

Time from bachelor's to S&E doctoral degree, by doctoral degree field: 1983–2003

(Years, median)

Year	Agricultural sciences	Biological sciences	Computer sciences	Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	Engineering	Mathematics	Medical/ other life sciences	Physical sciences	Psychology	Social sciences
Time from bachelor's to doctoral degree										
1983	8.3	7.5	8.6	8.5	8.0	7.3	11.0	6.6	9.0	10.1
1984	8.3	8.0	9.0	8.9	8.0	7.9	11.0	6.7	9.3	10.3
1985	8.7	8.0	9.0	8.9	8.1	7.9	12.0	6.9	9.5	10.7
1986	9.0	8.0	9.3	9.0	8.2	7.3	12.0	6.9	9.9	10.6
1987	9.3	8.2	9.3	9.2	8.1	8.0	12.3	6.9	10.0	11.0
1988	9.6	8.2	9.5	9.5	8.1	8.1	12.9	6.8	10.1	11.1
1989	10.0	8.3	9.0	9.2	8.2	7.9	13.6	6.9	10.1	11.0
1990	10.2	8.2	8.9	9.0	8.2	8.0	13.3	7.0	10.1	11.2
1991	10.2	8.3	8.9	9.3	8.6	8.1	14.0	7.2	10.2	11.2
1992	10.2	8.6	9.3	9.7	8.8	8.9	14.4	7.4	10.2	11.2
1993	10.7	8.6	9.6	10.5	8.9	8.5	14.0	7.5	10.0	11.2
1994	10.7	8.6	9.6	10.6	9.0	8.7	14.3	7.6	9.4	11.4
1995	11.0	8.5	9.5	10.8	9.1	8.5	14.2	7.6	9.7	11.2
1996	11.4	8.6	9.9	11.0	9.0	8.2	14.7	7.5	9.4	11.0
1997	11.0	8.3	9.8	10.5	8.7	8.5	14.8	7.3	9.2	11.0
1998	11.1	8.2	10.5	10.5	8.8	8.0	15.0	7.1	9.0	10.6
1999	10.9	8.0	10.0	10.4	8.6	8.0	14.0	7.0	9.0	10.9
2000	11.0	8.1	9.8	10.0	8.6	7.6	14.3	7.2	9.0	10.7
2001	10.5	8.1	9.4	9.8	8.4	8.0	13.3	7.0	9.0	10.7
2002	10.6	8.0	9.4	9.8	8.5	7.6	14.4	7.0	9.1	10.9
2003	10.2	8.0	9.5	9.6	8.6	7.7	13.0	7.1	9.0	10.9
Enrollment from bachelor's to doctoral degree										
1983	5.9	6.3	6.7	6.9	5.9	6.3	6.7	5.9	6.7	7.4
1984	6.0	6.5	6.7	6.9	5.9	6.1	6.8	6.0	7.0	7.5
1985	6.2	6.5	6.4	7.0	6.0	6.4	6.9	6.0	7.1	7.6
1986	6.2	6.5	6.6	7.1	6.0	6.1	7.0	6.0	7.1	7.6
1987	6.4	6.6	6.8	7.0	6.0	6.4	7.0	5.9	7.2	7.7
1988	6.5	6.7	6.9	7.3	6.0	6.3	7.2	6.0	7.3	7.9
1989	6.6	6.6	6.7	7.0	6.1	6.3	7.3	6.0	7.4	7.9
1990	6.7	7.0	6.8	7.3	6.3	6.7	7.8	6.2	7.6	8.0
1991	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.4	6.3	6.6	7.4	6.1	7.5	7.9
1992	6.6	6.9	7.0	7.4	6.4	7.0	7.6	6.4	7.5	8.0
1993	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.6	6.5	6.9	7.9	6.4	7.3	8.2
1994	6.8	7.0	7.3	7.8	6.5	6.9	7.7	6.5	7.3	8.0
1995	6.6	7.0	7.4	7.9	6.5	6.9	7.7	6.5	7.3	8.0
1996	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.8	6.5	6.8	8.0	6.5	7.3	7.9
1997	7.0	7.0	7.6	7.6	6.6	7.0	8.0	6.5	7.3	8.0
1998	7.0	7.0	7.6	7.5	6.7	6.7	8.2	6.4	7.2	8.0
1999	6.9	6.9	7.6	7.6	6.7	6.9	7.9	6.4	7.3	8.0
2000	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.8	6.8	6.8	8.0	6.5	7.2	8.1

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2001	7.3	7.0	7.4	7.5	6.7	6.7	7.7	6.3	7.3	8.2
2002	7.2	6.9	7.7	7.6	6.7	6.8	8.0	6.4	7.3	8.2
2003	7.2	6.8	7.8	7.4	6.9	6.8	7.9	6.4	7.3	8.3

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

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