ANNUAL COMPLETIONS BY TOP FIVE BACHELOR’S DEGREE MAJORS IN THE NORTHEAST REGION (2000-2010)

From 2000 to 2010, the number of Bachelor’s Degrees in the Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences fields awarded by institutions in the Northeast region grew steadily. In contrast, the number of Business degrees ebbed and flowed over the course of the decade. From 2000 to 2002, the number of Business degrees produced in the region was consistently around 700, but it then jumped to more than 800 from 2003 to 2005. In the remaining years of the decade, the number of degrees dropped to a decade low of 725 in 2006 before reaching a decade high of 961 in 2010. Engineering & Computer Sciences, on the other hand, grew rapidly through the first half of the decade and reached its peak number of completions in 2004. Health Science majors took the opposite route, remaining fairly stable in the first half of the decade but then showing more robust growth in the second half, resulting in peak completions in 2009.