

TABLE 6. Primary education and employment status, and median salary of 2001 and 2002 S&E master's degree recipients, by major field of degree and race/ethnicity: October 2003

Major field and race/ethnicity	Primary education and employment status						Median salary for full-time employed ^c
	All recipients	Full-time student	Not full-time student				
			Employed in S&E ^a occupation	Employed in S&E-related ^b occupation	Employed in non-S&E occupation	Not employed	
All science and engineering fields	246,700	40,900	75,800	58,900	51,600	19,400	\$52,000
Sciences	117,000	27,900	42,000	2,000	36,200	9,000	45,000
Asian	37,100	10,600	16,500	S	5,300	4,500	55,000
Underrepresented minority	12,900	3,100	3,200	S	5,600	900	41,000
White, non-Hispanic	64,200	13,100	21,400	1,700	24,700	3,300	41,000
Other	2,800	S	S	S	S	S	43,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	16,800	4,500	7,300	1,300	2,800	S	40,000
Asian	3,600	S	S	S	S	S	S
Underrepresented minority	1,300	S	S	S	500	S	40,000
White, non-Hispanic	11,300	2,500	5,200	1,100	2,100	S	41,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Computer and information sciences	27,200	4,800	13,600	S	4,900	4,000	60,000
Asian	20,600	S	11,200	S	S	3,200	59,000
Underrepresented minority	1,500	S	S	S	S	S	53,000
White, non-Hispanic	4,800	S	1,500	S	2,300	S	68,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Mathematics and statistics	5,900	1,800	2,700	S	1,000	S	54,000
Asian	2,900	S	S	S	S	S	55,000
Underrepresented minority	400	S	S	S	S	S	50,000
White, non-Hispanic	2,500	700	1,300	S	S	S	50,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Physical and related sciences	9,600	3,100	4,800	S	1,300	S	49,000
Asian	2,900	1,200	S	S	S	S	51,000
Underrepresented minority	900	300	500	S	S	S	48,000
White, non-Hispanic	5,400	1,500	2,800	S	900	S	49,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Psychology	32,000	6,800	9,200	S	14,400	S	38,000
Asian	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Underrepresented minority	5,100	1,300	1,100	S	2,500	S	38,000
White, non-Hispanic	23,700	3,900	7,600	S	11,100	S	36,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Social sciences	25,500	6,800	4,400	S	11,700	2,400	42,000
Asian	4,300	S	S	S	S	S	S
Underrepresented minority	3,700	1,000	S	S	2,000	S	40,000
White, non-Hispanic	16,500	3,800	3,100	S	7,900	1,400	42,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Engineering	47,000	10,800	29,900	S	3,600	2,600	65,000
Asian	23,900	7,500	13,600	S	S	S	64,000
Underrepresented minority	2,900	600	1,900	S	S	S	64,000
White, non-Hispanic	18,900	2,200	13,700	S	2,200	S	65,000
Other	1,300	S	S	S	S	S	S

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			Employed in S&E ^a occupation	Employed in S&E-related ^b occupation	Employed in non-S&E occupation		
Health	82,700	S	S	56,800	11,800	S	53,000
Asian	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Underrepresented minority	8,200	S	S	S	S	S	43,000
White, non-Hispanic	68,100	S	S	49,900	S	S	52,000
Other	S	S	S	S	S	S	S

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.

^a S&E occupations include postsecondary educators. For details, see technical notes.

^b S&E-related occupations include diagnosing/treating practitioners, registered nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, therapists, physician assistants, health technologists and technicians, health and related sciences postsecondary educators and other health occupations. For details, see technical notes.

^c Salary data are for principal jobs only. Full-time employed are those working at least 35 hours per week at their principal job. Self-employed persons and full-time students are excluded from salary data.

NOTES: Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Underrepresented minority race/ethnicity category includes American Indian or Alaska Native, black, and Hispanic. "Other" race/ethnicity includes Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander and individuals reporting more than one race. 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.