

TABLE H-2. Employed females 16 years and older, by detailed occupation: Selected years, 1984–2004 annual averages

(Thousands)

Occupation	1984	1986	1988	1990	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002	2004
All occupations	45,915	48,706	51,696	53,689	54,052	56,610	58,501	60,771	62,915	63,582	64,728
Managers and professionals	10,508	11,712	13,233	14,218	14,881	16,425	17,927	19,245	20,530	21,600	22,496
Executives, administrators, and managers	3,889	4,653	5,590	5,931	6,110	7,014	7,767	8,469	8,960	9,446	8,517
Professional specialty	6,619	7,059	7,643	8,287	8,771	9,411	10,160	10,776	11,570	12,154	13,979
Engineers, architects, and surveyors	113	119	153	177	172	181	197	257	258	261	380
Architect	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	51	S	50
Engineer	101	105	132	149	149	155	167	228	207	219	186
Aerospace engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Chemical engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Civil engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Computer hardware engineer	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Electrical and electronic engineer	S	S	S	51	S	S	S	57	71	70	S
Industrial engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Mechanical engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other engineer	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Surveyors and mappers	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Health assessment and treating occupations	1,668	1,728	1,829	1,992	2,177	2,333	2,409	2,470	2,541	2,822	2,957
Audiologist	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Chiropractor	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Dietitian	67	68	64	79	80	79	95	78	87	66	75
Pharmacist	S	51	54	64	75	70	78	79	97	120	110
Physicians' assistant	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	53	S
Registered nurse	1,345	1,403	1,475	1,575	1,695	1,835	1,853	1,879	1,959	2,147	2,271
Therapist	193	191	218	248	302	320	347	398	357	436	427
Occupational therapist	S	S	S	S	S	S	55	59	50	70	78
Physical therapist	52	S	61	68	80	70	73	97	88	117	113
Radiation therapist	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Recreational therapist	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Respiratory therapist	S	S	S	S	52	57	56	63	S	57	56
Speech therapist	S	56	59	55	72	87	91	97	95	111	88
Other therapist	S	S	S	52	56	62	73	81	75	81	69
Health diagnosing occupations	104	109	149	155	167	200	245	285	281	344	329
Dentist	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Optometrist	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Physician	83	86	108	111	126	140	176	197	201	253	244
Podiatrist	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Veterinarian	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Mathematical and computer scientists	333	415	427	534	497	560	585	679	837	780	848
Actuary	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Computer systems analysts and scientists	93	133	141	210	205	287	307	396	525	484	206
Computer programmer	179	187	183	216	183	161	173	174	185	155	151
Computer software engineer	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	204
Computer support specialist	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	97
Database administrator	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Network and computer systems administrators	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Network systems and data communications analysts	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	68
Mathematician	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Operations and systems researchers and analysts	S	77	83	88	87	92	89	89	103	116	S
Statistician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Natural scientist	72	86	95	105	125	166	157	161	190	192	234
Agricultural and food scientists	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Atmospheric and space scientists	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Biological and life scientists	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	52	52	56
Chemist, except biochemist	S	S	S	S	S	53	S	S	S	S	S
Forestry and conservation scientists	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S

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Geologists and geodesists	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Medical scientist	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	54	50
Physicists and astronomers	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Social scientists and urban planners	130	143	163	187	208	236	249	235	265	272	234
Economist	S	S	S	50	53	50	81	64	74	68	S
Market and survey researchers	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	60
Psychologist	75	87	110	122	138	164	150	144	171	182	124
Sociologist	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Urban planner	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Teachers, except postsecondary	2,482	2,611	2,752	2,924	3,144	3,244	3,517	3,737	4,037	4,242	4,128
Elementary school	1,118	1,141	1,207	1,274	1,394	1,398	1,538	1,639	1,814	1,942	2,097
Prekindergarten and kindergarten	327	353	386	450	477	486	533	573	617	632	644
Secondary school	616	655	608	636	647	665	686	697	764	749	636
Special education	155	188	209	228	226	258	288	312	299	320	320
Other	266	274	342	336	400	437	472	516	543	599	431
Teachers, postsecondary (college and university)	227	230	270	288	302	356	387	389	420	433	541
Other professional	1,490	1,618	1,805	1,925	1,979	2,135	2,414	2,563	2,741	2,808	4,328
Technicians (engineering, health, and science)	1,155	1,169	1,255	1,359	1,490	1,575	1,568	1,739	1,705	1,873	1,900
Engineering and related technologists and technicians	157	166	175	196	162	179	183	202	205	204	141
Drafter	S	55	S	54	S	S	S	S	51	53	S
Electrical and electronic technicians	S	S	S	55	S	S	S	73	79	83	na
Industrial engineering technician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	na
Mechanical engineering technician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	na
Surveying and mapping technicians	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other engineering technician	62	59	70	79	64	73	77	71	65	58	82
Health technologist and technician	927	945	1,013	1,086	1,241	1,298	1,293	1,414	1,388	1,531	1,639
Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	212	218	207	226	235	263	275	282	257	294	240
Dental hygienist	62	59	76	86	73	97	93	111	110	131	129
Diagnostic related technologists and technicians	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	204
Emergency medical technicians and paramedics	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Health diagnosing and treating practitioner support technicians	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	334
Health records technologists and technicians	S	S	51	65	51	S	S	S	S	S	81
Licensed practical nurse	400	407	406	425	428	378	377	365	350	362	487
Opticians, dispensing	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Radiologic technician	74	76	101	93	108	114	94	118	112	135	na
Other health technician	143	141	172	190	348	417	438	521	546	590	89
Science technician	71	58	67	77	87	98	92	123	112	138	120
Agricultural and food science technicians	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Biological technician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	74	64	78	S
Chemical technician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Geological and petroleum technicians	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Nuclear technician	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	S
Other science technician	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	70
Other occupation	34,431	36,012	37,391	38,329	37,864	38,771	39,179	39,962	40,865	40,264	40,332

na = not applicable; not an occupation category.

S = suppressed because fewer than 50,000 weighted cases.

NOTES: Differences in estimates of scientists and engineers in the tables in this report reflect different data sources. Data from the Current Population Survey cover employed persons 16 years and older regardless of degree status. Data based on the SESTAT surveys cover persons with bachelor's or higher degrees who were either educated as or working as scientists or engineers. In 2001, the Current Population Survey taxonomy for occupations was revised, thus data for 2002 and 2004 may not be comparable to data for previous years. Data for 2001 through 2004 reflect weights calculated on the basis of the 2000 decennial census; data for 1994 through 2000 reflect weights based on the 1990 decennial census. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, 1984–2004.