

Table B-15b. Standard errors for type of degree or certificate sought by 1999 and 2000 science and engineering bachelor's degree recipients who have taken college courses since most recent degree, by major field of degree: April 2001

Major field of 1999-2000 S&E bachelor's degree	Total	Took college courses between completing most recent degree and week of April 15, 2001				
		Total number	Type of degree or certificate sought			
			Ph.D. or prof. degree	Master's degree	Other degree or certificate	No degree or certificate
All science and engineering fields.....	12,138	7,021	4,189	4,845	2,133	2,615
Total science.....	12,906	7,374	4,154	4,948	2,154	2,555
Computer and information sciences.....	4,534	1,663	S	1,180	S	S
Life and related sciences, total.....	4,647	3,239	2,367	1,870	1,183	1,244
Agricultural and food sciences.....	1,582	735	S	584	S	S
Biological sciences.....	3,818	2,890	2,358	1,681	1,173	1,127
Environmental life sciences including forestry science.....	2,213	1,041	S	S	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	1,446	827	334	708	S	340
Physical and related sciences, total.....	1,295	820	494	576	278	296
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	985	687	427	465	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	458	291	S	253	S	135
Physics and astronomy.....	421	261	199	169	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	4,650	3,819	1,490	3,261	1,037	1,276
Social and related sciences, total.....	6,440	3,532	2,347	2,346	1,392	1,117
Economics.....	2,007	1,360	712	962	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	2,620	1,871	1,385	1,080	681	502
Sociology and anthropology.....	3,154	1,922	1,225	1,327	833	S
Other social sciences.....	2,618	1,699	S	1,230	S	S
Total engineering.....	2,536	1,641	424	1,394	334	488
Aerospace and related engineering.....	228	70	S	70	S	S
Chemical engineering.....	543	404	183	316	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	820	471	S	402	S	S
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	1,422	1,042	S	920	S	S
Industrial engineering.....	396	220	S	168	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	1,199	838	S	656	S	S
Other engineering.....	542	404	198	286	S	S

KEY: S = Estimates with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2001