

Table 271.—Master's degrees conferred by degree-granting institutions, by racial/ethnic group and sex of student: 1976–77 to 1999–2000

| Year | Number of degrees conferred | | | | | | | Percentage distribution of degrees conferred to U.S. citizens | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | 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 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| | Total | | | | | | | Total | | | | | |
| 1976–77 ¹ | 316,602 | 266,061 | 21,037 | 6,071 | 5,122 | 967 | 17,344 | 100.0 | 88.9 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 0.3 |
| 1978–79 ² | 300,255 | 249,360 | 19,418 | 5,555 | 5,496 | 999 | 19,427 | 100.0 | 88.8 | 6.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.4 |
| 1980–81 ³ | 294,183 | 241,216 | 17,133 | 6,461 | 6,282 | 1,034 | 22,057 | 100.0 | 88.6 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.4 |
| 1984–85 ⁴ | 280,421 | 223,628 | 13,939 | 6,864 | 7,782 | 1,256 | 26,952 | 100.0 | 88.2 | 5.5 | 2.7 | 3.1 | 0.5 |
| 1986–87 | 289,349 | 228,874 | 13,873 | 7,044 | 8,559 | 1,103 | 29,896 | 100.0 | 88.2 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 0.4 |
| 1988–89 ⁵ | 309,770 | 242,764 | 14,095 | 7,277 | 10,335 | 1,086 | 34,213 | 100.0 | 88.1 | 5.1 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 0.4 |
| 1989–90 ⁶ | 322,465 | 251,690 | 15,446 | 7,950 | 10,577 | 1,101 | 35,701 | 100.0 | 87.8 | 5.4 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 0.4 |
| 1990–91 ⁷ | 328,645 | 255,281 | 16,139 | 8,386 | 11,180 | 1,136 | 36,523 | 100.0 | 87.4 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 3.8 | 0.4 |
| 1991–92 ⁸ | 348,682 | 268,371 | 18,116 | 9,358 | 12,658 | 1,273 | 38,906 | 100.0 | 86.6 | 5.8 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 0.4 |
| 1992–93 ⁹ | 368,701 | 278,829 | 19,780 | 10,665 | 13,866 | 1,407 | 44,154 | 100.0 | 85.9 | 6.1 | 3.3 | 4.3 | 0.4 |
| 1993–94 ¹⁰ | 385,419 | 288,288 | 21,937 | 11,913 | 15,267 | 1,697 | 46,317 | 100.0 | 85.0 | 6.5 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 0.5 |
| 1994–95 ¹¹ | 397,052 | 292,784 | 24,171 | 12,907 | 16,842 | 1,621 | 48,727 | 100.0 | 84.1 | 6.9 | 3.7 | 4.8 | 0.5 |
| 1995–96 ¹² | 405,521 | 297,558 | 25,801 | 14,412 | 18,161 | 1,778 | 47,811 | 100.0 | 83.2 | 7.2 | 4.0 | 5.1 | 0.5 |
| 1996–97 ¹³ | 414,882 | 302,541 | 28,224 | 15,187 | 18,477 | 1,924 | 48,529 | 100.0 | 82.6 | 7.7 | 4.1 | 5.0 | 0.5 |
| 1997–98 ¹⁴ | 429,296 | 307,587 | 30,097 | 16,215 | 21,088 | 2,049 | 52,260 | 100.0 | 81.6 | 8.0 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 0.5 |
| 1998–99 | 439,986 | 311,299 | 32,344 | 17,708 | 21,803 | 2,004 | 54,828 | 100.0 | 80.8 | 8.4 | 4.6 | 5.7 | 0.5 |
| 1999–2000 | 457,056 | 317,999 | 35,625 | 19,093 | 22,899 | 2,232 | 59,208 | 100.0 | 79.9 | 9.0 | 4.8 | 5.8 | 0.6 |
| | Men | | | | | | | Men | | | | | |
| 1976–77 ¹ | 167,396 | 139,210 | 7,781 | 3,268 | 3,123 | 521 | 13,493 | 100.0 | 90.5 | 5.1 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 0.3 |
| 1978–79 ² | 152,637 | 124,058 | 7,070 | 2,786 | 3,325 | 495 | 14,903 | 100.0 | 90.1 | 5.1 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 0.4 |
| 1980–81 ³ | 145,666 | 115,562 | 6,158 | 3,085 | 3,773 | 501 | 16,587 | 100.0 | 89.5 | 4.8 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 0.4 |
| 1984–85 ⁴ | 139,417 | 106,059 | 5,200 | 3,059 | 4,842 | 583 | 19,674 | 100.0 | 88.6 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 0.5 |
| 1986–87 | 141,269 | 105,572 | 5,153 | 3,331 | 5,239 | 518 | 21,456 | 100.0 | 88.1 | 4.3 | 2.8 | 4.4 | 0.4 |
| 1988–89 ⁵ | 148,872 | 109,715 | 5,175 | 3,325 | 6,048 | 476 | 24,133 | 100.0 | 88.0 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 4.8 | 0.4 |
| 1989–90 ⁶ | 152,926 | 112,877 | 5,539 | 3,586 | 6,002 | 463 | 24,459 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 4.3 | 2.8 | 4.7 | 0.4 |
| 1990–91 ⁷ | 151,796 | 111,224 | 5,709 | 3,670 | 6,319 | 459 | 24,415 | 100.0 | 87.3 | 4.5 | 2.9 | 5.0 | 0.4 |
| 1991–92 ⁸ | 159,543 | 116,096 | 6,054 | 4,132 | 7,062 | 523 | 25,676 | 100.0 | 86.7 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 5.3 | 0.4 |
| 1992–93 ⁹ | 168,754 | 120,225 | 6,821 | 4,735 | 7,544 | 586 | 28,843 | 100.0 | 85.9 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 5.4 | 0.4 |
| 1993–94 ¹⁰ | 175,355 | 123,854 | 7,413 | 5,113 | 8,225 | 691 | 30,059 | 100.0 | 85.2 | 5.1 | 3.5 | 5.7 | 0.5 |
| 1994–95 ¹¹ | 178,123 | 123,809 | 8,103 | 5,490 | 8,920 | 659 | 31,142 | 100.0 | 84.2 | 5.5 | 3.7 | 6.1 | 0.4 |
| 1995–96 ¹² | 178,661 | 124,514 | 8,442 | 5,833 | 9,373 | 704 | 29,795 | 100.0 | 83.6 | 5.7 | 3.9 | 6.3 | 0.5 |
| 1996–97 ¹³ | 178,165 | 124,060 | 8,871 | 6,115 | 8,879 | 729 | 29,511 | 100.0 | 83.5 | 6.0 | 4.1 | 6.0 | 0.5 |
| 1997–98 ¹⁴ | 183,982 | 125,343 | 9,631 | 6,499 | 10,239 | 780 | 31,490 | 100.0 | 82.2 | 6.3 | 4.3 | 6.7 | 0.5 |
| 1998–99 | 186,148 | 125,310 | 9,965 | 6,956 | 10,328 | 765 | 32,824 | 100.0 | 81.7 | 6.5 | 4.5 | 6.7 | 0.5 |
| 1999–2000 | 191,792 | 126,522 | 11,093 | 7,543 | 10,853 | 829 | 34,952 | 100.0 | 80.7 | 7.1 | 4.8 | 6.9 | 0.5 |
| | Women | | | | | | | Women | | | | | |
| 1976–77 ¹ | 149,206 | 126,851 | 13,256 | 2,803 | 1,999 | 446 | 3,851 | 100.0 | 87.3 | 9.1 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 0.3 |
| 1978–79 ² | 147,618 | 125,302 | 12,348 | 2,769 | 2,171 | 504 | 4,524 | 100.0 | 87.6 | 8.6 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 0.4 |
| 1980–81 ³ | 148,517 | 125,654 | 10,975 | 3,376 | 2,509 | 533 | 5,470 | 100.0 | 87.8 | 7.7 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 0.4 |
| 1984–85 ⁴ | 141,004 | 117,569 | 8,739 | 3,805 | 2,940 | 673 | 7,278 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 6.5 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 0.5 |
| 1986–87 | 148,080 | 123,302 | 8,720 | 3,713 | 3,320 | 585 | 8,440 | 100.0 | 88.3 | 6.2 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 0.4 |
| 1988–89 ⁵ | 160,898 | 133,049 | 8,920 | 3,952 | 4,287 | 610 | 10,080 | 100.0 | 88.2 | 5.9 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 0.4 |
| 1989–90 ⁶ | 169,539 | 138,813 | 9,907 | 4,364 | 4,575 | 638 | 11,242 | 100.0 | 87.7 | 6.3 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 0.4 |
| 1990–91 ⁷ | 176,849 | 144,057 | 10,430 | 4,716 | 4,861 | 677 | 12,108 | 100.0 | 87.4 | 6.3 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 0.4 |
| 1991–92 ⁸ | 189,139 | 152,275 | 12,062 | 5,226 | 5,596 | 750 | 13,230 | 100.0 | 86.6 | 6.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 0.4 |
| 1992–93 ⁹ | 199,947 | 158,604 | 12,959 | 5,930 | 6,322 | 821 | 15,311 | 100.0 | 85.9 | 7.0 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 0.4 |
| 1993–94 ¹⁰ | 210,064 | 164,434 | 14,524 | 6,800 | 7,042 | 1,006 | 16,258 | 100.0 | 84.8 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 0.5 |
| 1994–95 ¹¹ | 218,929 | 168,975 | 16,068 | 7,417 | 7,922 | 962 | 17,585 | 100.0 | 83.9 | 8.0 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 0.5 |
| 1995–96 ¹² | 226,860 | 173,044 | 17,359 | 8,579 | 8,788 | 1,074 | 18,016 | 100.0 | 82.9 | 8.3 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 0.5 |
| 1996–97 ¹³ | 236,717 | 178,481 | 19,353 | 9,072 | 9,598 | 1,195 | 19,018 | 100.0 | 82.0 | 8.9 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 0.5 |
| 1997–98 ¹⁴ | 245,314 | 182,244 | 20,466 | 9,716 | 10,849 | 1,269 | 20,770 | 100.0 | 81.2 | 9.1 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 0.6 |
| 1998–99 | 253,838 | 185,989 | 22,379 | 10,752 | 11,475 | 1,239 | 22,004 | 100.0 | 80.2 | 9.7 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 0.5 |
| 1999–2000 | 265,264 | 191,477 | 24,532 | 11,550 | 12,046 | 1,403 | 24,256 | 100.0 | 79.4 | 10.2 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 0.6 |

¹ Excludes 387 men and 175 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.² Excludes 733 men and 91 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.³ Excludes 1,377 men and 179 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁴ Excludes 3,973 men and 1,857 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁵ Excludes 482 men and 369 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁶ Excludes 727 men and 1,109 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁷ Excludes 4,686 men and 3,837 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁸ Excludes 2,299 men and 1,857 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.⁹ Excludes 504 men and 380 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.¹⁰ Excludes 730 men and 921 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.¹¹ Excludes 475 men and 102 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.¹² Excludes 420 men and 360 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.¹³ Excludes 2,782 men and 1,737 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.¹⁴ Excludes 393 men and 475 women whose racial/ethnic group was not available.NOTE: For years 1984–85 to 1999–2000, 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. Data for 1998–99 imputed using alternative procedures. (See *Guide to Sources* for details.) Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

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 August 2001.)