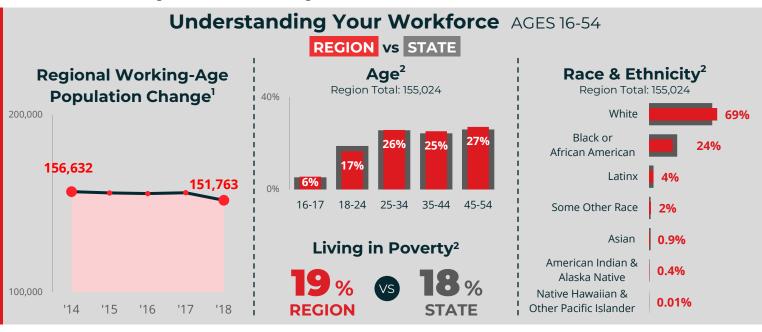


Regional Workforce Council Profile

REGION SIX



Under the leadership of Governor Kay Ivey, Alabama set the ambitious attainment goal of adding 500,000 credentialed Alabamians to the labor force, surpassing the national labor force participation rate and returning to pre-pandemic employment levels. Reaching these goals requires understanding the differences across Alabama's seven workforce regions and expanding place-based strategies that serve the education and workforce needs of our communities. In this profile, we present key data points on the Region Six workforce and on the workforce ecosystem, which help provide a foundation for achieving the state's attainment goal.



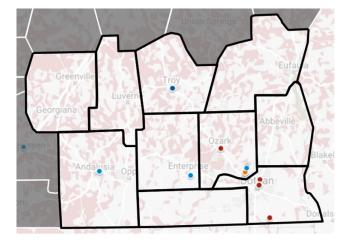
Regional Education Snapshot

Highest Level of Education² AGES 25-54 **Female** Male Total= 58,867 Total= 61.984 Bachelor's degree or higher 21% 16% 14% 9% Associate degree Some college, enrolled 3% 1% Some college, not enrolled 22% 22% High school graduate 36% 28% Less than high school 12% 15% How can we **engage** these younger YOUTH AGES 16-24 working-age adults to ARE NOT IN SCHOOL pursue education

& NOT EMPLOYED²

Regional Education & Training Providers

- Public university (1)
 Community college (3)
 WIOA eligible provider (4)
 Apprenticeship (1)
- Private non-profit (0)
 Private for-profit (0)



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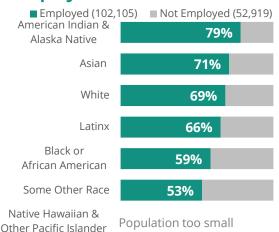
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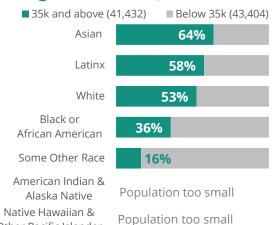


Regional Workforce Snapshot

Employment² AGES 16-54 Employed (102,105) Not Employed (102,105)



Wages AGES 16-54 (Work 30+ hrs/wk)





26%

of the working-age population* **submitted an unemployment claim** during COVID³

TOTAL CLAIMS= 40,334

* Individuals older than 54 may be included in the claims data.

Employment Access Across the Region

Other Pacific Islander

Transportation AGES 16-54

Total= 98,399

15%
TRAVEL OVER
34 MINUTES
TO WORK²



Healthcare AGES 16-54 Total= 155,024

81%
HAVE HEALTH
INSURANCE
COVERAGE²

Broadband ALL AGES



75%

HAVE ACCESS TO BROADBAND⁴

COVID Deaths⁵

ALL AGES
Per 100,000
people
Data updated



Key Findings

- Region Six saw a net decrease in population between 2014 and 2018. The largest reduction took place between 2017 and 2018, when the region's population decreased by over 5,000.
- Females in Region Six have higher rates of postsecondary educational attainment than males: 35% have an associates degree or higher, 10 percentage points higher than males.
- Just over half of white working individuals make over \$35,000 per year, while a greater share of Asian individuals are making more (64%). Only 36% of Black individuals make over \$35,000 annually.
- There are 9 total postsecondary education and training providers in Region Six, including 4 WIOA providers and 3 community colleges. The density of providers is greatest in and around the Dothan area.

Data Sources

- ¹2018 American Community Survey 1-year PUMS (most recent available)
- ² <u>2018 American Community Survey 5-year PUMS</u> (most recent available)
- ³ AL Department of Labor Unemployment Insurance Claims
- ⁴AL Broadband Now Evaluation as of 09/01/2020
- ⁵AL Public Health COVID-19 Data and Surveillance