Table A-2. Research degrees included in the Survey of Earned Doctorates: 2011–15

Research degree	Degree title	2011		2012		2013		2014		2015	
		Number	Percent								
All research doctorates		48,914	100.0	50,951	100.0	52,707	100.0	54,003	100.0	55,006	100.0
PhD	Doctor of Philosopy	47,845	97.8	49,886	97.9	51,500	97.7	52,959	98.1	53,910	98.0
EdD	Doctor of Education	699	1.4	639	1.3	689	1.3	587	1.1	622	1.1
DSc, ScD	Doctor of Science	32	0.1	116	0.2	127	0.2	106	0.2	110	0.2
DEng, DESc, DES	Doctor of Engineering or Engineering Science	28	0.1	23	*	19	*	32	0.1	36	0.1
DA	Doctor of Arts	7	*	2	*	7	*	6	*	4	*
DBA	Doctor of Business Administration	37	0.1	38	0.1	39	0.1	30	0.1	35	0.1
DMA	Doctor of Musical Arts	159	0.3	156	0.3	204	0.4	168	0.3	178	0.3
DDes	Doctor of Design	7	*	7	*	9	*	7	*	1	*
DPH	Doctor of Public Health	14	*	21	*	20	*	21	*	27	*
DHL	Doctor of Hebrew Letters	3	*	1	*	0	0.0	3	*	0	0.0
DME	Doctor of Music Education	2	*	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0	2	*
DML	Doctor of Modern Languages	5	*	2	*	3	*	7	*	3	*
DNSc	Doctor of Nursing Science	14	*	5	*	1	*	5	*	2	*
ThD	Doctor of Theology	11	*	16	*	14	*	8	*	16	*
DFA	Doctor of Fine Arts	0	0.0	1	*	4	*	1	*	0	0.0
JSD, SJD	Doctor of Juridical Science	43	0.1	32	0.1	63	0.1	61	0.1	54	0.1
STD	Doctor of Sacred Theology	4	*	6	*	6	*	1	*	5	*
JCD	Doctor of Canon Law	2	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	*	1	*
All other research doctorates ^a		2	*	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0	0	0.0

^{* =} value < 0.05%.

NOTE: Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates.

^a Includes doctorates awarded that were determined to be ineligible for Survey of Earned Doctorates after the doctoral program was begun but before doctorate was granted.