

Table 786. Graduate Science/Engineering Students in Doctorate-Granting Colleges by Characteristic and Field: 1990 to 2006

[In thousands (409.4 represents 409,400). As of fall. Includes outlying areas]

Field of science or engineering	Total			Characteristic								
				Female			Foreign		Part-time			
	1990	2000	2006	1990	2000	2006	2000	2006	1990	2000	2006	
Total, all surveyed fields . . .	409.4	443.5	542.1	155.5	201.8	263.6	123.3	144.5	130.8	123.6	148.9	
Science/engineering	360.6	374.8	445.0	117.9	150.3	188.9	118.0	136.6	107.5	99.3	113.7	
Engineering, total	101.0	98.8	116.6	13.8	19.7	26.3	46.3	52.9	36.7	28.2	31.5	
Sciences, total	259.6	275.9	328.4	104.2	130.7	162.6	71.7	83.7	70.8	71.1	82.2	
Physical sciences	32.9	29.6	35.9	7.7	8.8	11.6	11.5	14.5	3.9	3.5	3.6	
Environmental	13.1	13.0	14.0	3.8	5.3	6.5	2.6	2.7	3.2	2.8	2.9	
Mathematical sciences . . .	18.1	14.4	19.0	5.6	5.2	6.8	5.9	7.4	4.7	3.0	4.0	
Computer sciences	29.2	40.3	43.0	6.8	11.7	10.8	19.7	19.1	14.1	16.7	16.1	
Agricultural sciences	11.0	11.3	12.1	3.2	4.8	5.8	2.4	2.6	2.0	2.4	3.2	
Biological sciences	46.7	53.1	65.9	21.4	27.8	36.9	11.6	16.6	7.2	7.6	8.8	
Psychology	38.5	40.3	47.2	25.5	29.0	35.5	2.1	2.6	12.0	10.8	14.3	
Social sciences	70.0	73.9	91.2	30.1	38.1	48.6	15.8	18.1	23.8	24.3	29.3	
Health fields, total	48.8	68.8	97.0	37.6	51.5	74.7	5.4	7.9	23.3	24.3	35.3	

Source: U.S. National Science Foundation, *Survey of Graduate Science Engineering Students and Postdoctorates*, annual. See also <<http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/gradpostdoc>>.