

# **SPECIAL CENSUS RESULTS FOR OIL RELATED WORKSITES IN THE NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH**

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**T**his report provides the results taken from a special census of the entire North Slope Borough (excluding the City of Barrow) that was conducted in January and February, 1982 to provide an official state population determination for 1981. The census was paid for by the North Slope Borough, which awarded the work to a private contractor. The State of Alaska provided technical assistance, quality control, and general supervision of the census through the State Demographer and staff from the Research and Analysis Section, Alaska Department of Labor.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* 6,306 people were at oil-related worksites in the North Slope Borough at the time of the special census.
- \* 77.3% of all persons at oil-related worksites claimed Alaska as their usual place of residence.
- \* Washington was the state outside of Alaska most frequently identified as the usual place of residence.
- \* 9.4% of all persons at oil-related worksites were female.
- \* 29.9% of all people at oil-related worksites were housed in camps identified as "trades and construction".

**Table 1  
Persons at Oil-Related Worksites  
In the North Slope Borough  
by State of Usual Residence**

State	Number Naming State as Usual Residence	State	Number Naming State as Usual Residence
Alabama	20	Montana	84
Alaska*	4,874	Nebraska	6
Arizona	25	Nevada	23
Arkansas	10	New Hampshire	4
California	204	New Jersey	6
Colorado	52	New Mexico	22
Connecticut	2	New York	3
Delaware	0	North Carolina	6
District of Columbia	0	North Dakota	18
Florida	16	Ohio	4
Georgia	1	Oklahoma	54
Hawaii	9	Oregon	73
Idaho	47	Pennsylvania	15
Illinois	10	Rhode Island	0
Indiana	1	South Carolina	7
Iowa	4	South Dakota	7
Kansas	3	Tennessee	7
Kentucky	9	Texas	185
Louisiana	44	Utah	22
Maine	2	Vermont	2
Maryland	9	Virginia	0
Massachusetts	2	Washington	264
Michigan	20	West Virginia	1
Minnesota	23	Wisconsin	13
Mississippi	18	Wyoming	31
Missouri	9		
		Foreign Country	35
		Total	6,306

\* Includes persons claiming no usual place of residence.

**Table 2**  
**Persons at Oil-Related Worksites in the North Slope Borough**  
**Naming Alaska as Their Usual Place of Residence**  
**by 1980 Census Area**

1980 Census Area	Number of Persons Naming Area as their Usual Place of Residence	Percent
Aleutian Islands	0	0.0
Anchorage, Municipality of	2,496	51.2
Bethel	10	0.2
Bristol Bay Borough	0	0.0
Dillingham	2	0.0
Fairbanks-North Star Borough	1,094	22.4
Haines Borough	10	0.2
Juneau, City and Borough of	44	0.9
Kenai Peninsula Borough	437	9.0
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	3	0.1
Kobuk	28	0.6
Kodiak Island Borough	6	0.1
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	413	8.5
Nome	9	0.2
North Slope Borough*	178	3.7
Prince of Wales-Outer Ketchikan	0	0.0
Sitka, City and Borough of	7	0.1
Skagway-Yakutat-Angoon	3	0.1
Southeast Fairbanks	37	0.8
Valdez-Cordova	31	0.6
Wade Hampton	1	0.0
Wrangell-Petersburg	6	0.1
Yukon-Koyukuk	59	1.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,874</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\* Includes persons claiming no usual place of residence.

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**Table 3**  
**Persons at Oil-Related Worksites**  
**in the North Slope Borough**  
**by Sex**

Sex	Number	Percent
Male	5,711	90.6
Female	595	9.4
Total	6,306	100.0

**Table 4**  
**Number of Persons at Oil-Related Worksites**  
**in the North Slope Borough by Region of Usual Place**  
**of Residence and Type of Camp**

Type of Camp	Number Naming Alaska as Usual Place of Residence*	Number Naming Usual Place of Residence Outside of Alaska	Total
Operations	876	87	963
Trades, Construction	1352	532	1884
Oil Rig	1140	291	1431
Seismic	135	84	219
Tech. Services and Fabrication	59	47	106
Government	34	1	35
Ground Transportation	219	65	284
Air Transportation	49	11	60
Supply, Services, and Repair	297	107	404
General	713	207	920
<b>Total</b>	<b>4874</b>	<b>1432</b>	<b>6306</b>

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