

TABLE 2. Degrees awarded in all fields, by degree level and sex of recipient: 1966–2006

Academic year ending	Bachelor's			Master's			Doctorate		
	Men	Women	% women	Men	Women	% women	Men	Women	% women
1966	301,037	222,971	42.6	93,184	47,588	33.8	15,863	2,086	11.6
1967	324,236	238,133	42.3	103,179	54,713	34.7	17,961	2,442	12.0
1968	359,747	277,116	43.5	113,749	63,401	35.8	20,005	2,932	12.8
1969	412,865	321,138	43.8	121,881	72,533	37.3	22,355	3,388	13.2
1970	453,605	344,465	43.2	126,146	83,241	39.8	25,527	3,971	13.5
1971	478,423	367,687	43.5	138,590	92,896	40.1	27,271	4,596	14.4
1972	503,631	390,479	43.7	150,085	102,689	40.6	27,754	5,287	16.0
1973	521,534	408,738	43.9	155,000	109,525	41.4	27,670	6,085	18.0
1974	530,907	423,469	44.4	158,344	119,915	43.1	26,594	6,453	19.5
1975	508,424	423,239	45.4	162,115	131,536	44.8	25,751	7,201	21.9
1976	508,549	425,894	45.6	167,745	145,256	46.4	25,262	7,684	23.3
1977	499,121	429,107	46.2	168,210	150,031	47.1	23,858	7,858	24.8
1978	491,066	439,135	47.2	161,708	151,108	48.3	22,553	8,322	27.0
1979	481,394	449,946	48.3	153,772	148,303	49.1	22,301	8,937	28.6
1980	477,750	462,501	49.2	151,159	147,936	49.5	21,612	9,407	30.3
1981	474,336	472,541	49.9	147,431	149,367	50.3	21,463	9,892	31.5
1982	477,543	486,500	50.5	145,941	150,639	50.8	21,015	10,093	32.4
1983	483,395	497,284	50.7	145,114	145,817	50.1	20,748	10,532	33.7
1984	486,750	499,595	50.7	143,998	141,464	49.6	20,636	10,698	34.1
1985	486,660	504,217	50.9	143,716	143,497	50.0	20,552	10,743	34.3
1986	490,143	510,061	51.0	143,932	145,897	50.3	20,592	11,305	35.4
1987	485,003	518,529	51.7	141,655	148,877	51.2	20,934	11,431	35.3
1988	481,236	524,797	52.2	145,403	154,688	51.5	21,677	11,819	35.3
1989	487,566	542,605	52.7	149,399	161,651	52.0	21,812	12,513	36.5
1990	495,867	566,284	53.3	154,025	170,922	52.6	22,960	13,104	36.3
1991	508,952	599,045	54.1	156,895	181,603	53.6	23,521	13,873	37.1
1992	525,395	624,677	54.3	162,299	191,908	54.2	24,232	14,435	37.3
1993	537,536	641,742	54.4	169,753	201,220	54.2	24,384	15,121	38.3
1994	537,061	646,080	54.6	176,762	212,246	54.6	25,057	15,822	38.7
1995	531,146	643,290	54.8	179,198	220,230	55.1	25,160	16,416	39.5
1996	528,000	651,815	55.2	180,360	228,572	55.9	25,285	16,955	40.1
1997	525,282	661,307	55.7	181,457	239,497	56.9	24,939	17,243	40.9
1998	525,714	673,865	56.2	185,061	246,810	57.1	24,628	17,848	42.0
1999	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	23,436	17,484	42.7
2000	536,158	716,963	57.2	191,234	265,026	58.1	23,163	18,129	43.9
2001	536,023	721,625	57.4	193,006	273,639	58.6	22,775	17,885	44.0
2002	553,957	751,773	57.6	198,097	283,035	58.8	21,805	18,135	45.4
2003	575,977	783,866	57.6	210,758	300,845	58.8	22,257	18,500	45.4
2004	596,192	810,817	57.6	227,335	328,202	59.1	22,963	19,158	45.5
2005	608,262	828,938	57.7	230,057	337,818	59.5	23,738	19,579	45.2
2006	621,911	851,824	57.8	234,152	351,877	60.0	24,986	20,539	45.1

NA = not available; detailed national data were not released by the National Center for Education Statistics for the academic year ending in 1999.

NOTES: After 1988, a number of doctoral degrees holders did not report gender. Percentages of women are calculated based on the total of men plus women, not on total number of degrees as reported in Table 1. Data on first professional degrees are provided in tables 58, 59, and 60.

SOURCES: Tabulated by National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics (NSF/SRS); data from Department of Education/National Center for Education Statistics: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Completions Survey and NSF/SRS: Survey of Earned Doctorates.