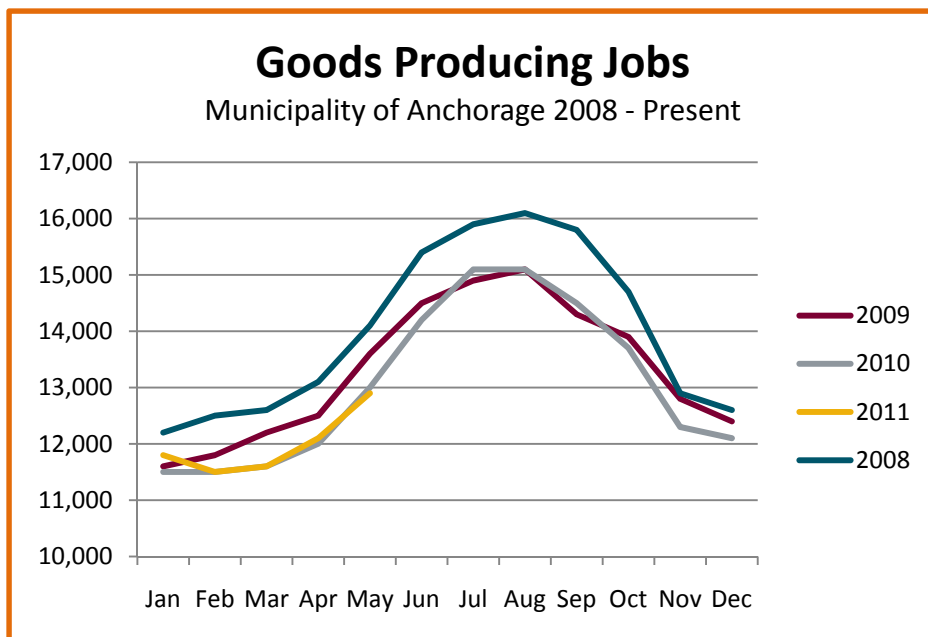
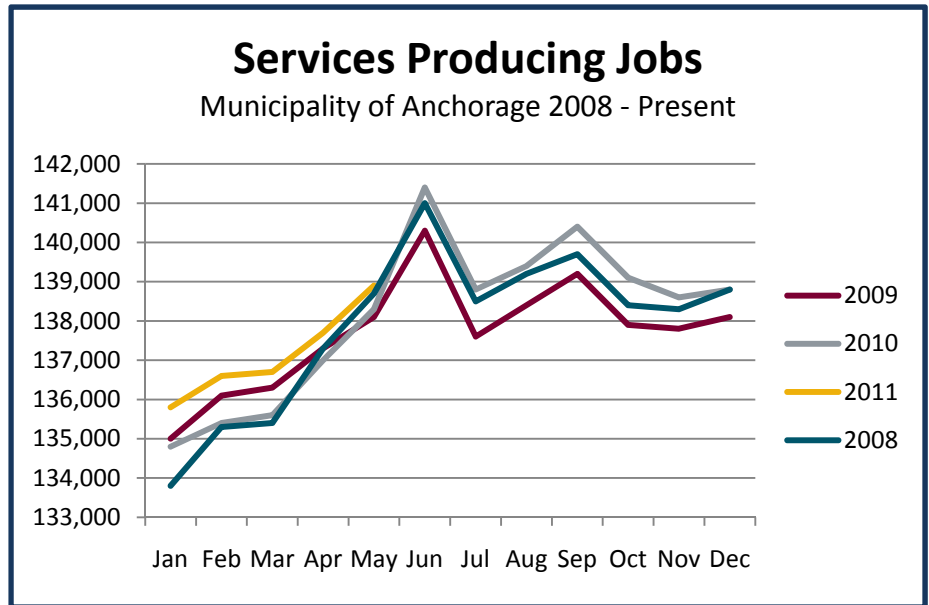


AEDC May 2011 Employment Report

Executive Summary

The unemployment rate in Anchorage was down 1.5 percentage points in April 2011 from its recent high of 7.7 percent in February 2010, settling at a two-and-a-half-year low of 6.2 percent. Overall unemployment is averaging 6.4 percent in Anchorage in 2011, which is 0.1% below 2009 and almost a full percentage point below the 2010 year-to-date average. Monthly labor force growth in Anchorage has slowed, but the city is averaging 747 more workers in 2011, compared to 2010. Job growth continues to outpace labor force growth, hence we see the Anchorage unemployment rate at an impressive low unseen since 2008. Employment is on the rise here in Anchorage.

The sectors seeing the most growth in 2010 are professional services (up 360, 2.02%), and education and healthcare (up 820 jobs, 3.82%, with 700 of those in the healthcare sector). It is also important to note that the seasonal nature of the services industries (tourism and retail) results in an employment spike in the summertime.

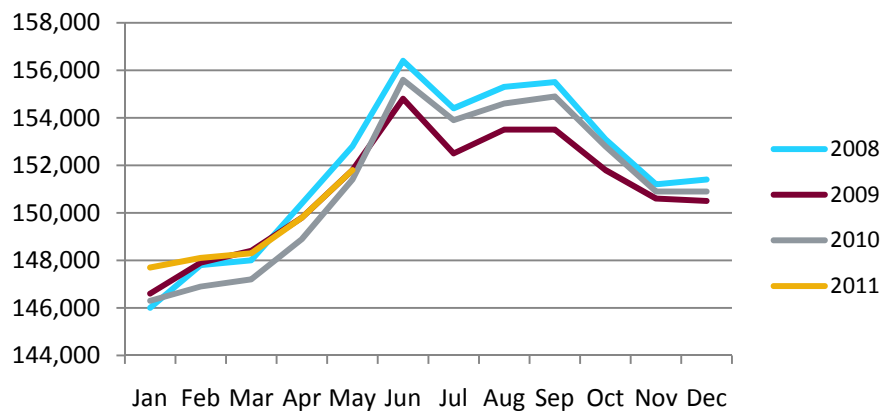


The overall picture is that services producing jobs in Anchorage (engineering, retail, tourism, healthcare, etc.) are up 2011 over 2010 by 920 jobs, or 0.68 percent. Goods producing jobs which are construction work, mining, and oil & gas production are up a modest 60 jobs, or .5 percent. The decline in oil-and-gas jobs since 2008 has slowed the growth of the goods producing sector, but recently employment has begun to rebound. The slow job growth in the goods producing sector is being offset by significant employment increases in the service sector. Job growth in the professional services and health care industries has fueled the sustained

decrease in Anchorage's unemployment rate. It is important that the service industries continue to grow, as goods industries, specifically oil and gas production, continue to underperform compared to recent years.

Anchorage Employment

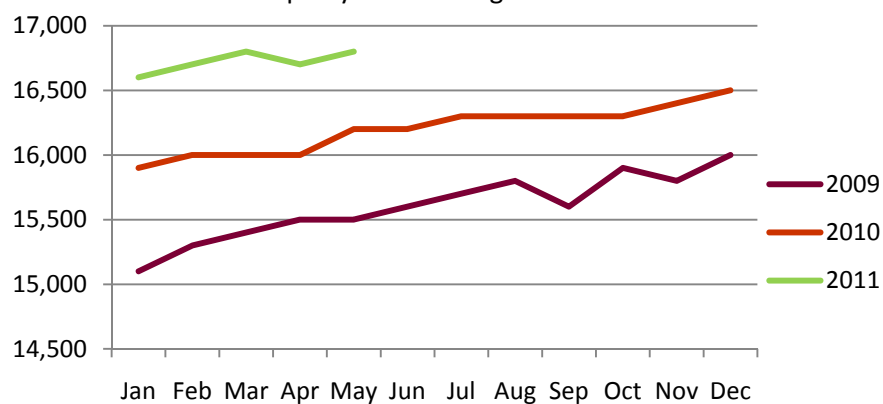
Municipality of Anchorage 2008-Present



Preliminary numbers for Anchorage's employment show an average increase of 2,152 jobs for 2011 vs. 2010, with a month-to-month (May 11 vs. May 10) comparison showing an increase of 700 jobs. The employment numbers are still showing growth over the highs of 2008, but are slowing down.

Health Care Employment

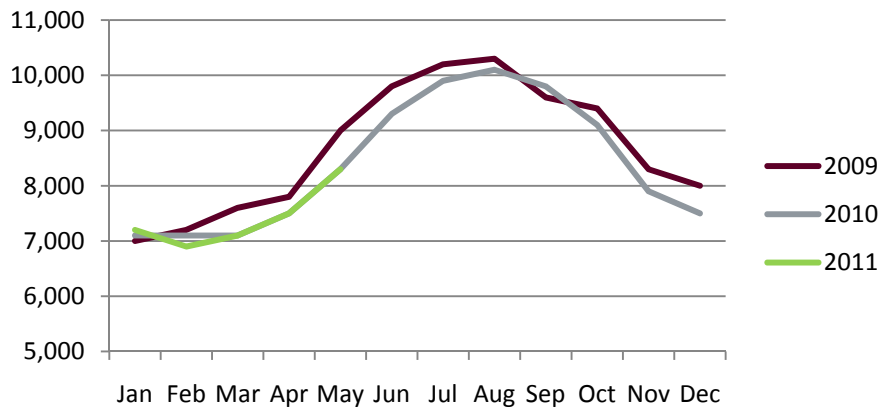
Municipality of Anchorage 2009-Present



In January we were averaging 16,600 Health Care jobs, in May we averaged 16,800 jobs. Compared to 2010 this is a growth of about 700 jobs, or about 4.4 percent growth. This continues to be a hot sector for growth. Recent employment figures and long-term projections lead us to believe that the growth will be sustained.

Construction Employment

Municipality of Anchorage 2009-Present

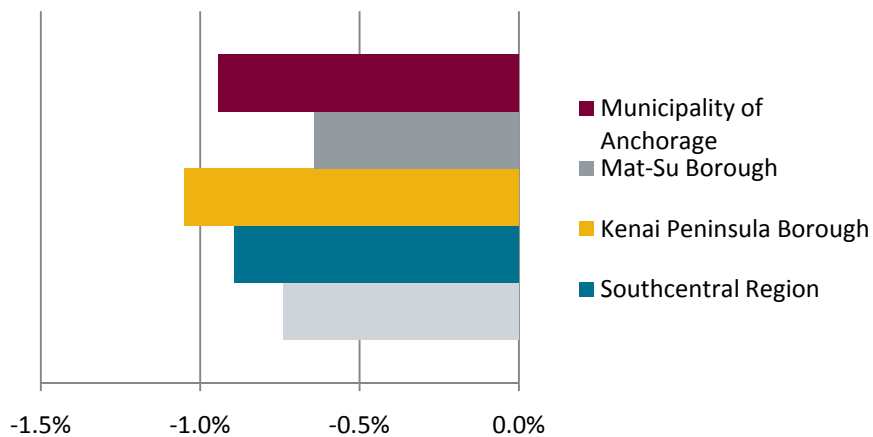


Construction is a naturally cyclical industry. On average year-to-date this sector is down only 20 jobs. April to May showed an increase of some 800 jobs which puts 2011 construction employment right on track with 2010 levels.

Furthermore, permit application values for larger projects are picking up. We are expecting overall growth over 2010 numbers in this sector.

Unemployment Rates

YTD 2011 vs 2010 Average



Year-to-date 2011 vs. 2010 average unemployment rates are down for the state overall. Each of the regions tracked saw a least a 0.6% decrease in their YTD average unemployment rates, with Anchorage seeing a decrease of almost a full percentage point.

This is great news for Anchorage, where the labor force has grown by an average of 747 workers YTD. Not only are more people seeking jobs, but they are getting hired as well. This is evident by the large fall in Anchorage's unemployment rate.



Unemployment Analysis (Year-To-Date, 2011)

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

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	11 YTD Avg	10 YTD Avg	11 vs 10
Municipality of Anchorage	revised	revised	revised	revised	preliminary										
Labor Force	156,242	155,238	155,438	154,487	154,432								155,167	154,421	747
Employment	145,940	145,163	145,353	144,900	144,867								145,245	143,093	2,152
Unemployment	10,302	10,075	10,085	9,587	9,565								9,923	11,328	(1,405)
Unemployment Rate	6.6%	6.5%	6.5%	6.2%	6.2%								6.4%	7.3%	-0.9%
Mat-Su Borough															
Labor Force	43,892	43,546	43,527	42,882	42,626								43,295	42,919	376
Employment	39,289	39,080	39,131	39,009	39,000								39,102	38,522	579
Unemployment	4,603	4,466	4,396	3,873	3,626								4,193	4,396	(204)
Unemployment Rate	10.5%	10.3%	10.1%	9.0%	8.5%								9.7%	10.2%	-0.6%
Kenai Peninsula Borough															
Labor Force	26,172	26,206	26,481	26,584	27,871								26,663	26,688	(26)
Employment	23,108	23,220	23,581	23,970	25,448								23,865	23,608	257
Unemployment	3,064	2,986	2,900	2,614	2,423								2,797	3,080	(283)
Unemployment Rate	11.7%	11.4%	11.0%	9.8%	8.7%								10.5%	11.5%	-1.0%
Southcentral Region															
Labor Force	226,306	224,990	225,446	223,953	224,929	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	225,125	224,028	1,097
Employment	208,337	207,463	208,065	207,879	209,315	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208,212	205,223	2,988
Unemployment	17,969	17,527	17,381	16,074	15,614	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,913	18,805	(1,892)
Unemployment Rate	7.9%	7.8%	7.7%	7.2%	6.9%								7.5%	8.4%	-0.9%
State of Alaska															
Labor Force	359,660	360,092	360,689	358,461	364,284								360,637	358,468	2,169
Employment	328,621	329,908	330,979	330,936	337,369								331,563	326,921	4,642
Unemployment	31,039	30,184	29,710	27,525	26,915								29,075	31,548	(2,473)
Unemployment Rate	8.6%	8.4%	8.2%	7.7%	7.4%								8.1%	8.8%	-0.7%

***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 2011

Municipality of Anchorage

Industry	Jan revised	Feb revised	Mar revised	Apr revised	May preliminary	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2011 YTD Avg.	2010 YTD Avg.	2011 vs 2010 Monthly Avg	% Change
Total Nonfarm	147,700	148,100	148,300	149,800	151,800								149,140	148,140	1,000	0.68%
Goods Producing	11,800	11,500	11,600	12,100	12,900								11,980	11,920	60	0.50%
Services Providing	135,800	136,600	136,700	137,700	138,900								137,140	136,220	920	0.68%
Mining and Logging ²	2,800	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,800								2,780	2,720	60	2.21%
Mining	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700								2,700	2,720	-20	-0.74%
Oil & Gas	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,600	2,500								2,520	2,600	-80	-3.08%
Construction	7,200	6,900	7,100	7,500	8,300								7,400	7,420	-20	-0.27%
Manufacturing	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,900								1,860	1,820	40	2.20%
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	31,000	30,600	31,000	31,500	32,400								31,300	31,660	-360	-1.14%
Wholesale Trade	4,300	4,300	4,400	4,400	4,500								4,380	4,460	-80	-1.79%
Retail Trade	16,700	16,400	16,600	16,800	17,100								16,720	16,820	-100	-0.59%
Trans/Warehouse/Utilities	10,000	9,900	10,100	10,300	10,900								10,240	10,360	-120	-1.16%
Air Transportation	2,800	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,900								2,800	2,820	-20	-0.71%
Information	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,100								4,020	4,020	0	0.00%
Financial Activities	8,800	8,800	8,700	8,900	8,900								8,820	8,780	40	0.46%
Professional & Business Svcs	17,800	18,100	18,200	18,100	18,600								18,160	17,800	360	2.02%
Educational & Health Services	22,200	22,300	22,300	22,300	22,400								22,300	21,480	820	3.82%
Health Care	16,600	16,700	16,800	16,700	16,800								16,720	16,020	700	4.37%
Leisure & Hospitality	15,100	15,400	15,500	15,600	16,000								15,520	15,240	280	1.84%
Accommodation	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,200								3,120	3,100	20	0.65%
Food Svcs & Drinking Places	10,000	10,200	10,400	10,600	10,900								10,420	10,180	240	2.36%
Other Services	5,500	5,500	5,400	5,600	5,700								5,540	5,500	40	0.73%
Government	31,500	31,900	31,400	31,800	30,800								31,480	31,740	-260	-0.82%
Federal Government	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,400	9,400								9,460	9,660	-200	-2.07%
State Government	10,500	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,200								10,620	10,560	60	0.57%
State Education	2,600	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,000								2,660	2,580	80	3.10%
Local Government	11,400	11,600	11,200	11,600	11,200								11,400	11,480	-80	-0.70%
Local Education	8,400	8,600	8,300	8,700	8,300								8,460	8,560	-100	-1.17%
Tribal Government ¹	-	-	-	-	-								-	-		

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

Quick Comparisons		
11 vs 10 May	400	0.26%
11 vs 10		
1st Qtr	1,233	0.84%
11 vs 10		
2nd Qtr YTD	650	0.22%
11 vs 10 3rd		
Qtr.	N/A	N/A
11 vs 10 4th		
Qtr.	N/A	N/A

* **Note:** The above numbers are representative of all people employed in the Municipality of Anchorage, this is inclusive of workers who claim residence outside of the Municipality of Anchorage. (Ex: someone who lives in the Mat-Su, but works in Anchorage would be included in these number)



Industry Employment Estimates 2011

State of Alaska

Industry	Jan revised	Feb revised	Mar revised	Apr revised	May preliminary	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2011 YTD Avg.	2010 YTD Avg.	2011 vs 2010 Monthly Avg	% Change
Total Nonfarm	310,500	315,500	317,400	321,400	328,400								318,640	311,900	6,740	2.16%
Goods Producing	38,600	40,100	41,000	40,300	42,200								40,440	39,400	1,040	2.64%
Services Providing	271,900	275,400	276,400	281,100	286,200								278,200	272,500	5,700	2.09%
Mining and Logging ²	15,100	15,400	15,700	16,000	16,300								15,700	14,560	1,140	7.83%
Mining	14,900	15,200	15,400	15,600	15,900								15,400	14,340	1,060	7.39%
Oil & Gas	13,000	12,900	12,900	13,100	13,200								13,020	12,180	840	6.90%
Construction	12,300	12,200	12,800	14,500	15,900								13,540	13,780	-240	-1.74%
Manufacturing	11,200	12,500	12,500	9,800	10,000								11,200	11,060	140	1.27%
Seafood Processing	7,500	8,700	9,000	6,400	6,300								7,580	7,600	-20	-0.26%
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	60,600	60,400	60,900	62,700	65,800								62,080	60,220	1,860	3.09%
Wholesale Trade	5,900	5,900	6,000	6,000	6,200								6,000	6,040	-40	-0.66%
Retail Trade	34,200	33,800	33,900	35,100	36,300								34,660	34,360	300	0.87%
Food & Beverage Stores	5,900	6,000	5,900	6,100	6,100								6,000	6,120	-120	-1.96%
General Merchandise Stores	9,800	9,800	9,700	10,000	10,000								9,860	9,800	60	0.61%
Trans/Warehouse/Utilities	20,500	20,700	21,000	21,600	23,300								21,420	19,820	1,600	8.07%
Air Transportation	5,100	5,300	5,500	5,600	6,100								5,520	5,400	120	2.22%
Truck Transportation	3,000	3,200	3,300	3,300	3,300								3,220	2,960	260	8.78%
Information	6,300	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,500								6,400	6,280	120	1.91%
Telecommunications	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,300	4,300								4,240	4,100	140	3.41%
Financial Activities	15,000	15,000	15,100	15,100	14,900								15,020	14,540	480	3.30%
Professional & Business Svcs	24,800	25,500	25,400	26,100	26,400								25,640	25,320	320	1.26%
Educational & Health Services	42,800	43,200	43,200	43,100	43,300								43,120	41,280	1,840	4.46%
Health Care	30,900	31,000	31,200	31,500	31,600								31,240	29,620	1,620	5.47%
Leisure & Hospitality	27,600	28,500	29,400	30,300	33,900								29,940	28,380	1,560	5.50%
Accommodation	6,300	6,300	6,300	6,000	7,100								6,400	6,440	-40	-0.62%
Food Svcs & Drinking Places	17,400	18,700	19,100	19,700	21,600								19,300	17,980	1,320	7.34%
Other Services	11,400	11,300	11,300	11,600	11,800								11,480	11,140	340	3.05%
Government	83,400	85,100	84,700	85,800	83,600								84,520	85,340	-820	-0.96%
Federal Government	16,200	16,400	16,600	16,700	17,200								16,620	17,200	-580	-3.37%
State Government	25,200	26,300	26,400	26,700	25,200								25,960	25,900	60	0.23%
State Education	7,500	8,600	8,600	8,600	7,100								8,080	8,020	60	0.75%
Local Government	42,000	42,400	41,700	42,400	41,200								41,940	42,240	-300	-0.71%
Local Education	24,700	25,400	24,800	25,500	23,900								24,860	24,920	-60	-0.24%
Tribal Government ¹	3,500	3,500	3,700	3,700	3,800								3,640	3,580	60	1.68%

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Quick Comparisons		
11 vs 10		
May	3,300	1.02%
11 vs 10		
1st Qtr	7,933	2.59%
11 vs 10		
2nd Qtr YTD	4,950	1.55%
11 vs 10 3rd		
Qtr.		0.00%
11 vs 10		
4th Qtr		0.00%

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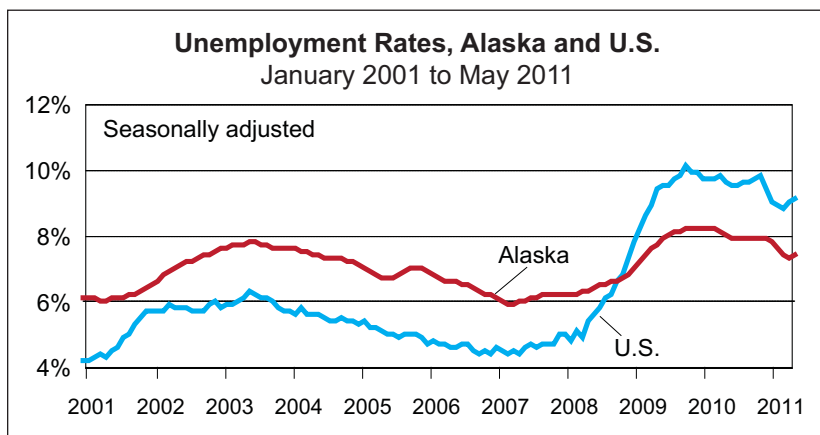
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Unemployment rate at 7.4 percent in May



Alaska's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for May was 7.4 percent, up slightly from April's unchanged rate of 7.3 percent. The comparable national rate in May was 9.1 percent, up from the revised rate of 9.0 percent in April.

The unemployment rates for Alaska and the U.S. both remain below year-ago levels. During the past two months, the national jobless rate raised concern as it trended slightly upward. However, 39 states reported rate decreases in April, the latest data available for individual states.

Alaska's jobless numbers remain better than average compared to the U.S. and to many other states. In April, 34 states had higher unemployment rates than Alaska, 13 had lower rates, and two were identical. Nevada's rate was highest at 12.5 percent, and 3.3 percent in North Dakota was the lowest. Alaska's relatively healthy job market likely means more new job seekers, which puts some pressure on the state's jobless rate.

The not seasonally adjusted jobless rates were mixed around Alaska. In four of the six regions, unemployment fell as employment and economic activity followed their usual seasonal upswing. In the Denali Borough, home to Denali Park, preparation for summer visitors dropped the jobless rate from 16.2 percent in April, one of the highest in the state, to 6.2 percent in May, one of the lowest. In Bristol Bay, the rate fell from 9.2 percent in April to 2.9 percent in May — the lowest in the state — as workers prepared to harvest and process fish for one of the world's largest salmon fisheries. The highest jobless rate was 21 percent in the Aleutians East Borough, where some groundfish seasons ended.

Alaska Nonfarm Payroll Employment¹

	Preliminary 5/11	Revised 4/11	Revised 5/10	Year-over-year change		
				5/10	90% confidence interval ²	
Total Nonfarm Employment ³	328,400	321,400	325,100	3,300	-4,083	10,683
Mining and Logging	16,300	16,000	15,300	1,000	207	1,793
Oil and Gas	13,200	13,100	12,500	700	—	—
Construction	15,900	14,500	16,400	-500	-3,083	2,083
Manufacturing	10,000	9,800	10,300	-300	-1,294	694
Seafood Processing	6,300	6,400	6,600	-300	—	—
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	65,800	62,700	64,100	1,700	-672	4,072
Retail Trade	36,300	35,100	35,800	500	-1,528	2,528
Information	6,500	6,400	6,300	200	-381	781
Financial Activities	14,900	15,100	14,800	100	-1,843	2,043
Professional and Business Services	26,400	26,100	26,300	100	-1,693	1,893
Educational ⁴ and Health Services	43,300	43,100	41,600	1,700	432	2,968
Health Care	31,600	31,500	29,900	1,700	—	—
Leisure and Hospitality	33,900	30,300	32,900	1,000	-1,037	3,037
Accommodations	7,100	6,000	8,000	-900	—	—
Food Svcs. and Drinking Places	21,600	19,700	20,000	1,600	—	—
Other Services	11,800	11,600	11,500	300	-2,876	3,476
Government ⁵	83,600	85,800	85,600	-2,000	—	—

Notes: A dash indicates that confidence intervals are not available at this level of detail.

¹Not seasonally adjusted

²Based on the margin of error of the estimate, a 90 percent confidence interval statistically determines a range of values within which the "true" value falls with a 90 percent level of confidence. For more information, go to <http://labor.alaska.gov/research/c-i.pdf>.

³Excludes the self-employed, fishermen and other agricultural workers, and private household workers

⁴Private education only

⁵Includes public schools, the University of Alaska, and federally recognized tribal entities

Unemployment Rates, Seasonally Adjusted

	5/11	4/11	5/10
Alaska	7.4%	7.3%	8.0%
U.S.	9.1%	9.0%	9.6%

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

Beginning with the production of preliminary estimates for March 2011, production of state and metropolitan area Current Employment Statistics estimates has transitioned from the Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Research and Analysis Section to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Concurrent with this transition, the BLS implemented several changes to the methods to help standardize estimation across states. While these changes reduce the potential for statistical bias in state and metropolitan area estimates, they may increase month-to-month variability. More detailed information on the CES changes is available on the BLS Web site at <http://www.bls.gov/sae/cesprocs.htm>.

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Labor Force by Borough and Census Area, Not Seasonally Adjusted¹

	Civilian Labor Force			Unemployed					
	5/11 ^P	4/11	5/10	Number			Rate		
	5/11 ^P	4/11	5/10	5/11 ^P	4/11	5/10	5/11 ^P	4/11	5/10
Alaska Statewide	364,284	358,461	360,634	26,915	27,525	27,618	7.4	7.7	7.7
Anchorage/Mat-Su Region	197,058	197,369	195,830	13,191	13,460	13,996	6.7	6.8	7.1
Municipality of Anchorage	154,432	154,487	153,730	9,565	9,587	10,465	6.2	6.2	6.8
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	42,626	42,882	42,100	3,626	3,873	3,531	8.5	9.0	8.4
Gulf Coast Region	39,654	38,265	39,461	3,325	3,549	3,322	8.4	9.3	8.4
Kenai Peninsula Borough	27,871	26,584	27,791	2,423	2,614	2,503	8.7	9.8	9.0
Kodiak Island Borough	6,369	6,686	6,296	465	440	424	7.3	6.6	6.7
Valdez-Cordova Census Area	5,414	4,995	5,374	437	495	395	8.1	9.9	7.4
Interior Region	55,966	53,573	54,892	4,017	4,110	4,048	7.2	7.7	7.4
Denali Borough	1,786	831	1,711	111	135	103	6.2	16.2	6.0
Fairbanks North Star Borough	47,283	46,269	46,486	3,060	3,092	3,139	6.5	6.7	6.8
Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	3,704	3,473	3,612	360	392	350	9.7	11.3	9.7
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	3,193	3,000	3,083	486	491	456	15.2	16.4	14.8
Northern Region	12,593	12,860	12,313	1,190	1,198	1,219	9.4	9.3	9.9
Nome Census Area	4,177	4,238	4,090	513	513	534	12.3	12.1	13.1
North Slope Borough	5,368	5,549	5,239	232	225	267	4.3	4.1	5.1
Northwest Arctic Borough	3,048	3,073	2,984	445	460	418	14.6	15.0	14.0
Southeast Region	41,946	39,067	41,283	2,730	2,875	2,761	6.5	7.4	6.7
Haines Borough	1,430	1,247	1,428	100	118	111	7.0	9.5	7.8
Hoonah-Angoon Census Area ²	1,380	945	1,356	182	181	165	13.2	19.2	12.2
Juneau, City and Borough of	19,368	18,513	18,950	951	973	1,003	4.9	5.3	5.3
Ketchikan Gateway Borough ²	8,563	7,715	8,441	575	585	575	6.7	7.6	6.8
Petersburg Census Area ²	1,762	1,720	-	162	178	-	9.2	10.3	-
Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area ²	2,586	2,533	-	341	368	-	13.2	14.5	-
Prince of Wales-Outer Ketchikan Census Area ²	-	-	2,494	-	-	321	-	-	12.9
Sitka, City and Borough of	4,732	4,536	4,795	273	264	280	5.8	5.8	5.8
Skagway, Municipality of ²	772	560	751	34	89	17	4.4	15.9	2.3
Wrangell, City and Borough of ²	1,029	996	-	81	82	-	7.9	8.2	-
Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area ²	-	-	2,753	-	-	259	-	-	9.4
Yakutat, City and Borough of	324	302	315	31	37	30	9.6	12.3	9.5
Southwest Region	17,067	17,324	16,852	2,462	2,331	2,270	14.4	13.5	13.5
Aleutians East Borough	724	1,272	734	152	123	97	21.0	9.7	13.2
Aleutians West Census Area	2,158	2,786	2,077	311	220	243	14.4	7.9	11.7
Bethel Census Area	6,986	6,912	6,948	1,087	1,062	1,064	15.6	15.4	15.3
Bristol Bay Borough	1,224	531	1,220	36	49	40	2.9	9.2	3.3
Dillingham Census Area	2,089	2,106	2,066	223	223	208	10.7	10.6	10.1
Lake and Peninsula Borough	1,115	992	1,087	92	104	81	8.3	10.5	7.5
Wade Hampton Census Area	2,771	2,725	2,720	561	550	537	20.2	20.2	19.7

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.

²Because of the creation of new boroughs, this borough or census area has been changed or no longer exists. Data for the Skagway Municipality and Hoonah-Angoon Census Area (previously the Skagway-Hoonah-Angoon Census Area) became available in 2010. Data for the City and Borough of Wrangell, Petersburg Census Area, and Prince of Wales-Hyder went into effect in January 2011. Prior to January 2011, data were published for Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area and Prince of Wales-Outer Ketchikan Census Area.

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