,678	1,270,237	10,645,441	12,513,957	1,113,841	11,400,116	-598,279
Ten-Year Total							3,863,780

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, 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, 2002-2003

BENEFITS PAID (Regular + 1/2 EB) from UC-217 Report (\$1,000)

Industry	2002	2003
Totals (including unclassified)	\$ 115,313	\$127,407
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing		1,849
Mining		8,187
Utilities		758
Construction		24,216
Manufacturing		14,754
Wholesale Trade		2,429
Retail Trade		13,020
Transportation & Warehousing		9,184
Information		1,969
Finance & Insurance		3,197
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing		2,962
Professional & Technical Services		3,826
Management of Companies		81
Administrative & Waste Services		5,820
Educational Services		1,126
Health Care & Social Assistance		8,186
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation		1,266
Accommodation & Food Services		10,141
Other Svcs, except Public Admin		4,739
Public Administration		8,152
Unclassified		1,545

TOTAL EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS ASSESSED, from QCEW Report (\$1,000)

Totals (including unclassified)	\$118,269	\$115,458
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing		1,032
Mining		6,858
Utilities		1,112
Construction		17,502
Manufacturing		8,600
Wholesale Trade		3,484
Retail Trade		13,524
Transportation & Warehouse		10,592
Information		3,193
Finance & Insurance		4,651
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing		2,489
Professional & Technical Services		6,885
Management of Companies		771
Administrative & Waste Services		5,655
Educational Services		699
Health Care & Social Assistance		10,091
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation		1,303
Accommodation & Food Services		9,909
Other Svcs, except Public Admin		3,868
Public Administration		3,102
Unclassified		139

RATIO OF BENEFITS TO PRIOR YEAR CONTRIBUTION

Totals (including unclassified)	1.1
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Note: Due to the transition from Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) to North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), comparable Ratio of Benefits to Prior Year Contributions is unavailable. 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 and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section, UC-217 and QCEW reports.

**Collections, Benefits Paid, Trust Fund Reserves and
Average Employer Tax Rate as Percentages
of Payroll, 1994-2003**

**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
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
1998	1.7	1.8	3.3	1.43	2.7	2.8	5.2	2.25
1999	1.6	1.9	3.2	1.33	2.6	3.0	4.9	2.06
2000	1.6	1.6	3.2	1.39	2.5	2.5	4.9	2.14
2001	1.5	1.6	3.1	1.31	2.4	2.5	5.0	2.08
2002	1.4	1.5	3.1	1.25	2.3	2.4	4.9	1.99
2003	1.4	1.9	2.6	1.17	2.2	3.0	4.1	1.85

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 and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section: Unemployment Insurance Financial Transaction Summary, ETA 2-112 report to the U.S. Department of Labor; Employment, Wages, and Contributions/QCEW report to the U.S. Department of Labor

**Table
3.11**

**UI Benefits Paid, Taxes Assessed,
and Covered Payroll by Industry, 2003**

	Amount of Benefits Paid (\$)		Employer and Employee Contributions Assessed (\$)	Total Payroll (\$)	Taxable Payroll (\$)	Percent of Total Payroll Taxable
	Regular	Regular Plus 1/2 EB				
Total	\$117,852,460	\$127,405,108	\$115,457,672	\$7,730,838,136	\$4,874,370,256	63.1
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	1,724,135	1,849,067	1,031,774	45,584,700	32,913,447	72.2
Mining	7,440,978	8,186,834	6,857,957	839,939,713	306,284,709	36.5
Utilities	714,617	758,278	1,112,013	114,113,747	53,414,230	46.8
Construction	22,351,487	24,216,329	17,502,055	893,230,032	571,202,079	63.9
Manufacturing	13,999,656	14,753,707	8,600,441	400,443,406	287,921,186	71.9
Wholesale Trade	2,246,594	2,428,936	3,483,571	254,387,681	154,253,891	60.6
Retail Trade	12,218,885	13,019,588	13,524,075	867,776,598	662,298,627	76.3
Transportation & Warehousing	8,597,710	9,184,007	10,592,287	845,278,111	457,595,319	54.1
Information	1,835,425	1,969,233	3,192,863	310,084,389	171,247,647	55.2
Finance & Insurance	2,968,727	3,196,628	4,650,645	383,849,852	212,294,580	55.3
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	2,689,402	2,961,919	2,489,095	144,081,886	104,610,088	72.6
Professional & Technical Services	3,548,972	3,826,050	6,884,787	507,335,045	283,810,307	55.9
Management of Companies	77,402	80,519	770,702	65,061,846	34,742,130	53.4
Administrative & Waste Services	5,369,973	5,819,524	5,655,480	326,561,978	236,770,710	72.5
Educational Services	831,208	1,126,118	699,360	49,472,855	36,363,404	73.5
Health Care & Social Assistance	7,523,856	8,185,986	10,090,584	761,324,985	514,563,501	67.6
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,180,286	1,266,383	1,302,786	59,192,248	51,907,497	87.7
Accommodations & Food Services	9,515,780	10,140,675	9,908,951	430,933,022	386,329,054	89.6
Other Services	4,433,080	4,738,803	3,867,697	238,953,610	175,007,632	73.2
Public Administration	7,132,361	8,151,837	3,101,977	187,894,234	136,800,451	72.8

**Table
3.12**

**UI Benefits Paid as a Percent of Taxes Assessed
and Covered Payroll by Industry, 2003**

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	102.1	1.5	2.4	110.3	1.6	2.6
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	167.1	3.8	5.2	179.2	4.1	5.6
Mining	108.5	0.9	2.4	119.4	1.0	2.7
Utilities	64.3	0.6	1.3	68.2	0.7	1.4
Construction	127.7	2.5	3.9	138.4	2.7	4.2
Manufacturing	162.8	3.5	4.9	171.5	3.7	5.1
Wholesale Trade	64.5	0.9	1.5	69.7	1.0	1.6
Retail Trade	90.3	1.4	1.8	96.3	1.5	2.0
Transportation & Warehousing	81.2	1.0	1.9	86.7	1.1	2.0
Information	57.5	0.6	1.1	61.7	0.6	1.1
Finance & Insurance	63.8	0.8	1.4	68.7	0.8	1.5
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	108.0	1.9	2.6	119.0	2.1	2.8
Professional & Technical Services	51.5	0.7	1.3	55.6	0.8	1.3
Management of Companies	10.0	0.1	0.2	10.4	0.1	0.2
Administrative & Waste Services	95.0	1.6	2.3	102.9	1.8	2.5
Educational Services	118.9	1.7	2.3	161.0	2.3	3.1
Health Care & Social Assistance	74.6	1.0	1.5	81.1	1.1	1.6
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	90.6	2.0	2.3	97.2	2.1	2.4
Accommodations & Food Services	96.0	2.2	2.5	102.3	2.4	2.6
Other Services	114.6	1.9	2.5	122.5	2.0	2.7
Public Administration	229.9	3.8	5.2	262.8	4.3	6.0

Notes: Reimbursable account data are excluded. Federally funded programs and federal employment are excluded.

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

APPENDIX A

DATA SOURCES AND LIMITATIONS

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 comes 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 use different selection criteria.

Differences also 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 sometimes do not sum to 100 percent 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.

This year a major transition affects tables in all three chapters. The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) has replaced the Standard Industrial Classification System (SIC). The new NAICS classification system interrupts time series data. Two categories, Construction and Mining, remain relatively unchanged in the transition from SIC to NAICS. The majority, however, are either new or include a different mix of industries.

CHAPTER 1: UI Covered Employment and Wages

Chapter 1 provides information on employment, payroll, and earnings. The major source of data is the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages report (QCEW), formerly known as ES-202 Report, a report submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The information used in QCEW is derived from quarterly payroll and employment information submitted to the

Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOLWD) by employers in Alaska. The information is also derived from DOLWD estimates for delinquent employers.

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

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 dollars during each quarter.

Throughout Chapter 1, industries are broken out according to categories established in NAICS. Specific industries, based on three-digit NAICS codes, were selected because of their relevance to the Alaska 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 (NAICS codes 921928) 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 industries other 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 & 2.14, are derived from the UC-217 report. The UC-217 report is a monthly compilation of data by 3-digit NAICS codes and 3-digit geographic area codes.

Two reports provide information for the payment data on tables 2.5-2.8 and 2.15. These data are derived from the DOLWD'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.

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

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 2.6 uses payment data from the yearly ETA 5159 report on all states compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor, Division of Actuarial Services.

Table 2.16 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 provides information on Alaska's UI Trust Fund, and Alaska's benefit financing structure. One of the major subjects of the chapter is benefit cost. Therefore, it draws heavily from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Benefit Payments by Industry and Area (UC 217) report and the QCEW quarterly reports (the USDOL's Employment, Wages, and Contributions report). In fact, several of the tables directly reproduce data reported in chapters one and two.

The other major data source for Chapter 3 is the Financial Transactions Summary (ETA 2112). This is a monthly accounting report produced by DOLWD. 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 (see 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. (See tables 3.4, 3.10, and 3.11)

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 DOLWD.