

TABLE A-39. Standard errors for primary work activity of employed recent graduates with bachelor's degrees in science, engineering, or health, by major field of degree: October 2008

Major field	Primary work activity					
	All employed	Computer applications	Management, sales, or administration	Research and development	Teaching	Other
All fields	7,500	4,000	8,500	6,000	5,500	7,500
Science	7,000	3,500	7,500	5,500	5,000	6,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	3,500	500	3,000	3,000	2,000	3,000
Agricultural/food sciences	1,500	D	1,500	1,000	500	1,000
Biological sciences	3,500	500	3,000	3,000	2,000	3,000
Environmental life sciences	1,500	D	1,000	1,000	S	1,000
Computer and information sciences	2,000	3,000	2,500	2,500	1,500	1,500
Mathematics and statistics	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	1,000
Physical and related sciences	1,000	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Chemistry, except biochemistry	1,000	D	500	1,000	500	1,000
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	500	*	500	500	500	500
Physics	500	500	500	500	500	500
Psychology	4,000	1,000	4,000	2,500	3,500	3,500
Social and related sciences	4,500	1,500	5,000	3,000	2,500	4,000
Economics	2,000	1,000	2,000	1,500	1,000	1,500
Political and related sciences	2,500	1,000	3,000	2,000	1,500	2,500
Sociology/anthropology	2,500	1,000	3,000	1,500	2,000	2,500
Other social sciences	2,000	1,000	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,500
Engineering	1,500	1,500	2,000	2,500	500	1,500
Chemical	500	*	500	500	D	500
Civil/architectural	500	*	1,000	1,000	500	500
Electrical/computer	1,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	D	1,000
Industrial	500	*	500	500	D	500
Mechanical	1,000	500	1,000	1,000	500	1,000
Other	1,000	500	1,000	1,000	500	500
Health	3,000	D	3,000	1,500	2,000	4,500

\* = standard error is not computed when value < 500. D = standard error is not computed when value is suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information. S = suppressed data; data cell not published.

NOTE: Standard errors for numbers are rounded up to nearest 500.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2008.