# THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF AIR QUALITY

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#### How does Air Quality affect our economy?

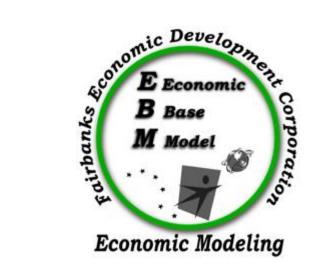
- Baseline Economy
- Who pays us and how much
- Costs of living
- Consequences of non-attainment and the costs of inaction

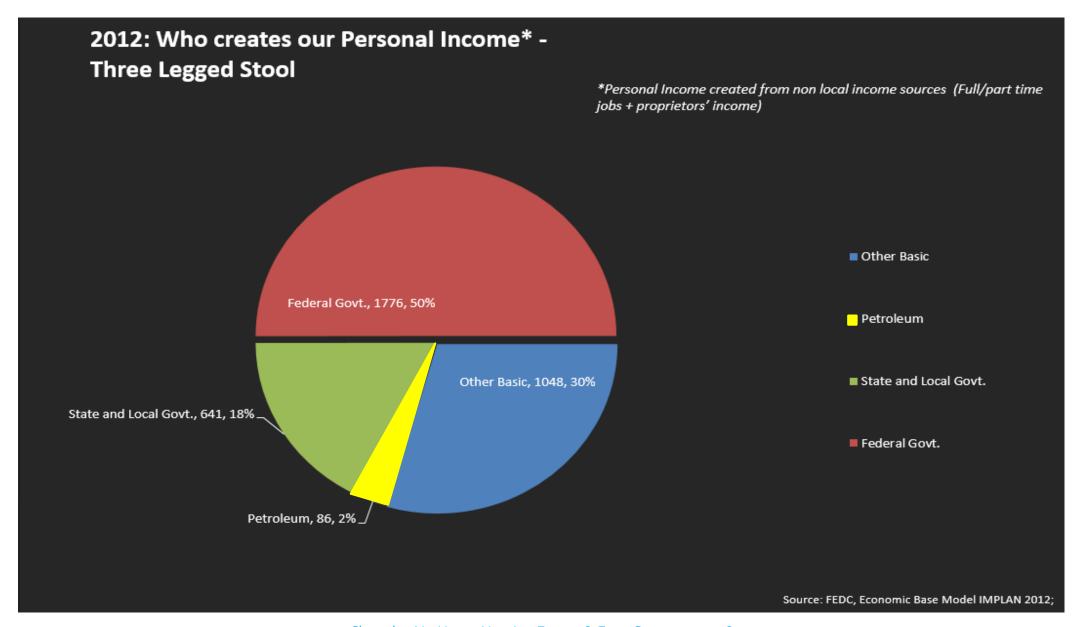


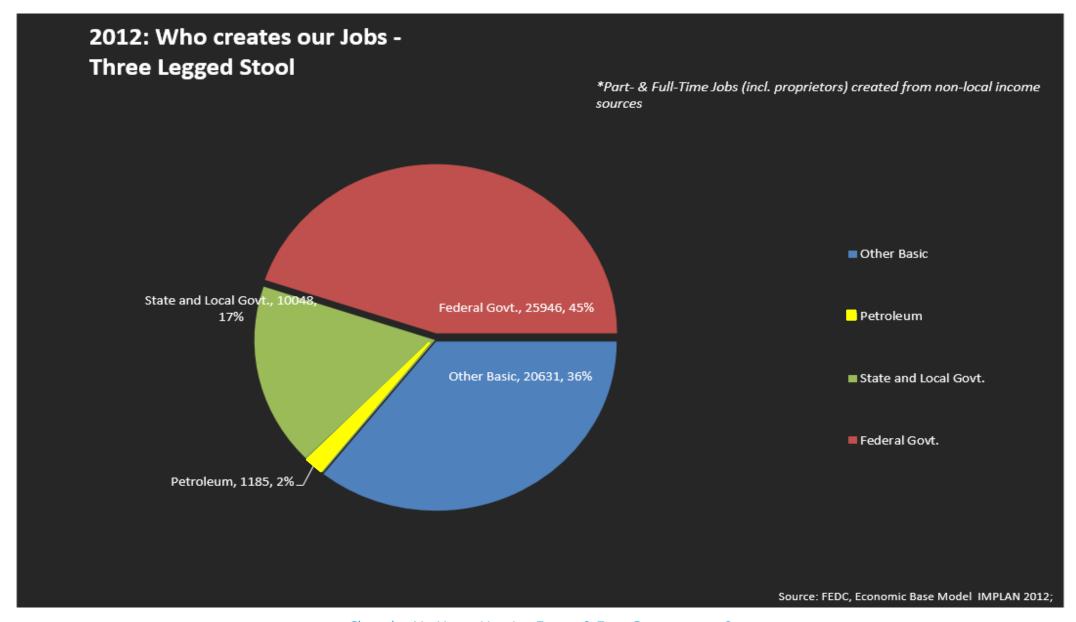
#### Baseline Economy



2012
- FNSB Economy:
Model Overviews







	Dollars	Rank in State	
	2016	2016	
United States	49,246		
Alaska	55,646		
Skagway Municipality	77,977	1	
Denali Borough	69,535	2	
Bristol Bay Borough	64,069	3	
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	63,222	4	
Juneau City and Borough	63,070	5	
Petersburg Borough	62,773	6	
Sitka City and Borough	62,537	7	
Anchorage Municipality	62,317	8	
Valdez-Cordova Census Area	61,337	9	
Aleutians East Borough	60,284	10	
Kodiak Island Borough	58,843	11	
Aleutians West Census Area	56,105	12	
Hoonah-Angoon Census Area	55,511	13	
Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area	54,850	14	
Lake and Peninsula Borough	54,491	15	
Yakutat City and Borough	54,161	16	
Dillingham Census Area	53,923	17	
Fairbanks North Star Borough	53,647	18	
Kenai Peninsula Borough	50,691	19	
Haines Borough	50,667	20	
Nome Census Area	50,254	21	
Northwest Arctic Borough	48,039	22	
Wrangell City and Borough	47,105	23	
Matanuska-Susitna Borough	44,880	24	
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<sup>1.</sup> Per capita personal income was computed using Census Bureau midyear population estimates. Estimates reflect county population estimates available as of March 2017.

## Cost of Living How Alaska Cities' Costs Compare

	Total Index	Groceries	Housing	Utilities	Trans- portation	Health Care	Misc.
Category's weight in total index	100.0%	13.47%	28.15%	9.90%	8.99%	4.57%	34.92%
U.S. Average	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Region and City							
Anchorage, AK	128.4	134.0	139.3	121.8	106.5	145.3	122.7
Fairbanks, AK	129.8	125.9	118.2	207.0	122.0	151.5	117.9
Juneau, AK	134.5	145.4	150.5	132.1	140.8	153.4	114.0

#### What does this all mean?

#### **Economic Impact of Air Quality**

 PM 2.5 not only affects our air and our health, but our local economy

 Clean air is good for our health and good for our bank accounts



#### The cost of inaction – what's at risk

- Military:
  - Reduced Military Growth
  - Possible Military Downsizing
- Tourism:
  - Fewer Visitors
  - More significant impact on winter tourism
- Health Care
  - Increased Costs reducing disposable income
- Higher Energy Cost
  - Increased Costs reducing disposable income
- Population Decline
  - Increased Taxes
  - Decreased Federal, State and Private investment
- Loss for Federal Highway Dollars
  Between now and 2020 up to \$300 million in Interior Highway projects could be cancelled



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### Questions?

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