

BACHELOR'S DEGREES AWARDED BY MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY (2000-2010)

In 2010, almost two-thirds of the Bachelor's Degrees produced by institutions in Boston/Metro North were in two fields of study: Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences (49.1 percent) and Business (16.2 percent). Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences majors in the region grew at an annual rate of 2.8 percent (2,300 degrees) between 2000 and 2010, accounting for over 50 percent of the 4,500 increase in Bachelor's Degree completions statewide. Boston/Metro North also has a high concentration of degrees in the Science, Engineering, Technology, and Mathematics (STEM) fields (Engineering & Computer Sciences and Science & Mathe-

matics majors), though the share of STEM degrees is smaller than at the start of the decade due to almost no change in the number of completions of Engineering & Computer Science degrees in the past decade. Education and Legal were the only Bachelor's Degree majors in Boston/Metro North to decline in the past decade, while Education was the only field to see fewer completions statewide.

Source: National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Post Secondary Education Data System.

| Major Field of Study | Boston/Metro North | | | | Massachusetts | | | |
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| | 2000 | | 2010 | | 2000 | | 2010 | |
| | Bachelor's Completed | Majors Share of Total (Percent) | Bachelor's Completed | Majors Share of Total (Percent) | Bachelor's Completed | Majors Share of Total (Percent) | Bachelor's Completed | Majors Share of Total (Percent) |
| Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences | 7,482 | 46.8 | 9,859 | 49.1 | 18,891 | 44.6 | 23,405 | 44.8 |
| Business | 2,359 | 14.8 | 3,246 | 16.2 | 7,596 | 17.9 | 9,990 | 19.1 |
| Science & Mathematics | 1,435 | 9.0 | 1,871 | 9.3 | 3,818 | 9.0 | 5,054 | 9.7 |
| Engineering & Computer Sciences | 2,000 | 12.5 | 2,003 | 10.0 | 3,726 | 8.8 | 3,997 | 7.7 |
| Health Sciences | 1,395 | 8.7 | 1,549 | 7.7 | 2,938 | 6.9 | 3,589 | 6.9 |
| Services | 438 | 2.7 | 574 | 2.9 | 2,495 | 5.9 | 3,170 | 6.1 |
| Education | 524 | 3.3 | 299 | 1.5 | 1,922 | 4.5 | 1,362 | 2.6 |
| Legal | 42 | 0.3 | 28 | 0.1 | 176 | 0.4 | 190 | 0.4 |
| Other | 291 | 1.8 | 664 | 3.3 | 797 | 1.9 | 1,466 | 2.8 |
| Total | 15,973 | 100.0 | 20,093 | 100.0 | 42,376 | 100.0 | 52,223 | 100.0 |