

INDUSTRIES DRIVING THE RECOVERY: MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts as a whole has had a more broad-based recovery than has Boston/Metro North. The state expanded employment in industries ranging from a 0.1 percent increase in both the Information and Educational Services industries to a 5.4 percent increase in Administrative & Support Services industry between the fourth quarters of 2009 and 2010. During the same period, the Health Care & Social Assistance industry added over 12,100 jobs, a 2.4 increase in employment. Job growth was spread across a number of the sub-industries that make up Health Care & Social Assistance, including: Social Assistance (3,200 jobs), Ambulatory

Health Care Services (3,400 jobs), and Hospitals (5,700 jobs). Between the fourth quarters of 2009 and 2010, the state experienced slight declines in only three industries: Financial Activities, Wholesale Trade, and Management of Companies & Enterprises. As a result, employment growth between the fourth quarters of 2009 and 2010 was 1.5 percent, exceeding the 0.9 percent increase in Boston/Metro North.

Source: Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development ES-202.

Note: Industries are sorted by size in Massachusetts in Q4 2010.

