

TABLE 11. Doctorates awarded, by Carnegie category and broad field of study: 2004–14

Field and Carnegie category	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
All doctorate recipients	42,123	43,385	45,622	48,132	48,778	49,553	48,031	48,914	50,961	52,747	54,070
Research universities (very high research activity)	30,108	31,480	33,599	35,290	35,770	36,054	35,101	35,983	37,318	38,551	38,942
Research universities (high research activity)	7,686	7,595	7,629	8,123	8,257	8,499	8,221	8,528	8,867	9,268	9,688
Doctoral/research universities	2,290	2,226	2,256	2,510	2,432	2,537	2,271	1,943	2,205	2,321	2,694
Other universities	2,039	2,084	2,138	2,209	2,319	2,463	2,438	2,460	2,571	2,607	2,746
Life sciences ^a	8,813	9,310	9,704	10,702	11,086	11,403	11,258	11,462	12,029	12,303	12,504
Research universities (very high research activity)	6,659	7,061	7,352	7,998	8,343	8,449	8,400	8,425	8,807	8,992	8,859
Research universities (high research activity)	1,021	1,042	1,106	1,262	1,294	1,360	1,319	1,351	1,475	1,533	1,678
Doctoral/research universities	177	179	203	236	204	279	262	330	362	400	489
Other universities	956	1,028	1,043	1,206	1,245	1,315	1,277	1,356	1,385	1,378	1,478
Physical sciences ^b	6,047	6,693	7,464	7,998	8,133	8,324	8,310	8,664	8,948	9,290	9,859
Research universities (very high research activity)	4,916	5,463	6,149	6,614	6,702	6,842	6,721	6,975	7,201	7,421	7,793
Research universities (high research activity)	975	1,050	1,130	1,212	1,238	1,278	1,371	1,448	1,465	1,594	1,755
Doctoral/research universities	89	99	105	110	115	134	138	157	176	165	179
Other universities	67	81	80	62	78	70	80	84	106	110	132
Social sciences ^c	7,043	7,045	7,124	7,198	7,515	7,829	7,769	8,090	8,342	8,393	8,657
Research universities (very high research activity)	4,739	4,665	4,852	4,865	5,065	5,254	5,208	5,393	5,491	5,521	5,581
Research universities (high research activity)	1,458	1,490	1,425	1,472	1,547	1,595	1,527	1,682	1,720	1,738	1,769
Doctoral/research universities	476	526	480	493	517	546	587	574	692	696	843
Other universities	370	364	367	368	386	434	447	441	439	438	464
Engineering	5,777	6,426	7,186	7,749	7,864	7,642	7,547	7,986	8,422	8,952	9,568
Research universities (very high research activity)	4,795	5,296	6,028	6,486	6,546	6,328	6,197	6,491	6,842	7,180	7,695
Research universities (high research activity)	820	963	973	1,072	1,107	1,093	1,155	1,269	1,310	1,481	1,522
Doctoral/research universities	98	107	124	126	140	146	125	140	186	188	208
Other universities	64	60	61	65	71	75	70	86	84	103	143
Education	6,635	6,227	6,122	6,448	6,561	6,528	5,288	4,670	4,803	4,942	4,793
Research universities (very high research activity)	3,155	3,190	3,187	3,303	3,372	3,382	2,723	2,737	2,749	2,807	2,668
Research universities (high research activity)	2,168	1,844	1,712	1,781	1,805	1,862	1,564	1,364	1,489	1,527	1,493
Doctoral/research universities	1,110	998	1,002	1,169	1,197	1,077	803	425	411	434	478
Other universities	202	195	221	195	187	207	198	144	154	174	154
Humanities	5,210	5,141	5,326	5,092	4,719	4,891	4,971	5,209	5,499	5,666	5,486
Research universities (very high research activity)	4,163	4,117	4,230	4,031	3,767	3,816	3,926	4,063	4,290	4,527	4,330
Research universities (high research activity)	683	662	723	717	630	712	683	800	812	734	758
Doctoral/research universities	158	161	150	145	125	156	162	147	195	193	188
Other universities	206	201	223	199	197	207	200	199	202	212	210
Other ^d	2,598	2,543	2,696	2,945	2,900	2,936	2,888	2,833	2,918	3,201	3,203
Research universities (very high research activity)	1,681	1,688	1,801	1,993	1,975	1,983	1,926	1,899	1,938	2,103	2,016
Research universities (high research activity)	561	544	560	607	636	599	602	614	596	661	713
Doctoral/research universities	182	156	192	231	134	199	194	170	183	245	309
Other universities	174	155	143	114	155	155	166	150	201	192	165

^a Includes agricultural sciences and natural resources; biological, biomedical sciences; and health sciences.

^b Includes mathematics and computer and information sciences.

^c Includes psychology.

^d Non-science and engineering fields not shown separately.

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