

## EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR OCCUPATION: MASSACHUSETTS (2008-2010)

Massachusetts's occupational composition, much like its industrial composition, is somewhat different from that of the Southeast region. Office & Administrative Support is the largest occupation and accounts for over 13 percent of employment in the state. However, the state has much stronger employment concentrations in Management, Business & Financial Operations, and Computer & Mathematical occupations compared with the Southeast region. The Southeast region has stronger occupational concentrations in Sales, Production, and Transportation & Material Moving. Despite such differences in occupational composition, the Southeast region and Massachusetts have seen fairly similar occupational employment trends over the past decade. The few major differences included the stronger growth statewide in Food Preparation & Serving and Life, Physical, & Social Science occupations, and the region's stronger growth in Personal Care & Service and Healthcare Support occupations.

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

**Note:** All Other occupations are composed of Community & Social Services, Legal, Protective Services, Farming, Fishing, & Forestry, and Military Specific. Occupations are sorted largest to smallest by size in Massachusetts in 2008-2010. See the on-line Data Appendix for occupational employment trends.

