

THE UNEMPLOYED: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (2000 AND 2008-2010)

Over 50 percent of the unemployed in the Northeast region were people with High School Degrees or less in 2008-2010. This is down from 60 percent in 2000. Over the course of the decade, the share of the unemployed increased for all educational attainments levels above high school. However, the lower educational attainment cohorts continue to be disproportionately represented among the unemployed. In 2008-2010, those with less than a high school education accounted for 18.8 percent of the unemployed but were only 9.2 percent of the civilian labor force.

Source: US Census 2000 Decennial Census PUMS data files and 2008-2010 American Community Survey PUMS data files.

