

Table B-7a. Amount borrowed for undergraduate education by 1999 and 2000 science and engineering bachelor's degree recipients, by major field of degree: April 2001

Major field of 1999-2000 S&E bachelor's degree	Total	Undergraduate loan amount ¹			
		Did not borrow	\$1-\$9,999	\$10,000-\$24,999	\$25,000 or more
All science and engineering fields.....	758,300	307,800	85,600	215,900	149,000
Total science.....	649,000	261,600	74,800	189,000	123,700
Computer and information sciences.....	61,500	25,500	7,000	17,400	11,600
Life and related sciences, total.....	159,400	65,300	19,800	43,100	31,300
Agricultural and food sciences.....	16,700	6,500	1,900	5,700	2,600
Biological sciences.....	129,700	53,600	15,900	33,500	26,700
Environmental life sciences including forestry science.....	13,000	5,200	S	3,800	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	24,400	9,800	2,900	7,700	4,000
Physical and related sciences, total.....	32,200	14,100	3,700	9,200	5,100
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	17,800	7,900	2,300	5,300	2,200
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	7,600	3,200	600	2,200	1,500
Physics and astronomy.....	6,300	2,600	700	1,600	1,300
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	152,900	58,900	15,900	49,700	28,500
Social and related sciences, total.....	218,700	88,100	25,500	61,900	43,200
Economics.....	37,800	17,800	3,100	10,500	6,300
Political science and related sciences.....	70,200	27,700	8,200	19,700	14,500
Sociology and anthropology.....	69,100	26,300	8,800	21,000	13,100
Other social sciences.....	41,700	16,300	5,300	10,700	9,300
Total engineering.....	109,200	46,300	10,800	26,900	25,300
Aerospace and related engineering.....	2,200	1,100	200	500	400
Chemical engineering.....	10,800	4,800	700	2,600	2,600
Civil and architectural engineering.....	16,800	6,200	2,200	4,600	3,700
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	34,200	15,000	2,900	9,000	7,400
Industrial engineering.....	6,900	3,300	1,100	1,400	1,200
Mechanical engineering.....	25,800	11,600	2,300	5,600	6,100
Other engineering.....	12,600	4,200	1,400	3,200	3,800

¹ Undergraduate loan amount represents the entire amount borrowed during undergraduate education.

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

NOTES: Details may not add to totals because of rounding. These estimates of 1999 and 2000 college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals receiving bachelor's or master's degrees in science or engineering fields and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

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