

TABLE 60. Statistical profile of doctorate recipients in social sciences fields, by sex and field of study: 2013

Characteristic	All social sciences fields	Anthropology	Economics	Political science	Psychology	Sociology	Other social sciences
All doctorate recipients (number) <sup>a</sup>	8,401	552	1,185	803	3,600	636	1,625
Sex (%)							
Male	40.7	34.2	64.7	58.4	27.8	40.7	45.1
Female	59.3	65.8	35.3	41.5	72.2	59.3	54.9
Unknown	*	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Citizenship (%)							
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	75.0	82.6	42.5	73.8	85.3	81.0	71.5
Temporary visa holder	19.3	13.9	52.1	20.3	7.8	14.6	24.1
Unknown	5.7	3.4	5.4	5.9	6.9	4.4	4.4
Marital status (%)							
Never married	27.3	28.3	35.4	26.9	26.3	28.1	23.5
Married	45.1	46.2	43.4	47.4	41.5	47.5	52.0
Marriage-like relationship	10.3	13.8	6.9	11.0	11.2	11.0	9.2
Separated, divorced, widowed	4.5	5.3	3.0	3.9	4.3	5.5	5.6
Unknown	12.7	6.5	11.3	10.8	16.7	7.9	9.7
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) <sup>b</sup>	52.2	49.3	55.1	53.3	65.0	47.0	24.2
Master's earned (%)	82.8	88.6	79.9	84.6	79.8	89.5	85.8
Age at doctorate (median years)	32.4	34.7	31.2	32.6	31.3	33.7	35.2
Time to doctorate (median years)							
From bachelor's	9.4	11.7	8.6	10.0	8.4	10.4	11.7
From graduate school start	7.7	9.5	7.0	8.3	6.9	8.9	9.3
Male doctorate recipients (number)	3,419	189	767	469	1,002	259	733
Citizenship (%)							
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	69.3	79.4	44.2	71.9	83.6	81.5	67.5
Temporary visa holder	24.9	15.9	49.9	22.8	8.9	13.1	28.4
Unknown	5.8	4.8	5.9	5.3	7.5	5.4	4.1
Marital status (%)							
Never married	28.7	24.3	35.2	28.8	29.2	28.6	22.2
Married	46.8	48.7	43.0	48.4	41.0	48.3	56.6
Marriage-like relationship	8.7	12.2	6.9	9.6	9.6	9.3	7.6
Separated, divorced, widowed	3.5	5.8	2.6	3.0	3.0	5.4	4.1
Unknown	12.3	9.0	12.3	10.2	17.2	8.5	9.4
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) <sup>b</sup>	50.1	50.8	54.2	54.8	63.1	47.9	25.5
Master's earned (%)	83.0	86.8	78.2	85.9	79.9	88.8	87.3
Age at doctorate (median years)	32.8	35.5	31.5	32.5	31.5	34.1	35.3
Time to doctorate (median years)							
From bachelor's	9.3	12.0	8.7	9.6	8.3	10.4	11.9
From graduate school start	7.7	10.0	7.0	8.2	6.7	8.9	9.3
Female doctorate recipients (number)	4,981	363	418	333	2,598	377	892
Citizenship (%)							
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	78.9	84.3	39.5	76.9	85.9	80.6	74.8
Temporary visa holder	15.5	12.9	56.0	16.8	7.4	15.6	20.5
Unknown	5.6	2.8	4.5	6.3	6.7	3.7	4.7
Marital status (%)							
Never married	26.4	30.3	35.6	24.3	25.1	27.9	24.6
Married	44.0	44.9	44.0	46.2	41.7	46.9	48.2
Marriage-like relationship	11.5	14.6	6.9	12.9	11.8	12.2	10.5
Separated, divorced, widowed	5.2	5.0	3.8	5.1	4.8	5.6	6.8
Unknown	12.9	5.2	9.6	11.4	16.6	7.4	9.9
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) <sup>b</sup>	53.7	48.5	56.7	51.4	65.7	46.4	23.2
Master's earned (%)	82.6	89.5	83.0	82.9	79.8	89.9	84.5
Age at doctorate (median years)	32.3	34.2	30.7	32.7	31.3	33.3	35.0

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Time to doctorate (median years)							
From bachelor's	9.4	11.4	8.1	10.2	8.6	10.3	11.6
From graduate school start	7.7	9.1	6.7	8.4	7.0	8.8	9.3

\* = value < 0.05%.

<sup>a</sup> Includes respondents who did not report sex.

<sup>b</sup> A bachelor's degree is counted as "in same field as doctorate" if the fields of study for the doctorate recipient's bachelor's degree and doctorate degree are both in the same major field category of the National Science Foundation's field of study taxonomy. See table A-6 in the technical notes for a listing of major fields and their constituent subfields.

NOTE: Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100.

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