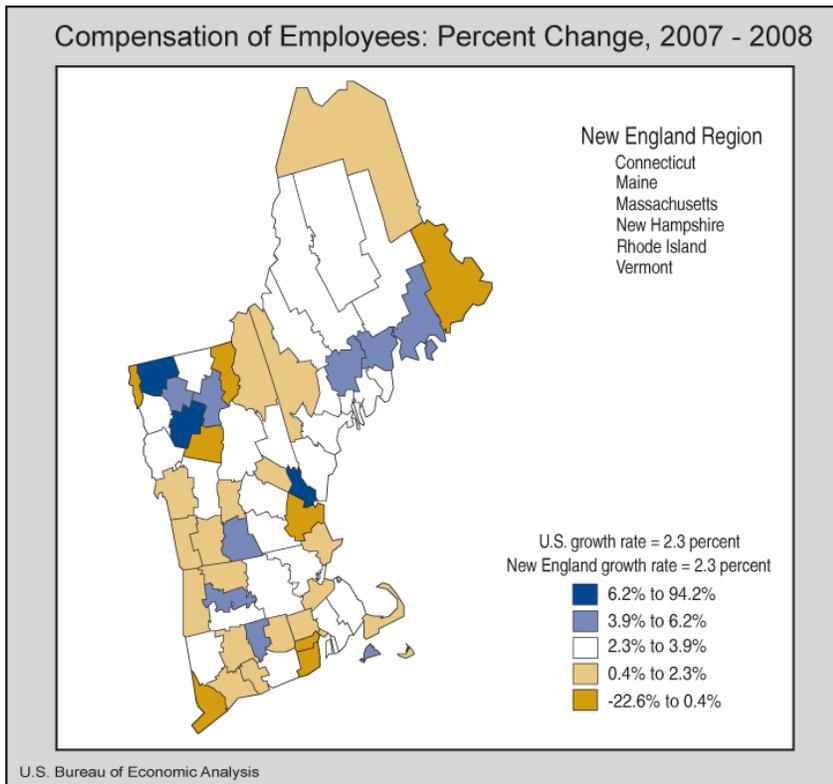


## County Compensation by Industry: New England Region

- The New England region accounted for 5.7 percent of the nation's total compensation in 2008. Of the 168 counties in the nation with at least \$10 billion in total compensation, 12 were in the New England region and accounted for 73.6 percent of the region's total compensation.



In the New England region:

- Total compensation grew in 61 of 67 counties in 2008. The largest growth occurred in Strafford County, New Hampshire at 10.1 percent, while the largest contraction occurred in Essex County, Vermont at -3.8 percent.

- Total compensation in the professional, scientific, and technical services sector grew fastest at 7.0 percent, while the largest contraction occurred in non-durable manufacturing at -4.2 percent in 2008.

- The health care and social assistance sector accounted for the largest share of total compensation at 12.5 percent.

- Growth in total compensation accelerated in 19 percent of counties. The largest acceleration occurred in

Cheshire County, New Hampshire driven by the durable manufacturing sector.

- Average annual compensation per job increased in 64 of 67 counties in 2008. Fairfield County, Connecticut had the highest average compensation at \$92,837, while Grand Isle County, Vermont had the lowest average compensation at \$34,915.

### Largest Counties in the New England region by 2008 Total Compensation (millions of dollars)

County	Total Compensation in 2007	Total Compensation in 2008	Percent Change
Middlesex, Massachusetts	65,607	67,782	3.3
Suffolk, Massachusetts	54,791	56,563	3.2
Fairfield, Connecticut	42,705	42,380	-0.8
Hartford, Connecticut	36,692	37,042	1.0
New Haven, Connecticut	22,613	23,075	2.0

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.