

TABLE A-49. Standard errors for median salary of full-time employed recent graduates with bachelor's degrees in science, engineering, or health, by sector of employment and major field of degree: October 2008

(Dollars)

Major field	All	Sector		
	full-time employed	Educational institution	Government	Private industry and business
All fields	2,000	4,000	500	500
Science	500	4,000	500	500
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	1,000	1,000	4,000	3,500
Agricultural/food sciences	1,500	5,000	3,000	1,500
Biological sciences	1,000	1,000	3,500	1,500
Environmental life sciences	4,000	D	6,000	1,500
Computer and information sciences	2,500	12,500	9,000	2,000
Mathematics and statistics	1,000	3,000	1,500	2,000
Physical and related sciences	1,500	3,000	1,500	500
Chemistry, except biochemistry	1,000	2,500	6,000	3,000
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	2,500	2,000	500	5,000
Physics	3,500	2,000	7,000	1,500
Psychology	1,000	3,000	4,000	1,000
Social and related sciences	3,000	3,000	3,000	1,000
Economics	1,500	D	5,500	2,500
Political and related sciences	500	1,500	1,500	500
Sociology/anthropology	1,500	2,500	3,000	3,000
Other social sciences	2,000	2,000	1,500	3,000
Engineering	1,000	4,500	7,500	1,500
Chemical	500	D	1,500	500
Civil/architectural	1,500	D	3,500	1,000
Electrical/computer	2,000	D	2,000	2,000
Industrial	1,500	D	3,000	2,000
Mechanical	2,000	D	9,000	2,000
Other	3,000	2,500	6,000	2,500
Health	1,000	1,500	4,500	500

D = standard error is not computed when value is suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information.

NOTE: Standard errors for salaries are rounded up to nearest \$500.

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