

City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

SNAPSHOT OF WRANGELL'S ECONOMIC PICTURE

January 2014

POPULATION

2,479 (1990 Census)
2,659 (Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs, as of August 1994)
2,758 (Alaska DCRA, as of August 1995)
2,595 (Alaska DCRA, as of August 1996)
2,543 (Alaska DCRA, as of August 1997)
2,589 (Alaska DCRA, as of August 1998)
2,549 (Alaska Department of Community and Economic Development, as of August 1999)
2,569 (Alaska DCED, as of August 2000)
2,308 (2000 Census)
2,308 (Alaska DCED, Jan 2002)
2,144 (Alaska DCED, Jan 2003)
2,113 (Alaska DCED, Jan 2004)
2,023 (Alaska DCED, Jan 2005)
1,974 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2006)
1,911 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2007)
1,947 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2008)
2,072 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2009) Borough population
2,112 (Alaska DCCED, Mar 2009 revised 2008 Borough population)
2,058 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2010) Borough population
2,369 (2010 Census, as of Mar 2012)
2,144 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2012)
2,448 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2013)
2,456 (Alaska DCCED, Jan 2014)

CITY COLLECTED SALES TAX

Current sales tax levied on all goods and services is 7%. Sales Tax is collected quarterly. Sales tax receipts are used for the following purposes:

- 68% into the general fund
- 28% to schools, health and sanitation
- 4% to roads and streets

Sales Tax Receipts and Sales Tax Rate: Fiscal Year 1990-2013

Year	Tax Rate	1st Qtr (Jly- Sep)	2nd Qtr (Oct- Dec)	3rd Qtr (Jan- Mar)	4th Qtr (Apr- Jun)	Revenue
FY1990	5%					\$1,282,921
FY1991	7%					\$1,676,523
FY1992	7%					\$1,779,514
FY1993	7%					\$1,828,450
FY1994	7%					\$1,947,000
FY1995	7%	\$529,546	\$487,366	\$368,675	\$465,540	\$1,851,127
FY1996	7%	\$496,654	\$421,420	\$350,957	\$447,296	\$1,716,327
FY1997	7%	\$457,240	\$396,856	\$248,007	\$354,518	\$1,456,621
FY1998	7%	\$346,661	\$291,048	\$244,846	\$318,698	\$1,201,253
FY1999	7%	\$333,893	\$296,527	\$336,849	\$506,274	\$1,473,543
FY2000	7%	\$512,850	\$439,626	\$389,246	\$500,618	\$1,842,340
FY2001	7%	\$525,998	\$469,637	\$385,170	\$495,026	\$1,875,831
FY2002	7%	\$526,995	\$451,193	\$363,005	\$465,904	\$1,807,097
FY2003	7%	\$493,820	\$434,721	\$356,469	\$472,293	\$1,757,303
FY2004	7%	\$526,703	\$409,916	\$373,305	\$556,537	\$1,866,461
FY2005	7%	\$614,333	\$369,003	\$477,628	\$558,864	\$2,019,828
FY2006	7%	\$613,706	\$474,372	\$418,968	\$583,586	\$2,090,632
FY2007	7%	\$600,607	\$495,929	\$433,716	\$603,515	\$2,133,767
FY2008	7%	\$699,196	\$568,352	\$476,560	\$613,203	\$2,357,311
FY2009	7%	\$693,206	\$532,058	\$447,493	\$585,815	\$2,258,572
FY2010	7%	\$652,047	\$490,201	\$451,707	\$602,274	\$2,196,229
FY2011	7%	\$629,083	\$542,860	\$475,814	\$635,300	\$2,283,057
FY2012	7%	\$744,137	\$553,631	\$495,827	\$670,084	\$2,463,679
FY2013	7%	\$767,360	\$548,522	\$488,951	\$678,672	\$2,483,505

Source: City and Borough of Wrangell

Sales tax was eliminated on food from January 1997, sunsetting January 1, 1999

ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL

Prior to 1995, Alaska Pulp Corporation represented approximately 30% of the wage earnings and 20% of jobs within Wrangell (225 direct jobs). The annual employee earning figures obtained from the state show a loss of \$9 million in employee earnings between 1994 and 1995. Likewise, annual number of employed persons in Wrangell showed a 20% decrease from 12,672 to 9908. Wrangell's manufacturing component of the economy dropped from 28.5% to 12.5%. Since the mid 1990's, Wrangell has made every effort to diversify its economy by enhancing infrastructure for tourism and the marine industries.

The following tables show the growth in *annual* employment figures and payroll (sum of number jobs worked each month, and sum of payroll figures each month) for Wrangell since 1990. The Wrangell sawmill closed mid December 1994. The city saw growth in home occupation permit approvals during the late 1990's and early 2000's, mostly for individuals seeking to supplement incomes. *The Alaska Department of Labor does not include commercial fishermen in its employment count, nor self-employed individuals.*

ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL: 1990 - 2012

1990	10,690	\$23,409,618
1991	11,004	\$24,814,297
1992	11,603	\$27,766,923
1993	12,528	\$31,621,059
1994 *	12,672	\$31,176,659
1995	9,908	\$22,168,214
1996	9,986	\$22,523,006
1997	10,079	\$23,796,357
1998	10,175	\$24,764,118
1999	10,637	\$28,249,335
2000	10,298	\$25,982,381
2001	10,668	\$26,748,299
2002	10,456	\$24,938,239
2003	8,436	\$22,741,028
2004	10,888	\$30,427,350
2005	11,416	\$32,514,441
2006	11,432	\$32,183,689
2007	11,368	\$32,119,187
2008	**	**
2009	9,671	\$24,932,510
2010	9,745	\$28,105,755
2011	10,120	\$30,303,892
2012	9,854	\$30,468,313

Source: Alaska Department of Labor

Notes: * APC milled closed December of 2014. ** Reporting requirements changed in 2008 due to the new Borough status.

Assessed Values and Mill Rate 1990-2013

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Mill Rate</u>	<u>Tax Levy</u>
1990	9	\$67,580,000
1991	9	\$69,324,800
1992	9	\$70,321,800
1993	10	\$78,499,000
1994	10	\$83,056,400
1995	10	\$83,291,900
1996	10	\$83,752,000
1997	10	\$88,926,200
1998	10	\$85,346,900
1999	12	\$89,456,936
2000	12	\$104,365,100
2001	10	\$97,434,310
2002	10	\$97,241,474
2003	12	\$97,185,596
2004	12	\$102,160,888
2005	12	\$107,558,963
2006	12	\$107,045,137
2007	12.75	\$106,450,637
2008	12.75	\$107,113,113
2009	12.75*	\$125,018,898
2010	12.75*	\$121,950,067
2011	12.75*	\$123,105,720
2012	12.75*	\$126,422,574
2013	12.75*	\$134,366,782

Source: City and Borough of Wrangell

* 4.0 mill rate for outside service area and differential zone

Note: May 30, 2008 City and Borough of Wrangell was incorporated.

RAW FISH AND FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX REVENUES: 1990-2012

Fiscal Year	Raw Fish Tax	Fish Business Tax
1990	\$55,483	--
1991	\$55,066	--
1992	\$57,489	--
1993	\$53,102	--
1994	\$65,120	\$4,532
1995	\$72,754	\$7,835
1996	\$77,381	\$7,695
1997	\$81,211	\$7,290
1998	\$57,944	\$14,348
1999	\$60,166	\$22,830
2000	\$53,864	\$13,468
2001	\$55,473	\$18,298
2002	\$59,241	\$12,125
2003	\$72,995	\$11,866
2004	\$74,859	\$12,125
2005	\$60,856	\$13,552
2006	\$144,589	\$13,413
2007	\$119,703	\$12,498
2008	\$240,175	\$9,374
2009	\$221,860	\$14,793
2010	\$129,076	\$10,998
2011	\$105,537	\$15,690
2012	\$265,498	\$20,671

Fish Tax is a percentage of how much fish is bought by local processors . Fish Business Tax is based on amount bought in area waters and is split 50% equally among communities, and 50% by per capita basis.

School Enrollment

Year	No. Students
FY1995-96	555
FY1996-97	520
FY1997-98	517
FY1998-99	526
FY1999-00	505
FY2000-01	488
FY2001-02	466
FY2002-03	436
FY2003-04	392
FY2004-05	375
FY2005-06	370
FY2006-07	355
FY2007-08	346
FY2008-09	323
FY2009-2010	312
FY2010-2011	312
FY2011-2012	312
FY2012-2013	303
FY2013-2014	270

Source: Wrangell School District

NUMBER OF ALASKA AIRLINES AIR PASSENGERS: 1990 - 2012

Year	# Flights	Inbound Pass.	Outbound Pass.
1990	677	8,541	9,057
1991	696	8,256	9,057
1992	701	10,934	11,306
1993	694	9,353	9,497
1994	689	9,541	10,017
1995	-	11,127	10,835
1996	697	9,972	9,786
1997	685	9,856	10,216
1998	702	9,343	9,403
1999	674	9,813	9,885
2000	696	-	10,367
2001	684	10,834	10,791
2002	691	-	9,942
2003	687	-	9,989
2004	702	10,891	10,682
2005	701	11,443	11,432
2006	701	-	11,178
2007	704	-	12,004
2008	698	-	11,300
2009 *	706	8,654	8,850
2010	716	10,523	10,818
2011	706	28,985	29,254
2012	713	41,037	41,176
2013 (8mo)	487	30,153	29,576

Source: Alaska Airlines

* data incomplete, excludes Jan- Mar

- specific data not provided

AMHS Passengers/Vehicles Embarking and Disembarking in Wrangell 1990-2010

	1990		1991		1992		1993		1994	
	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark
# of Pax	9304	9718	9096	9279	8606	8869	9605	8764	9087	9076
# of Vehicles	2328	2588	2039	2039	2153	2370	2246	2546	2053	2245
	1995		1996		1997		1998		1999	
	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark
# of Pax	7870	8141	8059	8088	7403	7557	7364	7612	8222	8218
# of Vehicles	1837	2006	1743	1903	1603	1829	1684	1884	1709	1868
	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark
# of Pax	7514	7475	7200	7215	7984	7755	8205	7981	7736	7562
# of Vehicles	1598	1755	1766	1934	1825	2006	1758	1913	1765	1917
	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark
# of Pax	7394	7209	7446	7676	6929	7174	7676	7673	6772	6979
# of Vehicles	1717	1815	1843	2050	1894	2084	1822	1894	1735	1797
	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014	
	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark	Embark	Disembark
# of Pax	7156	7325								
# of Vehicles	1952	2010								

Source: State of Alaska Dept. of Transportation/AMHS