

TABLE 15. Undergraduate grade point average of 2001 and 2002 S&amp;E bachelor's degree recipients, by major field of degree: October 2003

Major field	All recipients	Undergraduate GPA		
		Below 2.75	2.75 to 3.24	3.25 or higher
All fields	937,700	99,000	308,900	528,700
Sciences	682,200	76,900	226,000	378,100
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	150,700	15,600	47,800	86,600
Agricultural/food sciences	13,500	1,700	4,900	7,000
Biological sciences	125,000	12,800	37,700	73,800
Environmental life sciences	12,200	S	5,300	5,800
Computer and information sciences	84,800	8,900	35,500	40,300
Mathematics and statistics	25,600	2,000	7,800	15,800
Physical and related sciences	35,700	3,600	10,800	21,400
Chemistry, except biochemistry	19,800	1,700	5,800	12,300
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	6,600	1,100	2,400	3,200
Physics/astronomy	7,000	500	2,000	4,600
Other physical sciences	2,300	S	S	1,300
Psychology	153,000	16,300	50,000	86,700
Social and related sciences	232,300	30,500	74,100	127,300
Economics	42,100	4,900	16,800	20,400
Political and related sciences	69,100	8,200	22,300	38,300
Sociology/anthropology	74,000	11,400	23,000	39,600
Other social sciences	47,100	5,900	12,000	29,000
Engineering	112,300	14,200	43,700	54,400
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	3,100	400	1,400	1,400
Chemical engineering	10,600	800	3,800	6,000
Civil/architectural engineering	16,300	2,600	6,700	7,000
Electrical/computer engineering	35,800	3,900	13,900	17,900
Industrial engineering	6,600	1,000	2,800	2,800
Materials/metallurgical engineering	2,300	S	S	1,100
Mechanical engineering	24,800	3,600	9,200	12,000
Other engineering	12,900	1,400	5,300	6,200
Health	143,300	7,900	39,200	96,200

GPA = Grade point average.

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

S&E = science and engineering.

NOTES: Detail may not add to total because of rounding and because a small number of graduates reported that their undergraduate courses were ungraded and have been excluded. Estimates are from a sample survey of college graduates who received bachelor's or master's degrees in science or engineering fields in 2001 or 2002; estimates may differ from degree counts presented in other Science Resources Statistics publications.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2003.