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Alaska's Economic Performance Among the Worst in Nation.

A report from the University of Alaska Center for Economic Development found that, for the last seven years, the state has performed “at or near the bottom” in employment growth, unemployment, net migration and GDP.

(TNS) — For the last seven years, the Alaska economy has performed “at or near the bottom” nationally in four key measures of economic health, according to a report released Thursday by the University of Alaska Center for Economic Development.

Taken together, the state's poor performance between 2015 and 2021 — in employment growth, unemployment, net migration and gross domestic product — place Alaska's economic health at the bottom of all 50 states and the District of Columbia, said Nolan Klouda, the center's executive director and lead author of the 10-page report.

“You could make a case that Alaska is the bottom-performing state going back to 2015,” Klouda said in an interview Thursday. “I think it is.”

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