

Field of study	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total, all fields	41,365	40,737	40,025	40,757	42,123	43,385	45,596
Science and engineering, total	25,966	25,528	24,608	25,281	26,275	27,989	29,854
Engineering, total	5,323	5,511	5,079	5,280	5,777	6,425	7,191
Aeronautical/astronautical	214	203	209	200	201	219	238
Chemical	726	730	705	649	726	875	893
Civil	556	595	627	673	673	758	803
Electrical	1,543	1,579	1,394	1,465	1,651	1,851	2,133
Industrial/manufacturing	176	206	230	214	217	221	235
Materials/metallurgical	451	497	396	474	511	540	624
Mechanical	864	953	827	814	852	978	1,148
Other	793	748	691	791	946	983	1,117
Science, total	20,643	20,017	19,529	20,001	20,498	21,564	22,663
Biological/agricultural sciences	6,890	6,672	6,703	6,755	6,985	7,406	7,664
Agricultural sciences	1,037	975	1,009	1,060	1,045	1,038	1,033
Biological sciences	5,853	5,697	5,694	5,695	5,940	6,368	6,631
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences, total	694	660	689	683	686	714	757
Atmospheric	143	116	117	139	126	145	147
Earth	387	393	426	374	420	420	469
Ocean sciences	164	151	146	170	140	149	141
Mathematical/computer sciences, total	1,910	1,840	1,730	1,859	2,024	2,335	2,779
Computer sciences	860	830	810	866	948	1,130	1,452
Mathematics	1,050	1,010	920	993	1,076	1,205	1,327
Physical sciences, total	3,378	3,364	3,186	3,289	3,338	3,645	3,925
Astronomy	185	186	141	167	165	186	197
Chemistry	1,989	1,981	1,922	2,041	1,987	2,126	2,363
Physics	1,204	1,197	1,123	1,081	1,186	1,333	1,365
Psychology	3,616	3,399	3,207	3,276	3,327	3,323	3,263
Social sciences, total	4,155	4,082	4,014	4,139	4,138	4,141	4,275
Economics	1,086	1,081	1,027	1,050	1,069	1,183	1,142
Political science	986	984	939	1,025	946	990	998
Sociology	637	579	567	612	599	556	602
Other social sciences	1,446	1,438	1,481	1,452	1,524	1,412	1,533
Nonscience and engineering, total	15,399	15,209	15,417	15,476	15,848	15,396	15,742
Education	6,436	6,349	6,503	6,643	6,635	6,226	6,123
Health	1,591	1,541	1,654	1,633	1,720	1,785	1,906
Humanities	5,213	5,178	5,051	5,020	5,013	4,949	5,122
Professional/other/unknown	2,159	2,141	2,209	2,180	2,480	2,436	2,591

Source: U.S. National Science Foundation, *Science and Engineering Doctorate Awards*, annual. See also <<http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/nsf07305/>> (released December 2007).