

Appendix table 2-23

Amount of undergraduate and graduate debt of S&E doctorate recipients, by field: 2003

(Percent)

Field	Doctorates	None	≤\$5,000	Debt						
				\$5,001– \$10,000	\$10,001– \$15,000	\$15,001– \$20,000	\$20,001– \$25,000	\$25,001– \$30,000	\$30,001– \$35,000	≥\$35,001
Undergraduate debt										
All fields	36,438	74.1	5.3	4.9	4.6	3.8	2.6	1.8	1.3	1.6
S&E.....	24,341	72.8	5.5	5.1	4.9	4.1	2.7	1.9	1.3	1.7
Agricultural sciences.....	814	73.2	7.0	5.0	5.3	3.1	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.1
Biological sciences.....	5,261	67.6	5.7	6.2	6.0	5.6	3.4	2.1	1.5	2.0
Computer sciences.....	767	83.1	4.0	3.4	3.9	2.0	1.7	0.5	0.7	0.8
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences.....	724	71.1	5.5	6.9	6.2	3.9	2.6	2.2	0.7	0.8
Engineering.....	4,828	80.7	4.7	3.4	2.8	2.7	2.2	1.3	0.9	1.4
Medical/other health sciences.....	1,476	77.2	5.6	3.6	3.5	2.4	1.9	2.3	1.5	2.0
Mathematics.....	911	76.8	5.7	5.1	3.8	4.2	1.8	1.0	0.4	1.2
Physical sciences.....	3,058	69.6	5.9	5.2	6.1	5.5	2.8	1.8	1.4	1.8
Psychology.....	2,775	67.8	5.4	6.4	5.8	4.8	3.8	2.5	2.0	1.6
Social sciences	3,727	71.8	5.7	5.5	5.1	3.7	2.7	2.4	1.3	1.9
Non-S&E	12,097	76.8	4.8	4.4	4.2	3.2	2.2	1.7	1.3	1.6
Graduate debt										
All fields	36,399	63.2	4.8	4.5	3.3	3.0	2.5	2.1	2.2	14.5
S&E.....	24,314	66.2	4.7	4.4	3.1	2.7	2.3	1.8	2.0	12.9
Agricultural sciences.....	814	60.0	5.9	4.4	5.3	2.5	2.5	2.0	2.5	15.1
Biological sciences.....	5,256	71.1	4.9	4.5	2.9	2.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	9.0
Computer sciences.....	767	76.9	3.8	3.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.0	1.0	8.2
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences.....	722	70.2	6.0	4.0	4.0	3.1	3.2	1.5	0.8	7.2
Engineering.....	4,824	75.7	4.3	3.8	2.5	2.1	1.5	1.3	1.3	7.7
Medical/other health sciences.....	1,475	61.0	5.6	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.9	2.4	2.7	15.5
Mathematics.....	905	75.6	6.0	3.7	2.7	2.2	1.2	1.6	0.8	6.4
Physical sciences.....	3,054	73.2	4.7	4.9	3.0	2.5	1.9	0.9	1.6	7.3
Psychology.....	2,775	42.7	3.2	4.5	3.0	3.5	3.8	3.0	3.6	32.7
Social sciences	3,722	56.7	4.8	5.1	3.9	3.4	3.3	2.4	3.1	17.2
Non-S&E	12,085	57.2	5.1	4.6	3.8	3.6	3.0	2.7	2.4	17.6

NOTE: Total of 4,272 doctorate recipients did not report undergraduate debt; 4,311 did not report graduate debt.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, Division of Science Resources Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates, special tabulations.