

September 2012 Employment Report

ANCHORAGE

5.8% **2012 YTD**
Unemployment Rate

5.3% **September 2012**
Unemployment Rate

YTD Labor Force Components

546 **MORE**
employed people
+

287 **FEWER**
people in labor force

833 **FEWER**
unemployed people

1,589 Avg. **INCREASE**
of jobs (YTD) for
2012 vs. 2011

0.95% **1,500** **INCREASE**
of jobs for Sept. '12 vs.
Sept. '11

Total Jobs = Goods + Services

0.93% **1,300**
More Services Producing
Jobs (YTD) in 2012
than 2011

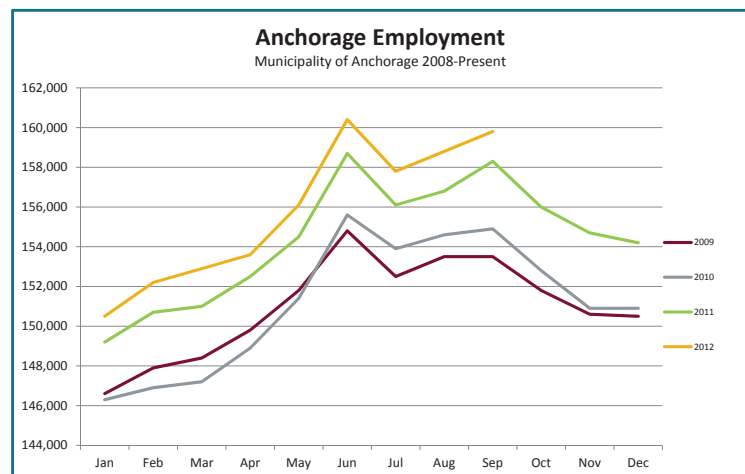
2.22% **289**
More Goods Producing
Jobs (YTD) in 2012
than 2011

Executive Summary

The year to date (YTD) non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Anchorage is down 0.1% from August, averaging 5.8%. This is 0.5% lower than the 2011 YTD average. The monthly rate has gone down 0.3% from August, and 0.7% from August 2011. The monthly unemployment rate has dropped 0.6% since the beginning of the year. The increase of 546 in the employment total during the YTD period is primarily attributed to a reduction of 833 in the unemployment total, but also encompasses a 287 person decrease in the Anchorage labor force.

It is important to note that these unemployment numbers represent the labor force residing in Anchorage, and do not include jobs in Anchorage held by residents from outside the municipality. The industry employment estimates referenced in the remainder of this report are representative of all jobs in the Municipality of Anchorage, regardless of the job holder's place of residency.

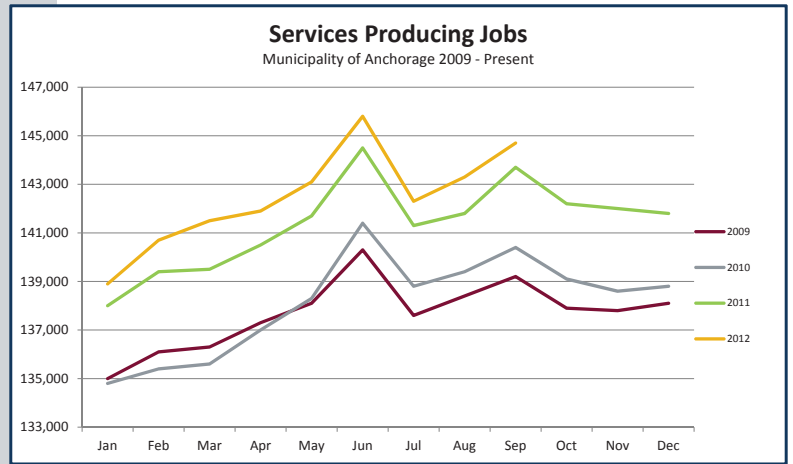
As for the Anchorage Industry Employment estimates, the YTD average has maintained its upwards momentum and has a total increase of 1,589 over 2011 YTD. Industries showing the most improved YTD growth rates from August to September include educational & health services and professional & business services. Seven of the ten major sector's September 2012 averages are above September 2011's, indicating sustained growth in many fields.



Overall, unemployment is averaging **5.8%** in Anchorage for the first 9 months of 2012, which is **0.5%** below 2011 for the same time.

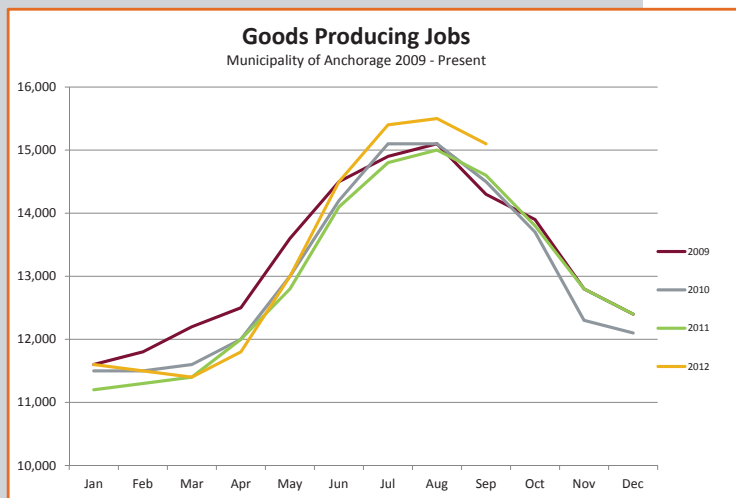
Services Producing Jobs

Services producing jobs in Anchorage (engineering, retail, tourism, healthcare, etc.) totaled 144,700 for September, the second highest monthly total in the last ten years (June 2012 was #1 at 154,800). The educational and health services sector's growth rate continues to improve with a 2.86% YTD growth (+667 jobs). YTD job averages for many other service industries are also staying positive, including transportation (+267), professional & business services (+433) and food services (+311). Though the YTD percentage change dropped 0.06% in September to 0.93%, the services sector may still achieve a 1% gain by the end of the year.



Goods Producing Jobs

Goods producing jobs, which are construction work, mining and oil & gas production (those jobs that are specifically tied to production, not those which support the production or maintenance of the production jobs) are still growing, averaging 289 more jobs in 2012 YTD over the same period in 2011. Total construction jobs in September 2012 are higher than September 2011's count by 200. If the sector averages 8,100 total jobs per month for the next three months, the construction sector will see little to no change in the annual average from 2011. The oil & gas and manufacturing sectors are continuing to show strong positive growth with YTD increases of 3.97% and 10.29%, respectively.

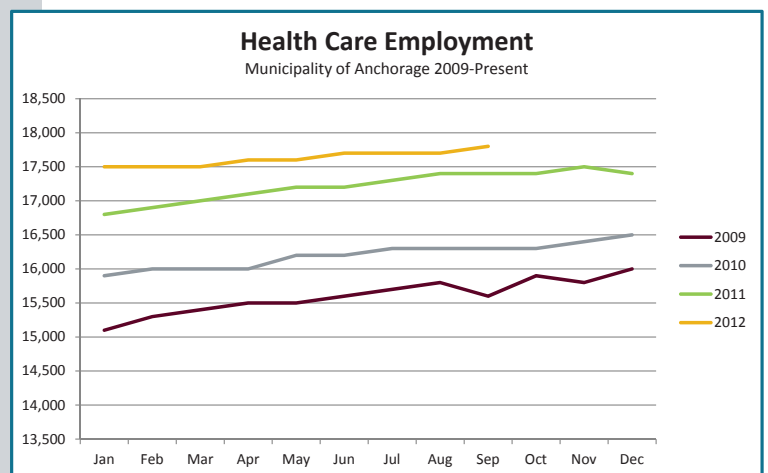


Health Care Employment

In January, AEDC predicted a growth for 2012 of 700 health care jobs. So far this year, the health care industry is averaging 478 more jobs than 2011's YTD, for a 2.79% increase. This is below the 4.02% rate of growth needed to reach the AEDC's predicted mark by the end of the year, but higher than the national average of 1.9% growth. Current employment trends indicate a continuation of this rate of growth, with 2012's annual average ending up approximately 500 jobs from 2011.

2.79% Increase of **478** jobs (YTD) in 2012 vs. 2011

10.29% **200** More Manufacturing Jobs (YTD) in 2012 than 2011



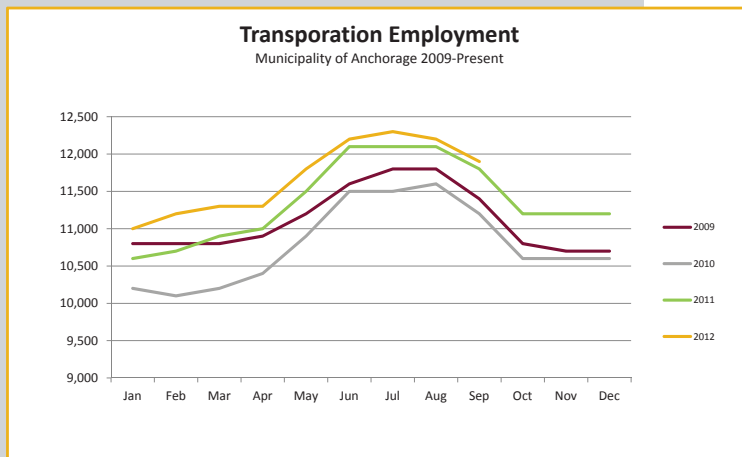
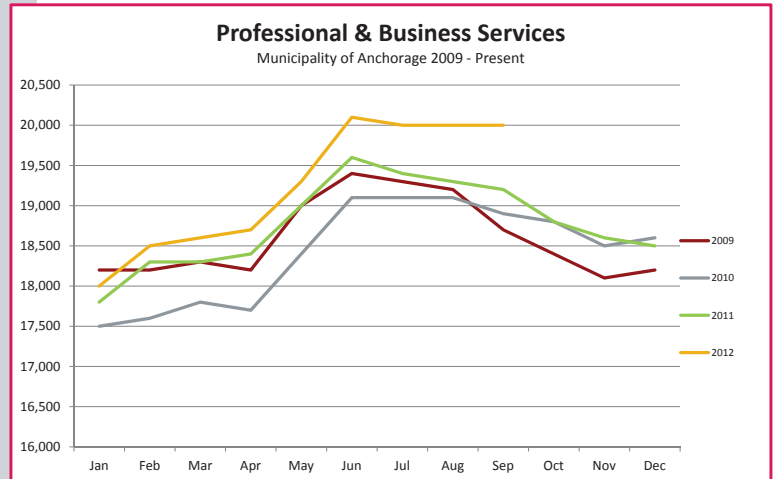
Professional & Business Services

Jobs in this sector include those in engineering, architecture, legal services, accounting, scientific research, waste management and administrative services industries. The YTD average is up 433 jobs from 2011 and the sector's growth rate has increased nearly a quarter percentage point since August. Job creation in this sector is more than twice the AEDC's January prediction of a gain of 150 jobs and shows no signs of contraction.



433

More Professional & Business Services Jobs (YTD) in 2012 vs. 2011



11,900

Transportation Jobs in September 2012

Transportation

September's preliminary estimate (11,900) continues to illustrate this industry's strong year. The 267 increase in 2012 vs. 2011 YTD is well above the AEDC predicted growth of 100 jobs. Preliminary figures from the Alaska Travel Industry Association show an increase in summer visitors this year, which may be a factor in this growth. Also, an optimistic holiday forecast from Federal Express may be a sign that the sector's upcoming fall employment levels will follow historical trends and finish the year at or above projected growth.



Increase of

2.33%

267 Transportation Jobs (YTD) in 2012 vs. 2011

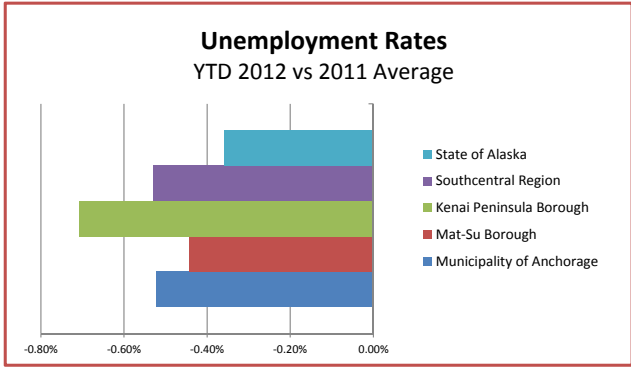
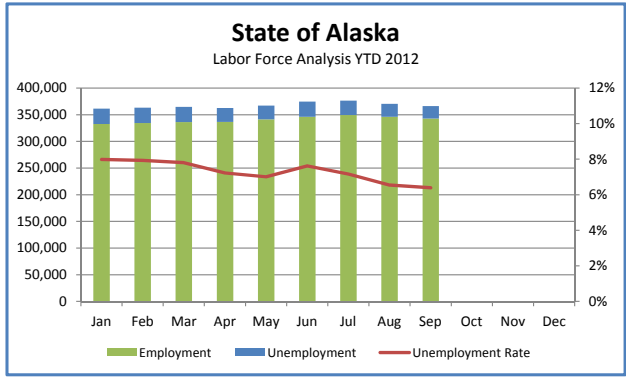
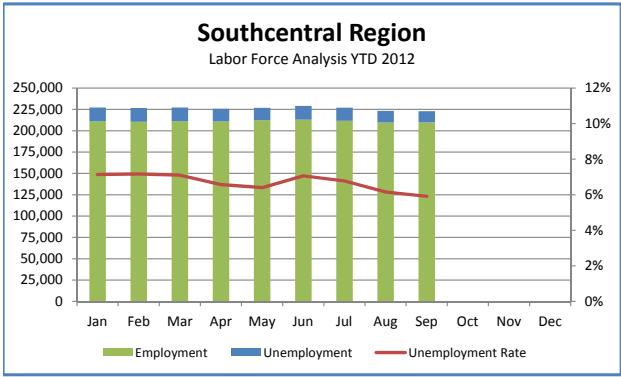
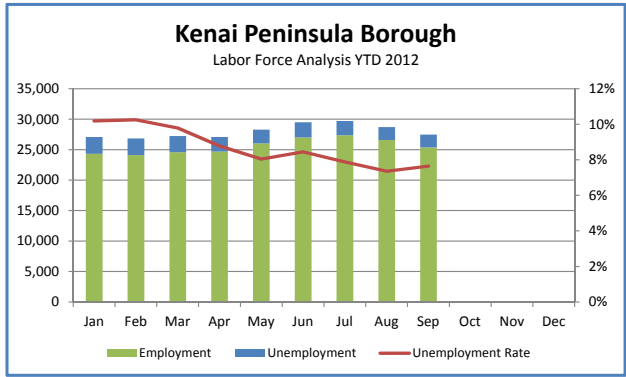
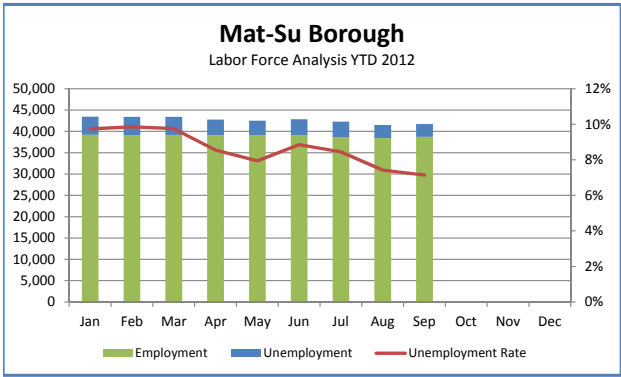
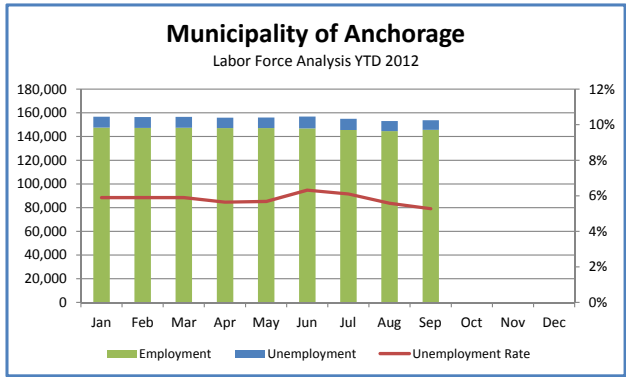
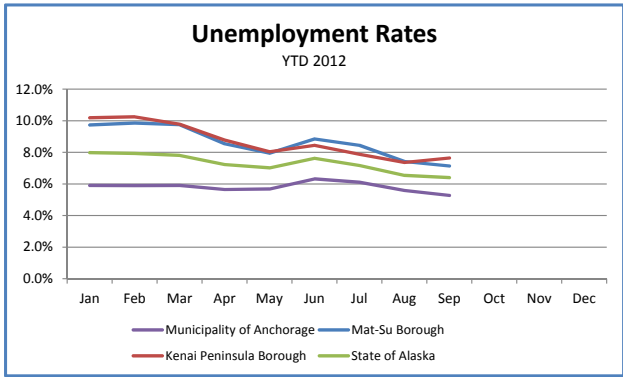


Unemployment Analysis (Year-To-Date, 2012)

• Anchorage • Mat-Su Borough • Kenai Peninsula Borough •

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	12 YTD Avg	11 YTD Avg	12 vs 11
	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	preliminary						
Municipality of Anchorage															
Labor Force	156,853	156,529	156,685	155,981	156,126	156,886	155,093	153,149	153,872				155,686	155,973	(287)
Employment	147,598	147,299	147,441	147,172	147,255	146,965	145,616	144,593	145,756				146,633	146,087	546
Unemployment	9255	9230	9244	8809	8871	9921	9,477	8,556	8,116				9,053	9,886	(833)
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	5.9%	5.9%	5.6%	5.7%	6.3%	6.1%	5.6%	5.3%				5.8%	6.3%	-0.5%
Mat-Su Borough															
Labor Force	43,471	43,437	43,434	42,783	42,526	42,865	42,285	41,521	41,729				42,672	42,721	(48)
Employment	39,238	39,158	39,196	39,125	39,146	39,070	38,711	38,439	38,748				38,981	38,836	145
Unemployment	4233	4279	4238	3658	3380	3795	3,574	3,082	2,981				3,691	3,885	(194)
Unemployment Rate	9.7%	9.9%	9.8%	8.6%	7.9%	8.9%	8.5%	7.4%	7.1%				8.6%	9.1%	-0.4%
Kenai Peninsula Borough															
Labor Force	27,083	26,863	27,259	27,088	28,308	29,497	29,707	28,714	27,492				28,001	27,930	71
Employment	24,324	24,110	24,591	24,709	26,031	27,004	27,365	26,600	25,389				25,569	25,306	263
Unemployment	2759	2753	2668	2379	2277	2493	2,342	2,114	2,103				2,432	2,624	(192)
Unemployment Rate	10.2%	10.2%	9.8%	8.8%	8.0%	8.5%	7.9%	7.4%	7.6%				8.7%	9.4%	-0.7%
Southcentral Region															
Labor Force	227,407	226,829	227,378	225,852	226,960	229,248	227,085	223,384	223,093				226,360	226,624	(265)
Employment	211,160	210,567	211,228	211,006	212,432	213,039	211,692	209,632	209,893				211,183	210,229	954
Unemployment	16,247	16,262	16,150	14,846	14,528	16,209	15,393	13,752	13,200				15,176	16,395	(1,219)
Unemployment Rate	7.1%	7.2%	7.1%	6.6%	6.4%	7.1%	6.8%	6.2%	5.9%				6.7%	7.2%	-0.5%
State of Alaska															
Labor Force	361,764	363,359	364,856	362,887	367,276	374,909	376,773	370,646	366,423				367,655	367,437	218
Employment	332,873	334,539	336,373	336,640	341,504	346,333	349,771	346,389	342,986				340,823	339,297	1,526
Unemployment	28891	28820	28483	26247	25772	28576	27,002	24,257	23,437				26,832	28,139	(1,308)
Unemployment Rate	8.0%	7.9%	7.8%	7.2%	7.0%	7.6%	7.2%	6.5%	6.4%				7.3%	7.7%	-0.4%

***Note:** These numbers reflect employment, unemployment, etc. for only those people that are residence of the specified City/Region, thus are not inclusive of people who commute to another city for their jobs. (Ex: Someone lives in Wasilla but works in Anchorage. They would be counted in the Mat-Su Borough's labor force and employment numbers, not the Municipality of Anchorage numbers)





Industry Employment Estimates 2012 Municipality of Anchorage

Industry	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2012 YTD Avg.	2011 YTD Avg.	2012 vs 2011 YTD Change	% Change
	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	preliminary							
Total Nonfarm	150,500	152,200	152,900	153,600	156,100	160,400	157,800	158,800	159,800				155,789	154,200	1,589	1.03%
Goods Producing	11,600	11,500	11,400	11,800	13,000	14,500	15,400	15,500	15,100				13,311	13,022	289	2.22%
Services Providing	138,900	140,700	141,500	141,900	143,100	145,800	142,300	143,300	144,700				142,467	141,156	1,311	0.93%
Mining and Logging ²	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,100	3,100	3,200	3,200	3,100				3,078	2,956	122	4.14%
Oil & Gas	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	3,000	2,900	2,900				2,911	2,800	111	3.97%
Construction	6,600	6,400	6,500	6,800	7,800	9,200	9,800	10,000	9,600				8,078	8,122	-44	-0.55%
Manufacturing	2,000	2,000	1,900	2,000	2,100	2,200	2,400	2,400	2,300				2,144	1,944	200	10.29%
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	32,400	32,300	32,500	32,800	33,800	34,300	34,800	34,500	33,900				33,478	33,022	456	1.38%
Wholesale Trade	4,500	4,400	4,500	4,500	4,600	4,700	4,800	4,800	4,600				4,600	4,633	-33	-0.72%
Retail Trade	16,900	16,700	16,700	17,000	17,400	17,400	17,700	17,500	17,300				17,178	16,967	211	1.24%
Trans/Warehouse/Utilities	11,000	11,200	11,300	11,300	11,800	12,200	12,300	12,200	11,900				11,689	11,422	267	2.33%
Air Transportation	3,000	2,900	3,000	3,000	3,100	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,000				3,067	2,967	100	3.37%
Information	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,800				3,889	3,989	-100	-2.51%
Financial Activities	8,600	8,700	8,800	8,800	8,900	8,900	8,800	8,700	8,600				8,756	8,922	-167	-1.87%
Professional & Business Svcs	18,000	18,500	18,600	18,700	19,300	20,100	20,000	20,000	20,000				19,244	18,811	433	2.30%
Educational & Health Services	23,600	23,800	23,900	23,800	23,900	24,000	23,900	24,400	24,400				23,967	23,300	667	2.86%
Health Care	17,500	17,500	17,500	17,600	17,600	17,700	17,700	17,700	17,800				17,622	17,144	478	2.79%
Leisure & Hospitality	16,100	16,200	16,500	16,400	16,700	17,500	17,800	17,800	17,400				16,933	16,578	356	2.14%
Accommodation	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,300	3,400	3,400	3,400				3,256	3,233	22	0.69%
Food Svcs & Drinking Places	10,500	10,600	10,800	11,000	11,300	11,700	11,800	11,800	11,600				11,233	10,922	311	2.85%
Other Services	5,700	5,700	5,800	5,900	6,000	6,300	6,000	5,700	5,600				5,856	5,811	44	0.76%
Government	30,500	31,600	31,600	31,600	30,700	30,800	27,200	28,300	31,100				30,378	30,744	-367	-1.19%
Federal Government	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,300	9,300	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400				9,378	9,567	-189	-1.97%
State Government	10,000	10,900	10,900	10,900	10,200	10,200	10,100	10,200	11,000				10,489	10,500	-11	-0.11%
State Education	2,100	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,200	2,100	1,900	2,100	2,800				2,433	2,433	0	0.00%
Local Government	11,200	11,300	11,300	11,400	11,100	11,200	7,800	8,800	10,700				10,533	10,656	-122	-1.15%
Local Education	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500	8,200	8,200	4,900	6,000	8,000				7,700	7,767	-67	-0.86%

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Quick Comparisons		
12 vs 11 Sept.	1,500	0.95%
12 vs 11 1st Qtr	1,567	1.04%
12 vs 11 2nd Qtr	1,467	0.94%
12 vs 11 3rd Qtr.	1,733	1.10%
12 vs 11 4th Qtr.	n/a	n/a



Industry Employment Estimates 2012 State of Alaska

Industry	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2012 YTD Avg.	2011 YTD Avg.	2012 vs 2011 YTD Change	% Change
	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	revised	preliminary						
Total Nonfarm	309,200	317,100	319,900	321,100	349,600	350,300	353,100	351,800	342,900				335,000	331,989	3,011	0.91%
Goods Producing	36,800	38,900	39,700	38,700	48,700	49,100	56,100	53,200	46,500				45,300	46,378	-1,078	-2.32%
Services Providing	272,400	278,200	280,200	282,400	290,300	300,900	297,000	298,600	296,400				288,489	285,611	2,878	1.01%
Mining and Logging ²	15,400	16,000	16,100	16,300	16,600	17,200	17,300	17,400	17,300				16,622	15,867	756	4.76%
Mining	15,300	15,700	15,800	15,900	16,100	16,700	16,900	17,000	17,000				16,267	15,578	689	4.42%
Oil & Gas	12,800	13,200	13,200	13,200	13,300	13,400	13,500	13,500	13,500				13,289	12,922	367	2.84%
Construction	11,600	11,500	11,400	11,600	13,100	15,300	16,000	16,000	15,300				13,533	15,533	-2,000	-12.88%
Manufacturing	9,800	11,400	12,200	10,800	10,000	16,200	22,800	19,800	13,900				14,100	14,978	-878	-5.86%
Seafood Processing	7,000	8,600	8,900	7,600	6,600	12,600	21,100	17,700	11,800				11,322	11,433	-111	-0.97%
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	59,600	59,700	60,300	61,800	65,600	68,200	69,200	69,300	66,500				64,467	63,822	644	1.01%
Wholesale Trade	5,900	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,100	6,400	7,000	7,000	6,900				6,367	6,300	67	1.06%
Retail Trade	33,900	33,500	33,600	34,700	36,300	37,100	37,400	37,200	35,900				35,511	35,622	-111	-0.31%
Food & Beverage Stores	6,100	6,200	6,100	6,300	6,400	6,500	6,500	6,400	6,300				6,311	6,200	111	1.79%
General Merchandise Stores	9,800	9,500	9,400	9,600	10,100	10,600	10,800	10,400	9,900				10,011	9,844	167	1.69%
Trans/Warehouse/Utilities	19,800	20,200	20,700	21,100	23,200	24,700	24,800	25,100	23,700				22,589	21,900	689	3.15%
Air Transportation	5,500	5,400	5,500	5,600	6,000	6,500	6,500	6,400	6,200				5,956	5,844	111	1.90%
Information	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,400	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,400				6,389	6,378	11	0.17%
Telecommunications	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,100	4,200	4,100	4,100	4,000				4,100	4,133	-33	-0.81%
Financial Activities	14,500	14,700	14,600	14,500	14,700	15,500	15,700	15,400	15,200				14,978	14,778	200	1.35%
Professional & Business Svcs	25,800	27,100	27,200	27,300	28,300	29,800	29,100	29,100	28,900				28,067	27,467	600	2.18%
Educational & Health Services	45,500	45,900	46,200	46,400	46,400	46,400	46,200	46,100	46,000				46,122	44,189	1,933	4.38%
Health Care	31,800	32,100	32,000	32,300	32,300	32,400	32,500	32,600	32,300				32,256	31,378	878	2.80%
Leisure & Hospitality	27,900	28,300	28,900	29,400	33,300	38,800	39,900	40,300	36,200				33,667	33,578	89	0.26%
Accommodation	5,700	5,800	6,100	6,200	7,100	9,600	10,400	10,500	8,900				7,811	8,378	-567	-6.76%
Food Svcs & Drinking Places	18,200	18,300	18,500	18,800	20,900	23,000	23,000	23,400	21,600				20,633	20,311	322	1.59%
Other Services	10,600	10,700	10,900	10,900	11,100	11,500	11,100	11,100	11,000				10,989	11,122	-133	-1.20%
Government	82,200	85,500	85,800	85,800	84,500	84,200	79,300	80,800	86,200				83,811	84,278	-467	-0.55%
Federal Government	15,900	16,000	16,100	16,200	16,600	16,900	17,000	16,800	16,400				16,433	17,256	-822	-4.76%
State Government	24,100	26,400	26,500	26,600	25,700	25,000	24,800	25,200	26,700				25,667	25,700	-33	-0.13%
State Education	6,500	8,600	8,600	8,600	7,400	6,300	5,800	6,600	8,400				7,422	7,422	0	0.00%
Local Government	42,200	43,100	43,200	43,000	42,200	42,300	37,500	38,800	43,100				41,711	41,322	389	0.94%
Local Education	25,200	25,600	25,700	25,800	24,700	23,800	18,900	20,500	25,200				23,933	23,556	378	1.60%
Tribal Government ¹	3,700	3,700	3,700	3,800	3,800	4,100	4,500	4,300	4,300				3,989	3,778	211	5.59%

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12 vs 11 4th Qtr	N/A	N/A

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Unemployment rate at 7.5 percent in September

Alaska's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell two-tenths of a percentage point in September to 7.5 percent. August's rate was revised down one-tenth of a percentage point to 7.7 percent.

September's decline ended a four-month stretch of rate increases. Rates so far in 2012 — which will be revised at the end of the year when more information is available — do not show a clear trend up or down.

The national seasonally adjusted rate was 7.8 percent in September, down from August's 8.1 percent. The U.S. rate remains about a percentage point above its 10-year average, while Alaska's is near its 10-year average.

Seasonally adjusting Alaska's unemployment rate allows it to be compared to the national rate. Seasonal adjustment attempts to smooth out typical seasonal changes in the numbers so nonseasonal trends in the economy can be identified.

Alaska's not-seasonally adjusted rate was 6.4 percent in September, down slightly from August's revised rate of 6.5 percent. September 2011's not-seasonally adjusted rate was 6.9 percent.

Across the state, the not-seasonally adjusted rates fell over the year in five of six regions. The largest decline was in the Anchorage/Mat-Su region, where the rate declined from 6.3 percent in September 2011 to 5.7 percent for September 2012. September's rate was also down from last year in the Northern, Southeast, Gulf Coast and



	9/12	8/12	9/11
Alaska	7.5%	7.7%	7.6%
U.S.	7.8%	8.1%	9.0%

Sources for graph and table: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section; and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

For detailed employment estimates, see labor.alaska.gov/research/ces/ces.htm. The estimates are preliminary and subject to potentially large revisions.

Interior regions. In Southwest Alaska, the only region with an over-the-year increase, the rate rose from 11.8 percent in September 2011 to 12.8 percent in September 2012.

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Research and Analysis Web site: laborstats.alaska.gov

Labor Force by Borough and Census Area, Not Seasonally Adjusted¹

	Civilian Labor Force			Unemployed					
	9/12 ^P	8/12	9/11	Number			Rate		
				9/12 ^P	8/12	9/11	9/12 ^P	8/12	9/11
Alaska Statewide	366,423	370,646	369,025	23,437	24,257	25,437	6.4	6.5	6.9
Anchorage/Mat-Su Region	195,601	194,670	198,178	11,097	11,638	12,564	5.7	6.0	6.3
Municipality of Anchorage	153,872	153,149	155,935	8,116	8,556	9,302	5.3	5.6	6.0
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	41,729	41,521	42,243	2,981	3,082	3,262	7.1	7.4	7.7
Gulf Coast Region	40,596	42,488	40,951	2,872	2,894	3,076	7.1	6.8	7.5
Kenai Peninsula Borough	27,492	28,714	27,721	2,103	2,114	2,275	7.6	7.4	8.2
Kodiak Island Borough	7,405	7,509	7,488	367	400	405	5.0	5.3	5.4
Valdez-Cordova Census Area	5,699	6,265	5,742	402	380	396	7.1	6.1	6.9
Interior Region	56,173	56,278	56,060	3,444	3,572	3,733	6.1	6.3	6.7
Denali Borough	1,860	2,353	1,918	98	98	95	5.3	4.2	5.0
Fairbanks North Star Borough	47,477	46,973	47,262	2,570	2,701	2,824	5.4	5.8	6.0
Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	3,616	3,734	3,625	347	342	352	9.6	9.2	9.7
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	3,220	3,218	3,255	429	431	462	13.3	13.4	14.2
Northern Region	12,897	12,568	12,638	1,258	1,290	1,271	9.8	10.3	10.1
Nome Census Area	4,258	4,042	4,194	481	495	491	11.3	12.2	11.7
North Slope Borough	5,504	5,408	5,394	310	312	315	5.6	5.8	5.8
Northwest Arctic Borough	3,135	3,118	3,050	467	483	465	14.9	15.5	15.2
Southeast Region	42,186	44,727	42,000	2,345	2,424	2,520	5.6	5.4	6.0
Haines Borough	1,768	2,000	1,760	85	84	93	4.8	4.2	5.3
Hoonah-Angoon Census Area	1,379	1,483	1,351	165	155	150	12.0	10.5	11.1
Juneau, City and Borough of	18,480	18,790	18,414	805	856	886	4.4	4.6	4.8
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	9,194	9,740	9,134	487	493	503	5.3	5.1	5.5
Petersburg Census Area	1,790	1,953	1,785	122	151	138	6.8	7.7	7.7
Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area	2,653	2,823	2,633	338	321	347	12.7	11.4	13.2
Sitka, City and Borough of	4,618	5,465	4,617	224	239	258	4.9	4.4	5.6
Skagway, Municipality of	797	874	810	19	24	41	2.4	2.7	5.1
Wrangell, City and Borough of	1,159	1,242	1,144	80	76	79	6.9	6.1	6.9
Yakutat, City and Borough of	348	357	352	20	25	25	5.7	7.0	7.1
Southwest Region	18,969	19,916	19,199	2,421	2,439	2,275	12.8	12.2	11.8
Aleutians East Borough	1,244	1,364	1,254	141	126	125	11.3	9.2	10.0
Aleutians West Census Area	3,029	3,264	3,044	238	227	200	7.9	7.0	6.6
Bethel Census Area	7,137	6,958	7,242	1,122	1,141	1,076	15.7	16.4	14.9
Bristol Bay Borough	1,188	1,815	1,214	36	40	35	3.0	2.2	2.9
Dillingham Census Area	2,174	2,554	2,228	200	208	209	9.2	8.1	9.4
Lake and Peninsula Borough	1,272	1,201	1,303	71	71	79	5.6	5.9	6.1
Wade Hampton Census Area	2,925	2,760	2,914	613	626	551	21.0	22.7	18.9

P = Preliminary. As more information becomes available, data are revised every month for the previous month and again at the end of every calendar year.

Note: The official definition of unemployment excludes anyone who has not made an active attempt to find work in the four-week period up to and including the week that includes the 12th of the reference month. Many in rural Alaska do not meet the definition because they have not conducted an active job search due to the scarcity of employment opportunities.

¹Unemployment rates that are not seasonally adjusted should not be compared with those that are.

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