

Resettlement Summary

The populations we serve are Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) eligible populations: refugees, asylees, Cuban and Haitian Entrants, Ukrainian Humanitarian Paroles, Afghan Humanitarian Parolees, Foreign Born Victims of Trafficking, and Special Immigrant Visas (SIVs).

Current caseload of ORR Eligible Clients:

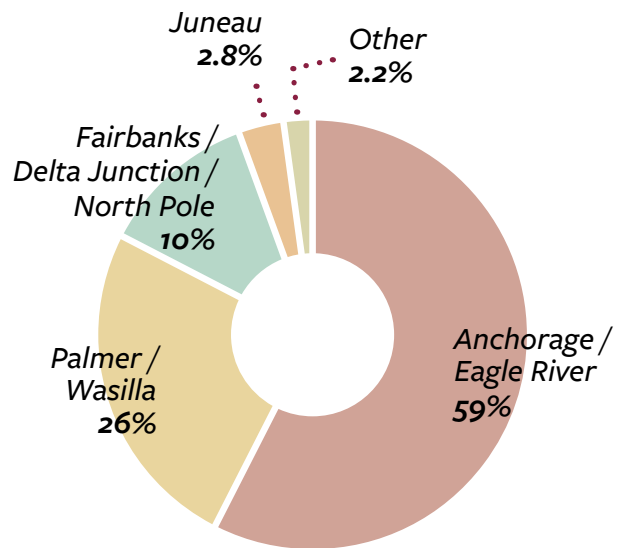
Alaska Office for Refugees (AOR) currently provides services to **1,170 active clients**.*

786 of those clients (**67.2%**) are **from Ukraine**, and **78** are **from Afghanistan**, and **102** from the **Democratic Republic of The Congo**, due to ongoing war and humanitarian crises.

*Clients who have arrived in the U.S. within the last 5 years and are still eligible for services.

Where they live:

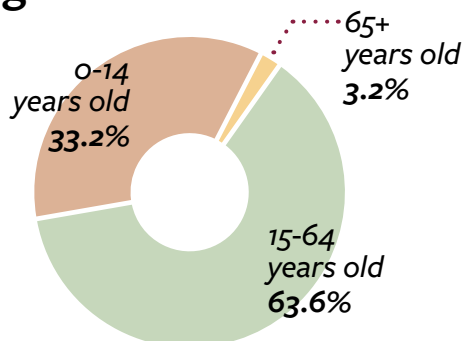
Anchorage / Eagle River:	685
Palmer / Wasilla:	308
Fairbanks / Delta Junction / North Pole:	118
Juneau:	33
Kodiak:	8
Aleutians:	11
Kenai:	3
Petersburg:	3
Ketchikan:	1



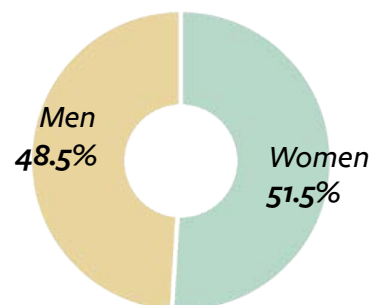
A study conducted by the Federal government found that **within a 15-year period, refugees and asylees create a net surplus in revenue for both state and local governments** through payroll, income, sales, and property taxes that more than offsets the cost of resettlement and services.

That report is available at <https://aspe.hhs.gov/reports/fiscal-impact-refugees-asylees>

Age:



Gender:



Of clients currently resettled in Alaska, more than one third are under 15 years old and slightly more than half are women. **Over 60% are of working age** (the National Bureau of Labor Statistics defines working age as 15-64 years old).

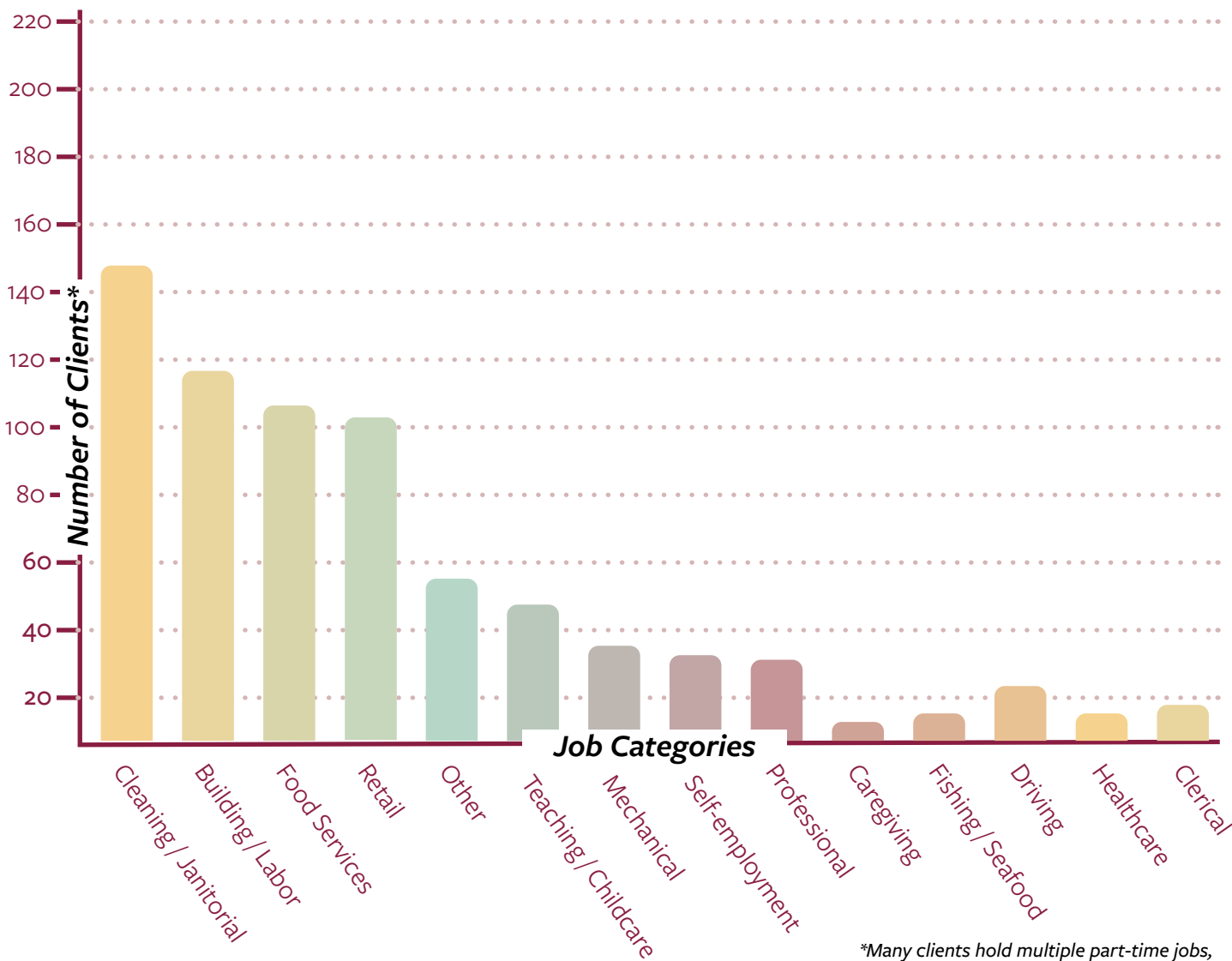
Employment Rate

Percentage of ORR Eligible Clients currently employed in Alaska:

78% of workforce-eligible clients are employed.

The National Bureau of Labor Statistics puts the 2025 national labor participation rate at 62.6%.

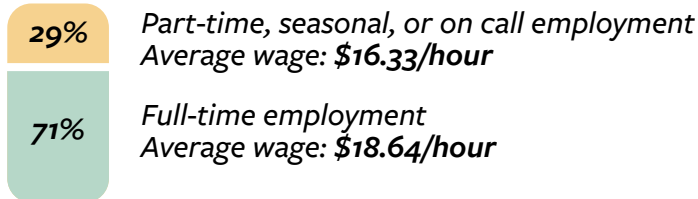
Types of jobs ORR Eligible Clients are finding:



*Many clients hold multiple part-time jobs, so total jobs held will be greater than total employed clients.
All data current as of January 21, 2025.
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Quality of Employment

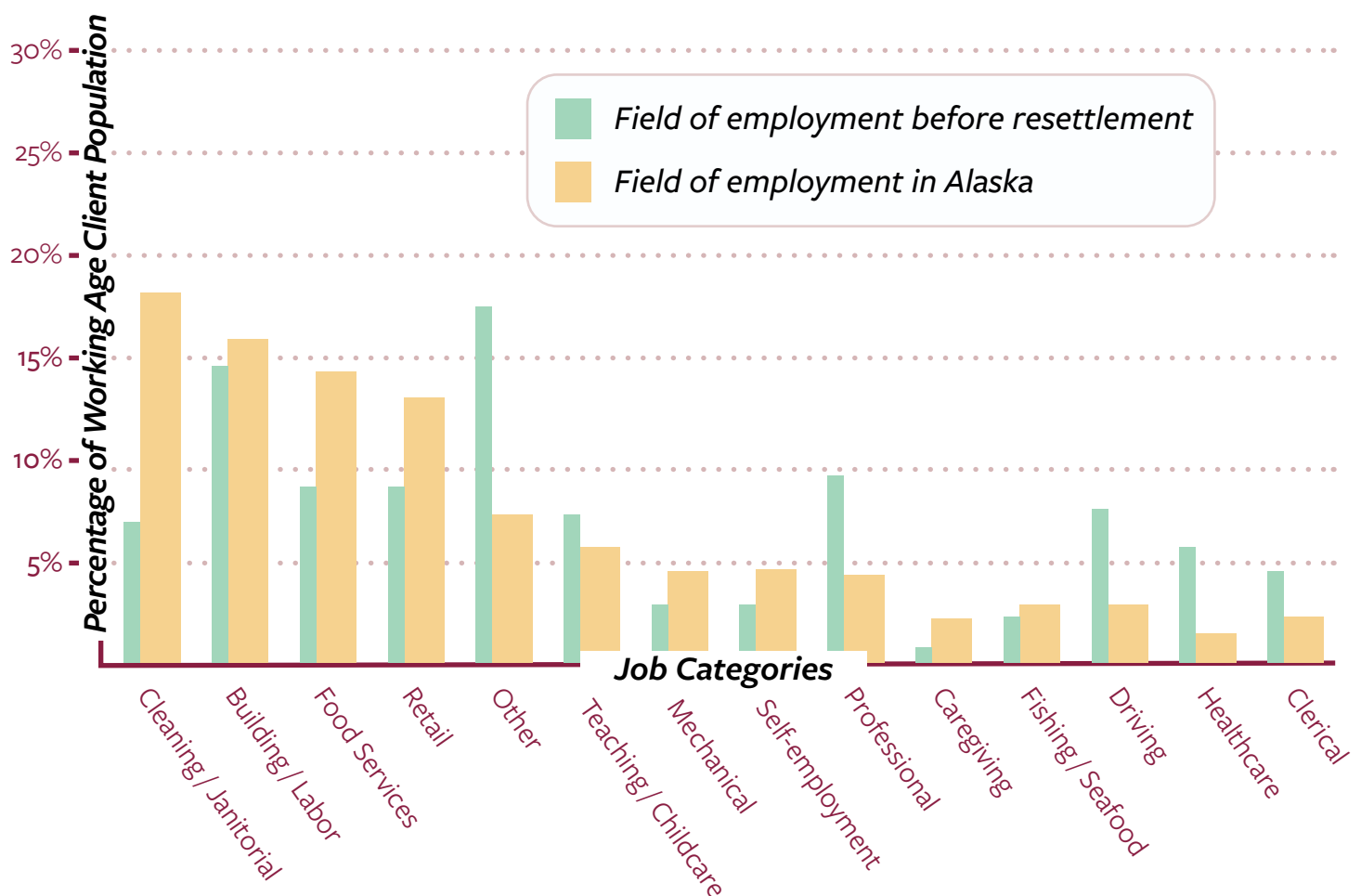
Job status of ORR Eligible Clients in Alaska:



Work skills utilization of ORR Eligible Clients:

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

Regardless of work experience, the majority of resettled clients in Alaska (over 60%) are working in entry-level fields which are generally lower-paying: janitorial, general labor, food services, and retail. **More than one third of workforce-eligible clients have work experience in medium to high-skill fields such as healthcare, professional, or mechanical, but only about 20% hold roles within those fields in Alaska.**



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