

TABLE 60. First professional degrees awarded in non-health fields, by sex of recipient: 1966–2006

Academic year ending	Total	Men	Women	% women
1966	18,205	17,472	733	4.0
1967	19,120	18,425	695	3.6
1968	20,913	20,109	804	3.8
1969	21,922	21,051	871	4.0
1970	20,798	19,766	1,032	5.0
1971	23,018	21,541	1,477	6.4
1972	27,869	26,157	1,712	6.1
1973	33,080	30,638	2,442	7.4
1974	35,122	31,327	3,795	10.8
1975	35,677	30,755	4,922	13.8
1976	38,274	31,571	6,703	17.5
1977	40,247	31,937	8,310	20.6
1978	40,983	31,267	9,716	23.7
1979	41,994	31,044	10,950	26.1
1980	42,950	31,147	11,803	27.5
1981	43,398	30,614	12,784	29.5
1982	43,060	29,894	13,166	30.6
1983	43,482	29,029	14,453	33.2
1984	44,115	29,192	14,923	33.8
1985	44,961	29,105	15,856	35.3
1986	43,530	27,965	15,565	35.8
1987	42,720	26,830	15,890	37.2
1988	42,311	26,412	15,899	37.6
1989	41,800	25,803	15,997	38.3
1990	42,764	25,747	17,017	39.8
1991	44,453	26,449	18,004	40.5
1992	46,498	27,765	18,733	40.3
1993	46,593	27,861	18,732	40.2
1994	46,320	27,503	18,817	40.6
1995	45,700	27,218	18,482	40.4
1996	46,255	27,255	19,000	41.1
1997	47,055	27,439	19,616	41.7
1998	45,379	26,249	19,130	42.2
1999	NA	NA	NA	NA
2000	43,806	24,716	19,090	43.6
2001	43,420	23,696	19,724	45.4
2002	44,720	24,219	20,501	45.8
2003	44,919	23,822	21,097	47.0
2004	46,196	24,409	21,787	47.2
2005	49,151	26,044	23,107	47.0
2006	49,019	26,425	22,594	46.1

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

NOTES: First professional degrees are defined as those that require at least 6 years of college work for completion and 2 years of preprofessional training. Non-health fields include law, divinity/ministry, and rabbinical and Talmudic studies.

SOURCE: Tabulated by National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics; data from Department of Education/National Center for Education Statistics: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Completions Survey.