

TABLE 11. Women as a percentage of all bachelor's recipients, by major field group: 1966–2010

Academic year ending	Science and engineering fields									
	All fields <sup>a</sup>	Total	Biological and agricultural sciences	Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	Mathematics and computer sciences	Physical sciences	Psychology	Social sciences	Engineering	Non-S&E fields
1966	42.6	24.8	25.0	9.4	33.2	14.0	40.8	34.3	0.4	52.2
1967	42.3	25.4	24.5	10.2	34.1	13.9	40.0	34.7	0.5	51.7
1968	43.5	27.1	24.8	10.0	36.7	14.3	42.3	35.8	0.6	52.6
1969	43.8	27.8	24.4	10.0	36.6	14.3	43.1	36.5	0.8	52.6
1970	43.2	28.0	24.1	10.2	36.1	14.5	43.6	36.6	0.8	51.5
1971	43.5	28.9	24.1	10.8	36.0	14.7	44.7	37.6	0.8	51.2
1972	43.7	29.4	24.4	12.2	35.9	15.8	46.4	37.0	1.1	51.1
1973	43.9	29.9	25.2	12.2	36.3	15.8	47.8	37.0	1.2	51.3
1974	44.4	31.4	27.0	15.9	36.6	16.8	50.5	37.6	1.6	51.1
1975	45.4	32.8	29.2	17.0	37.0	18.8	52.7	38.5	2.1	51.8
1976	45.6	33.6	31.2	18.3	35.3	19.5	54.4	38.8	3.4	51.5
1977	46.2	34.6	32.9	20.8	36.1	19.9	56.7	40.3	4.9	51.9
1978	47.2	35.5	35.2	21.6	35.7	21.5	58.9	41.6	7.4	52.9
1979	48.3	36.3	37.1	22.8	35.9	22.6	61.3	42.9	9.1	54.1
1980	49.2	37.2	39.1	23.8	36.4	24.0	63.3	44.8	10.1	54.9
1981	49.9	37.8	41.1	24.9	36.9	24.7	65.1	45.4	11.1	55.7
1982	50.5	38.5	42.3	25.6	37.9	26.2	66.9	46.2	12.3	56.3
1983	50.7	38.8	43.8	25.3	38.9	28.5	67.6	46.3	13.3	56.4
1984	50.7	38.6	44.4	24.4	39.3	29.4	67.9	45.6	14.1	56.6
1985	50.9	38.8	45.1	24.6	39.5	29.7	68.2	45.8	14.5	57.0
1986	51.0	39.0	45.5	22.3	38.8	29.8	69.0	45.6	14.5	57.1
1987	51.7	39.7	46.1	22.6	38.2	30.2	69.0	45.8	15.3	57.6
1988	52.2	40.6	47.7	23.8	36.9	32.1	70.1	45.8	15.4	57.6
1989	52.7	41.3	47.6	25.2	35.9	30.9	70.8	46.2	15.2	57.8
1990	53.3	42.5	48.2	27.9	35.8	32.2	71.5	46.3	15.4	58.1
1991	54.1	43.9	48.7	28.7	36.1	32.4	72.6	47.2	15.5	58.5
1992	54.3	44.9	49.3	32.0	35.6	33.1	73.2	47.8	15.6	58.5
1993	54.4	45.3	48.9	30.0	35.4	33.6	73.2	48.2	15.9	58.5
1994	54.6	45.8	48.9	31.1	35.2	34.6	73.1	49.0	16.5	58.7
1995	54.8	46.5	49.7	34.0	35.1	35.5	73.0	49.8	17.3	58.7
1996	55.2	47.1	50.2	33.3	33.9	37.0	73.0	50.8	17.9	59.2
1997	55.7	48.1	51.6	34.5	33.6	38.5	73.9	51.8	18.4	59.4
1998	56.2	48.7	52.7	37.0	32.9	39.2	74.4	52.5	18.6	59.8
1999	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2000	57.3	50.4	55.8	40.0	32.7	41.1	76.5	54.2	20.5	60.5
2001	57.4	50.6	57.3	40.9	31.9	41.8	77.5	54.8	20.1	60.5
2002	57.6	50.8	58.6	42.7	31.4	42.7	77.5	54.8	20.9	60.7
2003	57.6	50.4	59.7	41.8	30.4	41.7	77.7	54.7	20.3	61.1
2004	57.6	50.3	60.1	42.2	29.0	42.2	77.8	54.5	20.5	61.0
2005	57.5	50.3	59.9	41.9	27.0	42.8	77.8	54.2	20.0	61.0
2006	57.6	50.3	59.8	41.3	26.6	42.4	77.4	53.7	19.5	61.1
2007	57.5	50.2	58.6	41.2	25.4	41.1	77.4	53.8	18.5	60.8

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	All fields <sup>a</sup>	Total	Biological and agricultural sciences	Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	Mathematics and computer sciences	Physical sciences	Psychology	Social sciences	Engineering	
2008	57.4	50.3	58.2	40.7	25.3	41.3	77.1	53.5	18.5	60.6
2009	57.3	50.4	58.2	38.9	25.3	41.5	77.2	53.6	18.1	60.4
2010	57.2	50.3	57.8	39.3	25.6	41.3	77.1	53.7	18.4	60.4

NA = not available; detailed national data were not released by the National Center for Education Statistics for the academic year ending in 1999.

S&E = science and engineering.

<sup>a</sup> Total excludes cases where field of study was not reported.

NOTE: See appendix B for specific fields that are included in each category.

SOURCE: Tabulated by National Science Foundation/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NSF/NCSES); data from Department of Education/National Center for Education Statistics: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Completions Survey.