## ANCHORAGE EMPLOYMENT REPORT



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#### SUMMARY

November 2018 saw a slight decline in the number of jobs compared with the same time period in 2017; however, overall Anchorage employment increased compared to revised March 2018 numbers. While services providing industries including retail trade continued to shed jobs, goods producing, construction, educational and health service employment saw ongoing growth.

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Construction +200 Wholesale Trade +100 Trans/Warehouse/Utilities +200 Educational & Health Services +500 Healthcare +600 Leisure & Hospitality +100 Accommodation +200

#### DOWNS

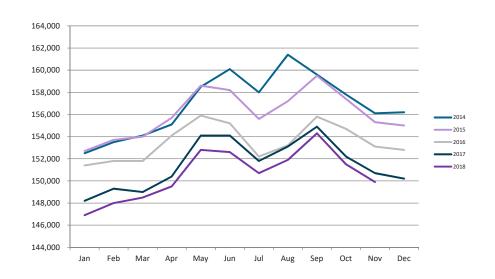
Mining and Logging -200 Oil & Gas -100 Trade/Transportation/Utilities -300 Retail Trade -500 Information -400 Financial Activities-100 Professional & Business Services -600 Government -500

#### THE BOTTOM LINE

Anchorage's job market continues to bounce back from 2017 numbers, with slow but steady growth in a number of key areas. Meanwhile, other economic indicators, like real estate listing, home prices and monthly unit sales, show promising upward momentum.

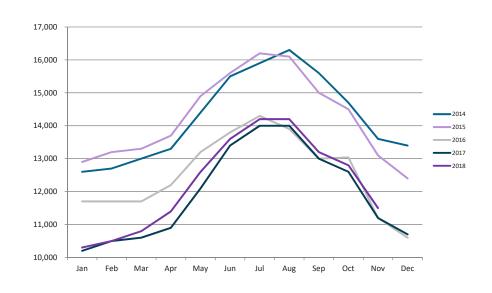
#### ANCHORAGE EMPLOYMENT

Total Anchorage employment shrank to 149,900 in November, down from a revised number of 151,500 in October. The number falls noticeably below levels maintained over the last four years.



#### **GOODS PRODUCING JOBS**

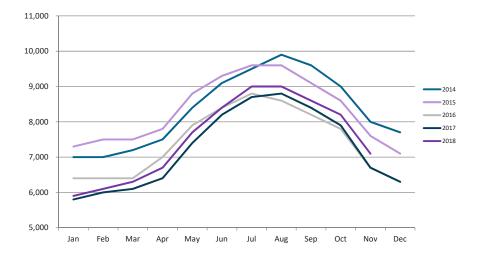
Anchorage's goods producing sector added 300 new jobs in November 2018 compared with November 2017. At 11,500 jobs, the number has risen since 2016, though it remains below 2014 and 2015 levels.





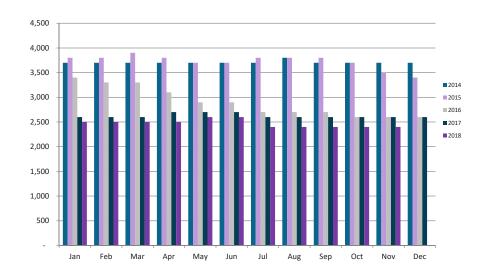






#### CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT

At 7,100 jobs, Anchorage construction employment added 200 jobs between October 2017 and October 2018.



#### OIL & GAS EMPLOYMENT

Anchorage's oil and gas sector continues to lose jobs; down 100 positions between November 2017 and November 2018. At 2,400 jobs, the number has remained stable since May.

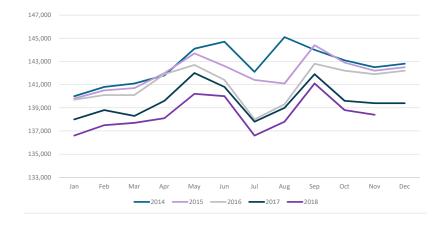






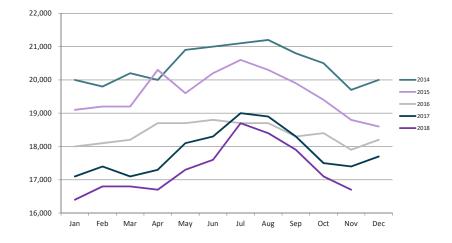
#### **SERVICES PROVIDING JOBS**

Services providing industries shed approximately 1,000 jobs between November 2017 and November 2018, shrinking from 139,400 to 138,400.



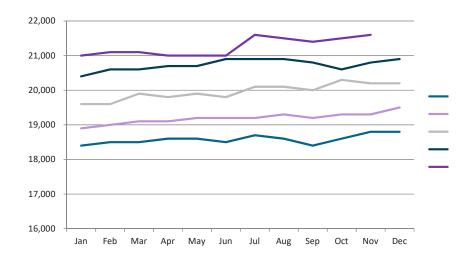
#### PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES

Anchorage's professional & business services sector lost approximately 600 jobs between November 2017 and November 2018. While total employment in this area is approaching 2016 numbers, it still remains significantly below 2014 and 2015 levels.



#### **HEALTH CARE EMPLOYMENT**

Health care employment in Anchorage continues its upward trajectory in November 2018, adding 600 jobs compared to November 2017. This industry has grown every year since 2014.









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# **TOP EMPLOYERS**

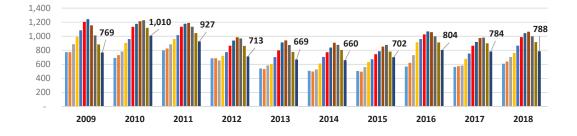
# TOP JOB OPENINGS BY OCCUPATION SEPTEMBER 2018

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SOURCE: JOBSEQ®

Company	Total Ads
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Providence Health & Services	223
The University of Alaska	204
Aramark Food and Support Services Group	176
State of Alaska	145
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium	109
Alaska Executive Search, Inc.	99
Aramark	97
HCA	92
Southcentral Foundation	86

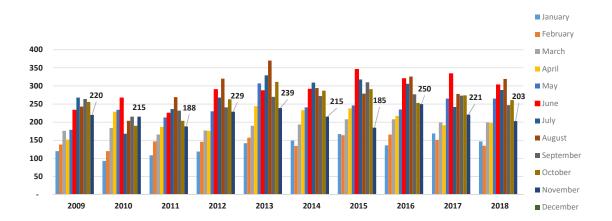
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#### ANCHORAGE SINGLE-FAMILY HOME LISTINGS

YTD 10-YEAR COMPARISON

Anchorage's single family home listings stood at 788 as of November 2018, an increase over November 2017.



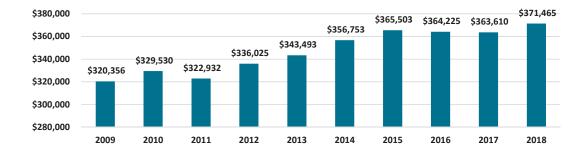
#### ANCHORAGE SINGLE-FAMILY HOME MONTHLY UNIT SALES YTD 10-YEAR COMPARISON

Anchorage's single family home monthly unit sales stood at 203 in November 2018, a decrease from 221 in November 2017.





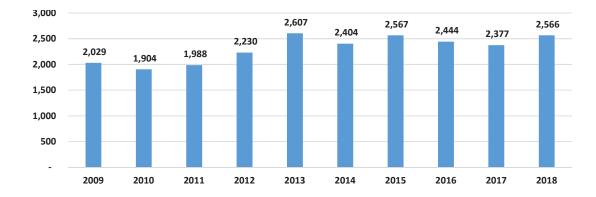




#### ANCHORAGE SINGLE-FAMILY HOME AVERAGE SALES PRICE

YTD 10-YEAR COMPARISON

The average price of a single family home in Anchorage rose to \$365,977 in November 2018 from \$357,237 in November 2017.



#### ANCHORAGE SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES TOTAL UNIT SALES

YTD 10-YEAR COMPARISON

The number of single family home unit sales increased in November 2018 to 2,566, up from November 2017.

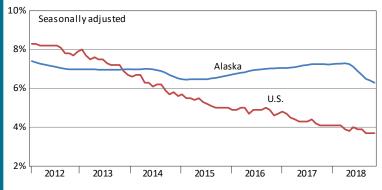






### Unemployment Rates, Alaska and U.S.

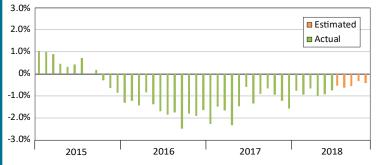
January 2012 to November 2018



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

## Wage and Salary Employment

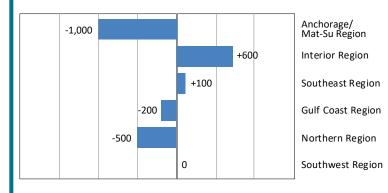
Percent change from same month the previous year



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

## **Regional Employment**

November 2018, change from November 2017



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

### **Area Unemployment Rates**

Not seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup>

	Rate			
	<b>11/18</b> ₽	10/18	11/17	
Anchorage/Mat-Su Region	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>6.5</b>	
Anchorage, Municipality	5.1	4.9	5.9	
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	7.0	6.5	8.4	
<b>Gulf Coast Region</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8.2</b>	
Kenai Peninsula Borough	7.5	6.8	8.8	
Kodiak Island Borough	5.7	4.6	4.7	
Valdez-Cordova Census Area	9.2	7.3	9.5	
Interior Region	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>7.3</b>	
Denali Borough	16.3	7.2	20.2	
Fairbanks North Star Borough	5.5	5.1	6.4	
Southeast Fairbanks Census Area	8.9	7.9	11.0	
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	14.1	12.0	17.6	
Northern Region	<b>9.5</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>11.0</b>	
Nome Census Area	10.3	9.4	11.8	
North Slope Borough	6.1	6.4	6.8	
Northwest Arctic Borough	12.4	11.9	15.3	
Southeast Region	6.4	<b>5.5</b>	6.9	
Haines Borough	11.8	8.0	12.9	
Hoonah-Angoon Census Area	16.9	10.1	16.4	
Juneau, City and Borough	4.6	4.3	4.8	
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	6.7	5.6	7.0	
Petersburg Borough	7.9	7.6	9.0	
Prince of Wales-Hyder CA	10.4	9.5	11.7	
Sitka, City and Borough	4.0	4.2	4.7	
Skagway, Municipality	19.2	9.4	21.1	
Wrangell, City and Borough	7.3	5.9	8.6	
Yakutat, City and Borough	11.2	6.0	10.9	
Southwest Region	<b>10.2</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	
Aleutians East Borough	5.1	2.7	4.1	
Aleutians West Census Area	4.5	4.3	4.2	
Bethel Census Area	11.3	10.9	12.5	
Bristol Bay Borough	11.0	8.9	10.9	
Dillingham Census Area	8.0	7.7	10.0	
Kusilvak Census Area	17.0	15.7	18.7	
Lake and Peninsula Borough	12.8	10.4	14.5	

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.

 $^{1}\mbox{Unemployment}$  rates that are not seasonally adjusted should not be compared with those that are.

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

## **Employment By Industry**

	Average Monthly Employment			Compared to Nov 2017	
	Nov 2018*	Oct 2018**	Nov 2017	Change	Percent
Total Nonfarm Employment	312,800	323,900	314,100	-1,300	-0.4%
Total Private	231,600	242,200	232,600	-1,000	-0.4%
Mining and Logging	12,500	12,700	12,300	200	1.6%
Oil and Gas	9,200	9,200	9,100	100	1.1%
Construction	14,400	16,600	14,200	200	1.4%
Manufacturing	7,500	10,500	8,000	-500	-6.3%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	61,900	63,200	62,300	-400	-0.6%
Wholesale	6,300	6,300	6,300	0	0.0%
Retail	35,300	35,200	36,000	-700	-1.9%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	20,300	21,700	20,000	300	1.5%
Information	5,700	5,700	5,800	-100	-1.7%
Financial Activities	11,400	11,500	11,700	-300	-2.6%
Professional and Business Services	26,400	27,000	26,900	-500	-1.9%
Education and Health	50,300	50,200	50,000	300	0.6%
Health Care	38,100	38,100	37,600	500	1.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	30,500	33,700	30,400	100	0.3%
Other Services	11,000	11,100	11,000	0	0.0%
Total Government	81,200	81,700	81,500	-300	-0.4%
Federal <sup>1</sup>	14,500	14,900	14,600	-100	-0.7%
State <sup>2</sup>	23,900	23,900	23,800	100	0.4%
Local <sup>3</sup>	42,800	42,900	43,100	-300	-0.7%

\*Preliminary

\*\*Estimate

<sup>1</sup>Excludes uniformed military

<sup>2</sup>Includes the University of Alaska

<sup>3</sup>Includes public schools and tribal government

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

