The Military: An Economic Driver for Alaska

How much does the military spend in Alaska each year?





\$1.9 BILLION
on contracts to
businesses in 2018



\$1.7 BILLION on payroll



\$4,730 TOTAL for every resident of the state

How many jobs does military spending create?

57,964 JOBS TOTAL

29,706 DIRECT JOBS

including active duty, civilians, reservists, and National Guard members

10,257 JOBS

created by organizations performing military contracts

18,001 JOBS

resulting from subsequent business and household spending



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Alaska's position in the Arctic and Pacific Rim give the state global strategic importance. This makes the US Air Force, Army, and Coast Guard major contributors in the state's economy as they conduct operations, build and maintain infrastructure, and directly employ tens of thousands of residents. Contract and payroll spending ripple through Alaska's economy, generating paychecks for workers and revenue for businesses.

What does the military mean for Alaska's economy?



1 IN 10 CIVILIAN JOBS

in the state are tied to defense

Defense is a major driver for Anchorage and Mat-Su



1 IN 10 CIVILIAN JOBS

in the region are tied to defense

In Alaska's Interior, the impacts are even larger



1 IN 3 CIVILIAN JOBS

in the region are tied to defense

Sources and fine print: Office of Economic Adjustment, Defense Manpower Data Center, Federal Procurement Data System, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Calculations by CED.

All figures are for federal fiscal year 2018.