

# Resettlement Summary

## Current refugees in Alaska:

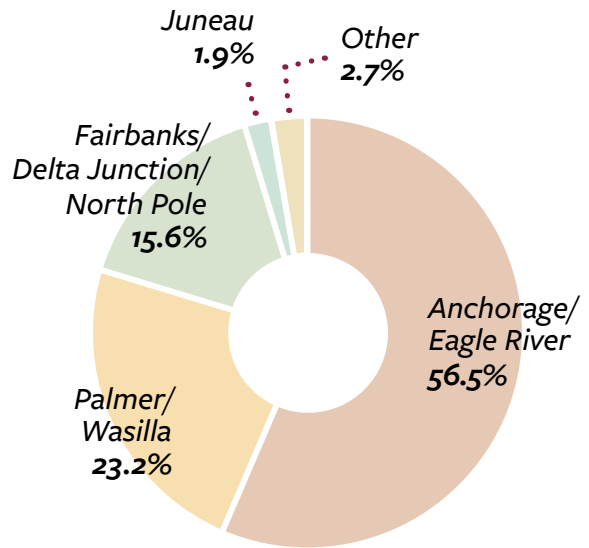
Refugee Assistance & Immigration Services (RAIS) currently has **882 active clients**.\*

648 of those clients (73.5%) are from Ukraine.

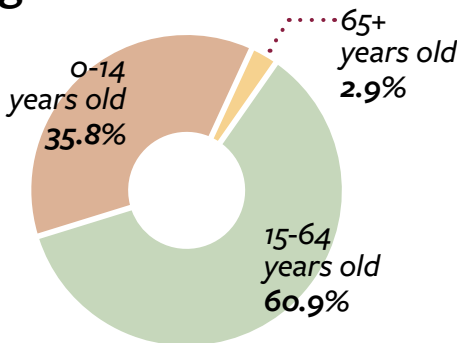
\*Refugees who have arrived in America within the last 5 years and are still eligible for services.

## Where they live:

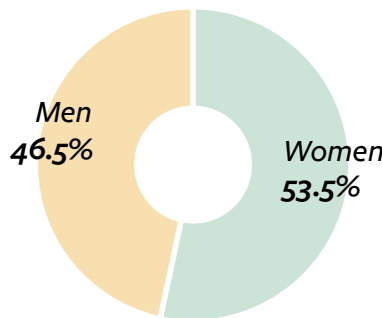
Anchorage/Eagle River:	<b>498</b>
Palmer/Wasilla:	<b>205</b>
Fairbanks/Delta Junction/North Pole:	<b>138</b>
Juneau:	<b>17</b>
Kodiak:	<b>7</b>
Akutan/False Pass:	<b>5</b>
Haines:	<b>5</b>
Ketchikan:	<b>3</b>
Soldotna:	<b>2</b>
Petersburg:	<b>2</b>



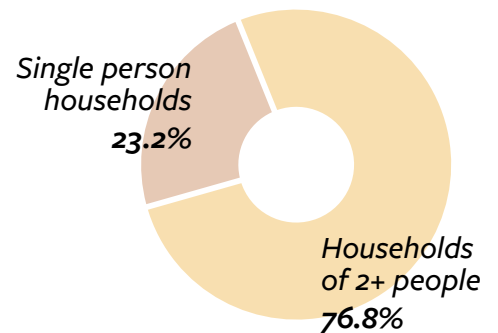
## Age:



## Gender:



## Family size:



Of refugees currently resettled by RAIS in Alaska, more than one third are under 15 years old, slightly more than half are **women**, and the majority are in **families of 2 or more people**. **60% are of working age** (the National Bureau of Labor Statistics defines working age as 15-64 years old).

# Employment Rate

## Percentage of refugees employed in Alaska:

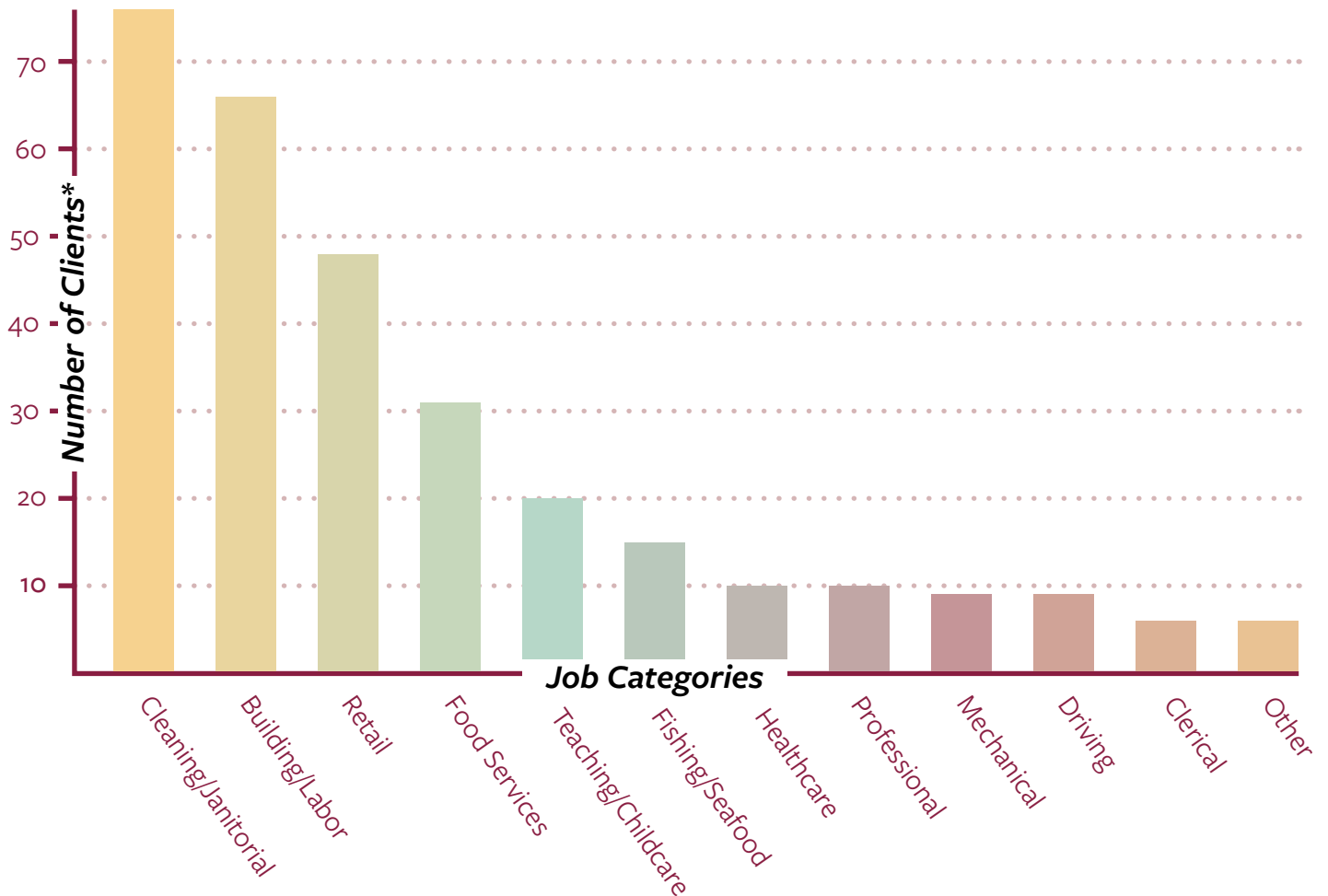
58.5% of total working-age RAIS clients are employed.

The National Bureau of Labor Statistics puts the July 2023 national labor participation rate at 62.6%.

However, some working-age refugees in Alaska are currently ineligible for employment due to medical diagnosis, disability, or they are still in school. Of able and eligible refugees,

68.9% of workforce-eligible RAIS clients are employed.

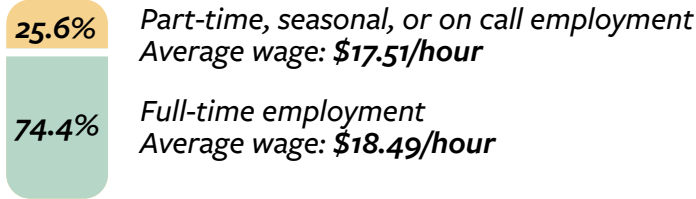
## Types of jobs refugees are finding:



\*Many RAIS clients hold multiple part-time jobs, so total jobs held will be greater than total employed clients.

# Quality of Employment

## Job status of refugees employed in Alaska:



## Refugee work skills utilization:

**While the majority of workforce-eligible refugees are employed, most are working jobs that don't match their work experience and skill capacity.**

Currently, more than 70% of refugees are working entry-level and general labor jobs, which pay lower rates. Despite more than 50% of refugees bringing work experience in high-paying fields (professional, skilled trade, protective services, business, healthcare) less than 20% have found employment in Alaska commensurate with their experience.

