

Educational Attainment

Houston has a well-educated workforce with strengths in the science, engineering and business fields of study.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT HOUSTON MSA, 2018 POPULATION 25 YEARS OR OLDER		
Highest Education Level Attained	Estimate	Percent
No High School Diploma	735,625	16.3
High School Graduate or Higher	3,771,641	83.7
High School Diploma or GED	1,045,481	23.2
Some College, No Degree	923,075	20.5
Associate Degree	312,734	6.9
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1,490,351	33.1
<i>Bachelor's Degree</i>	<i>948,842</i>	<i>21.1</i>
<i>Graduate or Professional Degree</i>	<i>541,509</i>	<i>12.0</i>
Total Population 25 Years and Over	4,507,266	100.0
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018 American Community Survey		

- One-third of Houstonians 25 years or older is a college graduate (33.1 percent)—a rate higher than that of the U.S. (32.6 percent) and Texas (30.3 percent).

FIELD OF STUDY FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREE HOUSTON MSA, 2018 POPULATION 25 YEARS OR OLDER		
Field of Study for Bachelor's Degree	Estimate	Percent
Science, Engineering and Related	777,020	49.0
Business	362,106	22.8
Education	156,949	9.9
Arts, Humanities, and Other	289,204	18.2
All Degree-Holders 25 Years and Over	1,585,279	100.0
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2018 American Community Survey		

- Science, engineering and related degrees have been awarded to 777,020 Houstonians or 49.0 percent of Houston's college graduates—compared to 45.3 percent of college graduates nationwide, and 44.9 of college graduates in Texas.