

TABLE 35. Selected employment characteristics of 2001 and 2002 S&amp;E bachelor's degree recipients, by major field of degree: October 2003

Major field	All recipients	Employed				
		Total	Counting all jobs <sup>a</sup>		Principal job only <sup>b</sup>	
			Full time	Part time	Full time	Part time
All fields	937,700	768,900	644,900	124,000	622,900	145,900
Sciences	682,200	543,700	442,800	100,800	427,300	116,400
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	150,700	103,900	81,200	22,600	79,600	24,200
Agricultural/food sciences	13,500	11,500	10,000	1,500	9,600	2,000
Biological sciences	125,000	82,000	62,000	20,000	61,200	20,900
Environmental life sciences	12,200	10,300	9,200	S	8,900	S
Computer and information sciences	84,800	76,900	70,000	6,900	68,600	8,300
Mathematics and statistics	25,600	22,200	18,400	3,800	17,500	4,700
Physical and related sciences	35,700	28,100	22,400	5,700	22,100	6,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	19,800	14,800	12,100	2,700	11,900	2,900
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	6,600	5,600	4,700	900	4,700	900
Physics/astronomy	7,000	5,700	3,800	1,900	3,700	2,000
Other physical sciences	2,300	2,000	1,900	S	1,900	S
Psychology	153,000	122,800	96,600	26,200	90,900	31,800
Social and related sciences	232,300	189,800	154,200	35,600	148,400	41,400
Economics	42,100	35,400	32,300	3,100	31,600	3,900
Political and related sciences	69,100	53,300	41,000	12,300	39,600	13,700
Sociology/anthropology	74,000	63,200	49,600	13,600	47,400	15,800
Other social sciences	47,100	38,000	31,300	6,700	29,900	8,100
Engineering	112,300	98,400	89,000	9,400	88,200	10,200
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	3,100	2,900	2,500	500	2,400	500
Chemical engineering	10,600	8,800	8,200	S	8,200	S
Civil/architectural engineering	16,300	15,300	14,500	S	14,500	S
Electrical/computer engineering	35,800	30,800	27,700	3,100	27,300	3,500
Industrial engineering	6,600	6,100	5,500	600	5,500	600
Materials/metallurgical engineering	2,300	1,900	1,400	S	1,400	S
Mechanical engineering	24,800	22,300	19,700	2,600	19,600	2,700
Other engineering	12,900	10,200	9,300	S	9,200	1,000
Health	143,300	126,800	113,000	13,800	107,400	19,400

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.

<sup>a</sup> Category is based on a typical work week of 35 or more hours counting all jobs held during reference week. Employed graduates who worked 35 or more hours per week, counting all jobs, are classified as full time; all other employed graduates are classified as part time.

<sup>b</sup> Category is based on number of hours usually worked during a typical week on principal job. Employed graduates who worked 35 or more hours per week on principal job are classified as full time and all other employed graduates are classified as part time.

NOTES: Detail may not add to total because of rounding. 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.