

Table 782. Doctorates Conferred by Characteristics of Recipients: 2000 and 2006

[In percent, except as indicated. Based on the Survey of Earned Doctorate Awards; for description of methodology, see source]

Characteristic	2000, total	2006									
		All fields ¹	Engineering	Physical sciences ²	Earth sciences	Mathematics	Computer sciences	Biological sciences ³	Agricultural	Social sciences ⁴	Psychology
Total conferred (number)	41,365	45,596	7,191	3,925	757	1,327	1,452	6,631	1,033	4,275	3,623
Male	56.0	55.0	79.8	72.2	64.7	70.4	78.7	50.8	60.2	54.3	28.7
Female	43.8	45.0	20.2	27.8	35.3	29.6	21.3	49.2	39.8	45.7	71.3
CITIZENSHIP ⁵											
Total conferred (number)	39,596	42,864	6,757	3,717	713	1,283	1,374	6,313	974	4,062	3,041
U.S. citizen	70.7	62.8	32.3	49.4	62.4	42.8	35.2	66.0	56.1	62.2	89.5
Foreign citizen	29.3	37.2	67.7	50.6	37.6	57.2	64.8	34.0	43.9	37.8	10.5
RACE/ETHNICITY ⁶											
Total conferred (number)	29,936	28,746	2,485	1,993	473	615	579	4,467	577	2,725	2,798
White ⁷	79.2	76.4	69.3	81.3	85.8	77.2	70.3	76.1	83.0	74.9	75.7
Black ⁷	5.8	6.2	4.1	2.4	1.1	3.3	2.6	3.3	4.2	7.4	6.3
Asian/Pacific ⁷	7.6	8.3	17.6	9.2	5.1	11.4	21.8	12.1	5.0	6.8	6.1
Indian/Alaskan ⁷	0.6	0.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	0.1	D	0.5	0.5
Hispanic	4.4	5.3	4.5	4.0	4.4	4.1	1.2	5.0	4.7	6.1	7.5
Other/unknown ⁸	2.4	3.5	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	4.3	3.8

¹ Includes other fields, not shown separately. ² Astronomy, physics, and chemistry. ³ Biochemistry, botany, microbiology, physiology, zoology, and related fields. ⁴ Anthropology, sociology, political science, economics, international relations and related fields. ⁵ For those with known citizenship. Includes those with temporary visas. ⁶ Excludes those with temporary visas. ⁷ Non-Hispanic. ⁸ 2006 data includes Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islanders, respondents choosing multiple races (excluding those selecting an Hispanic ethnicity), and respondents with unknown race/ethnicity.

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