

Table 27. Reasons for changing employer and/or job since 1999 for employed doctoral scientists and engineers, by field of doctorate: 2001

Reasons	Field of doctorate							
	All fields	Computer and mathematical sciences	Biological and agricultural sciences	Health sciences	Physical and related sciences	Social sciences	Psychology	Engineering
Total changing employer and/or job (number).....	133,500	9,600	32,700	5,600	26,400	14,900	16,500	27,700
	Percent							
Pay or promotion opportunities.....	59	56	62	57	58	53	61	57
Working conditions.....	34	33	32	37	32	37	41	32
Job location.....	25	23	26	26	26	25	27	22
Change in career.....	34	34	33	34	34	32	27	42
Family-related reasons.....	12	8	14	16	11	13	16	10
School-related reasons.....	12	13	14	15	11	12	14	9
Laid off or job terminated.....	19	19	18	17	21	20	18	17
Retired.....	4	S	3	S	5	6	4	4
Other reason.....	2	S	2	S	3	S	S	2

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 500 weighted cases).

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred and details may not add to totals because of rounding. Percentages are rounded to the whole number and may sum to more than 100 because multiple answers are allowed. Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a science or engineering research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 2001.

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