

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF EMPLOYEES BY MAJOR OCCUPATION IN THE SOUTHEAST REGION (2008-2010)

Over the past decade, the share of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher increased in nearly every major occupation in the Southeast region, save for Personal Care & Service occupations. For example, the share of Computer & Mathematical employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher grew by over 12 percentage points to reach 65.6 percent in 2008-2010. Even occupations with a mix of educational levels, such as Office & Administrative Support, saw growth in the share of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher and declines in the share of employees with a High School Degree or less. The educational attainment of employees even increased in occupations where workers traditionally have less education, such as Production. As such, nine occupations in the region had a majority of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher in 2008-2010, while seven occupations had a majority of employees with a High School Degree or less.

Source: US Census Bureau 2008-2010 American Community Survey PUMS data files.

Note: Occupations are sorted by size in Massachusetts in 2008-2010 American Community Survey PUMS data files.

