

Alaska Youth and Seniors in the Workforce

Growing dependence on both age groups in recent years

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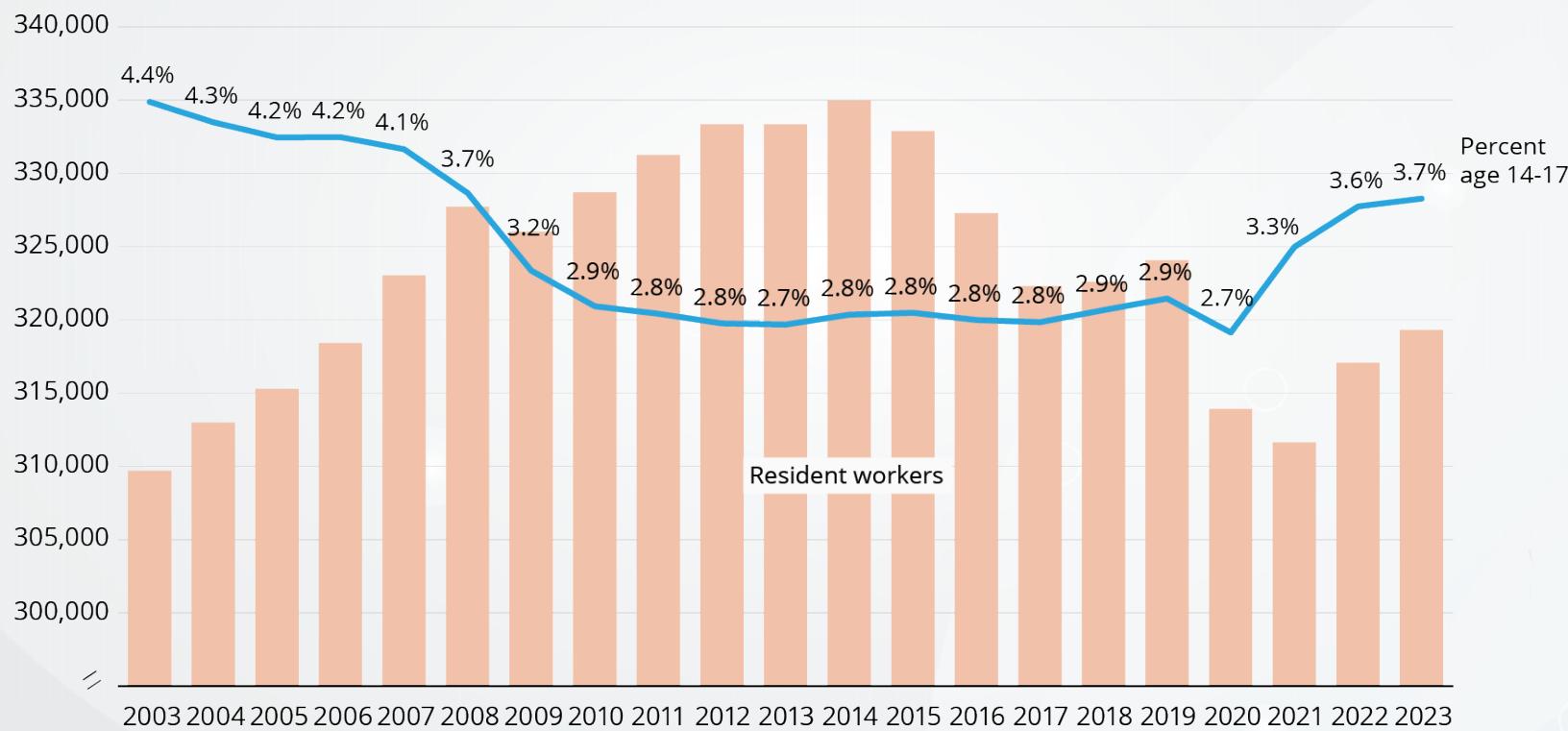


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More teens have entered workforce

Teen share of Alaska resident workforce on an upward trend since COVID



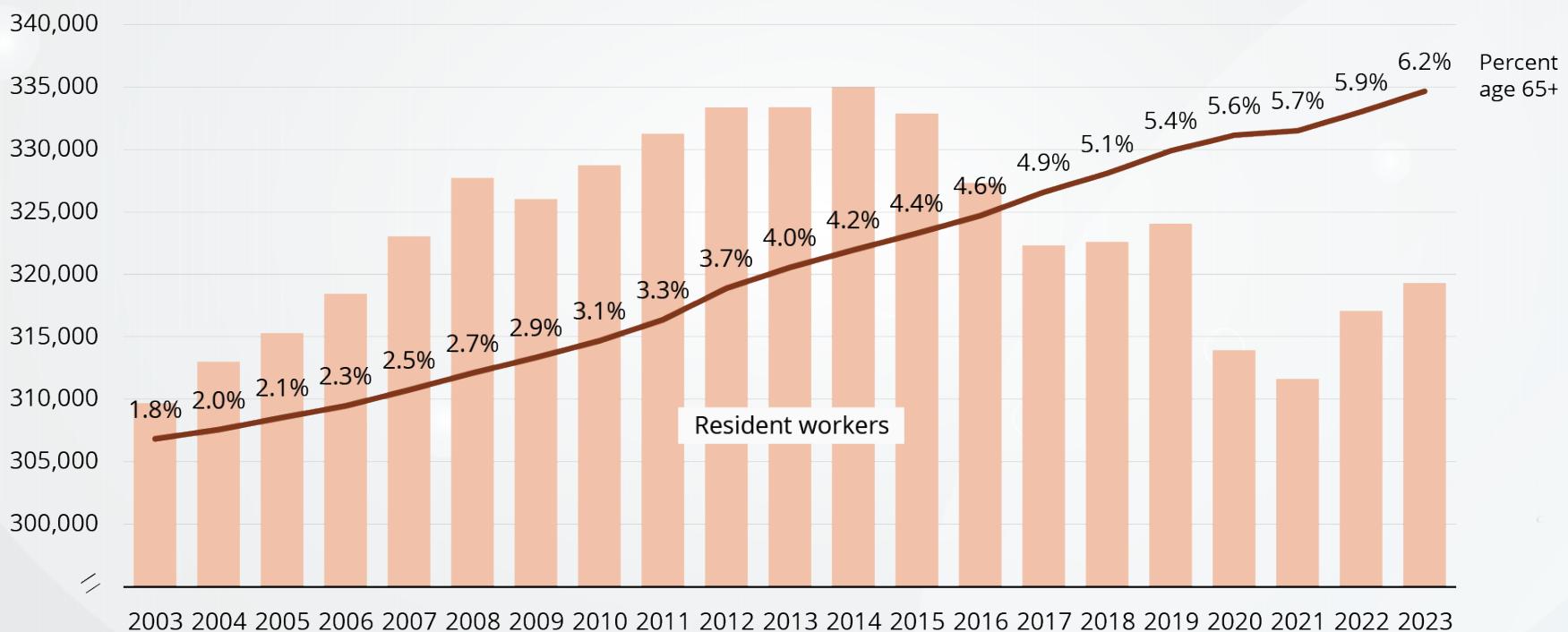
Teen wages jumped during/after COVID

Higher wages in recent years, though still low relative to other age groups



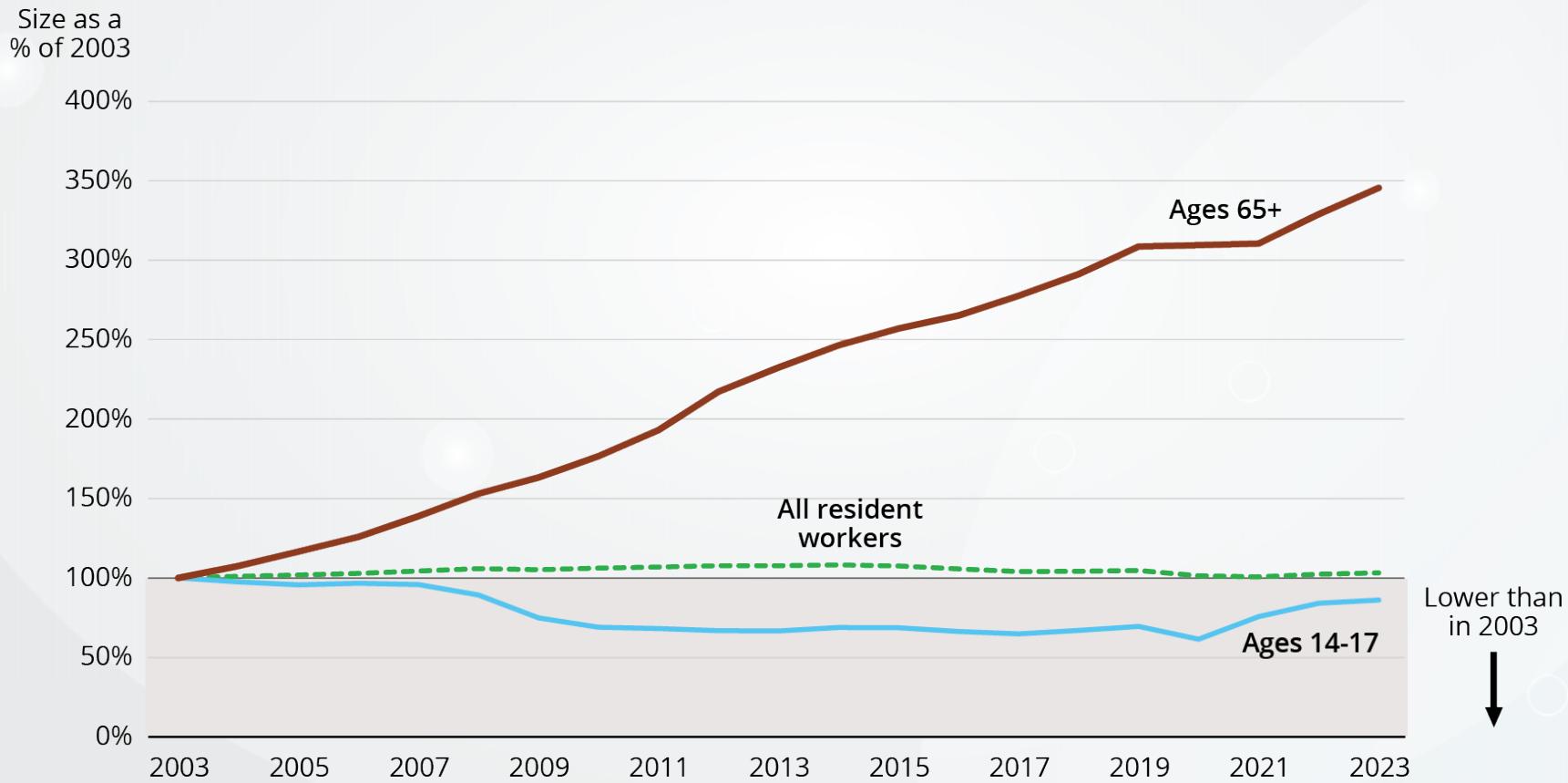
Senior workers share of total has grown

Steady long-term increases in 65+ workers as share of workforce



Big increase in senior workers since 2003

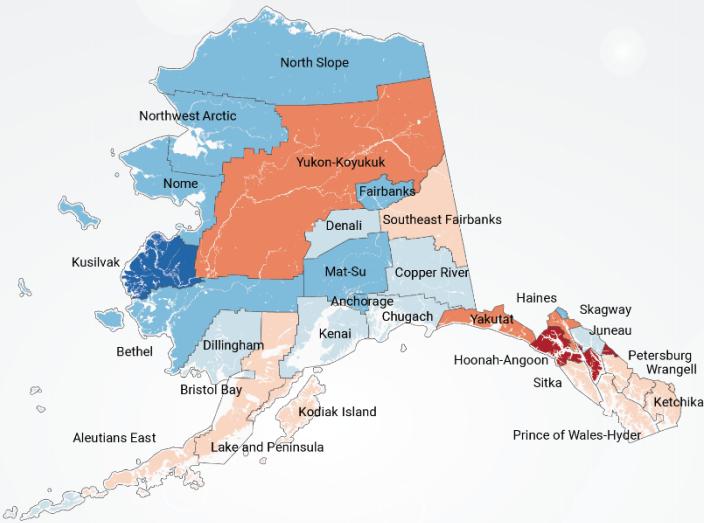
Senior workers stand out as group that has expanded dramatically



Strong correlation with population numbers

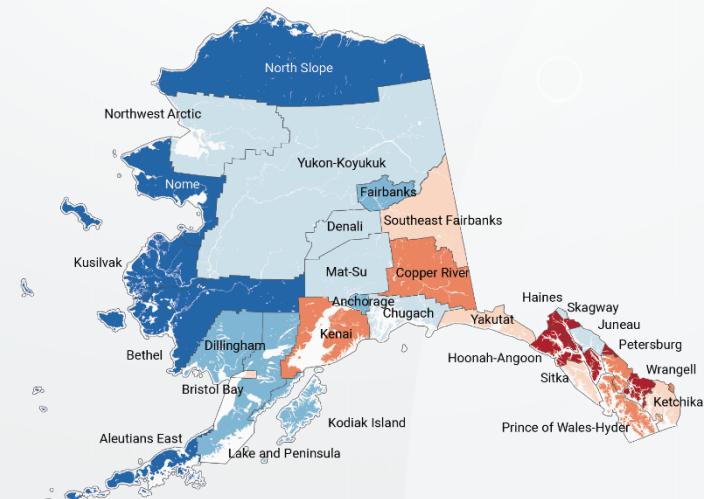
Share of workers
who are 65-plus

- <5%
- 5%
- 6% - 7%
- 8% - 9%
- 10% - 11%
- >11%



65-plus share
of population

- <10%
- 10% - 14%
- 15% - 17%
- 18% - 19%
- 20% - 24%
- >25%



How about our “working age” population?

Alaska's Working Age (18-64) Population, 2015-2025



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