

## Educational Attainment

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

<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT: HOUSTON MSA 2015 POPULATION 25 YEARS OR OLDER</b>		
<b>Highest Education Level Attained</b>	<b>Estimated Population Age 25 or More</b>	<b>Percent of Population Age 25 or More</b>
Graduate Degree	485,577	11.4%
Bachelor's Degree	851,162	20.1
<b>Total Completing College</b>	<b>1,336,739</b>	<b>31.5</b>
Associate Degree	281,166	6.6
Some College, No Degree	881,499	20.8
High School Diploma Only	991,115	23.4
<b>Total Completing High School</b>	<b>2,153,780</b>	<b>82.3</b>
Grade 9-12, No Diploma	342,291	8.1
Less Than Grade 9	408,571	9.6
<b>Total Population Age 25 or More</b>	<b>4,241,381</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Source:</b> U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2015 American Community Survey		

- The Houston region's percent of college graduates at 31.5 is slightly above the U.S. average of 30.6 percent and exceeds the state average of 28.4 percent.

<b>FIELD OF STUDY FOR BACHELOR'S AND HIGHER DEGREES HOUSTON MSA 2015</b>		
<b>Field for Bachelor's, Master's, Professional and Doctorate Degrees</b>	<b>Number of Houstonians with Degrees in the Selected Fields</b>	<b>Percent of Bachelor's and Higher Degrees Awarded</b>
Science, Engineering and Related Fields	647,443	48.4%
Business	317,253	23.7
Education	140,513	10.5
Arts, Humanities, and Other	231,530	17.3
<b>TOTAL Completing College</b>	<b>1,336,739</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Source:</b> U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2015 American Community Survey		

- The Houston region contains an above average percentage of college graduates with degrees in science, engineering and business.
- According to the Census Bureau's 2015 American Community Survey, science, engineering and related degrees have been awarded to 647,443 Houstonians or 48.4 percent of Houston's total college graduates – compared to only 44.1 percent of college graduates nationwide.