

Table 236.—Average base salaries of full-time instructional faculty and staff in degree-granting institutions, by type and control of institution and by field of instruction: 1987–88, 1992–93, and 1998–99

Field of instruction	1987–88 academic year salaries in 1998–99 dollars ¹											
	All institutions	Total public	Total private	Public research	Private research	Public doctoral	Private doctoral	Public comprehensive	Private comprehensive	Private liberal arts	Public 2-year	Other
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
All fields	\$55,854	\$56,369	\$54,707	\$67,095	\$73,504	\$62,374	\$66,053	\$52,347	\$45,676	\$40,940	\$46,002	\$43,522
Agriculture and home economics	55,937	56,238	(2)	62,840	(2)	50,221	(2)	54,184	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Business	52,922	52,858	50,887	67,212	(2)	56,756	(2)	50,119	52,320	(2)	46,996	40,744
Education	46,754	49,084	38,709	52,945	(2)	50,006	(2)	48,218	38,674	33,942	47,487	(2)
Engineering	60,279	59,354	63,606	70,842	(2)	61,341	(2)	58,089	59,433	(2)	42,478	(2)
Fine arts	43,686	45,656	39,677	46,522	(2)	44,049	(2)	45,448	38,294	39,811	46,428	(2)
Health	74,879	74,402	75,836	84,801	(2)	82,043	(2)	65,949	55,049	44,736	42,736	(2)
Humanities	48,973	50,903	46,026	53,482	(2)	45,403	(2)	51,491	42,818	44,016	50,175	40,156
Natural sciences	55,197	55,875	53,677	66,898	(2)	57,628	(2)	53,895	44,750	43,593	45,824	43,292
Social sciences	53,690	53,376	52,794	61,005	(2)	55,344	(2)	51,874	44,578	41,247	47,393	(2)
Other	51,619	51,073	52,914	60,779	(2)	52,444	(2)	48,318	41,253	(2)	43,595	51,179
All fields	\$4,068	\$3,991	\$4,253	\$5,162	\$3,848	\$9,453	\$4,663	\$0,204	\$9,937	\$3,435	\$5,429	\$4,708
Agriculture and home economics	55,194	55,978	(2)	63,191	(2)	51,351	(2)	50,078	(2)	(2)	45,934	(2)
Business	56,827	57,672	54,628	75,283	(2)	67,893	(2)	55,113	62,095	37,315	48,508	38,776
Education	48,541	49,942	43,429	57,519	(2)	48,722	(2)	47,860	43,826	37,427	47,592	(2)
Engineering	64,154	64,562	62,561	77,097	(2)	61,853	(2)	56,227	52,938	(2)	44,618	64,692
Fine arts	46,842	45,354	49,095	47,722	(2)	45,463	(2)	45,191	41,344	43,597	43,320	39,367
Health	64,216	62,454	68,946	84,816	(2)	73,701	(2)	44,229	52,734	48,907	41,318	48,373
Humanities	47,301	48,027	45,756	50,818	(2)	45,787	(2)	47,384	47,384	43,485	47,545	42,193
Natural sciences	55,636	54,837	57,646	63,995	(2)	59,677	(2)	53,016	53,875	43,332	45,776	48,653
Social sciences	53,060	53,225	52,722	61,347	(2)	56,233	(2)	50,435	45,992	46,747	46,540	51,246
Other	51,482	50,141	54,295	58,886	(2)	50,540	(2)	52,363	48,167	42,065	43,487	45,255
All fields	\$6,851 (394)	\$6,060 (433)	\$9,124 (869)	\$6,399 (816)	\$1,574 (2,507)	\$5,466 (1,851)	\$70,240 (1,985)	\$0,143 (576)	\$9,374 (1,122)	\$3,600 (711)	\$4,636 (424)	\$7,227 (1,599)
Agriculture and home economics	58,434 (2,366)	60,698 (1,765)	(2) (2)	67,336 (2,353)	(2) (2)	55,237 (4,834)	(2) (2)	58,622 (1,567)	(2) (2)	(2) (2)	44,227 (2,087)	(2) (2)
Business	55,837 (1,006)	54,599 (1,147)	58,758 (1,993)	69,241 (3,356)	80,949 (7,916)	69,354 (5,706)	(2) (2)	49,261 (1,795)	59,245 (1,861)	42,328 (2,927)	46,141 (1,238)	42,440 (4,921)
Education	47,789 (904)	48,263 (1,040)	46,194 (1,827)	53,412 (1,768)	46,385 (2,852)	46,385 (2,852)	(2) (2)	52,625 (4,992)	43,677 (1,918)	40,857 (2,031)	43,324 (1,301)	41,434 (3,714)
Engineering	63,401 (1,302)	62,265 (1,425)	67,668 (2,988)	69,867 (2,400)	76,075 (4,982)	64,345 (2,396)	(2) (2)	44,774 (1,470)	57,909 (5,842)	(2) (2)	45,102 (1,691)	(2) (2)
Fine arts	45,655 (1,161)	45,109 (1,150)	47,061 (2,802)	49,342 (2,822)	41,907 (1,276)	41,907 (1,276)	(2) (2)	53,179 (2,732)	49,828 (6,924)	43,471 (1,677)	45,967 (2,312)	36,592 (3,202)
Health	75,238 (1,516)	71,755 (1,550)	84,877 (3,705)	85,518 (2,776)	100,068 (7,573)	85,842 (4,398)	(2) (2)	46,463 (1,777)	47,376 (4,070)	44,588 (3,674)	43,617 (1,142)	53,383 (3,385)
Humanities	47,697 (646)	47,865 (766)	47,290 (1,202)	53,929 (1,985)	57,033 (4,251)	47,037 (2,548)	(2) (2)	46,577 (1,065)	46,463 (1,777)	43,199 (1,583)	45,046 (1,201)	43,203 (1,889)
Natural sciences	57,331 (719)	56,929 (777)	58,548 (1,671)	65,951 (1,381)	79,784 (3,981)	64,443 (1,855)	(2) (2)	51,150 (1,328)	47,764 (1,989)	42,635 (1,331)	44,127 (878)	55,565 (5,206)
Social sciences	58,714 (1,778)	59,450 (2,255)	56,785 (2,450)	69,074 (3,122)	78,540 (6,677)	69,589 (13,661)	(2) (2)	53,419 (1,120)	46,434 (1,794)	47,318 (2,362)	47,190 (1,587)	49,232 (3,882)
Other	52,150 (878)	50,422 (918)	57,596 (2,087)	59,896 (2,037)	80,645 (6,527)	56,448 (2,404)	(2) (2)	45,854 (1,774)	52,818 (3,009)	43,143 (1,878)	43,662 (1,020)	46,653 (3,865)

¹Based on the Consumer Price Index, prepared by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, adjusted to a school-year basis.

²Too few sample cases (fewer than 30) for a reliable estimate.

NOTE: Totals may differ from figures reported in other tables because of varying survey methodologies. Standard errors appear in parentheses. Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Study of Postsecondary Faculty (NSOPF), 1987–88, 1992–93, and 1998–99. (This table was prepared October 2001.)