

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF EMPLOYEES BY MAJOR INDUSTRY IN MASSACHUSETTS (2008-2010)

The educational attainment across the industries of Boston/Metro North is much higher than that of the same industries in Massachusetts. In Massachusetts, only eight of the 17 major industries have a workforce where more than 40 percent of employees have a Bachelor's Degree or higher. And in every major industry statewide, the share of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher is less than their industrial counterparts in Boston/Metro North. In particular, industries with employees that traditionally have lower levels of educational attainment, such as Utilities, Wholesale Trade, and Manufacturing, have a higher share of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher in Boston/Metro North. Conversely, nearly every major industry statewide has a larger share of employees with a High School Degree or less compared with Boston/Metro North, with the exception of Wholesale Trade, Construction, and Management of Companies & Enterprises.

Source: US Census Bureau 2008-2010 American Community Survey PUMS data files.

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

