



COVID-19, Households, and Businesses Nolan Klouda February 26, 2021



Overview

- Impacts on households
- Loss of income
- Housing and food insecurity
- Business impacts
- PPP and AK CARES
- Entrepreneurship

Employment losses in 2020

Change in annual average employment by sector, 2019-2020



Lower paying sectors hit hardest

Percent of annual average employment lost by industry from 2019-2020.



47% of Alaskans say their household has experienced a loss of employment income since March 2020

Lower-income households face more income disruption

Experienced loss of employment income since March 13, 2020 (for self or household member) by income group



Expected loss of employment income

Percentage of adults who expect someone in their household to have a loss in employment income in the next 4 weeks



May 2020

February 2021

Food insecurity creeping up in Alaska

Percent of individuals reporting "sometimes or often not enough to eat in the last 7 days" 15%



Source: US Census Household Pulse Survey, 3-week moving average.

40,000 Alaskans not current on rent or mortgage, while 60,000 have "slight" or "no" confidence in their ability make next payment

Source: US Census Household Pulse Survey, February 3-15

Telework more common at high income levels

Percent of individuals reporting that a household member worked remotely in the last week, February 2021 80%



US business owners were not optimistic at the outset

Survey respondents' estimates of ability to avoid permanent closure if the crisis lasts 4 months (April 2020)



How many businesses have permanently closed due to COVID-19?

Alaska business owners say: Large negative impact: 28% Moderate negative impact: 47% Little or no effect: 21% Positive effect: 4%

Source: US Census Small Business Pulse Survey, February 15-21, 2021

Percent of businesses/ nonprofits receiving PPP





Percent of businesses/ nonprofits receiving AK CARES





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5%

10%

15%

20%

25%

30%

35%

Sources: DCCED, US Census Bureau. PPP loans based on June 30, 2020

50%

45%

Job losses by economic region

Percent of annual average employment lost by economic region from 2019-2020.



Did Alaska get "its share" of PPP loans?



COVID entrepreneurship

Weekly business starts (licenses) in Alaska, 2020-2021

250



Thank You!



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