



APPENDIX TABLE 5-16

S&E doctorate holders employed in academia, by type of position, race, ethnicity, and degree field: 1973–2015

(Thousands)

Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
All positions																			
All races and ethnicities, all fields	118.0	145.4	167.1	176.1	190.2	195.9	206.6	210.6	213.8	217.5	232.5	240.2	245.5	259.5	272.8	276.5	294.8	309.0	329.3
Physical sciences	25.5	29.2	29.9	29.9	32.2	32.8	33.6	33.8	35.0	35.8	37.5	38.7	38.6	39.9	39.6	39.9	43.7	44.9	48.4
Mathematics and statistics	9.7	11.7	12.4	12.9	13.6	13.8	14.5	15.2	15.5	14.6	15.6	15.2	14.9	16.7	17.3	18.0	18.7	19.0	20.9
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.1	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.1	3.3	3.7	3.8	5.2	5.8	6.9	7.3	8.4	9.1
Life sciences	34.9	42.6	51.3	54.8	58.7	61.2	64.8	66.9	68.2	71.6	77.3	81.9	84.3	90.0	95.5	94.2	102.0	109.8	112.7
Psychology	12.2	16.2	20.1	21.0	23.1	23.7	25.0	25.2	25.0	26.1	27.3	29.0	30.4	31.8	35.0	34.5	35.4	36.3	38.7
Social sciences	23.4	31.1	36.9	38.8	41.9	42.1	44.5	44.8	44.4	42.5	44.9	46.2	46.9	48.1	50.1	52.5	54.9	55.9	59.7
Engineering	12.4	14.8	16.1	18.1	19.9	21.2	22.8	22.8	23.1	23.8	26.6	25.5	26.6	27.8	29.6	30.4	32.8	34.7	39.7
White, all fields	107.7	131.4	149.9	157.2	168.4	172.8	181.0	183.5	181.8	182.6	193.2	198.2	201.0	204.3	212.2	211.8	219.7	225.8	237.0
Physical sciences	23.0	26.1	26.6	26.4	28.3	28.5	29.2	29.5	29.3	29.5	31.0	32.3	32.0	32.1	31.4	31.5	33.5	33.8	35.6
Mathematics and statistics	8.8	10.6	11.0	11.5	11.9	12.2	12.6	13.0	12.9	12.0	12.6	12.3	12.1	13.0	13.1	13.6	13.7	13.6	15.1
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.6	2.1	2.2	2.7	2.7	3.4	3.7	4.0	4.1	4.8	5.4
Life sciences	32.1	38.8	46.1	49.3	52.7	54.6	57.6	59.2	59.1	61.3	64.9	67.2	68.4	70.4	74.2	72.5	76.9	81.1	81.6
Psychology	11.6	15.2	18.8	19.6	21.3	22.0	23.2	23.2	22.9	23.6	24.4	25.5	26.6	27.1	29.5	28.7	28.6	28.9	30.6
Social sciences	21.4	28.2	33.1	34.7	37.2	37.5	39.4	39.1	38.6	36.5	38.0	38.9	39.0	39.1	40.7	41.7	43.0	42.6	45.8



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Engineering	10.8	12.6	14.0	15.2	16.4	17.2	18.1	18.2	17.5	17.6	20.2	19.4	20.2	19.2	19.5	19.7	20.0	21.1	22.9
Asian or Pacific Islander, all fields	5.0	6.7	10.8	11.8	14.0	15.0	16.3	16.8	20.9	22.4	25.4	26.3	27.6	34.7	37.4	39.7	46.9	52.1	59.0
Physical sciences	1.2	1.5	2.1	2.4	2.9	3.1	3.1	2.8	4.2	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	5.5	5.6	5.7	7.0	7.6	9.3
Mathematics and statistics	0.4	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.9	1.8	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.0	4.4
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.5	1.7	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.0
Life sciences	1.3	2.0	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.4	4.7	5.1	6.3	6.8	8.5	9.9	11.0	13.3	14.0	13.9	16.2	18.4	20.6
Psychology	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.8
Social sciences	1.0	1.2	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.5	3.6	4.1	3.9	4.5	5.2	6.1	6.1
Engineering	1.1	1.3	1.8	2.4	3.0	3.5	4.1	3.7	4.7	4.9	5.2	4.6	4.8	6.4	7.8	8.2	10.1	10.7	12.9
Underrepresented minority, all fields ^a	2.4	3.7	5.8	6.5	7.2	7.8	9.0	9.9	10.7	12.4	13.7	15.6	16.8	20.4	20.4	21.8	24.4	27.2	29.4
Physical sciences	0.5	0.6	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.9
Mathematics and statistics	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6
Life sciences	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.7	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.6	2.7	3.5	3.9	4.7	4.9	6.2	6.4	6.6	7.6	8.7	9.4
Psychology	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.6	2.0	2.3	2.7	2.9	3.6	3.6	3.7	4.3	4.5	4.6
Social sciences	0.5	0.8	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.3	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.3	4.9	4.9	5.6	5.8	6.5	7.0
Engineering	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.4	2.6	3.6
Full-time faculty ^b																			
All races and ethnicities, all fields	103.3	125.6	141.9	148.4	156.9	164.4	169.8	173.1	172.4	171.4	172.9	178.2	180.9	190.6	193.1	199.1	206.9	214.4	227.7



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Physical sciences	20.8	23.6	24.3	24.2	25.4	26.4	26.2	26.2	25.8	25.6	25.5	26.3	26.1	27.7	26.9	27.5	29.3	29.5	31.1
Mathematics and statistics	9.3	10.9	11.7	12.3	12.7	12.9	13.5	14.2	14.7	13.0	13.6	12.9	12.4	14.0	14.0	14.8	15.1	15.5	16.8
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.9	1.3	1.8	2.3	2.8	2.9	3.2	3.3	4.2	4.9	5.6	5.7	6.4	7.1
Life sciences	29.5	34.9	40.9	43.5	45.6	48.1	49.3	51.1	50.8	52.8	53.6	56.1	58.3	61.7	62.8	63.5	66.7	70.6	70.8
Psychology	10.8	13.9	16.4	17.3	18.5	19.2	20.2	20.7	19.5	20.1	19.4	20.6	21.2	21.5	23.2	23.0	23.4	24.1	26.0
Social sciences	21.6	28.8	33.7	34.4	36.1	37.6	39.0	39.0	39.2	37.1	36.9	38.2	38.3	39.6	39.2	42.0	43.2	43.5	46.7
Engineering	11.3	13.5	14.7	16.4	17.9	19.3	20.2	20.1	20.1	20.0	21.2	20.7	21.5	21.9	22.1	22.7	23.4	25.0	29.2
White, all fields	94.9	114.3	128.1	133.4	139.7	146.2	149.8	151.8	148.7	147.1	146.8	150.8	151.1	153.5	155.3	156.5	158.7	161.5	168.9
Physical sciences	19.0	21.5	22.1	21.6	22.8	23.4	23.3	23.2	22.2	22.1	21.8	22.5	22.0	23.2	22.6	22.4	23.4	23.1	24.2
Mathematics and statistics	8.5	9.9	10.3	10.9	11.1	11.4	11.7	12.2	12.3	10.7	11.0	10.6	10.0	10.9	10.8	11.3	11.4	11.3	12.2
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.5	4.3
Life sciences	27.5	32.1	37.2	39.7	41.3	43.3	44.4	46.0	45.1	46.7	47.1	48.8	49.9	50.5	51.5	51.0	52.6	54.7	54.5
Psychology	10.3	13.0	15.4	16.2	17.1	17.9	18.8	19.2	18.0	18.4	17.6	18.4	18.8	18.6	19.9	19.5	19.2	19.7	20.8
Social sciences	19.7	26.1	30.1	30.7	32.2	33.5	34.4	33.8	34.1	31.9	31.1	32.2	32.0	32.3	32.3	33.5	33.8	33.4	36.2
Engineering	10.0	11.6	12.7	14.0	14.8	15.9	16.2	16.2	15.6	15.3	16.4	15.8	16.2	15.2	15.3	15.4	15.0	15.8	16.7
Asian or Pacific Islander, all fields	4.0	5.0	8.4	9.1	10.9	11.7	12.3	12.6	14.8	14.5	15.8	16.3	17.7	21.4	21.8	25.0	28.5	32.4	36.8
Physical sciences	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.8	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.7	3.1	3.8	4.1	4.6
Mathematics and statistics	0.4	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.5
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	1.3	1.5	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.4



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Life sciences	0.9	1.2	2.3	2.4	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.7	3.5	3.7	4.4	5.3	6.5	6.5	7.3	8.4	9.6	10.0
Psychology	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.9
Social sciences	0.9	1.1	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.6	4.0	4.8	4.8
Engineering	0.9	1.1	1.7	1.9	2.7	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.9	4.9	5.0	5.5	6.4	7.2	9.5
Underrepresented minority, all fields ^a	2.0	3.2	5.0	5.4	5.8	6.3	7.4	8.4	8.6	9.8	10.3	11.1	12.0	13.4	13.9	15.3	17.2	17.9	19.6
Physical sciences	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9
Mathematics and statistics	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Life sciences	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.0	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.2	3.9	4.0	4.3	5.0	5.2	5.6
Psychology	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.7	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.8
Social sciences	0.4	0.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.3	4.7	4.9	5.1
Engineering	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.7	2.8
Postdocs																			
All races and ethnicities, all fields	4.2	7.6	8.5	8.3	8.7	9.3	11.5	9.9	13.3	16.8	18.9	18.5	17.5	15.7	23.3	17.8	22.8	20.2	19.2
Physical sciences	1.8	2.4	2.1	1.6	2.1	2.3	2.7	2.2	3.5	4.4	3.8	3.4	3.0	2.6	3.9	3.3	4.6	4.0	3.3
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3
Life sciences	1.9	4.0	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.6	6.8	6.4	8.2	9.2	10.8	11.7	11.0	10.0	12.8	10.3	12.2	11.9	11.7
Psychology	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.4	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.8



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Social sciences	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.4
Engineering	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.2	1.7	1.1	0.9	1.1	3.0	2.1	3.1	2.4	2.2
White, all fields	3.6	6.2	6.9	6.8	7.1	7.4	9.0	7.1	9.1	11.2	12.5	11.9	11.4	9.9	13.4	10.3	12.5	10.6	10.1
Physical sciences	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.8	1.4	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.3	2.2	1.5	2.4	1.9	2.7	2.2	1.7
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	s	s	0.1	s	0.1
Life sciences	1.7	3.3	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.7	5.6	4.8	5.9	6.5	7.0	7.2	6.7	6.4	7.3	6.3	7.0	6.4	6.2
Psychology	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.9	1.1	0.9	1.0	0.7	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.5
Social sciences	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
Engineering	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.6	1.1
Asian or Pacific Islander, all fields	0.5	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.6	1.9	2.3	3.6	4.7	5.3	5.2	4.9	4.8	8.1	6.1	8.3	7.4	7.0
Physical sciences	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.2	1.7	1.4	1.3
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	s	0.2	0.2	s	0.2
Life sciences	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.9	2.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.0	4.4	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.1
Psychology	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Social sciences	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Engineering	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.5	1.7	1.3	1.8	1.5	1.0
Underrepresented minority, all fields ^a	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.5	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.3	1.6	2.1	1.7



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Physical sciences	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	s	s	0.1	s
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	s	s	s	s	S
Life sciences	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.9	1.3	1.2
Psychology	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1
Social sciences	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	s	*
Engineering	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Other positions ^c																			
All races and ethnicities, all fields	10.5	12.2	16.6	19.4	24.6	22.1	25.4	27.6	28.1	29.4	41.1	43.5	47.3	53.2	56.4	59.5	65.1	74.4	82.4
Physical sciences	2.9	3.1	3.6	4.2	4.8	4.2	4.7	5.4	5.8	5.8	8.0	8.6	9.0	9.5	8.8	9.1	9.8	11.4	14.0
Mathematics and statistics	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.8	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.6
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.8	1.7
Life sciences	3.4	3.7	5.2	6.3	7.8	7.6	8.7	9.5	9.2	9.6	13.2	14.5	15.5	18.3	19.9	20.5	23.1	27.3	30.2
Psychology	1.2	1.8	3.0	3.1	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.0	5.1	5.0	6.7	7.2	8.0	9.4	10.1	10.5	10.9	11.2	11.9
Social sciences	1.6	1.9	2.9	3.8	5.5	4.3	5.1	5.5	5.0	5.0	7.3	7.4	8.0	8.0	9.9	10.2	10.9	12	12.6
Engineering	0.9	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.8	1.4	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.5	3.7	3.7	4.3	4.8	4.5	5.6	6.3	7.3	8.3
White, all fields	9.3	10.9	15.0	17.0	21.6	19.3	22.2	24.6	24.0	24.3	34.2	35.6	38.5	41.3	43.5	45.0	48.5	53.7	58.0
Physical sciences	2.5	2.8	3.2	3.6	4.1	3.6	4.0	4.8	4.8	4.8	6.4	7.1	7.5	7.5	6.4	7.2	7.4	8.5	9.7
Mathematics and statistics	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.9	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.6



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.3	1.0
Life sciences	3.0	3.3	4.5	5.3	6.9	6.6	7.5	8.4	8.1	8.1	11.1	11.6	12.1	13.6	15.4	15.2	17.3	20.0	20.9
Psychology	1.1	1.7	2.8	2.9	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	4.5	4.3	5.7	6.2	6.8	7.9	8.3	8.4	8.7	8.5	9.3
Social sciences	1.5	1.7	2.7	3.5	4.7	3.9	4.7	5.1	4.4	4.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.5	7.8	8.0	8.6	9.0	9.4
Engineering	0.7	0.8	1.2	1.1	1.6	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.8	2.9	2.9	3.4	3.4	3.0	3.6	4.0	4.7	5.1
Asian or Pacific Islander, all fields	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.6	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.9	2.5	3.2	4.4	4.9	5.0	7.2	7.5	8.6	10.1	12.3	15.2
Physical sciences	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.8	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.5	2.1	3.4
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.7
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.7	0.4
Life sciences	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.6	1.9	2.1	3.4	3.1	3.5	3.8	4.8	6.5
Psychology	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.8
Social sciences	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.2
Engineering	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.9	1.1	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.4
Underrepresented minority, all fields ^a	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.5	1.8	2.5	2.9	3.7	3.9	4.8	5.3	5.6	7.2	8.1
Physical sciences	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.8
Mathematics and statistics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4
Computer and information sciences	NA	NA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	s	0.1	0.1	0.2
Life sciences	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.7	2.2	2.6
Psychology	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.7



Position, race, ethnicity, and field	1973	1977	1981	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	1999	2001	2003	2006	2008	2010	2013	2015
Social sciences	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.6	1.9
Engineering	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.7

* = amount less than 0.05; NA = not available; s = suppressed for reasons of confidentiality and/or reliability.

^a Underrepresented minority includes blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, and American Indians or Alaska Natives. Total includes individuals reporting more than one race, who are not shown separately. Because of changes in the survey questionnaire, data on underrepresented minorities from 2003 to 2015 are not directly comparable with earlier years' data.

^b Full-time faculty includes full professors, associate professors, assistant professors, and instructors from 1973 to 1995; from 1997 to 2015, full-time faculty includes full professors, associate professors, and assistant professors.

^c Other positions include full-time positions such as research associates, adjunct positions, lecturers, and administrative positions, as well as part-time positions of all kinds. From 1997 to 2015, other positions also include instructors. Part-time positions exclude those employed part time because they are students or retired.

Note(s)

Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Academic employment is limited to U.S. doctorate holders employed at 2- or 4-year colleges or universities, medical schools, and university research institutes. Physical sciences include earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences; life sciences include biological, agricultural, environmental, and health sciences. Numbers are rounded to the nearest 100.

Source(s)

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