

EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR OCCUPATION: MASSACHUSETTS (2008-2010)

Massachusetts has a higher concentration of employees in Office & Administrative Support occupations (13.3 percent) and a lower share of Management occupations (11.2 percent) than does Boston/Metro North. The state also has lower shares of employees in occupations such as Healthcare Practitioners & Technical Services and Business & Financial Operations, and higher shares in Production and Sales occupations. Despite these variations in occupational composition, overall occupational growth was similar in Boston/Metro North and in Massachusetts over the past decade. The few exceptions were the stronger growth in Management occupations at the state level, stronger growth in Food Preparation & Serving and Education & Library Services in Boston/Metro North, and a slight decline in Construction & Extraction occupations in Massachusetts (while employment in this category grew slightly in Boston/Metro North).

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

Note: "All Other" occupations are composed of Community & Social Services, Legal, Protective Services, Farming, Fishing, & Forestry, and Military Specific. Occupations are sorted largest to smallest by size in Massachusetts in 2008-2010. See the on-line Data Appendix for occupational employment trends.

