

**Table 250.—Associate degrees conferred by degree-granting institutions,
by field of study: 1989–90 to 2000–01**

Field of study	1989–90	1990–91	1991–92	1992–93	1993–94	1994–95	1995–96	1996–97	1997–98	1998–99	1999–2000	2000–01
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Total	455,102	481,720	504,231	514,756	530,632	539,691	555,216	571,226	558,555	559,954	564,933	578,865
Agriculture and natural resources, total	4,832	4,910	5,251	5,398	5,636	5,730	6,182	6,463	6,673	6,633	6,667	6,649
Agricultural business and production	2,894	2,905	3,046	3,222	3,434	3,564	3,846	4,176	4,247	4,327	4,350	4,221
Agricultural sciences	925	879	951	837	871	829	877	845	959	894	943	979
Conservation and renewable natural resources	1,013	1,126	1,254	1,339	1,331	1,337	1,459	1,442	1,467	1,412	1,374	1,449
Architecture and related programs	2,013	2,031	443	372	353	277	256	316	265	405	392	417
Area, ethnic, and cultural studies	68	19	29	33	75	68	111	84	104	308	259	307
Biological/life sciences	1,023	1,119	1,361	1,435	1,771	1,879	2,037	2,116	2,113	2,211	1,434	1,444
Business management and administrative services	92,390	89,537	93,762	91,719	92,284	90,113	93,487	95,532	91,399	91,190	92,274	93,072
Accounting	14,858	14,577	15,687	15,115	15,307	14,970	15,926	16,017	14,807	14,325	13,562	13,158
Business, general	11,878	11,618	11,823	11,190	11,452	11,622	11,397	11,385	11,311	11,514	12,283	12,621
Business administration and management	28,292	26,625	31,185	29,556	29,691	28,968	28,901	29,804	28,793	28,615	28,486	28,947
Business and management, other	11,691	11,663	11,089	12,285	11,114	10,233	9,950	12,166	8,632	8,575	7,841	7,805
Business data processing	8,532	8,182	6,394	6,405	6,883	6,962	7,381	8,553	8,576	10,003	13,129	14,033
Secretarial and related programs	17,139	16,872	17,584	17,168	17,837	17,358	19,932	17,607	19,280	18,158	16,973	16,508
Communications	1,657	1,847	1,886	1,904	2,052	3,160	2,187	2,030	2,368	2,639	2,754	2,949
Communications technologies	2,027	2,032	1,794	1,828	2,469	1,984	1,757	1,743	1,602	1,541	1,709	1,983
Computer and information sciences	7,574	7,677	9,290	9,196	9,301	9,152	9,658	10,990	13,870	16,968	20,450	26,339
Construction trades	1,765	1,793	1,560	1,653	1,695	1,728	2,141	1,928	2,172	2,137	2,337	2,682
Consumer and personal services	2,121	2,494	4,420	4,692	5,175	5,626	7,721	8,211	7,744	9,206	9,570	10,429
Education	8,061	7,842	10,267	9,315	9,271	9,658	9,750	10,526	9,278	9,971	8,226	9,219
Engineering	2,345	2,451	2,685	2,478	2,445	2,232	2,197	1,952	2,149	2,033	1,752	1,825
Engineering-related technologies	40,033	37,890	35,861	36,321	35,618	34,732	33,002	33,810	32,748	34,047	35,395	34,467
English language and literature/letters	527	426	1,019	1,320	1,289	1,548	1,310	1,455	1,609	1,621	947	877
Foreign languages and literatures	329	327	433	511	492	616	607	689	543	549	501	529
Health professions and related sciences	64,113	70,833	79,453	86,237	94,601	98,474	101,872	98,921	92,031	90,557	84,081	82,184
Dental assisting	3,697	3,810	4,013	4,165	4,259	4,312	4,564	4,866	4,904	6,628	5,566	4,709
Emergency medical technician-ambulance and paramedic	332	371	378	442	510	771	889	1,048	975	918	1,152	1,134
Medical lab technician	1,627	1,731	1,874	2,172	2,570	2,769	2,982	2,641	2,370	2,033	1,644	1,502
Medical assisting	1,404	1,496	1,960	2,130	2,785	3,544	4,941	5,019	5,102	5,358	5,414	5,863
Nursing assisting	0	5	19	86	6	2	7	13	23	12	7	2
Practical nursing	589	797	795	890	740	772	605	429	499	447	575	619
Nursing, RN and other	40,212	45,317	51,193	54,085	57,405	57,456	56,562	53,103	47,365	43,035	40,772	40,284
Health sciences, other	16,252	17,306	19,221	22,267	26,326	28,848	31,322	31,802	30,793	32,126	28,951	28,071
Home economics and vocational home economics	7,798	8,067	6,436	6,914	7,463	7,821	8,192	8,551	8,292	8,502	8,381	8,630
Law and legal studies	4,552	5,484	7,053	8,028	8,681	9,140	9,106	8,968	7,797	7,400	7,265	6,854
Liberal arts and sciences, general studies, and humanities	133,466	142,722	154,594	158,400	165,106	170,817	174,970	181,341	186,248	181,977	187,454	196,843
Library science	107	111	103	85	118	101	94	126	96	86	98	103
Marketing operations/marketing and distribution	14,015	12,713	8,465	7,445	6,736	6,187	5,960	5,656	5,516	5,452	5,557	5,317
Mathematics	756	670	744	743	704	782	758	792	844	823	675	695
Mechanics and repairers	7,704	7,640	10,264	10,966	11,332	11,497	12,524	12,180	10,616	10,806	11,614	12,650
Multi/interdisciplinary studies	8,176	7,454	7,841	8,486	8,436	8,692	8,611	9,182	9,401	8,658	11,784	10,438
Parks, recreation, leisure, and fitness studies	485	425	620	717	755	864	936	913	895	871	855	841
Philosophy and religion	93	89	60	111	82	81	83	89	94	74	63	65
Physical sciences	2,021	2,091	2,066	2,241	2,546	2,456	2,612	2,526	2,286	2,399	2,460	2,337
Physical sciences, other	1,279	1,281	1,228	1,390	1,567	1,645	1,749	1,728	1,584	1,594	1,350	1,207
Science technologies	742	810	838	851	979	811	863	798	702	805	1,110	1,130
Precision production trades	8,616	9,093	9,005	9,204	9,357	9,344	10,217	10,368	11,085	11,598	11,814	11,493
Protective services	12,855	13,564	15,117	16,834	18,199	19,709	19,196	19,889	19,002	17,430	16,298	16,425
Criminal justice and corrections	10,658	11,358	12,649	14,295	15,262	16,584	15,990	16,644	15,915	14,448	13,487	13,589
Fire control and safety	1,621	1,634	1,989	2,020	2,243	2,447	2,523	2,638	2,480	2,395	2,364	2,346
Protective services, other	576	572	479	519	694	678	683	607	607	587	447	490
Psychology	1,115	997	1,209	1,237	1,377	1,600	1,583	1,612	1,765	1,625	1,455	1,554
Public administration and services	2,613	2,779	3,162	3,301	3,696	3,882	4,218	4,270	4,156	3,881	3,656	3,333
R.O.T.C. and military technologies	129	85	172	52	265	364	556	556	22	42	65	120
Social sciences and history	2,872	2,505	3,160	3,930	3,936	3,634	4,021	4,056	4,196	4,550	5,136	5,132
Theological studies/religious vocations	653	578	496	508	641	607	608	574	570	476	636	576
Transportation and material moving workers	2,619	2,609	2,418	2,210	1,922	1,446	1,571	1,612	1,009	1,154	1,021	1,068
Visual and performing arts	8,740	9,126	11,888	12,690	13,227	12,544	13,534	13,593	14,980	17,640	17,100	18,435
Fine arts, general	1,150	1,166	1,159	1,346	1,473	1,420	1,515	1,516	1,281	3,029	1,314	1,435
Design and music	5,900	5,986	9,142	9,699	10,173	9,805	10,579	10,459	11,591	12,026	12,780	14,410
Visual and performing arts, other	1,690	1,974	1,587	1,645	1,581	1,319	1,440	1,618	2,108	2,585	3,006	2,590
Not classified by field of study	4,839	19,690	9,844	6,602	1,526	1,146	1,591	7,606	3,017	2,494	2,798	584

NOTE: Data imputed for 1998–99 using alternative procedures. (See Guide to Sources for details.)

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), "Completions" surveys. (This table was prepared September 2002.)