

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

While the number of workers in Southeast with a Bachelor's Degree or higher increased over the past decade, many of the region's industries still had large shares of employees with a High School Degree or less. In 2008-2010, 10 of the 17 major industries in the region had a workforce where the largest share of employees had a High School Degree or less. In comparison, only six industries in the region had a Bachelor's Degree or higher as the largest educational attainment category. In a few industries, there was a clear majority of employees with a Bachelor's Degree or higher, such as Educational Services, or a clear majority with a High School Degree or less, such as Construction. However, in most industries, the educational attainment of employees was somewhat more evenly distributed, including 14 industries that had at least 25 percent of employees with Some College education or an Associate's Degree.

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

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

