EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF EMPLOYEES BY MAJOR INDUSTRY: MASSACHUSETTS (2008-2010)

The educational attainment across industries in Massachusetts was slightly higher than in the Northeast region in 2008-2010. In Massachusetts, nine of the 17 major industries had a workforce where the largest share of employees have a Bachelor's Degree or higher. And in nearly every major industry statewide, the share of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher was greater than its counterpart in the Northeast region, save for Management of Companies & Enterprises and Manufacturing. Compared with the Northeast region, only nine industries in Massachusetts had a lower share of employees with a High School Degree or less. This is because almost all industries (15 of the 17) in Massachusetts had a lower share of employees with Some College education or an Associate's Degree than in the region. The difference was starkest in Administrative & Support Services, Utilities, and Financial Activities, where Massachusetts had a 5-point-lower share of workers with such educational attainment.

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

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

