

**Table 32. Factors that somewhat or greatly limited career path job search by recent doctoral recipients, by field of doctorate: 2001**

Factors limiting career path job search	Field of doctorate							
	All fields	Computer and mathematical sciences	Biological and agricultural sciences	Health sciences	Physical and related sciences	Social sciences	Psychology	Engineering
Total recent doctoral recipients seeking or holding a career path job (number).....	41,800	3,000	10,400	2,300	6,500	5,400	6,200	7,900
Factors that somewhat or greatly limited career path job search:	Percent							
Family responsibilities.....	41	37	42	52	39	38	37	42
Spouse's career or employment.....	38	37	42	46	36	37	38	34
Debt from undergraduate or graduate degree(s).....	19	18	19	S	15	18	34	14
Desire to not relocate.....	38	32	31	47	37	39	51	39
Suitable job not available.....	33	26	33	33	34	38	33	32
Other.....	3	S	S	S	S	S	S	S

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

**NOTES:** 'Recent doctoral recipients' are those who reported having received their doctorate between July of 1998 and June of 2000. 'Career path job' is defined as a job that helps further one's career plans or a job in a field where one wants to make a career. Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred and details may not add to total because of rounding. Percentages are rounded to the nearest 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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