INDUSTRIES DRIVING THE RECOVERY: MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts as a whole has had a broad-based recovery across industries. The state expanded employment in industries ranging from a 0.1 percent increase in Information and Educational Services to 5.4 percent in Administrative & Support Services between the fourth quarters of 2009 and 2010. The Health Care & Social Assistance industry added over 12,100 jobs, an increase in employment of 2.4 percent in the recovery to date. 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). During the recovery, the state has experienced slight declines in only three industries: Financial Activities, Wholesale Trade, and Management of Companies & Enterprises.

In comparison with Central Mass, the state had a stronger industrial recovery, exceeding Central Mass in the growth of most industries, with the exception of Utilities, Transportation & Warehousing, and Other Services.


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