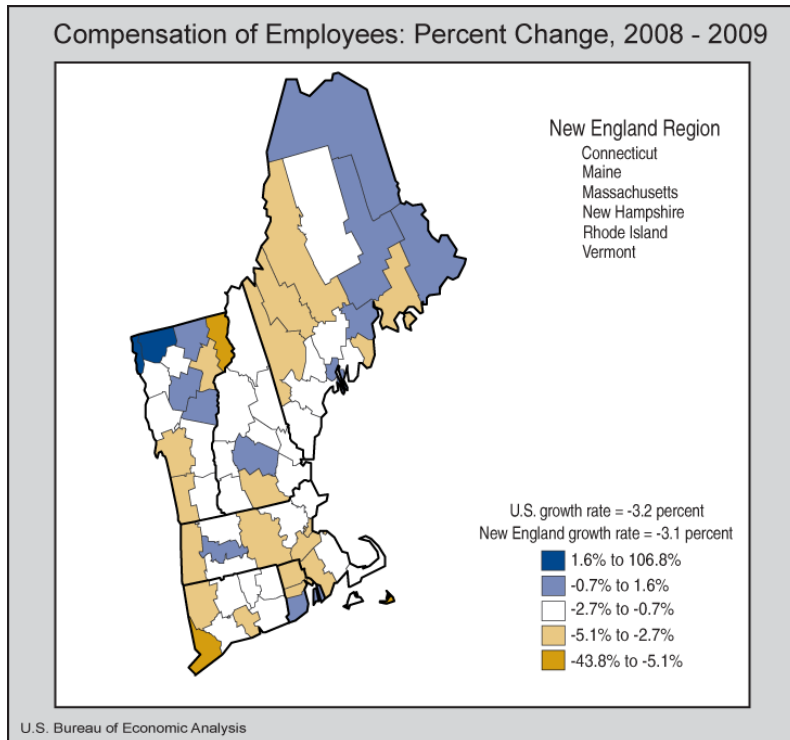


## County Compensation by Industry: New England Region

- The New England region accounted for 6 percent of the nation's total compensation in 2009. Of the 167 counties in the nation with at least \$10 billion in total compensation, 12 were in the New England region and accounted for 73 percent of the region's total compensation.



In the New England region in 2009:

- Total compensation declined in 59 of 67 counties. The largest contraction occurred in Nantucket County, Massachusetts at -10.5 percent, while the largest growth occurred in Grand Isle County, Vermont at 6.6 percent.
- Declines in finance and insurance, durable-goods manufacturing, and construction were the largest contributors to the contraction in total compensation.
- Metropolitan county compensation declined in 29 of 34 counties. The largest contraction occurred in Fairfield County, Connecticut at -6.7 percent, while the largest growth occurred in Grand Isle County, Vermont. Non-metropolitan county compensation declined in 30 of 33 counties.

- The health care and social assistance sector accounted for the largest share of total compensation at 13.4 percent.
- Average annual compensation per job increased in 60 of 67 counties, as a decline in employment more than offset the decrease in compensation. Fairfield County, Connecticut had the highest average compensation at \$92,435, while Essex County, Vermont had the lowest average compensation at \$36,428.

### Largest Counties in the New England region by 2009 Total Compensation (millions of dollars)

| County                   | Total Compensation in 2008 | Total Compensation in 2009 | Percent Change |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Middlesex, Massachusetts | 67,780                     | 66,102                     | -2.5           |
| Suffolk, Massachusetts   | 56,594                     | 54,095                     | -4.4           |
| Fairfield, Connecticut   | 43,126                     | 40,229                     | -6.7           |
| Hartford, Connecticut    | 37,597                     | 36,724                     | -2.3           |
| New Haven, Connecticut   | 23,511                     | 22,978                     | -2.3           |

BEA data—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic data for states, local areas, and industries—are available on the BEA Web site: [www.bea.gov](http://www.bea.gov). E-mail alerts are also available.