

Table 271.—Bachelor's degrees conferred by institutions of higher education, by racial/ethnic group, major field of study, and sex of student: 1995–96

Major field of study	Total							Men							Women						
	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien	Total	White, non-Hispanic	Black, non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Asian/Pacific Islander	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Non-resident alien
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<b>All fields, total<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1,163,036</b>	<b>904,709</b>	<b>91,166</b>	<b>58,288</b>	<b>64,359</b>	<b>6,970</b>	<b>37,544</b>	<b>521,439</b>	<b>408,829</b>	<b>32,852</b>	<b>24,994</b>	<b>30,630</b>	<b>2,885</b>	<b>21,249</b>	<b>641,597</b>	<b>495,880</b>	<b>58,314</b>	<b>33,294</b>	<b>33,729</b>	<b>4,085</b>	<b>16,295</b>
Agriculture and natural resources	21,431	19,286	606	573	448	171	347	13,535	12,341	323	337	215	100	219	7,896	6,945	283	236	233	71	128
Architecture and related programs	8,352	6,293	317	576	706	33	427	5,340	4,088	207	369	392	23	261	3,012	2,205	110	207	314	10	166
Area, ethnic, and cultural studies	5,786	3,583	690	573	668	68	204	1,984	1,226	228	186	222	21	101	3,802	2,357	462	387	446	47	103
Biological sciences/life sciences	60,994	44,676	3,874	2,616	8,143	324	1,361	28,849	21,586	1,261	1,269	3,976	147	610	32,145	23,090	2,613	1,347	4,167	177	751
Business	227,102	168,220	20,190	11,286	13,523	1,089	12,794	116,842	89,656	7,728	5,488	6,131	518	7,321	110,260	78,564	12,462	5,798	7,392	571	5,473
Communications	47,320	38,144	4,220	2,049	1,430	198	1,279	19,391	16,016	1,520	797	495	80	483	27,929	22,128	2,700	1,252	935	118	796
Communications technologies	683	564	74	9	12	8	16	369	321	31	4	5	2	6	314	243	43	5	7	6	10
Computer and information sciences	24,098	15,827	2,471	1,042	2,502	91	2,165	17,468	12,198	1,248	678	1,734	51	1,559	6,630	3,629	1,223	364	768	40	606
Construction trades	80	73	2	0	0	0	5	76	69	2	0	0	0	5	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Education	105,509	91,259	7,149	3,792	1,517	886	906	26,233	22,539	1,863	889	415	234	293	79,276	68,720	5,286	2,903	1,102	652	613
Engineering	62,114	44,185	3,073	2,883	6,968	249	4,756	51,069	36,922	2,016	2,292	5,503	200	4,136	11,045	7,263	1,057	591	1,465	49	620
Engineering-related technologies	15,189	11,719	1,326	748	727	105	564	13,763	10,785	1,033	678	661	86	520	1,426	934	293	70	66	19	44
English language and literature/letters	50,698	42,166	3,499	2,235	1,979	273	546	17,253	14,673	900	750	623	110	197	33,445	27,493	2,599	1,485	1,356	163	349
Foreign languages and literatures	13,952	10,137	488	2,122	695	61	449	4,219	3,182	112	602	184	14	125	9,733	6,955	376	1,520	511	47	324
Health professions and related sciences	84,036	69,156	6,317	2,912	4,013	520	1,118	15,432	12,515	938	650	982	95	252	68,604	56,641	5,379	2,262	3,031	425	866
Home economics and vocational home economics	15,803	13,351	1,101	448	552	98	253	1,885	1,531	159	66	74	17	38	13,918	11,820	942	382	478	81	215
Law and legal studies	2,052	1,634	214	104	75	14	11	556	431	51	34	30	6	4	1,496	1,203	163	70	45	8	7
Liberal arts and sciences, general studies, and humanities	33,997	26,053	3,474	2,470	1,193	279	528	13,379	10,682	1,173	747	446	98	233	20,618	15,371	2,301	1,723	747	181	295
Library science	58	52	3	0	2	0	1	8	5	1	0	1	0	1	50	47	2	0	1	0	0
Mathematics	13,143	10,033	986	558	955	54	557	7,134	5,366	465	334	552	31	386	6,009	4,667	521	224	403	23	171
Mechanics and repairers	54	39	3	2	2	4	4	48	36	2	1	1	4	4	6	3	1	1	1	0	0
Multi/interdisciplinary studies	26,515	20,043	2,115	2,192	1,568	210	387	9,286	7,129	668	540	675	66	208	17,229	12,914	1,447	1,652	893	144	179
Parks, recreation, leisure and fitness studies	13,983	12,146	790	579	219	79	170	7,090	6,022	457	350	113	46	102	6,893	6,124	333	229	106	33	68
Philosophy and religion	7,388	6,182	346	307	375	20	158	4,859	4,071	209	219	242	12	106	2,529	2,111	137	88	133	8	52
Physical sciences and science technologies	19,647	15,551	1,130	566	1,605	108	687	12,578	10,277	497	355	934	77	438	7,069	5,274	633	211	671	31	249
Precision production trades	401	345	32	13	7	0	4	305	261	24	12	6	0	2	96	84	8	1	1	0	2
Protective services	24,810	18,386	3,710	1,918	447	222	127	15,274	11,979	1,687	1,106	294	126	82	9,536	6,407	2,023	812	153	96	45
Psychology	73,291	57,254	6,157	4,640	3,744	482	1,014	19,817	15,582	1,455	1,218	1,151	136	275	53,474	41,672	4,702	3,422	2,593	346	739
Public administration and services	19,849	14,205	3,433	1,290	546	194	181	4,205	2,942	747	286	147	33	50	15,644	11,263	2,686	1,004	399	161	131
R.O.T.C. and military sciences	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Social sciences and history	126,479	96,637	10,977	7,366	6,892	811	3,796	65,872	51,938	4,635	3,568	3,242	395	2,094	60,607	44,699	6,342	3,798	3,650	416	1,702
Theological studies and religious vocations	5,358	4,740	205	106	122	20	165	4,044	3,630	139	74	74	17	110	1,314	1,110	66	32	48	3	55
Transportation and material moving workers	3,561	3,020	192	137	75	21	116	3,143	2,681	159	118	67	19	99	418	339	33	19	8	2	17
Visual and performing arts	49,296	39,743	2,002	2,176	2,649	278	2,448	20,126	16,142	914	977	1,043	121	929	29,170	23,601	1,088	1,199	1,606	157	1,519

<sup>1</sup> Reported racial/ethnic distributions of students by level of degree, field of degree, and sex were used to estimate race/ethnicity for students whose race/ethnicity was not reported. Excludes 1,015 men and 741 women whose racial/ethnic group and field of study were not available.

NOTE.—To facilitate trend comparisons, certain aggregations have been made of the degree fields as reported in the IPEDS "Completions" survey: "Agriculture and natural resources" includes Agricultural business and production,

Agricultural sciences, and Conservation and renewable natural resources; and "Business" includes Business management and administrative services, Marketing operations/marketing and distribution, and Consumer and personal services.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Completions" survey. (This table was prepared June 1998.)