

Table 2. Percentage distribution of earned master's degrees in science and engineering, by citizenship, race/ethnicity, and sex of recipient: 1992-2001

Citizenship and race/ethnicity	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	2000	2001
Total									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	76.4	75.3	75.7	75.9	76.8	76.8	75.4	73.2	71.2
White, non-Hispanics	59.9	58.9	58.9	58.1	58.4	58.0	56.3	52.4	49.6
Asians/Pacific Islanders	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.4	6.7	6.7	7.1	7.5	7.3
Underrepresented minorities, total	5.7	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.4	8.1	8.2	8.8	9.4
Black, non-Hispanics	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.8	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.7	5.1
Hispanics	2.4	2.6	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.9
American Indians or Alaskan Natives .....	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.4	.4	.4	.5
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	4.5	4.4	4.0	4.3	4.4	4.0	3.8	4.5	5.0
Nonresident aliens ²	23.6	24.7	24.3	24.1	23.2	23.2	24.6	26.8	28.8
Men									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	72.5	71.1	71.6	71.3	72.8	72.4	71.2	68.8	65.9
White, non-Hispanics	56.5	55.5	55.6	54.6	55.7	55.4	53.7	49.9	46.7
Asians/Pacific Islanders	6.6	6.1	6.4	6.7	6.8	6.6	7.1	7.5	7.4
Underrepresented minorities, total	4.7	5.0	5.3	5.6	5.8	6.5	6.5	7.0	7.1
Black, non-Hispanics	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4
Hispanics	2.1	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.1	3.4	3.3
American Indians or Alaskan Natives .....	.2	.2	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.3	.4
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	4.7	4.5	4.2	4.4	4.5	3.9	3.8	4.4	4.8
Nonresident aliens ²	27.5	28.9	28.4	28.7	27.2	27.6	28.8	31.2	34.1
Women									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	83.7	83.1	83.3	83.8	83.4	83.5	81.8	79.3	78.3
White, non-Hispanics	66.4	65.3	64.9	64.2	62.7	61.9	60.1	55.8	53.4
Asians/Pacific Islanders	5.6	5.7	6.1	6.0	6.6	6.9	7.1	7.5	7.1
Underrepresented minorities, total	7.6	8.0	8.7	9.4	9.9	10.6	10.8	11.2	12.5
Black, non-Hispanics	4.5	4.6	4.8	5.5	5.8	6.4	6.0	6.5	7.3
Hispanics	2.8	3.0	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.8	4.2	4.3	4.6
American Indians or Alaskan Natives .....	.3	.4	.4	.5	.4	.4	.5	.4	.6
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	4.1	4.2	3.6	4.1	4.2	4.1	3.9	4.7	5.3
Nonresident aliens ²	16.3	16.9	16.7	16.2	16.6	16.5	18.2	20.7	21.7

¹ Racial/ethnic categories are as designated on the survey form. These categories include U.S. citizens and foreign citizens on permanent visas (i.e., resident aliens who have been admitted for permanent residency).

² Nonresident aliens include foreign citizens on temporary visas only. No racial/ethnic data are collected for this group.

NOTES: Details may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Detailed national data were not released for the academic year ending 1999 by the National Center for Education Statistics.

Data on race/ethnicity of degree recipients were collected on broad fields of study only until 1994; therefore, these trend data could not be adjusted to the exact field taxonomies used by NSF.

See section C for specific fields included in science and engineering.

SOURCE: Tabulated by National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics; data from Department of Education/National Center for Education Statistics: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Completions Survey