

Alaska's Average Employment For 1969 Breaks All Time Record

JUNEAU—Preliminary reports show that Alaska's average employment for 1969 was a record breaking 100,000, Governor Keith H. Miller announced this week.

The Governor said this was the first time in the State's history that average annual employment was expected to reach the 100,000 level. The previous high year was 1968, when 91,000 was recorded.

"The nearly 10 per cent growth in employment in one year is particularly significant be-

cause our average unemployment rate dropped during the same period from 9.1 per cent to 8.8 per cent," Miller noted.

The Governor declared that the new employment record demonstrates that the State's rapidly expanding economy is capable of providing more job opportunities for Alaskans.

"We shall continue our vigorous campaign to insure that Alaskans are given first preference in hiring by the members of our business and industrial community," Miller said.