TABLE G-1. Definite postgraduation plans of U.S.-citizen and permanent-resident S&E doctoral degree recipients, by major field, sex, and location: 2005 (Percent distribution)

|  | United States |                |            |            |              |       |        |          |
|--|---------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|--------|----------|
|  | All definite  |                | Academic   | Industry   | Postdoctoral |       |        | Location |
| Major field and sex                    | plans         | All U.S. plans | employment | employment | study        | Other | Abroad | unknown  |
| All fields <sup>a</sup>                | 100.0         | 97.0           | 37.2       | 11.1       | 30.0         | 18.7  | 3.0    | 0.0      |
| S&E                                    | 100.0         | 96.3           | 22.9       | 15.4       | 45.7         | 12.3  | 3.7    | 0.0      |
| Science                                | 100.0         | 96.2           | 24.2       | 11.5       | 48.8         | 11.7  | 3.8    | 0.0      |
| Agricultural sciences                  | 100.0         | 97.2           | 23.4       | 18.4       | 31.6         | 23.7  | 2.8    | 0.0      |
| Biological sciences                    | 100.0         | 96.9           | 8.5        | 5.9        | 76.4         | 6.0   | 3.0    | 0.0      |
| Computer sciences                      | 100.0         | 94.7           | 39.7       | 26.8       | 19.4         | 8.8   | 5.3    | 0.0      |
| Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences | 100.0         | 94.2           | 18.1       | 12.3       | 50.3         | 13.5  | 5.5    | 0.3      |
| Mathematics and statistics             | 100.0         | 93.5           | 39.3       | 10.9       | 36.1         | 7.2   | 6.5    | 0.0      |
| Physical sciences                      | 100.0         | 94.7           | 9.8        | 24.4       | 54.5         | 5.9   | 5.3    | 0.0      |
| Astronomy                              | 100.0         | 92.7           | 9.4        | 8.3        | 69.8         | 5.2   | 7.3    | 0.0      |
| Chemistry                              | 100.0         | 96.3           | 9.3        | 29.2       | 53.3         | 4.5   | 3.7    | 0.0      |
| Physics                                | 100.0         | 92.0           | 11.0       | 17.9       | 54.0         | 9.1   | 8.0    | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 75.0           | 25.0       | 0.0        | 25.0         | 25.0  | 25.0   | 0.0      |
| Psychology                             | 100.0         | 98.3           | 24.6       | 10.8       | 45.7         | 17.2  | 1.6    | 0.1      |
| Social sciences                        | 100.0         | 94.6           | 56.6       | 7.4        | 11.9         | 18.6  | 5.4    | 0.0      |
| Engineering                            | 100.0         | 96.9           | 15.1       | 39.6       | 26.4         | 15.8  | 3.1    | 0.0      |
| Aerospace engineering                  | 100.0         | 95.5           | 12.1       | 33.3       | 18.2         | 31.8  | 4.5    | 0.0      |
| Chemical engineering                   | 100.0         | 95.8           | 7.1        | 52.5       | 34.2         | 2.1   | 4.2    | 0.0      |
| Civil engineering                      | 100.0         | 96.7           | 21.3       | 31.7       | 23.5         | 20.2  | 3.3    | 0.0      |
| Electrical engineering                 | 100.0         | 98.2           | 15.9       | 52.0       | 14.1         | 16.2  | 1.8    | 0.0      |
| Industrial engineering                 | 100.0         | 98.0           | 26.5       | 51.0       | 4.1          | 16.3  | 2.0    | 0.0      |
| Materials engineering                  | 100.0         | 95.0           | 5.0        | 36.4       | 40.5         | 13.2  | 5.0    | 0.0      |
| Mechanical engineering                 | 100.0         | 96.8           | 19.4       | 33.3       | 25.0         | 19.0  | 3.2    | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 97.0           | 16.4       | 23.4       | 38.5         | 18.7  | 3.0    | 0.0      |
| Non-S&E                                | 100.0         | 98.0           | 56.8       | 5.3        | 8.3          | 27.5  | 2.0    | 0.0      |
| -                                      | 400.0         | 07.7           | 40.5       | 7.0        | 00.5         | 00.0  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Female                                 | 100.0         | 97.7           | 40.5       | 7.9        | 28.5         | 20.8  | 2.3    | 0.0      |
| S&E                                    | 100.0         | 97.0           | 25.0       | 10.7       | 48.4         | 12.8  | 3.0    | 0.0      |
| Science                                | 100.0         | 96.9           | 25.7       | 9.2        | 49.3         | 12.7  | 3.1    | 0.0      |
| Agricultural sciences                  | 100.0         | 97.9           | 22.0       | 11.3       | 36.9         | 27.7  | 2.1    | 0.0      |
| Biological sciences                    | 100.0         | 96.9           | 9.9        | 6.3        | 74.6         | 6.0   | 3.1    | 0.0      |
| Computer sciences                      | 100.0         | 97.1           | 47.1       | 15.7       | 21.4         | 12.9  | 2.9    | 0.0      |
| Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences | 100.0         | 93.9           | 16.7       | 9.6        | 57.0         | 10.5  | 6.1    | 0.0      |
| Mathematics and statistics             | 100.0         | 98.2           | 57.5       | 8.0        | 24.8         | 8.0   | 1.8    | 0.0      |
| Physical sciences                      | 100.0         | 95.1           | 11.5       | 25.6       | 51.8         | 6.1   | 4.9    | 0.0      |
| Astronomy                              | 100.0         | 93.3           | 10.0       | 10.0       | 66.7         | 6.7   | 6.7    | 0.0      |
| Chemistry                              | 100.0         | 96.9           | 11.2       | 30.1       | 49.1         | 6.5   | 3.1    | 0.0      |
| Physics                                | 100.0         | 88.5           | 13.5       | 7.7        | 63.5         | 3.8   | 11.5   | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 33.3           | 33.3       | 0.0        | 0.0          | 0.0   | 66.7   | 0.0      |
| Psychology                             | 100.0         | 98.6           | 23.7       | 9.7        | 48.1         | 17.2  | 1.3    | 0.1      |
| Social sciences                        | 100.0         | 95.2           | 57.9       | 4.9        | 13.7         | 18.8  | 4.8    | 0.0      |
| Engineering                            | 100.0         | 97.7           | 15.9       | 33.1       | 35.4         | 13.2  | 2.3    | 0.0      |
| Aerospace engineering                  | 100.0         | 100.0          | 14.3       | 28.6       | 0.0          | 57.1  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Chemical engineering                   | 100.0         | 100.0          | 8.5        | 35.6       | 52.5         | 3.4   | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Civil engineering                      | 100.0         | 94.2           | 19.2       | 23.1       | 36.5         | 15.4  | 5.8    | 0.0      |
| Electrical engineering                 | 100.0         | 100.0          | 16.0       | 48.0       | 20.0         | 16.0  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Industrial engineering                 | 100.0         | 100.0          | 0.0        | 90.0       | 0.0          | 10.0  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Materials engineering                  | 100.0         | 96.8           | 6.5        | 25.8       | 51.6         | 12.9  | 3.2    | 0.0      |
| Mechanical engineering                 | 100.0         | 100.0          | 33.3       | 33.3       | 22.2         | 11.1  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 95.5           | 19.7       | 22.7       | 37.9         | 15.2  | 4.5    | 0.0      |
| Non-S&E                                | 100.0         | 98.4           | 55.8       | 5.1        | 8.9          | 28.7  | 1.5    | 0.0      |
| HOIT OUL                               | 100.0         | 70.4           | 55.0       | J. I       | 0.7          | 20.1  | 1.5    | 0.0      |

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|--|---------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|--------|----------|
|  | All definite  |                | Academic   | Industry   | Postdoctoral |       |        | Location |
| Major field and sex                    | plans         | All U.S. plans | employment | employment | study        | Other | Abroad | unknown  |
| Male                                   | 100.0         | 96.3           | 33.8       | 14.5       | 31.4         | 16.6  | 3.7    | 0.0      |
| S&E                                    | 100.0         | 95.8           | 21.3       | 18.9       | 43.6         | 11.9  | 4.2    | 0.0      |
| Science                                | 100.0         | 95.5           | 22.9       | 13.5       | 48.4         | 10.8  | 4.4    | 0.1      |
| Agricultural sciences                  | 100.0         | 96.7           | 24.4       | 23.0       | 28.2         | 21.1  | 3.3    | 0.0      |
| Biological sciences                    | 100.0         | 97.0           | 7.3        | 5.6        | 78.1         | 6.0   | 3.0    | 0.1      |
| Computer sciences                      | 100.0         | 94.1           | 37.8       | 29.6       | 18.9         | 7.8   | 5.9    | 0.0      |
| Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences | 100.0         | 94.3           | 18.9       | 13.7       | 46.7         | 15.1  | 5.2    | 0.5      |
| Mathematics and statistics             | 100.0         | 91.7           | 32.2       | 12.1       | 40.5         | 6.9   | 8.3    | 0.0      |
| Physical sciences                      | 100.0         | 94.6           | 9.1        | 24.0       | 55.6         | 5.9   | 5.4    | 0.0      |
| Astronomy                              | 100.0         | 92.4           | 9.1        | 7.6        | 71.2         | 4.5   | 7.6    | 0.0      |
| Chemistry                              | 100.0         | 95.9           | 8.2        | 28.6       | 55.7         | 3.4   | 4.1    | 0.0      |
| Physics                                | 100.0         | 92.5           | 10.6       | 19.6       | 52.5         | 9.9   | 7.5    | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 100.0          | 20.0       | 0.0        | 40.0         | 40.0  | 0.0    | 0.0      |
| Psychology                             | 100.0         | 97.8           | 26.6       | 13.3       | 40.8         | 17.2  | 2.0    | 0.2      |
| Social sciences                        | 100.0         | 94.0           | 55.4       | 9.9        | 10.2         | 18.5  | 6.0    | 0.0      |
| Engineering                            | 100.0         | 96.7           | 14.9       | 41.1       | 24.2         | 16.4  | 3.3    | 0.0      |
| Aerospace engineering                  | 100.0         | 94.9           | 11.9       | 33.9       | 20.3         | 28.8  | 5.1    | 0.0      |
| Chemical engineering                   | 100.0         | 94.5           | 6.6        | 58.0       | 28.2         | 1.7   | 5.5    | 0.0      |
| Civil engineering                      | 100.0         | 97.7           | 22.1       | 35.1       | 18.3         | 22.1  | 2.3    | 0.0      |
| Electrical engineering                 | 100.0         | 98.2           | 16.0       | 52.7       | 13.3         | 16.3  | 1.8    | 0.0      |
| Industrial engineering                 | 100.0         | 97.4           | 33.3       | 41.0       | 5.1          | 17.9  | 2.6    | 0.0      |
| Materials engineering                  | 100.0         | 94.4           | 4.4        | 40.0       | 36.7         | 13.3  | 5.6    | 0.0      |
| Mechanical engineering                 | 100.0         | 96.3           | 17.5       | 33.3       | 25.4         | 20.1  | 3.7    | 0.0      |
| Other                                  | 100.0         | 97.4           | 15.5       | 23.6       | 38.6         | 19.7  | 2.6    | 0.0      |
| Non-S&E                                | 100.0         | 97.3           | 58.3       | 5.7        | 7.5          | 25.8  | 2.7    | 0.0      |

S&E = Science and engineering.

NOTES: Definite postgraduate plans are defined as Am returning to, or continuing in, predoctoral employment or Have signed contract or made definite commitment for other work or study by doctoral degree recipients who responded to the question, How definite are your immediate (within the next year) postgraduate plans? "Other" includes elementary/secondary schools, government, nonprofit, and other/unknown.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, Division of Science Resources Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates, 2005.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Includes those with unknown gender.