

NUMBER OF PART-TIME ENROLLEES BY TYPE OF DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTION IN BOSTON/METRO NORTH (2000-2010)

While the majority of part-time students in post-secondary educational institutions in Boston/Metro North were at four-year institutions in 2010, the share declined over the last decade, from 71.1 percent in 2000 to 61.7 percent in 2010. In comparison, during this same time period, the share of part-time students at two-year institutions increased from 26.3 percent to 34.6 percent. However, part-time enrollment at two-year institutions in the region actually declined at an annual rate of 5.0 percent between 2000 and 2003, before growing at an annual rate of 4.8 percent between 2003 and 2010. Part-time enrollment at less-than-two-year institutions doubled between 2000 and 2005, reaching a peak of over 1,500 students in the middle of the decade. Subsequent declines in part-time enrollment at less-than-two-year institutions dropped enrollment to 2000 levels, before rising more than 1,000 enrollees at the end of the decade.

Source: National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Post Secondary Education Data System.

