

TABLE 24. Median annual salaries of U.S. scientists and engineers, by level and field of highest degree and geographic division of employment: 2006
(Dollars)

Level and field of highest degree	Employed scientists and engineers	Geographic division of employment								
		New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific
All degree levels and fields ^a	60,000	61,000	62,000	60,000	55,000	60,000	50,000	59,000	59,000	66,000
S&E fields	59,000	60,000	60,000	56,000	52,000	59,000	50,000	60,000	55,000	62,000
Sciences	50,000	55,000	53,000	50,000	47,000	51,000	41,000	50,000	45,000	54,000
Biological/agricultural/environmental life sciences	49,000	50,000	50,000	45,000	45,000	49,000	36,000	47,000	45,000	52,000
Agricultural sciences	43,000	46,000	35,000	39,000	41,000	47,000	31,000	50,000	49,000	49,000
Biological sciences	50,000	53,000	56,000	46,000	48,000	48,000	39,000	45,000	44,000	52,000
Environmental life sciences	48,000	40,000	50,000	42,000	37,000	54,000	40,000	45,000	42,000	58,000
Computer/mathematical sciences	69,000	70,000	71,000	66,000	65,000	70,000	53,000	65,000	70,000	69,000
Computer/information sciences	72,000	76,000	72,000	69,000	70,000	73,000	64,000	70,000	77,000	72,000
Mathematics/statistics	60,000	61,000	69,000	64,000	52,000	60,000	42,000	52,000	53,000	60,000
Physical/related sciences	61,000	66,000	64,000	60,000	61,000	60,000	64,000	60,000	60,000	65,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	60,000	73,000	62,000	62,000	63,000	55,000	53,000	60,000	63,000	64,000
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	59,000	59,000	56,000	52,000	60,000	65,000	70,000	62,000	48,000	60,000
Physics/astronomy	75,000	68,000	76,000	75,000	60,000	83,000	74,000	70,000	76,000	75,000
Other physical sciences	48,000	45,000	58,000	S	S	48,000	S	32,000	62,000	40,000
Social/related sciences	45,000	48,000	48,000	41,000	39,000	46,000	38,000	43,000	40,000	50,000
Economics	62,000	69,000	71,000	60,000	49,000	69,000	58,000	60,000	59,000	61,000
Political/related sciences	52,000	59,000	56,000	45,000	50,000	54,000	40,000	45,000	48,000	55,000
Psychology	40,000	39,000	41,000	38,000	35,000	40,000	37,000	39,000	34,000	45,000
Sociology/anthropology	40,000	44,000	40,000	39,000	36,000	38,000	34,000	35,000	34,000	47,000
Other social sciences	42,000	55,000	46,000	43,000	32,000	41,000	36,000	52,000	38,000	44,000
Engineering	80,000	83,000	76,000	75,000	72,000	80,000	72,000	85,000	78,000	85,000
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	80,000	106,000	56,000	69,000	63,000	92,000	87,000	85,000	75,000	80,000
Chemical engineering	84,000	80,000	84,000	76,000	78,000	79,000	95,000	90,000	83,000	87,000
Civil/architectural engineering	75,000	74,000	74,000	72,000	74,000	78,000	68,000	76,000	73,000	78,000
Electrical/computer engineering	85,000	96,000	79,000	75,000	77,000	85,000	71,000	89,000	85,000	93,000
Industrial engineering	72,000	74,000	66,000	74,000	66,000	78,000	77,000	69,000	70,000	66,000
Mechanical engineering	80,000	74,000	76,000	78,000	70,000	78,000	66,000	85,000	78,000	83,000
Other engineering	75,000	60,000	75,000	74,000	69,000	75,000	75,000	80,000	67,000	84,000
S&E-related fields	60,000	58,000	62,000	57,000	60,000	64,000	51,000	58,000	60,000	70,000
Health	62,000	60,000	63,000	58,000	60,000	65,000	53,000	59,000	60,000	70,000
Science/mathematics teacher education	45,000	48,000	49,000	48,000	34,000	48,000	41,000	42,000	46,000	43,000
Technology/technical fields	69,000	54,000	69,000	69,000	59,000	74,000	46,000	67,000	74,000	75,000
Other S&E-related fields	70,000	69,000	64,000	55,000	67,000	71,000	S	77,000	60,000	76,000
Non-S&E fields	65,000	69,000	70,000	65,000	56,000	65,000	50,000	59,000	59,000	72,000
Arts/humanities	55,000	51,000	59,000	53,000	49,000	57,000	29,000	50,000	50,000	65,000

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Education, except science/mathematics teacher education	50,000	55,000	54,000	50,000	44,000	48,000	43,000	46,000	48,000	53,000
Management/administration	82,000	84,000	94,000	83,000	78,000	77,000	67,000	79,000	75,000	86,000
Sales/marketing	81,000	99,000	89,000	87,000	78,000	75,000	S	65,000	65,000	80,000
Social services/related	47,000	49,000	52,000	50,000	40,000	44,000	43,000	44,000	40,000	51,000
Other non-S&E fields	75,000	79,000	73,000	69,000	59,000	80,000	58,000	60,000	71,000	84,000
Bachelor's degrees	53,000	54,000	55,000	52,000	50,000	53,000	45,000	52,000	50,000	60,000
S&E fields	53,000	55,000	52,000	52,000	50,000	53,000	45,000	55,000	49,000	58,000
Sciences	47,000	50,000	48,000	45,000	45,000	48,000	37,000	45,000	40,000	50,000
Biological/agricultural/environmental life sciences	45,000	48,000	48,000	40,000	41,000	44,000	32,000	45,000	39,000	50,000
Agricultural sciences	39,000	46,000	34,000	37,000	41,000	41,000	30,000	48,000	39,000	46,000
Biological sciences	45,000	50,000	50,000	41,000	43,000	41,000	32,000	42,000	39,000	50,000
Environmental life sciences	48,000	32,000	54,000	42,000	37,000	50,000	S	42,000	34,000	58,000
Computer/mathematical sciences	63,000	65,000	65,000	64,000	65,000	65,000	50,000	61,000	65,000	60,000
Computer/information sciences	67,000	75,000	65,000	65,000	70,000	70,000	61,000	70,000	72,000	60,000
Mathematics/statistics	52,000	58,000	62,000	60,000	49,000	51,000	42,000	50,000	43,000	52,000
Physical/related sciences	55,000	55,000	50,000	55,000	55,000	53,000	58,000	57,000	50,000	54,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	55,000	55,000	46,000	53,000	58,000	50,000	46,000	60,000	61,000	57,000
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	55,000	48,000	50,000	52,000	53,000	62,000	67,000	58,000	41,000	56,000
Physics/astronomy	58,000	53,000	50,000	76,000	48,000	74,000	64,000	63,000	23,000	65,000
Other physical sciences	48,000	S	S	S	S	47,000	S	S	S	39,000
Social/related sciences	41,000	42,000	43,000	40,000	36,000	41,000	35,000	39,000	37,000	47,000
Economics	60,000	64,000	63,000	58,000	45,000	65,000	56,000	61,000	58,000	59,000
Political/related sciences	50,000	48,000	54,000	44,000	50,000	50,000	35,000	45,000	45,000	54,000
Psychology	35,000	35,000	35,000	32,000	31,000	36,000	30,000	34,000	27,000	39,000
Sociology/anthropology	38,000	43,000	40,000	37,000	35,000	36,000	31,000	32,000	31,000	46,000
Other social sciences	40,000	51,000	41,000	37,000	33,000	39,000	34,000	49,000	37,000	41,000
Engineering	75,000	78,000	72,000	72,000	70,000	75,000	72,000	85,000	72,000	80,000
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	75,000	107,000	54,000	66,000	60,000	93,000	87,000	85,000	71,000	76,000
Chemical engineering	79,000	71,000	75,000	72,000	75,000	72,000	98,000	90,000	80,000	80,000
Civil/architectural engineering	73,000	74,000	72,000	72,000	73,000	71,000	66,000	76,000	68,000	75,000
Electrical/computer engineering	80,000	95,000	72,000	71,000	74,000	80,000	71,000	88,000	81,000	86,000
Industrial engineering	69,000	70,000	64,000	65,000	65,000	77,000	79,000	69,000	70,000	60,000
Mechanical engineering	76,000	70,000	73,000	76,000	69,000	75,000	63,000	85,000	69,000	80,000
Other engineering	70,000	50,000	69,000	60,000	64,000	69,000	75,000	78,000	58,000	75,000
S&E-related fields	52,000	50,000	57,000	50,000	49,000	51,000	45,000	50,000	55,000	60,000
Health	50,000	50,000	55,000	48,000	46,000	50,000	45,000	50,000	50,000	59,000

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Science/mathematics teacher education	40,000	S	38,000	44,000	34,000	43,000	S	41,000	S	37,000
Technology/technical fields	65,000	52,000	67,000	68,000	59,000	70,000	42,000	66,000	73,000	67,000
Other S&E-related fields	67,000	56,000	63,000	53,000	69,000	73,000	S	77,000	62,000	75,000
Non-S&E fields	56,000	60,000	62,000	58,000	48,000	59,000	43,000	49,000	50,000	65,000
Arts/humanities	58,000	51,000	68,000	53,000	42,000	57,000	S	51,000	50,000	70,000
Education, except science/mathematics teacher education	42,000	56,000	56,000	43,000	34,000	46,000	S	38,000	48,000	39,000
Management/administration	68,000	77,000	68,000	69,000	63,000	70,000	53,000	62,000	53,000	74,000
Sales/marketing	65,000	S	77,000	79,000	S	40,000	S	S	S	S
Social services/related	47,000	S	S	S	S	42,000	S	S	S	49,000
Other non-S&E fields	50,000	59,000	52,000	50,000	46,000	60,000	S	47,000	41,000	59,000
Master's degrees	64,000	65,000	68,000	63,000	58,000	62,000	52,000	60,000	60,000	70,000
S&E fields	69,000	69,000	74,000	64,000	55,000	70,000	59,000	61,000	67,000	75,000
Sciences	60,000	60,000	70,000	55,000	50,000	61,000	52,000	53,000	54,000	65,000
Biological/agricultural/environmental life sciences	51,000	53,000	60,000	50,000	48,000	52,000	52,000	50,000	49,000	50,000
Agricultural sciences	54,000	S	41,000	66,000	43,000	47,000	S	S	S	56,000
Biological sciences	51,000	55,000	65,000	51,000	48,000	51,000	46,000	49,000	41,000	50,000
Environmental life sciences	48,000	S	S	40,000	S	55,000	S	S	S	48,000
Computer/mathematical sciences	80,000	78,000	79,000	73,000	70,000	82,000	65,000	69,000	83,000	90,000
Computer/information sciences	82,000	82,000	80,000	75,000	74,000	84,000	68,000	69,000	88,000	92,000
Mathematics/statistics	65,000	72,000	74,000	66,000	60,000	65,000	45,000	59,000	61,000	65,000
Physical/related sciences	66,000	66,000	74,000	59,000	65,000	63,000	71,000	63,000	65,000	65,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	63,000	63,000	76,000	60,000	S	53,000	S	48,000	S	62,000
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	66,000	S	66,000	50,000	S	76,000	92,000	84,000	60,000	67,000
Physics/astronomy	73,000	58,000	87,000	64,000	S	80,000	S	60,000	79,000	68,000
Other physical sciences	40,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Social/related sciences	50,000	56,000	59,000	46,000	46,000	55,000	45,000	47,000	47,000	52,000
Economics	90,000	101,000	126,000	69,000	S	77,000	S	44,000	50,000	90,000
Political/related sciences	65,000	65,000	72,000	39,000	S	82,000	S	44,000	S	66,000
Psychology	46,000	45,000	52,000	45,000	46,000	42,000	42,000	45,000	40,000	49,000
Sociology/anthropology	46,000	S	35,000	38,000	S	53,000	S	43,000	62,000	54,000
Other social sciences	51,000	41,000	58,000	58,000	S	49,000	S	50,000	S	43,000
Engineering	86,000	90,000	83,000	79,000	74,000	89,000	71,000	84,000	89,000	95,000
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	86,000	S	S	78,000	S	87,000	S	S	93,000	92,000
Chemical engineering	91,000	S	109,000	75,000	S	91,000	S	89,000	S	93,000
Civil/architectural engineering	78,000	69,000	74,000	71,000	77,000	89,000	S	76,000	82,000	80,000
Electrical/computer engineering	95,000	100,000	90,000	80,000	81,000	93,000	65,000	90,000	95,000	99,000

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Industrial engineering	80,000	S	80,000	83,000	S	84,000	S	65,000	S	87,000
Mechanical engineering	85,000	80,000	93,000	79,000	71,000	81,000	74,000	82,000	87,000	97,000
Other engineering	80,000	71,000	77,000	80,000	69,000	86,000	71,000	80,000	83,000	84,000
S&E-related fields	59,000	57,000	59,000	56,000	60,000	56,000	51,000	56,000	57,000	64,000
Health	60,000	56,000	59,000	55,000	69,000	58,000	51,000	59,000	57,000	64,000
Science/mathematics teacher education	49,000	44,000	51,000	54,000	36,000	49,000	41,000	43,000	52,000	52,000
Technology/technical fields	81,000	S	90,000	82,000	S	79,000	S	S	S	90,000
Other S&E-related fields	70,000	S	63,000	74,000	S	64,000	S	73,000	S	76,000
Non-S&E fields	63,000	68,000	67,000	65,000	55,000	60,000	50,000	60,000	58,000	70,000
Arts/humanities	49,000	S	49,000	44,000	S	50,000	S	49,000	S	56,000
Education, except science/mathematics teacher education	50,000	55,000	53,000	50,000	48,000	47,000	43,000	50,000	47,000	53,000
Management/administration	90,000	85,000	100,000	91,000	90,000	80,000	72,000	84,000	83,000	90,000
Sales/marketing	93,000	S	94,000	88,000	S	106,000	S	S	S	79,000
Social services/related	48,000	49,000	55,000	50,000	34,000	44,000	41,000	45,000	40,000	55,000
Other non-S&E fields	59,000	69,000	49,000	53,000	52,000	64,000	S	48,000	61,000	70,000
Doctorate degrees	79,000	81,000	81,000	75,000	67,000	80,000	67,000	75,000	73,000	88,000
S&E fields	81,000	85,000	85,000	78,000	71,000	80,000	73,000	80,000	77,000	90,000
Sciences	78,000	80,000	81,000	72,000	70,000	80,000	70,000	75,000	72,000	84,000
Biological/agricultural/environmental life sciences	76,000	80,000	75,000	74,000	72,000	79,000	65,000	71,000	70,000	80,000
Agricultural sciences	74,000	S	65,000	76,000	76,000	75,000	68,000	70,000	58,000	72,000
Biological sciences	76,000	80,000	77,000	74,000	70,000	79,000	64,000	70,000	73,000	81,000
Environmental life sciences	75,000	S	S	57,000	75,000	85,000	67,000	80,000	73,000	76,000
Computer/mathematical sciences	85,000	89,000	90,000	75,000	74,000	84,000	76,000	80,000	76,000	100,000
Computer/information sciences	94,000	97,000	95,000	75,000	82,000	99,000	86,000	93,000	76,000	108,000
Mathematics/statistics	79,000	80,000	85,000	75,000	72,000	79,000	71,000	69,000	73,000	86,000
Physical/related sciences	90,000	96,000	94,000	80,000	73,000	88,000	74,000	85,000	84,000	98,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	90,000	97,000	98,000	82,000	78,000	84,000	75,000	80,000	85,000	97,000
Earth/atmospheric/ocean sciences	75,000	70,000	71,000	69,000	61,000	77,000	61,000	90,000	73,000	84,000
Physics/astronomy	94,000	100,000	91,000	80,000	75,000	97,000	81,000	88,000	88,000	104,000
Other physical sciences	60,000	S	S	S	S	59,000	S	S	S	S
Social/related sciences	70,000	72,000	74,000	67,000	63,000	73,000	69,000	68,000	62,000	70,000
Economics	94,000	89,000	103,000	90,000	70,000	99,000	95,000	89,000	81,000	94,000
Political/related sciences	66,000	75,000	66,000	55,000	60,000	70,000	52,000	65,000	64,000	71,000
Psychology	68,000	68,000	70,000	65,000	64,000	70,000	72,000	65,000	60,000	70,000
Sociology/anthropology	63,000	70,000	66,000	63,000	58,000	67,000	52,000	62,000	58,000	63,000
Other social sciences	67,000	78,000	70,000	68,000	55,000	60,000	S	66,000	59,000	67,000

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Engineering	100,000	99,000	97,000	93,000	85,000	97,000	90,000	97,000	100,000	103,000
Aerospace/aeronautical/astronautical engineering	96,000	S	S	97,000	S	100,000	S	S	S	104,000
Chemical engineering	99,000	98,000	98,000	99,000	99,000	99,000	98,000	93,000	98,000	99,000
Civil/architectural engineering	89,000	105,000	83,000	85,000	73,000	86,000	80,000	85,000	89,000	93,000
Electrical/computer engineering	103,000	109,000	103,000	98,000	94,000	99,000	99,000	108,000	100,000	114,000
Industrial engineering	88,000	S	S	75,000	S	S	S	103,000	S	S
Mechanical engineering	95,000	95,000	87,000	93,000	94,000	92,000	85,000	101,000	99,000	99,000
Other engineering	95,000	90,000	100,000	90,000	77,000	97,000	77,000	90,000	104,000	104,000
S&E-related fields	72,000	75,000	68,000	58,000	69,000	86,000	62,000	88,000	59,000	80,000
Health	74,000	79,000	69,000	59,000	78,000	89,000	68,000	67,000	69,000	70,000
Science/mathematics teacher education	55,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Technology/technical fields	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other S&E-related fields	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Non-S&E fields	65,000	71,000	77,000	61,000	52,000	64,000	57,000	61,000	63,000	72,000
Arts/humanities	57,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Education, except science/mathematics teacher education	65,000	S	79,000	63,000	S	64,000	S	61,000	S	71,000
Management/administration	99,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Sales/marketing	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Social services/related	52,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Other non-S&E fields	63,000	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S

S = suppressed for reliability or confidentiality.

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Total includes professional degrees not broken out separately.

NOTES: Scientists and engineers include any person who has ever received a bachelor's or higher degree in a science or engineering (S&E) or S&E-related field through 2005, plus any person holding a non-S&E bachelor's or higher degree who was employed in a S&E or S&E-related occupation in 2003. See <http://sestat.nsf.gov/docs/ed03maj.html> for a detailed description of the educational field classification. See <http://sestat.nsf.gov/docs/location.html> for details on states included in each division. Salaries are for principal job and rounded to the nearest thousand.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System (SESTAT): 2006.