

Table 304. First Professional Degrees Earned in Selected Professions: 1970 to 2009

[First professional degrees include degrees which require at least 6 years of college work for completion (including at least 2 years of preprofessional training). Based on survey; see Appendix III]

| Type of degree and sex of recipient | 1970 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Medicine (M.D.): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Institutions conferring degrees | 86 | 112 | 120 | 124 | 119 | 118 | 120 | 120 | 120 | 120 |
| Degrees conferred, total | 8,314 | 14,902 | 16,041 | 15,075 | 15,537 | 15,286 | 15,461 | 15,730 | 15,646 | 15,987 |
| Percent to women | 8.4 | 23.4 | 30.4 | 34.2 | 38.8 | 42.7 | 47.3 | 49.2 | 49.3 | 48.9 |
| Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Institutions conferring degrees | 48 | 58 | 59 | 57 | 53 | 54 | 53 | 55 | 55 | 55 |
| Degrees conferred, total | 3,718 | 5,258 | 5,339 | 4,100 | 3,897 | 4,250 | 4,454 | 4,596 | 4,795 | 4,918 |
| Percent to women | 0.9 | 13.3 | 20.7 | 30.9 | 36.4 | 40.1 | 43.8 | 44.6 | 44.5 | 46.4 |
| Law (LL.B. or J.D.): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Institutions conferring degrees | 145 | 179 | 181 | 182 | 183 | 190 | 198 | 200 | 201 | 203 |
| Degrees conferred, total | 14,916 | 35,647 | 37,491 | 36,485 | 39,349 | 38,152 | 43,423 | 43,486 | 43,769 | 44,045 |
| Percent to women | 5.4 | 30.2 | 38.5 | 42.2 | 42.6 | 45.9 | 48.7 | 47.6 | 47.0 | 45.8 |
| Theological (B.D., M.Div., M.H.L.): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Institutions conferring degrees | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 192 | 198 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Degrees conferred, total | 5,298 | 7,115 | 7,221 | 5,851 | 5,978 | 6,129 | 5,533 | 5,990 | 5,751 | 5,362 |
| Percent to women | 2.3 | 13.8 | 18.5 | 24.8 | 25.7 | 29.2 | 35.6 | 33.2 | 34.3 | 33.1 |

NA Not available.

Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, *Digest of Education Statistics*, annual. See also <<http://www.nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/>>.

Table 305. Academic Libraries by Selected Characteristics: 2008

[As of Fall of year shown. For information on public libraries, see Tables 1152 and 1153]

| Institution characteristic | Number of libraries | Circulation (1,000) | | Expenditures (mil. dol.) | Paid staff ¹ | | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| | | General collection | Reserve collection | | Total ² | Librarians | Other professional staff | Student assistants |
| All U.S. academic libraries . . . | 3,827 | 138,103 | 40,663 | 6,786 | 93,438 | 27,030 | 7,491 | 24,110 |
| Control: | | | | | | | | |
| Public | 1,576 | 88,140 | 27,745 | 4,031 | 56,019 | 15,666 | 4,355 | 13,572 |
| Private | 2,251 | 49,962 | 12,918 | 2,754 | 37,419 | 11,364 | 3,136 | 10,537 |
| Level: ³ | | | | | | | | |
| Total 4-year and above | 2,393 | 120,659 | 34,859 | 6,145 | 80,431 | 22,797 | 6,433 | 21,315 |
| Doctor's | 721 | 88,575 | 24,553 | 4,751 | 56,617 | 15,367 | 4,964 | 13,822 |
| Master's | 911 | 21,614 | 6,789 | 991 | 16,716 | 5,143 | 984 | 5,158 |
| Bachelor's | 730 | 10,168 | 3,333 | 355 | 6,572 | 2,093 | 456 | 2,200 |
| Less than 4-year | 1,434 | 17,444 | 5,805 | 640 | 13,007 | 4,233 | 1,058 | 2,794 |
| Size (FTE enrollment): ⁴ | | | | | | | | |
| Less than 1,000 | 1,455 | 7,255 | 1,310 | 329 | 6,692 | 2,331 | 640 | 2,232 |
| 1,000 to 2,999 | 1,136 | 19,700 | 6,072 | 856 | 14,630 | 4,534 | 1,018 | 4,569 |
| 3,000 to 4,999 | 475 | 11,348 | 3,803 | 558 | 9,298 | 2,955 | 670 | 2,414 |
| 5,000 to 9,999 | 405 | 17,603 | 7,147 | 1,017 | 14,665 | 4,443 | 976 | 3,610 |
| 10,000 to 19,999 | 238 | 30,325 | 10,942 | 1,642 | 20,625 | 5,541 | 1,586 | 4,838 |
| 20,000 or more | 118 | 51,872 | 11,389 | 2,384 | 27,528 | 7,226 | 2,601 | 6,446 |

¹ Full-time equivalent (FTE) staff is calculated by dividing the total number of hours for all part-time positions by the number of hours the library defines as a full-time position. ² Includes other staff not shown separately. ³ Level refers to the highest level of any degree offered by the institution. Doctoral, master's, and bachelor's level institutions do not sum to total number of 4-year and above institutions because there are 4-year and above institutions that grant "other" degrees and are thus not included in the breakdown.

⁴ Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment is calculated by adding one-third of part-time enrollment to full-time enrollment.

Source: U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, Academic Libraries Survey (ALS), 2008. See also <<http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/libraries/academic.asp>>.