

TABLE A-40. Standard errors for primary work activity of employed recent graduates with master'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	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,500	2,500	3,500
Science	2,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	2,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	1,000	500	500	1,000	500	500
Agricultural/food sciences	500	D	*	500	*	D
Biological sciences	1,000	500	500	1,000	500	500
Environmental life sciences	500	D	500	500	*	D
Computer and information sciences	1,000	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Mathematics and statistics	500	500	500	500	500	*
Physical and related sciences	500	*	500	500	500	500
Chemistry, except biochemistry	500	D	*	500	*	*
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	500	D	500	500	*	*
Physics	500	*	D	500	500	*
Psychology	1,000	*	1,500	1,000	1,000	1,500
Social and related sciences	1,000	500	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Economics	500	*	500	500	500	500
Political and related sciences	500	D	500	500	500	500
Sociology/anthropology	500	*	500	500	500	500
Other social sciences	500	500	500	500	500	500
Engineering	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,500	500	1,000
Chemical	500	*	*	500	*	*
Civil/architectural	500	*	500	500	D	500
Electrical/computer	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	*	1,000
Industrial	500	*	500	500	*	*
Mechanical	500	500	500	500	*	500
Other	500	500	500	1,000	*	500
Health	1,500	500	1,500	1,500	2,000	3,000

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

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.