NUMBER OF FULL-TIME ENROLLEES BY TYPE OF DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTION IN THE NORTHEAST REGION (2000-2010)

Four-year institutions continue to account for most of the full-time enrollment in higher education institutions in the Northeast region, but their share fell from 76.8 percent in 2000 to 71.8 percent in 2010. The share of students enrolled in the less-than-two-year and two-year institutions increased. With enrollments at two-year institutions increasing at an annual rate of 4.6 percent over the course of the decade, the share of the region’s students enrolled at such institutions increased from 21.4 percent to 24.6 percent. The strongest increase came in the smallest category: Less-than-two-year institutions accounted for 3.6 percent of the region’s enrollment at post-secondary institutions in 2010, up from 1.8 percent in 2000.


Note: In the above stacked-area chart, the different areas represent the number of enrollees by institution type. For example, enrollments in less-than-two-year Institutions were more than 900 in 2010, compared to more than 19,400 at four-year institutions that year. All three areas combined represent the total number of enrollees in post-secondary educational institutions in the Northeast region, of which there were more than 27,000 in 2010. The areas are stacked in order of size in 2010, with enrollment at four-year institutions, the largest enrollment group, on the bottom and enrollment at less-than-two-year institutions, the smallest group, at the top.