

# Boston's Creative Economy: An Update

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## **Boston's Creative Economy: An Update**

- In 2005, the Boston Planning and Development Agency (then known as the BRA), in collaboration with Create Boston, released a report titled "Boston's Creative Economy" assessing the size, scope, and economic impact of creative industries in the city.
- This follow-up revisits the report, asking how the size and composition of employment in Boston's Creative Economy has changed over the last decade.
- The original report can be accessed here:
   <a href="http://www.bostonplans.org/getattachment/01decb82-3ba5-4dea-a8d1-fdeaa39495d6/">http://www.bostonplans.org/getattachment/01decb82-3ba5-4dea-a8d1-fdeaa39495d6/</a>



## **Defining the Creative Economy**

- No single agreed upon definition of the Creative Economy has emerged from the literature.
- A recent survey report by the Creative Economy Coalition (CEC) titled "America's Creative Economy" (2013) surveyed 27 reports on regional creative economies, finding much overlap, but also significant divergence in the definitions used.
- In this report we use two definitions:
  - An industry-based definition closely related to the definition in the earlier BPDA report
  - An occupation-based definition compiled based on Career Clusters from the Department of Labor's Occupational Information Network (O\*NET) and occupations included in reports surveyed by "America's Creative Economy"



## **Two Complementary Definitions**

- Creative industries and creative occupations offer complementary frameworks through which to view the creative economy.
- In the context of workforce development:
  - An industry-based definition can be helpful in developing industry
    partnerships that engage for-profit and non-profit employers within a creative
    industry or across the broader creative sector
  - An occupation-based definition might offer a fuller picture of the range of employment opportunities facing graduates training in a creative field



## **Defining Creative Industries**

From Boston's Creative Economy (2005):

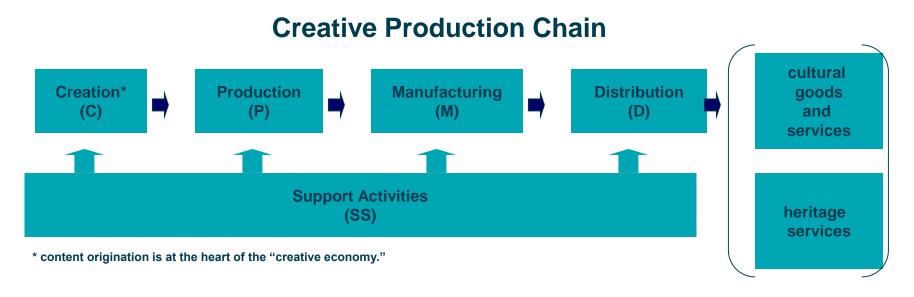
The "Creative Economy" is defined, for the purpose of this research, broadly, as those activities which have their origin in individual creativity, skill and talent and which have a potential for wealth and job creation. We include:

- any direct activity in which individual creativity and skill is brought to bear, and which is characterized by innovation and originality and leads to the creation of intellectual property in the form of copyright
- any activity (upstream and downstream) which directly contributes to creative activities such that the product would not exist in the same form without it
- the self-employed (writers, artists, etc.) because the creative industry encompasses many freelance workers



#### **The Creative Production Chain**

 The 2005 BPDA report focuses in particular on tracking creative and cultural goods and services all the way through the Creative Production Chain, from initial creation, to production and sometimes manufacturing and through to distribution.





## **Updating the List of Creative Industries**

- Boston's Creative Economy (2005) report used a list of 62 industries, identified by 5 and 6 digit 1997 North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes
- The list developed by the BPDA drew on the work of John Howkins (<u>The Creative Economy</u>, 2001) and a 2000 report commissioned by the New England Council and the New England Federation for the Arts (NEFA)
- In updating the definition, we considered changes based on NEFA's updated report (2007) as well as the list of industries included in over 50% of reports surveyed in "America's Creative Economy"
- We also made adjustments to account for changes in the NAICS coding system, which has been updated three times since the original report.



#### The Intersection of the High Tech and Creative Economies

- Technology has had a dramatic impact in nearly all creative fields. Many creative
  economy fields, from industrial design to sound recording, would likely be included
  in definitions of high tech industries.
- Debate continues as to whether high tech fields like Software Publishing and Internet Publishing and Broadcasting should be included in the creative economy.
   Video game development and internet-only publications are cited as examples of fields in these industries focused on the creation of artistic or cultural goods.
- The "America's Creative Economy" report counts just over half of the reports it surveys as including these industries.
- We have chosen to include them in this report.



#### **Creative Industries**

The BPDA list includes industries that are part of the production chain for goods and services in the following areas:

Written Media Design

Film Advertising

Broadcasting Sound Recording & Music Publishing

Crafts Museums & Art Galleries

Performing Arts Libraries & Archives

Visual Arts Culture Education

Architecture Software and Internet Publishing

**Photography** 

The following four slides list all 6-digit NAICS codes included in this updated report.



NAICS codes	Creative Industries	Creative Chain
Advertising		(C) - Creation
541810	Advertising Agencies (P)	(P) - Production
541830	Media Buying Agencies (D)	(M) - Manufacturing
541840	Media Representatives (D)	(D) - Distribution
541850	Outdoor Advertising (P)	(S) - Support Industries
541860	Direct Mail Advertising (P)	
541870	Advertising Material Distribution Services (D)	
541890	Other Services Related to Advertising (D)	
Applied Arts		
541310	Architectural Services (C)	
541320	Landscape Architectural Services (C)	
541340	Drafting Services <sup>2</sup> (C)	
541410	Interior Design Services (C)	
541420	Industrial Design Services (C)	
541430	Graphic Design Services (C)	
541490	Other Specialized Design Services (C)	
Art Goods Manu	facturing	
327212	Other Pressed and Blown Glass and Glassware Manufacturing <sup>2</sup> (M)	
332323	Ornamental and Architectural Metal Work Manufacturing <sup>12</sup> (M)	
337212	Custom Architectural Woodwork and Millwork Manufacturing <sup>12</sup> (M)	
339910	Jewelry and Silverware Manufacturing <sup>12</sup> (M)	
<sup>1</sup> Added based o	n America's Creative Economy report	
<sup>2</sup> Added based o	n NEFA report	

NAICS codes	Creative Industries	Creative Chain
Broadcasting		(C) - Creation
515111	Radio Networks (P)	(P) - Production
515112	Radio Stations (P)	(M) - Manufacturing
515120	Television Broadcasting (P)	(D) - Distribution
515210	Cable and Other Subscription Programming (P)	(S) - Support Industries
Film, Video and I	Photography	
532230	Video Tape and Disc Rental (D)	
325992	Photographic Film, Paper, Plate, and Chemical Manufacturing (M)	
453920	Art Dealers (D)	
512110	Motion Picture and Video Production (P)	
512120	Motion Picture and Video Distribution (D)	
512131	Motion Picture Theaters (except Drive-Ins) (D)	
512132	Drive-In Motion Picture Theaters (D)	
512191	Teleproduction and Other Postproduction Services (M)	
512199	Other Motion Picture and Video Industries (M)	
541921	Photography Studios, Portrait (C)	
541922	Commercial Photography (C)	
812921	Photofinishing Laboratories (except One-Hour) (P)	
Heritage		
712110	Museums (P)	
712120	Historical Sites (P)	
712130	Zoos and Botanical Gardens (P)	
712190	Nature Parks and Other Similar Institutions (P)	
<sup>1</sup> Added based or	America's Creative Economy report	
<sup>2</sup> Added based or	NEFA report	

NAICS codes	Creative Industries	Creative Chain
Performing Arts:	Music Theater and Dance	(C) - Creation
339992	Musical Instrument Manufacturing (M)	(P) - Production
451140	Musical Instrument and Supplies Stores (D)	(M) - Manufacturing
711110	Theater Companies and Dinner Theaters (P)	(D) - Distribution
711120	Dance Companies (P)	(S) - Support Industries
711130	Musical Groups and Artists (C)	
711190	Other Performing Arts Companies (P)	
711310	Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events with Facilities (D)	
711320	Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events without Facilities (D)	
711410	Agents and Managers for Artists, Athletes, Entertainers, and Other Public Figures (D)	
Publishing and P	inting	
323111	Commercial Printing (except Screen and Books) (M)	
323113	Commercial Screen Printing (M)	
323117	Books Printing (M)	
424920	Book, Periodical, and Newspaper Merchant Wholesalers (D)	
451211	Book Stores (D)	
451212	News Dealers and Newsstands (D)	
511110	Newspaper Publishers (P)	
511120	Periodical Publishers (P)	
511130	Book Publishers (P)	
511191	Greeting Card Publishers (P)	
511199	All Other Publishers (P)	
519110	News Syndicates (C)	
	America's Creative Economy report	
<sup>2</sup> Added based o	NEFA report	

NAICS codes	Creative Industries	Creative Chain			
Software and Int	Software and Internet Publishing				
511210	Software Publishers <sup>1</sup> (P)	(P) - Production			
519130	Internet Publishing and Broadcasting and Web Search Portals <sup>1</sup> (P)	(M) - Manufacturing			
		(D) - Distribution			
Sound Recording	and Music Publishing	(S) - Support Industries			
334613	Magnetic and Optical Recording Media Manufacturing (M)				
334614	Software and Other Prerecorded Compact Disc, Tape, and Record Reproducing (M)				
512210	Record Production (P)				
512220	Integrated Record Production/Distribution (P)				
512230	Music Publishers (P)				
512240	Sound Recording Studios (P)				
512290	Other Sound Recording Industries (P)				
Support					
519120	Libraries and Archives (S)				
611610	Fine Arts Schools (S)				
Independent Art	sts				
711510	Independent Artists, Writers, and Performers (C)				
	n America's Creative Economy report				
<sup>2</sup> Added based o	<sup>2</sup> Added based on NEFA report				

## **Measuring Boston's Creative Economy**

- Creative employment in 2014 totaled 29,762 jobs in business establishments. This was 5.4% of Boston's total private sector payroll employment.
- An additional 6,483 people were self-employed in the creative industries.
   Including self-employment, Boston's Creative Economy totals 36,254 workers.
- The 29,762 workers on payrolls took home over 2.4 billion dollars combined, averaging \$81,179 in annual wages.



## **Trends in Creative Economy Employment**

- The last decade has seen substantial shifts across sectors, with Software booming while Broadcasting, Publishing, Film and Photography, and Sound Recording declined sharply. Total Creative Economy employment remains nearly unchanged from 2002.
- Recent growth in the aftermath of the recession has been strong across almost all Creative Economy sectors, with the total expanding by 20.9% between 2011 and 2014, compared to 7.1% growth for total private payroll employment.

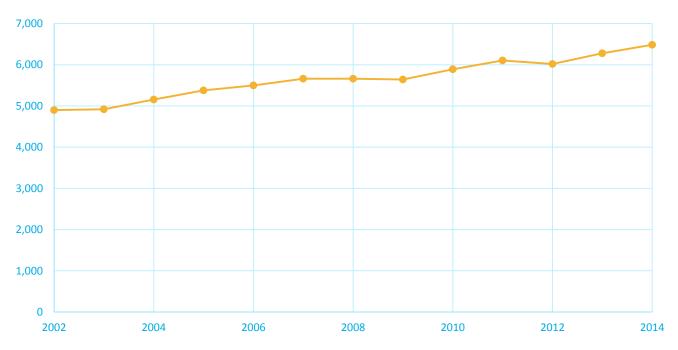


## **Employment and Growth in Creative Establishments**

		<b>Current Cond</b>	itions (2014)		Employme	nt Growth
				Avg. Employees	Long-Term	Short-Term
	Establishments	Employment	Average Wage	per Establishment	(2002-2014)	(2011-2014)
Advertising	113	3,751	\$98,385	33	10.6%	35.1%
Applied Arts	363	4,034	\$87,370	11	-12.0%	13.4%
Art Manufacturing	14	54	\$53,775	4	-21.7%	12.5%
Broadcasting	35	1,928	\$96,151	55	-44.4%	-22.4%
Film, Video and Photography	130	857	\$41,261	7	-31.2%	2.0%
Heritage	44	2,414	\$40,201	55	56.0%	10.0%
Independent Artists	36	136	\$59,087	4	11.5%	151.9%
Performing Arts: Music, Theater and						
Dance	118	3,329	\$36,825	28	1.8%	7.3%
Publishing and Printing	180	7,228	\$71,408	40	-28.9%	45.3%
Software and Internet Publishing	144	5,267	\$131,984	37	293.9%	34.2%
Sound Recording and Music						
Publishing	12	106	\$71,375	9	-55.5%	3.9%
Support Services	50	568	\$30,063	11	33.0%	15.0%
Total	1,239	29,672	\$81,179	24	-0.6%	20.9%
Source: US Census Bureau, County Business Patte	Source: US Census Bureau, County Business Patterns, 2002, 2011, and 2014; Massachusetts EOLWD ES-202 data; BPDA Research Division Analysis					

## **Self-Employment in Creative Industries**

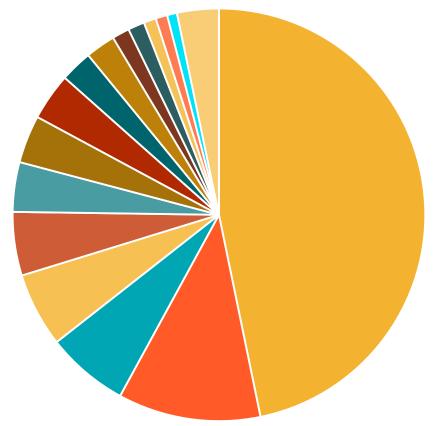
Boston's number of self-employed workers in Creative Industries has increased in nine of the last twelve years, growing from 4,902 to 6,483 (32.3%) over the time period.





## **Self-Employment in the Creative Economy by Industry**

Independent Artists,
 Writers, and Performers
 make up just under half of
 Boston's Creative Economy
 self-employment.



- Independent Artists, Writers, and Performers
- Specialized Design Services
- Advertising, Public Relations, and Related Services
- Photographic Services
- Performing Arts Companies
- Architectural Services
- Motion Picture and Video Industries
- Publishing Industries (except Internet)
- Other Information Services
- Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events
- Agents and Managers for Artists, Athletes, Entertainers, and Other Public Figures
- Sound Recording Industries
- Landscape Architectural Services
- Museums, Historical Sites, and Similar Institutions
- Art Dealers
- Other Creative Industries\*

\*Other Creative Industries include industries with fewer than 50 self-employed workers. In this group are Broadcasting; Photofinishing; Drafting; Book, Periodical, and Newspaper Merchant Wholesalers; Printing; Furniture Manufacturing; Bookstores; Fabricated Metal Production; News Dealers; Musical Instrument Stores; and Glass Manufacturing



## **Creative Employment in Business Establishments**

- The following twelve slides profile employment in Boston's twelve creative sectors.
- The data only includes workers in business establishments unless otherwise noted.



#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Advertising**

Industry Snapsh	ot (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment3,751Recent Growth (2011-2014)35.1%Number of Establishments113Average Wage\$98,385Location Quotient1.99The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's employment in an industry compares to		3,500 ± 3,000 ± 2,500   2,000 ± 1,500 1,000
the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher than average concentration in Boston.		2002 2005 2008 2011 2014
Detailed Industry Empl	loyment (2014)	Industry Trends
<ul> <li>Advertising Agencies</li> <li>Advertising Material Distribution Services</li> <li>Media Buying Agencies</li> <li>Other Services Related to Advertising</li> <li>Outdoor Advertising</li> <li>Media Representatives</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Boston's advertising industry saw a strong recovery from the Great Recession, growing 35.1% between 2011 and 2014.</li> <li>Two thirds of advertising employment is in advertising agencies, a change from 2002 when direct mail advertising still made up a significant fraction of the industry.</li> </ul>

#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Applied Arts**

Industry Snapshot (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment 4,034  Recent Growth (2011-2014) 13.49  Number of Establishments 363  Average Wage \$87,376  Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's employment in an industry compares to the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher than average concentration in Boston.	5,000 tu 4,000 3,000 10 2,000
Detailed Industry Employment (2014)	Industry Trends
<ul> <li>Architectural Services</li> <li>Interior Design Services</li> <li>Graphic Design Services</li> <li>Landscape Architectural Services</li> <li>Industrial Design Services</li> <li>Other Specialized Design Services</li> <li>Drafting Services</li> </ul>	a Justinia a Danima and Guardhia Danima alaa haya atuu a

#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Art Goods Manufacturing**

Industry Snapshot (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment 54  Recent Growth (2011-2014) 12.5%  Number of Establishments 14  Average Wage \$53,775  Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's employment in an industry compares to the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher than average concentration in Boston.	200 180 160 140 120 100 80 40 200 2002 2005 2008 2011 2014
Detailed Industry Employment (2014)	Industry Trends
<ul> <li>Jewelry and Silverware Manufacturing</li> <li>Ornamental and Architectural Metal Work Manufacturing</li> <li>Custom Architectural Woodwork and Millwork Manufacturing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Art Goods Manufacturing has a small presence in Boston, with just 14 establishments employing 54 workers.</li> <li>An additional 39 workers are self-employed in Art Goods Manufacturing.</li> </ul>

#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Broadcasting**

Industry Snapshot (2014)		Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment  Recent Growth (2011-2014)  Number of Establishments  Average Wage  Location Quotient  The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's employment in an industre the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher than average concentrate.	4,000 3,500 1,500 1,000 500 2002 2005 2008 2011 2014	
Detailed Industry Employment (2014)  Television Broadcasting  Radio Stations  Cable and Other Subscription Programming Radio Networks		<ul> <li>Industry Trends</li> <li>Broadcasting has seen steep declines in employment, both over the longer time horizon and the post-recession period.</li> <li>Television Broadcasting and Radio Stations, the two largest industries, have both seen consistent declines in employment over the last decade.</li> </ul>

#### Boston's Creative Economy: Film, Video, and Photography

Industry Snapsh	not (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment  Recent Growth (2011-2014)  Number of Establishments  Average Wage  Location Quotient  The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Bost the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a		1,200 1,000 0 1
Detailed Industry Emp	oloyment (2014)	Industry Trends
<ul> <li>Motion Picture Theaters (except Drive-Ins)</li> <li>Art Dealers</li> <li>Motion Picture and Video Production</li> <li>Photography Studios, Portrait</li> <li>Motion Picture and Video Distribution</li> <li>Teleproduction and Other Postproduction Services</li> <li>Commercial Photography</li> <li>Video Tape and Disc Rental</li> <li>Other Motion Picture and Video Industries</li> <li>Photofinishing Laboratories (except One-Hour)</li> <li>Photographic Film, Paper, Plate, and Chemical Manuf.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>The Film, Video and Photography sector declined in the early 2000s, but has stabilized in more recent years.</li> <li>Many of the employment declines resulted from the almost complete evaporation of Video Stores and Photofinishing Labs.</li> <li>Employment in Movie Theaters, Movie Production, and Photography Studios has remained steady.</li> </ul>

## **Boston's Creative Economy: Heritage**

Industry Snapshot (2	2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)
Employment  Recent Growth (2011-2014)  Number of Establishments  Average Wage  Location Quotient  The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's em the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher the US average.		3,000 2,500 1,500 500 2002 2005 2008 2011 2014
Detailed Industry Employn	-	<ul> <li>Industry Trends</li> <li>Boston's share of employment in Heritage institutions is 3.7 times the national level.</li> <li>Museums and Historical Sites are at the heart of Boston's tourism economy, and employment has grown in both industries.</li> </ul>

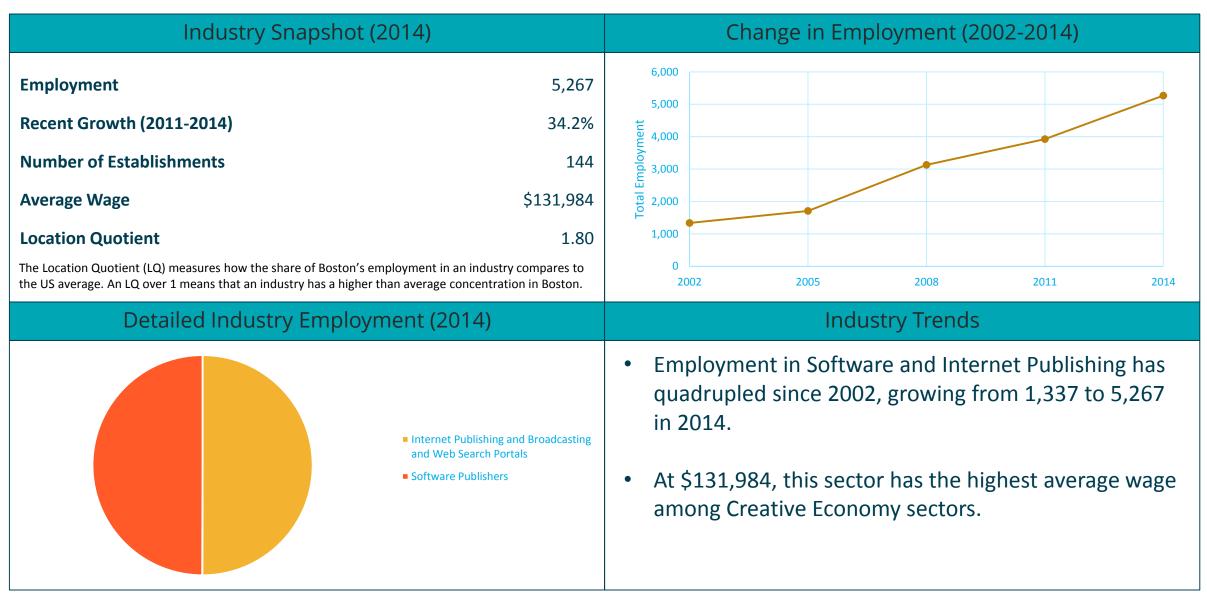
#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Performing Arts**

Industry Snapshot	t (2014)	Change in Employmen	nt (2002-2014)
Employment  Recent Growth (2011-2014)  Number of Establishments  Average Wage  Location Quotient  The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston'		4,000 3,500 1,500 1,000 500 2,002 2,005 2,008	2011 2014
Detailed Industry Emplo	-	<ul> <li>Boston's Performing Arts attraction Theater Companies, Musical Gompanies.</li> <li>Promoters also make up a large in the sector, and most are assifacilities, a change from a decare.</li> </ul>	ctions are headlined by Groups, and Dance ge share of employment sociated with specific

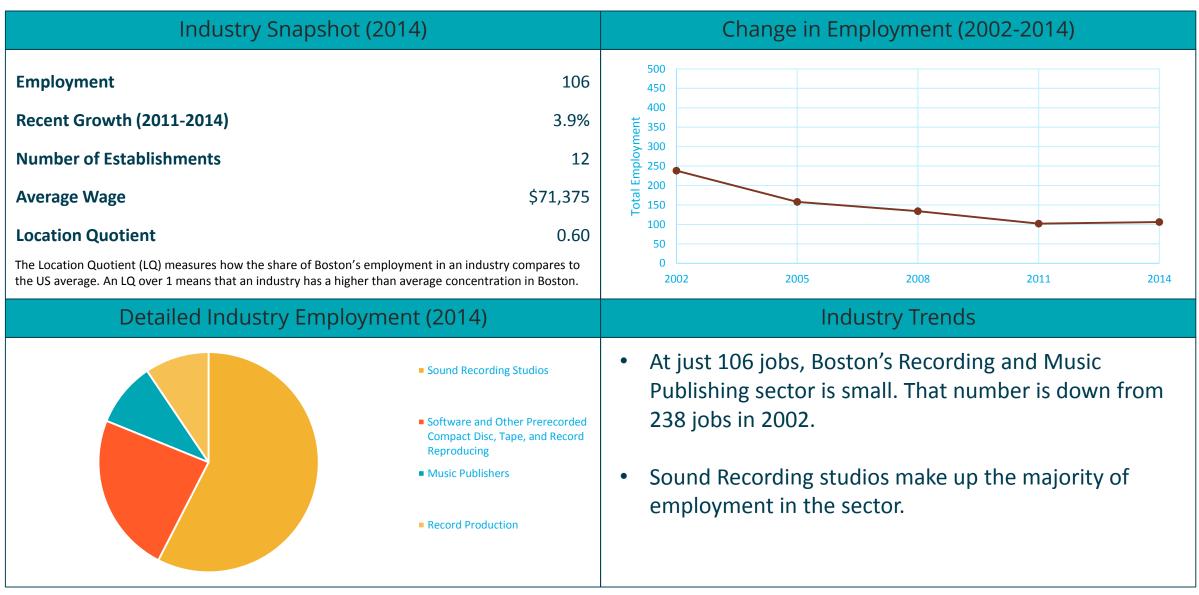
#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Publishing and Printing**

Industry Snapsho	ot (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)			
Employment  Recent Growth (2011-2014)  Number of Establishments  Average Wage  Location Quotient  The Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Bostor the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a high		12,000 10,000 8,000 2,000 2002 2005 2008 2011 2014			
Detailed Industry Emplo	_	<ul> <li>Industry Trends</li> <li>Once the largest Publishing industry, Newspaper Publishing has been cut in half since 2002, now employing 2,331 people.</li> <li>Growth in Book Publishing in Boston has driven a recovery in the sector's employment since the Great Recession.</li> </ul>			

#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Software & Internet Publishing**



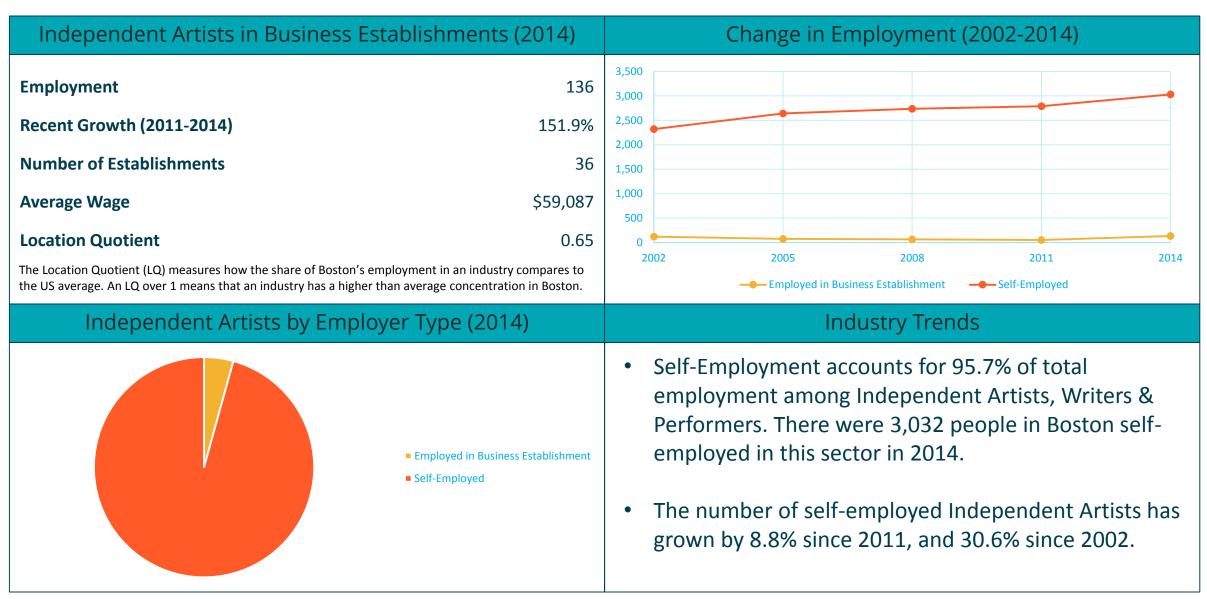
#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Sound Recording & Music Publishing**



#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Support Services**

Industry Snapshot (2014)	Change in Employment (2002-2014)			
Employment 568  Recent Growth (2011-2014) 15.0%  Number of Establishments 50  Average Wage \$30,063  Location Quotient (LQ) measures how the share of Boston's employment in an industry compares to the US average. An LQ over 1 means that an industry has a higher than average concentration in Boston.	1,000 900 800 700 600 500 400 200 200 200 200 200 200 2			
Detailed Industry Employment (2014)	Industry Trends			
<ul> <li>Fine Arts Schools</li> <li>Libraries and Archives</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Employment in Fine Arts Schools has grown over the last decade, while Libraries and Archives have shrunk modestly.</li> <li>This report relies on data on private establishments, so public library employment is not included in this total.</li> </ul>			

#### **Boston's Creative Economy: Independent Artists, Writers & Performers**



## **Creative Occupations: An Alternate Definition**

- The industry-based definition of the creative economy used thus far asks whether companies hiring workers are engaged in activities somewhere within the "Creative Production Chain"
- We might instead ask how many people are employed in occupations focused on creative work.
- By looking at both industries and occupations we can get a fuller picture of the employment opportunities available for those training in creative fields.



## **Defining Creative Economy Occupations**

- To select creative occupations, we referred to the US Department of Labor's O\*NET, which
  has developed a list of occupations by Career Cluster. We focused on the Arts, Audio/Video
  Technology & Communications cluster.
- We supplemented this using the Creative Economy Coalition's "America's Creative Economy" report, which synthesizes the existing literature on the Creative Economy, and calculates how frequently each occupation shows up in regional reports on creative economies.
- We added Software Application Developers and Web Developers to the list to highlight the
  increasing intersection between these high tech jobs and creative economy pursuits such
  as internet publishing and video game design. We omit other computer occupations such
  as Computer Programming and Systems Software Developers which might be less likely to
  overlap with the creative economy.



## **Defining Creative Economy Occupations**

- The final list includes 55 detailed occupations, each identified by a 6-digit
   Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code.
- Following the O\*NET list, we categorized these into 7 clusters:
  - Architecture
  - Journalism and Broadcasting
  - Library and Arts Education
  - Performing Arts
  - Printing Technology
  - Visual Arts
  - Software and Web Development



### **Creative Occupations Using Proposed Definition**

SOC Code	Creative Occupations	
Architecture		
1710	Architects, Except Landscape and Naval	
1710	12 Landscape Architects	
1730	11 Architectural and Civil Drafters	
Journalism and Broad	casting	
2730	Radio and Television Announcers	
2730	21 Broadcast News Analysts	
2730	22 Reporters and Correspondents	
2730	Editors	
2730	12 Technical Writers	
2730	Writers and Authors	
2730	Media and Communication Workers, All Other	
2740	1 Audio and Video Equipment Technicians	
2740	12 Broadcast Technicians	
2740	Radio Operators	
2740	14 Sound Engineering Technicians	
2740	21 Photographers	
2740	Camera Operators, Television, Video, and Motion Picture	
2740	32 Film and Video Editors	
2740	Media and Communication Equipment Workers, All Other	

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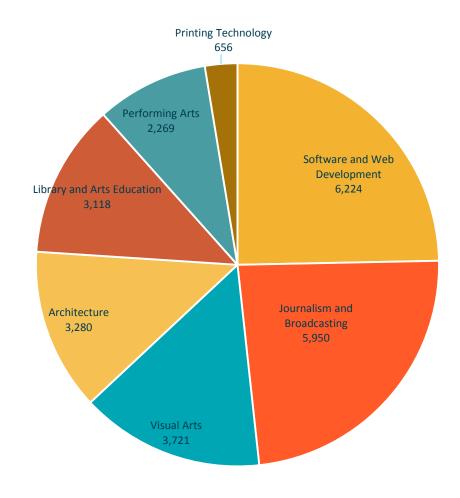
SOC Code	Creative Occupations
Library and Arts Educat	on
251121	Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary
254011	Archivists
254012	Curators
254013	Museum Technicians and Conservators
254021	Librarians
254031	Library Technicians
259011	Audio-Visual and Multimedia Collections Specialists
Performing Arts	
131011	Agents and Business Managers of Artists, Performers, and Athletes
272011	Actors
272012	Producers and Directors
272031	Dancers
272032	Choreographers
272041	Music Directors and Composers
272042	Musicians and Singers
272099	Entertainers and Performers, Sports and Related Workers, All Other
273012	Public Address System and Other Announcers
393092	Costume Attendants
395091	Makeup Artists, Theatrical and Performance
499063	Musical Instrument Repairers and Tuners

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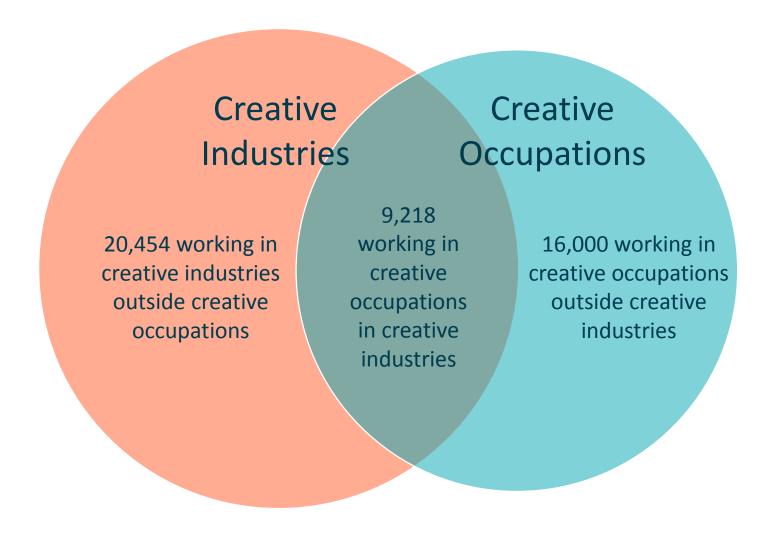
SOC Code		Creative Occupations
Printing Technology		
	439031	Desktop Publishers
	515111	Prepress Technicians and Workers
	515112	Printing Press Operators
	515113	Print Binding and Finishing Workers
Visual Arts		
	271011	Art Directors
	271012	Craft Artists
	271013	Fine Artists, Including Painters, Sculptors, and Illustrators
	271014	Multimedia Artists and Animators
	271019	Artists and Related Workers, All Other
	271021	Commercial and Industrial Designers
	271022	Fashion Designers
	271023	Floral Designers
	271024	Graphic Designers
	271025	Interior Designers
	271027	Set and Exhibit Designers
	271029	Designers, All Other
Software and W	eb Devel	opment
	151132	Software Developers, Applications
	151134	Web Developers

#### **Employment in Creative Occupations, 2014**

- Employment in Creative
   Occupations totaled 25,218 in
   2014.
- Software and Web Development, Journalism and Broadcasting and Visual Arts were the largest occupation groups



#### The Overlap between Creative Industries and Occupations



### The Overlap between Creative Industries and Occupations

- Of the 29,672 workers in creative industries, 9,218 (31%) of them work in occupations identified here as creative.
- By contrast, just 2.6% of those outside of creative industries work in creative occupations.
- Counting all workers who are either in a creative industry, a creative occupation, or both, expands the number of creative economy workers to 45,672, or 7.2% of all payroll workers in Boston.



## The Overlap between Creative Industries and Occupations

- The overlap between creative industries and occupations is particularly high in journalism and broadcasting occupations, where nearly all are employed in creative media companies.
- Large occupations with lower shares in creative industries include Graphic Designers (51%), Photographers (38%), and Software Application and Web Developers (17%). Workers with these specialties find work both inside and outside of traditional creative economy employers.



## **Projected Employment in Creative Occupations**

- Using the Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (EOLWD) ten-year occupational projections, we estimate that the creative economy occupations will expand by 7.2% over the next decade, adding roughly 1,800 net jobs.
- Openings in creative occupations will also be created by employee retirement and turnover. Counting both growth and replacement openings, creative occupations will have roughly 700 annual openings over the next decade.
- Though EOLWD also makes some projections available by industry, the level of industry detail is insufficient to accurately estimate openings by the detailed creative industries in this report. Therefore we report projections only for creative occupations.



## **Projected Employment in Creative Occupations**

- The following slide shows the 20 occupations with the most projected openings over the next decade. Combined, these occupations account for 596 of the roughly 700 projected annual openings.
- Software Application and Web Development are the two fastest growing fields, but the other top growing occupations are spread across arts education, architecture, journalism and broadcasting, and performing and visual arts.
- Most, though not all, of the fastest growing creative occupations require at least a bachelor's degree.



## Occupations with Highest Number of Projected Openings

SOC Code	Occupation	Employment, 2014	Projected Employment, 2024	Average Annual Openings <sup>1</sup>	Required Education	Mean Annual Wage, 2014
151132	Software Developers, Applications	4,880	5,657	148	Bachelor's degree	\$107,047
151134	Web Developers	1,344	1,681	. 51	Bachelor's degree	\$78,334
251121	Art, Drama, and Music Teachers, Postsecondary	1,655	1,824	46	Doctoral or professional degree	\$97,857
171011	Architects, Except Landscape and Naval	2,236	2,295	43	Bachelor's degree	\$86,022
273041	Editors	1,100	1,078	3 40	Bachelor's degree	\$77,915
272012	Producers and Directors	1,029	1,080	38	Bachelor's degree	\$74,110
271024	Graphic Designers	1,359	1,406	37	Bachelor's degree	\$57,014
273043	Writers and Authors	1,448	1,503	30	Bachelor's degree	\$83,776
274011	Audio and Video Equipment Technicians	706	803	23	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$46,351
274021	Photographers	631	704	22	High school diploma or equivalent	\$61,752
254031	Library Technicians	372	385	19	Postsecondary non-degree award	\$48,127
271014	Multimedia Artists and Animators	707	7 727	15	Bachelor's degree	\$64,420
273022	Reporters and Correspondents	425	414	14	Bachelor's degree	\$65,658
273042	Technical Writers	399	9 448	3 14	Bachelor's degree	\$73,596
254021	Librarians	658	656	5 12	Master's degree	\$71,899
271011	Art Directors	645	641	. 12	Bachelor's degree	\$113,625
173011	Architectural and Civil Drafters	750	697	9	Associate's degree	\$57,421
271025	Interior Designers	337	337	8	Bachelor's degree	\$58,478
274012	Broadcast Technicians	399	387	8	Associate's degree	\$47,492
271013	Fine Artists, Including Painters, Sculptors, and Illustrators	286	301	. 7	High school diploma or equivalent	\$42,360

Source: Massachusetts EOLWD Occupational Projections; BPDA Research Division Analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Average Annual Openings include both openings created by employment growth, as well as replacement openings created by retirement and turnover.