

ANNUAL COMPLETIONS BY TOP FIVE BACHELOR'S DEGREE MAJORS IN BOSTON/METRO NORTH (2000-2010)

From 2000 to 2004, growth in Bachelor's Degree completions came mostly from the Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences and Business fields. Both fields of study grew at a rate exceeding 5 percent during this time period, while fields such as Health Sciences and Science & Mathematics contracted. From 2004 to 2010, degree completions in the Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences and Business majors slowed to grow at an annual rate of about 1 percent, while the previously contracting fields of Health Science (12.8 percent) and Science & Mathematics (5.8 percent) increased in popularity. The numbers of Engineering & Computer Science degrees, on the other hand, were more consistent, and hovered around 2,000 throughout the decade.

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

