

Table 259.—First-professional degrees conferred by institutions of higher education in dentistry, medicine, and law, by sex, and number of institutions conferring degrees: 1949–50 to 1995–96

| Year | Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.) | | | | Medicine (M.D.) | | | | Law (LL.B. or J.D.) | | | |
|---------------|---|-------------------|-------|-------|---|-------------------|--------|-------|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Number of institutions conferring degrees | Degrees conferred | | | Number of institutions conferring degrees | Degrees conferred | | | Number of institutions conferring degrees | Degrees conferred | | |
| | | Total | Men | Women | | Total | Men | Women | | Total | Men | Women |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 1949–50 | 40 | 2,579 | 2,561 | 18 | 72 | 5,612 | 5,028 | 584 | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) |
| 1951–52 | 41 | 2,918 | 2,895 | 23 | 72 | 6,201 | 5,871 | 330 | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) |
| 1953–54 | 42 | 3,102 | 3,063 | 39 | 73 | 6,712 | 6,377 | 335 | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) | (¹) |
| 1955–56 | 42 | 3,009 | 2,975 | 34 | 73 | 6,810 | 6,464 | 346 | 131 | 8,262 | 7,974 | 288 |
| 1957–58 | 43 | 3,065 | 3,031 | 34 | 75 | 6,816 | 6,469 | 347 | 131 | 9,394 | 9,122 | 272 |
| 1959–60 | 45 | 3,247 | 3,221 | 26 | 79 | 7,032 | 6,645 | 387 | 134 | 9,240 | 9,010 | 230 |
| 1961–62 | 46 | 3,183 | 3,166 | 17 | 81 | 7,138 | 6,749 | 389 | 134 | 9,364 | 9,091 | 273 |
| 1963–64 | 46 | 3,180 | 3,168 | 12 | 82 | 7,303 | 6,878 | 425 | 133 | 10,679 | 10,372 | 307 |
| 1965–66 | 47 | 3,178 | 3,146 | 32 | 84 | 7,673 | 7,170 | 503 | 136 | 13,246 | 12,776 | 470 |
| 1967–68 | 48 | 3,422 | 3,375 | 47 | 85 | 7,944 | 7,318 | 626 | 138 | 16,454 | 15,805 | 649 |
| 1969–70 | 48 | 3,718 | 3,684 | 34 | 86 | 8,314 | 7,615 | 699 | 145 | 14,916 | 14,115 | 801 |
| 1970–71 | 48 | 3,745 | 3,703 | 42 | 89 | 8,919 | 8,110 | 809 | 147 | 17,421 | 16,181 | 1,240 |
| 1971–72 | 48 | 3,862 | 3,819 | 43 | 92 | 9,253 | 8,423 | 830 | 147 | 21,764 | 20,266 | 1,498 |
| 1972–73 | 51 | 4,047 | 3,992 | 55 | 97 | 10,307 | 9,388 | 919 | 152 | 27,205 | 25,037 | 2,168 |
| 1973–74 | 52 | 4,440 | 4,355 | 85 | 99 | 11,356 | 10,093 | 1,263 | 151 | 29,326 | 25,986 | 3,340 |
| 1974–75 | 52 | 4,773 | 4,627 | 146 | 104 | 12,447 | 10,818 | 1,629 | 154 | 29,296 | 24,881 | 4,415 |
| 1975–76 | 56 | 5,425 | 5,187 | 238 | 107 | 13,426 | 11,252 | 2,174 | 166 | 32,293 | 26,085 | 6,208 |
| 1976–77 | 57 | 5,138 | 4,764 | 374 | 109 | 13,461 | 10,891 | 2,570 | 169 | 34,104 | 26,447 | 7,657 |
| 1977–78 | 57 | 5,189 | 4,623 | 566 | 109 | 14,279 | 11,210 | 3,069 | 169 | 34,402 | 25,457 | 8,945 |
| 1978–79 | 58 | 5,434 | 4,794 | 640 | 109 | 14,786 | 11,381 | 3,405 | 175 | 35,206 | 25,180 | 10,026 |
| 1979–80 | 58 | 5,258 | 4,558 | 700 | 112 | 14,902 | 11,416 | 3,486 | 179 | 35,647 | 24,893 | 10,754 |
| 1980–81 | 58 | 5,460 | 4,672 | 788 | 116 | 15,505 | 11,672 | 3,833 | 176 | 36,331 | 24,563 | 11,768 |
| 1981–82 | 59 | 5,282 | 4,467 | 815 | 119 | 15,814 | 11,867 | 3,947 | 180 | 35,991 | 23,965 | 12,026 |
| 1982–83 | 59 | 5,585 | 4,631 | 954 | 118 | 15,484 | 11,350 | 4,134 | 177 | 36,853 | 23,550 | 13,303 |
| 1983–84 | 60 | 5,353 | 4,302 | 1,051 | 119 | 15,813 | 11,359 | 4,454 | 179 | 37,012 | 23,382 | 13,630 |
| 1984–85 | 59 | 5,339 | 4,233 | 1,106 | 120 | 16,041 | 11,167 | 4,874 | 181 | 37,491 | 23,070 | 14,421 |
| 1985–86 | 59 | 5,046 | 3,907 | 1,139 | 120 | 15,938 | 11,022 | 4,916 | 181 | 35,844 | 21,874 | 13,970 |
| 1986–87 | 58 | 4,741 | 3,603 | 1,138 | 121 | 15,428 | 10,431 | 4,997 | 179 | 36,056 | 21,561 | 14,495 |
| 1987–88 | 57 | 4,477 | 3,300 | 1,177 | 122 | 15,358 | 10,278 | 5,080 | 180 | 35,397 | 21,067 | 14,330 |
| 1988–89 | 58 | 4,265 | 3,124 | 1,141 | 124 | 15,460 | 10,310 | 5,150 | 182 | 35,634 | 21,069 | 14,565 |
| 1989–90 | 57 | 4,100 | 2,834 | 1,266 | 124 | 15,075 | 9,923 | 5,152 | 182 | 36,485 | 21,079 | 15,406 |
| 1990–91 | 55 | 3,699 | 2,510 | 1,189 | 121 | 15,043 | 9,629 | 5,414 | 179 | 37,945 | 21,643 | 16,302 |
| 1991–92 | 52 | 3,593 | 2,431 | 1,162 | 120 | 15,243 | 9,796 | 5,447 | 177 | 38,848 | 22,260 | 16,588 |
| 1992–93 | 55 | 3,605 | 2,383 | 1,222 | 122 | 15,531 | 9,679 | 5,852 | 184 | 40,302 | 23,182 | 17,120 |
| 1993–94 | 53 | 3,787 | 2,330 | 1,457 | 121 | 15,368 | 9,544 | 5,824 | 185 | 40,044 | 22,826 | 17,218 |
| 1994–95 | 53 | 3,897 | 2,480 | 1,417 | 119 | 15,537 | 9,507 | 6,030 | 183 | 39,349 | 22,592 | 16,757 |
| 1995–96 | 53 | 3,697 | 2,374 | 1,323 | 119 | 15,341 | 9,061 | 6,280 | 183 | 39,828 | 22,508 | 17,320 |

¹ Data prior to 1955–56 are not shown because they lack comparability with the figures for subsequent years.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), "Degrees and Other Formal Awards Conferred" surveys, and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Completions" surveys. (This table was prepared July 1998.)