

TABLE A-10. Graduate enrollment data as originally published and as modified through the fall 2004 graduate student survey cycle: 1975–2004

Year	All institutions			Doctorate-granting institutions			Master's-granting institutions		
	Original	Revised	% change	Original	Revised	% change	Original	Revised	% change
All graduate enrollment in surveyed fields									
1975 ^a	336,843	328,510	-2.5	290,662	300,358	3.3	46,181	28,152	-39.0
1976	345,979	333,716	-3.5	297,280	304,510	2.4	48,699	29,206	-40.0
1977	362,978	345,374	-4.8	306,710	313,140	2.1	56,268	32,234	-42.7
1978 ^b	NA	339,912	NA	311,982	307,019	-1.6	NA	32,893	NA
1979	375,267	357,578	-4.7	321,770	323,202	0.4	53,497	34,376	-35.7
1980	383,210	367,078	-4.2	333,658	332,963	-0.2	49,552	34,115	-31.2
1981	392,034	375,130	-4.3	340,203	339,411	-0.2	51,831	35,719	-31.1
1982	399,682	382,291	-4.4	347,414	345,961	-0.4	52,268	36,330	-30.5
1983	413,564	390,432	-5.6	358,276	353,082	-1.4	55,288	37,350	-32.4
1984	415,064	394,670	-4.9	363,470	354,199	-2.6	51,594	40,471	-21.6
1985	434,836	404,021	-7.1	371,052	363,288	-2.1	63,784	40,733	-36.1
1986	446,102	415,520	-6.9	384,203	374,010	-2.7	61,899	41,510	-32.9
1987	449,585	421,497	-6.2	388,681	379,630	-2.3	60,904	41,867	-31.3
1988	445,595	424,523	-4.7	391,683	386,709	-1.3	53,912	37,814	-29.9
1989	440,983	434,478	-1.5	385,025	394,464	2.5	55,958	40,014	-28.5
1990	458,943	452,113	-1.5	398,405	409,005	2.7	60,538	43,108	-28.8
1991	475,691	471,212	-0.9	411,296	425,300	3.4	64,395	45,912	-28.7
1992	495,397	493,522	-0.4	427,792	444,993	4.0	67,605	48,529	-28.2
1993	506,678	504,304	-0.5	440,875	454,099	3.0	65,803	50,205	-23.7
1994	506,626	504,399	-0.4	441,480	454,515	3.0	65,146	49,884	-23.4
1995	501,510	499,640	-0.4	436,328	448,914	2.9	65,182	50,726	-22.2
1996	494,526	494,079	*	430,631	443,590	3.0	63,895	50,489	-21.0
1997	487,104	487,208	*	424,650	437,331	3.0	62,454	49,877	-20.1
1998	485,754	485,627	*	422,834	434,750	2.8	62,920	50,877	-19.1
1999	493,425	493,256	*	432,657	441,951	2.1	60,768	51,305	-15.6
2000	494,594	493,311	-0.3	435,612	442,188	1.5	58,982	51,123	-13.3
2001	510,156	509,620	-0.1	452,411	457,641	1.2	57,745	51,979	-10.0
2002	540,720	540,433	*	482,211	485,813	0.7	58,509	54,620	-6.6
2003	566,835	567,134	*	507,247	508,970	0.3	59,588	58,164	-2.4
2004	574,334	NA	NA	516,616	NA	NA	57,718	NA	NA
Full-time enrollment									
1975 ^a	228,316	219,648	-3.8	210,641	208,834	-0.9	17,675	10,814	-38.8
1976	233,748	223,412	-4.4	215,355	212,662	-1.3	18,393	10,750	-41.6
1977	238,202	226,738	-4.8	218,226	215,245	-1.4	19,976	11,493	-42.5
1978 ^b	NA	223,030	NA	217,588	211,265	-2.9	NA	11,765	NA
1979	243,331	231,760	-4.8	224,057	219,473	-2.0	19,274	12,287	-36.3
1980	249,111	238,416	-4.3	230,601	225,648	-2.1	18,510	12,768	-31.0
1981	253,428	242,049	-4.5	234,529	229,367	-2.2	18,899	12,682	-32.9
1982	255,959	244,757	-4.4	237,676	232,639	-2.1	18,283	12,118	-33.7
1983	263,800	252,017	-4.5	243,646	238,841	-2.0	20,154	13,176	-34.6
1984	264,146	253,922	-3.9	246,848	239,397	-3.0	17,298	14,525	-16.0
1985	269,319	257,287	-4.5	249,666	242,785	-2.8	19,653	14,502	-26.2
1986	279,235	266,168	-4.7	259,980	251,595	-3.2	19,255	14,573	-24.3
1987	285,200	271,056	-5.0	264,862	256,089	-3.3	20,338	14,967	-26.4
1988	288,619	275,127	-4.7	268,385	262,157	-2.3	20,234	12,970	-35.9
1989	286,619	282,648	-1.4	267,554	269,326	0.7	19,065	13,322	-30.1
1990	295,836	292,782	-1.0	275,262	278,239	1.1	20,574	14,543	-29.3
1991	308,669	307,010	-0.5	286,756	291,050	1.5	21,913	15,960	-27.2
1992	323,399	322,555	-0.3	299,753	305,538	1.9	23,646	17,017	-28.0
1993	330,249	329,644	-0.2	307,181	312,204	1.6	23,068	17,440	-24.4
1994	331,969	332,088	*	307,964	313,670	1.9	24,005	18,418	-23.3
1995	330,235	329,283	-0.3	305,652	310,332	1.5	24,583	18,951	-22.9
1996	328,368	328,536	*	303,586	309,158	1.8	24,782	19,378	-21.8

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	Original	Revised	% change	Original	Revised	% change	Original	Revised	% change
1997	326,842	327,289	0.1	301,573	307,417	1.9	25,269	19,872	-21.4
1998	327,609	327,389	*	301,544	306,695	1.7	26,065	20,694	-20.6
1999	334,405	334,423	*	309,466	313,597	1.3	24,939	20,826	-16.5
2000	342,121	341,283	-0.2	316,531	319,245	0.9	25,590	22,038	-13.9
2001	355,115	354,522	-0.2	330,043	331,967	0.6	25,072	22,555	-10.0
2002	378,822	379,007	*	352,764	354,843	0.6	26,058	24,164	-7.3
2003	398,010	397,384	-0.2	371,784	371,636	*	26,226	25,748	-1.8
2004	402,161	NA	NA	376,664	NA	NA	25,497	NA	NA
Part-time enrollment									
1975 ^a	108,527	108,862	0.3	80,021	91,524	14.4	28,506	17,338	-39.2
1976	112,231	110,304	-1.7	81,925	91,848	12.1	30,306	18,456	-39.1
1977	124,776	118,636	-4.9	88,484	97,895	10.6	36,292	20,741	-42.8
1978 ^b	NA	116,882	NA	94,394	95,754	1.4	NA	21,128	NA
1979	131,936	125,818	-4.6	97,713	103,729	6.2	34,223	22,089	-35.5
1980	134,099	128,662	-4.1	103,057	107,315	4.1	31,042	21,347	-31.2
1981	138,606	133,081	-4.0	105,674	110,044	4.1	32,932	23,037	-30.0
1982	143,723	137,534	-4.3	109,738	113,322	3.3	33,985	24,212	-28.8
1983	149,764	138,415	-7.6	114,630	114,241	-0.3	35,134	24,174	-31.2
1984	150,918	140,748	-6.7	116,622	114,802	-1.6	34,296	25,946	-24.3
1985	165,517	146,734	-11.3	121,386	120,503	-0.7	44,131	26,231	-40.6
1986	166,867	149,352	-10.5	124,223	122,415	-1.5	42,644	26,937	-36.8
1987	164,385	150,441	-8.5	123,819	123,541	-0.2	40,566	26,900	-33.7
1988	156,976	149,396	-4.8	123,298	124,552	1.0	33,678	24,844	-26.2
1989	154,364	151,830	-1.6	117,471	125,138	6.5	36,893	26,692	-27.7
1990	163,107	159,331	-2.3	123,143	130,766	6.2	39,964	28,565	-28.5
1991	167,022	164,202	-1.7	124,540	134,250	7.8	42,482	29,952	-29.5
1992	171,998	170,967	-0.6	128,039	139,455	8.9	43,959	31,512	-28.3
1993	176,429	174,660	-1.0	133,694	141,895	6.1	42,735	32,765	-23.3
1994	174,657	172,311	-1.3	133,516	140,845	5.5	41,141	31,466	-23.5
1995	171,275	170,357	-0.5	130,676	138,582	6.1	40,599	31,775	-21.7
1996	166,158	165,543	-0.4	127,045	134,432	5.8	39,113	31,111	-20.5
1997	160,262	159,919	-0.2	123,077	129,914	5.6	37,185	30,005	-19.3
1998	158,145	158,238	*	121,290	128,055	5.6	36,855	30,183	-18.1
1999	159,020	158,833	-0.1	123,191	128,354	4.2	35,829	30,479	-14.9
2000	152,473	152,028	-0.3	119,081	122,943	3.2	33,392	29,085	-12.9
2001	155,041	155,098	*	122,368	125,674	2.7	32,673	29,424	-9.9
2002	161,898	161,426	-0.3	129,447	130,970	1.2	32,451	30,456	-6.1
2003	168,825	169,750	0.5	135,463	137,334	1.4	33,362	32,416	-2.8
2004	172,173	NA	NA	139,952	NA	NA	32,221	NA	NA

* = less than 0.05%.

NA = not available.

^a The 1976 survey also collected 1975 data from master's-granting institutions.^b Master's-granting institutions were not surveyed in 1978; totals represent estimates based on 1977 and 1979 data.

NOTES: Master's-granting institutions were surveyed on a sample basis from 1984–87; these figures include estimated data. See appendix A, Technical Notes, for further information. The % change column measures retroactive changes in survey definitions. Three survey changes in the late 1980s and early 1990s had a retroactive effect on figures reported for earlier years: (1) Before 1992, doctorate or master's degree-granting status was determined by an institution's status each year. Beginning in 1992, degree-granting status was determined by status reported in the latest survey year. This change shifted numerous institutions (and students) from master's-granting to doctorate-granting categories for years before 1992. (2) In 1988 guidelines to determine science and engineering departments were tightened; thus, departments in fields such as educational psychology, social work, and cultural studies were retroactively dropped from the survey population. (3) Improved estimates were generated for 1984–87, in which enrollments at master's granting institutions were sampled.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, Survey of Graduate Students and Postdoctorates in Science and Engineering.