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## ALASKA (AK)

*Population:* 737,438 (USA Rank 48)

*Per Capita Income:* \$35,735 (USA Rank 14)

*U.S. Governments:* <https://www.usa.gov/elected-officials>

(Federal, State & local - most recent elected officials)

*Alaska:* <https://www.alaska.gov>

*Governor's office:* Tel: 907-465-3500

*Community Affairs:* Tel: 907-269-4252 - [dcra.admin@alaska.gov](mailto:dcra.admin@alaska.gov)

*Office of Ombudsman:* [ombudsman@akleg.gov](mailto:ombudsman@akleg.gov)

*Tourism:* <https://www.travelalaska.com>

**Major Cities:** Anchorage, Juneau, Fairbanks, Sitka, Nome, Ketchikan, Unalaska.

## Multicultural Council of America

**Non-profit umbrella organization, promoting world cultures, education & healthcare**

<https://www.multiculturalcouncil.org> Email: [info@multiculturalcouncil.org](mailto:info@multiculturalcouncil.org)

We're a non-profit membership organization, helping you connect with people and organizations within **Alaska** and beyond, for better communication, exchanging ideas, learning & helping communities locally, nationally and globally thru Multicultural Council Chapters.

We encourage you to please become a [member](#), join one of our committees, **be a [volunteer or mentor](#), [donate your time & money](#) and share your ideas to help the communities.** Membership is open to individuals, organizations, corporations & governments.

Please [advertise](#) your organization, services or products in this website to reach out to local, regional and global multicultural communities.

**Tourism Promotion** has become our special project during these uncertain times. Tourism is the world's largest industry. Prior to the pandemic, according to the National Travel and Tourism Week (NTTW) the travel industry was a powerful economic engine, supporting jobs and driving local economies in every pocket of America. The industry had experienced 107 straight months of growth, generated \$2.6 trillion in economic output, supported 17 million American jobs and delivered a \$51 billion trade surplus to the U.S.

It is estimated that more than 2.26 million people visited the State of Alaska during 2019, spending \$2.2 billion, creating 10 per cent of state jobs, generating more than **\$214 million** in state and local tax revenues, and Economic Impact of \$4.5 billion in 2018. Unfortunately, COVID-19 is still hurting Tourism revenues in Alaska significantly.

While Tourism bounced back strongly in 2022, driven by pent-up demand and the lifting of travel restrictions, the international travel remains 54.6% below pre-pandemic. The recovery is fragile with new uncertainties from the economic slowdown & geopolitical instability.

The Multicultural Communities within Alaska and throughout the world have always been instrumental in increasing Tourism Revenues for Aaska, for employment and our economic growth. Let's work together to help each other.

**Population by Race:** Source: Census Bureau – American Community Survey (<https://census.gov/acs>) & [Pew Research](#)

	Alaska					U. S.A.	Change 2010-21	% increase
1	White	64.4%				192,750,000	-4,060,000	(<0%)
2	Black or African American	3.4%				39,270,000	1,580,000	7%
3	Hispanic or Latino	7.2%				62,530,000	12,050,000	52%
4	Asian	6.3%				18,890,000	4,420,000	19%
5	American Indian and Alaska Native	15.1%				-	-	-
6	Two or more Races	8.4%				14,300,000	8,330,000	36%
7	Pacific Islanders	1.1%				-	-	-
8	Alaskans Speaking A Foreign Language at Home	16.3%				-	-	-

### How Much Do You Need To Earn to Live Well in Alaska?

**Family Budget Calculator**, developed by the Economic Policy Institute ([www.epi.org/resources/budget](http://www.epi.org/resources/budget)) allows you to calculate the average amount of money you need for Housing, Food, Childcare, Transportation, Healthcare, Taxes, etc. in the area where you live or wish to live.

### Alaska Information, Contacts & Resources

- **History & Culture:** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History\\_of\\_Alaska](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_Alaska)
- **History & Culture:** <https://www.alaskacenters.gov/explore/culture/history>
- **Demographics:** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics\\_of\\_Alaska](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics_of_Alaska)
- **Discrimination** (*Violation of Your Civil Rights based on race, color, national origin, disability, sex, religion, familial status, etc.*): 833-591-0291 or Toll-Free: 1-855-856-1247 <https://civilrights.justice.gov>
- **Health:** <https://www.healthyalaskans.org>
- **Health: National Association of Free & Charitable Clinics:** 703-647-7427 - <https://nafcclinics.org>  
[info@nafcclinics.org](mailto:info@nafcclinics.org)
- **Drug Information** (*Interactions, side-effects, etc.*): Call your local pharmacist or FDA at 1-855-543-3784 and 1-301-796-3400 or write to [druginfo@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:druginfo@fda.hhs.gov)
- **Immigration & Citizenship:** [www.uscis.gov/citizenship](http://www.uscis.gov/citizenship) Email: [Office.of.Citizenship@uscis.dhs.gov](mailto:Office.of.Citizenship@uscis.dhs.gov)
- **IRS-Taxpayer Advocate Service:** 877-777-4778 [www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov](http://www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov)
- **Fraud, Scams & Bad Business Practices:** 1-877-382-4357 <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov>
- **The Innocence Project helping wrongfully convicted Americans:**  
<http://www.innocenceproject.org> - Email: [info@innocenceproject.org](mailto:info@innocenceproject.org)
- **Need Urgent Legal Help?** Legal Services Corporation: 202-295-1500 ([www.lsc.gov](http://www.lsc.gov)- [info@lsc.gov](mailto:info@lsc.gov))  
or American Bar Association: Toll Free: 800-285-2221 [www.americanbar.org](http://www.americanbar.org)

**Alaska Crisis Hotlines: 911** (9-1-1 is a confidential and multilingual **EMERGENCY #**)

**Alaska Behavioral Health:**

\* **Anchorage:** Providence Hospital Psychiatric Emergency Department at (907) 563-3200.

\* **Fairbanks:** 1-888-371-1309 (24/7)- **Walk-in Clinic** (Mon-Fri: 8am-5pm): 1423 Peger Road,

**Alaska Careline Crisis Intervention Line:** 1-877-266-4357

**Suicide Helpline:** Call **211** (or [www.211.org](http://www.211.org)) or 1-800- 784-2433 or 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

\* **Anchorage:** 907-258-7575 or Toll-Free: 800-478-7575 OR 907-563-3200 \* **Fairbanks:** 907-452-4357 (Toll-Free: 877-266-4357) \* **Kenai:** 907-283-7511 \* **Ketchikan:** 907-225-4135 \* **Wasilla:** 907-376-2411

**Domestic Violence Shelters and Crisis Lines Throughout Alaska**

Location	Organization	Facility & Tel #
Alaska	Abused Women's Aid in Crisis (AWAIC)	100 W. 13th Ave Anchorage, AK 99501 Crisis Line: (907) 279-0100
Anchorage	Beacon Hill	2807 Arctic Boulevard Anchorage, AK 99503 S (907) 227-0925 Service/Intake 24 Hour Help line
Barrow	North Slope Borough	NSB/DHSS -Arctice Women in Crisis 4470 Northstar St Barrow, AK 99723 (907) 852-0261 - (800) 478-0267 24-hour Crisis Line
Bering Straits Native Region	Bering Sea Women's Group	(800) 570-5444 Toll-Free - (907) 443-5444 Crisis Line
Dillingham	Safe & Fear-free Environment	21 G St Dillingham, AK 99576 (800) 478-2316 24 Hour Crisis Hotline (907) 842-2316 Emergency 24 Hour Crisis Hotline
Emmonak & surrounding villages	Emmonak Women's Shelter	207 Delta Street Emmonak, AK 99581 (907) 949-6345 Emergency Cell Phone (907) 949-1434 Emergency Crisis Line
Fairbanks, North Pole, Salcha	Love in the Name of Christ of the Tanana Valley	818 26th Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 452-3876 Main - (907) 452-5683 Service/Intake
Fairbanks / Interior	Interior Alaska Center for Non-violent Living	726 26th Ave Ste 1 Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 452-2293 - (800) 478-7273 24-hour Hotline
Homer, Southern Kenai Peninsula	South Peninsula Center	3776 Lake Street Homer, AK 99603 (907) 235-7712 - (907) 235-8943 Emergency Crisis Line
Juneau	Aiding Women in Abuse and Rape Emergencies	Emergency Crisis Line (907) 586-1090 - (800) 478-1090 Outside Juneau
Kenai, Mat-Su, Anchorage	Southcentral Foundation	Willa's Way Safe Home - (907) 729-6300
Ketchikan, Southern Southeast AK	Women in Safe Homes	2002 1st Avenue Ketchikan, AK 99901 (907) 225-9474 Emergency - (907) 228-4099 - (800) 478-9474 Toll-Free
Kodiak	Kodiak Women's Resource & Crisis Center	422 Hillside Kodiak, AK 99615 - (907) 486-6171 (888) 486-3625 Toll-Free Crisis Line (907) 486-3625 Emergency Crisis Line

Mat-Su, Fairbanks, Kenai, Anchorage	Alaska Family Services	(907) 746-8026 - (866) 746-4080 Outside Palmer/Wasilla	
Mat-Su, Fairbanks, Kenai, Anchorage	Alaska Family Services	(866) 746-4080 Outside Palmer/Wasilla (800) 799-7233 24-Hour Crisis Line	
Northwest Arctic	Maniilaq Association	Family Crisis Center - Tel: (907) 442-3724 Avenue Kotzebue, AK 99752 (888) 478-3969 Toll-Free Crisis Line	733 2nd
Seward, Moose Pass, Crown Point, Hope, Cooper Landing	Seaview Community Services	302 Railway Ave Seward, AK 99664 - (907) 224-5257 (907) 362-1843 Domestic Violence Crisis Line (907) 224-3027 Emergency Crisis Line	
Sitka, Angoon, Kake, & Port Alexander	Sitkans Against Family Violence	(907) 747-3370 - (800) 478-6511 Toll-Free Crisis Line (907) 747-6511 Crisis Line	
Tanacross	Tanacross Village Council	1001 Tanacross Ln Tanacross, AK 99776- 907-883-5024	
Tanana Chiefs Conference & Doyon Region	Tanana Chiefs' Conference	Client Development Center Tel: (907) 452-8251 122 1st Ave Ste 600 Fairbanks, AK 99701 (800) 478-6822 Toll-Free In AK (800) 770-8251 Toll-Free Outside AK	
Unalaska, Dutch Harbor, Aleutians East & Aleutians West Boroughs	Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence	156 W Broadway Unalaska, AK 99685 (907) 581-1500 - (800) 478-7238 24 Hour Crisis Line	
Valdez Cordova Borough	Advocates for Victims of Violence	Domestic Violence Shelter - (907) 835-2999 Crisis Line (800) 835-4044 Statewide Crisis Line	
Yukon Kuskokwim Delta Region	Tundra Women's Coalition	248 6 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Bethel, AK 99559 Tel: 907-543-3456 or Toll Free: 800-478-7799	

**National Crisis Resources:** 24-hour nationwide – Services may be available in many languages

**Addiction Hotline:** 800-784-2433

**Child Abuse:** 1-800-4-A-Child or 1-800-422-4453 (National Child Abuse Hotline) [www.childhelp.org](http://www.childhelp.org)

**Domestic Violence:** 1-800-799-7233 (National Domestic Violence Hotline)

**StrongHearts Native Helpline:** Call/Chat: 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) [www.strongheartshelpline.org](http://www.strongheartshelpline.org)

**Online Chat** (7am-2am CST) <https://www.thehotline.org> **Shelters:** <https://www.domesticshelters.org>

**Human Trafficking Hotline:** 1-888-373-7888 (Text # 233733)

**National Center for Missing & Exploited Children:** 1-800-THE-LOST or 1-800-843-5678

**National Indigenous Women's Resource Center** – 855-649-7299 – [www.niwrc.org](http://www.niwrc.org) - [info@niwrc.org](mailto:info@niwrc.org)

**National Problem Gambling Helpline:** 1-800-522-4700-**Text:** 1-800-522-4700-**Chat:**

[www.ncpgambling.org/chat](http://www.ncpgambling.org/chat)

**Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255) ..... **Soon to be 9-8-8**

**Poison Control Center For Emergencies:** 1-800-222-1222

**Covenant House Nineline:** 1-800-RUNAWAY (1-800-786-2929) <https://teenlineonline.org>

**Girls & Boys Town National Hotline:** Phone, Chat, Text, and Email - 1-800-448-3000

**National Youth Crisis Hotline:** 1-800-442-HOPE (1-800-442-4673) **Samariteens:** 1-800-252-TEENS (1-800-252-8336) – 3-9pm. **Youth Crisis Hotline:** 1-800-HIT-HOME (1-800-448-4663) ..... **Youth America Hotline:** 1-877-YOUTHLINE (1-877-968-8454) **The Trevor Lifeline:** 1-866-488-7386

\* The Trevor Lifeline is a service of The Trevor Project, a non-profit endeavor devoted to promoting tolerance and understanding for **LGBTQ youth**..

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## **Alaska History & General Information**

The history of Alaska dates back to around 14,000 BC. It is believed that the Asiatic groups crossed the Bering land bridge (1580 AD) into what is now western Alaska. The Native Tribes may have been a part of the Xiongnu Empire which inhabited the eastern Asian Steppe, a tribal confederation of fierce warriors who fought on horseback. The Xiongnu dominated a vast part of Central Asia for over 500 years, covering large swaths of present-day Siberia and Mongolia.

They lived peacefully in Alaska until the arrival of the Russians in 1770's and then by the Spanish & British, each one introducing their languages, religions & cultures forcing the natives to surrender and adopt. In addition, they fought for dominance, colonizing & killing hundreds and thousands of the natives. The Europeans also brought diseases for which the natives were not immune to, and which killed thousands more.

On March 30, 1867, Seward and Russian envoy Baron Edouard de Stoeckl signed the Treaty of Cession, which gave the entire Alaskan territory over to the United States for \$7.2 million, or roughly 2 cents an acre.

Life got much better for the Natives after March 30, 1867 when U.S. purchased Alaska from Russia, and with the discovery of Gold in 1896, which brought many other settlers and more than \$1 billion to the economy. In 1957, with the discovery of oil further added a fortune to Alaskan economy. Today, Alaska is one of the richest states in America, with prosperous fishing & tourism industries and an even more prosperous petroleum industry

Alaska is increasingly becoming a multicultural state, attracting thousands of highly skilled professionals from around the world, bringing foreign cultures from Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

From adventure, arts, culture, breathtaking sightseeing to wildlife, tourism in Alaska is the second-largest private sector employer, accounting for one in eight Alaskan jobs, nearly 2 million visitors, and \$2.42 billion in direct visitor spending including labor income. Dominated by Alaska's most iconic landmark, the tallest mountain in North America, Denali National Park is the six-million-acre heart of Interior Alaska. Glacier Bay's natural beauty has made it a star attraction on most cruise line itineraries as ships sail through the Inside Passage. But what really makes this dynamic, glacier-studded, marine wildlife-packed fjord special is its history as the ancestral homeland of the Huna Tlingit clans. Kenai Fjords National Park, and lots more.

Depending on where you travel in Alaska, you might have dozens of opportunities to learn about the state's Indigenous peoples and cultures, whether you visit Saxman Native Village near Ketchikan, hear stories about Glacier Bay from a Huna Tlingit cultural guide or watch artists working on their Umiaks for whaling season at the Iñupiat Heritage Center.

There are 574 federally recognized Indian Nations (variously called tribes, nations, bands, pueblos, communities and native villages) in the United States — 229 of them in Alaska alone — and numerous other tribes recognized by their respective state governments.

Alaska's 11 distinct Native cultures are spread across the state, with Iñupiaq and St. Lawrence Island Yupik peoples living in the Arctic; Athabascans living in Southcentral and Interior Alaska; Yup'ik & Cup'ik, Unanga' and Sugpiaq (Alutiiq) Native peoples in Southwest Alaska; and Eyak, Haida, Tsimshian, and Tlingit tribes in Southeast Alaska.

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AND CONTACTS IN ALASKA AND BEYOND.**

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