

TABLE 66. Statistical profile of doctorate recipients in humanities fields, by sex and field of study: 2013

Characteristic	All humanities fields	Foreign languages and literature	History	Letters	Other humanities
All doctorate recipients (number) ^a	5,662	701	1,149	1,604	2,208
Sex (%)					
Male	48.7	38.7	54.9	41.5	54.0
Female	51.2	61.3	45.1	58.5	45.9
Unknown	*	0.0	0.0	0.0	*
Citizenship (%)					
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	79.8	66.5	82.2	84.1	79.7
Temporary visa holder	13.3	25.5	11.6	9.3	13.2
Unknown	6.9	8.0	6.2	6.6	7.1
Marital status (%)					
Never married	24.7	25.7	22.8	25.9	24.5
Married	48.1	47.1	52.6	45.1	48.1
Marriage-like relationship	10.5	10.7	9.7	12.2	9.5
Separated, divorced, widowed	4.9	5.6	4.0	5.1	5.0
Unknown	11.9	11.0	10.9	11.7	12.8
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) ^b	51.4	46.2	52.7	45.0	56.9
Master's earned (%)	84.4	87.3	84.7	85.8	82.2
Age at doctorate (median years)	34.2	34.5	34.0	33.6	34.4
Time to doctorate (median years)					
From bachelor's	11.0	11.0	11.0	10.9	11.2
From graduate school start	9.2	9.1	9.0	9.0	9.6
Male doctorate recipients (number)	2,760	271	631	665	1,193
Citizenship (%)					
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	80.1	67.5	82.3	83.6	80.0
Temporary visa holder	12.9	25.5	11.1	9.2	13.1
Unknown	7.0	7.0	6.7	7.2	7.0
Marital status (%)					
Never married	24.2	30.6	22.2	26.3	22.5
Married	50.7	44.3	56.3	45.9	51.8
Marriage-like relationship	9.5	12.9	7.1	11.9	8.5
Separated, divorced, widowed	3.7	1.8	3.0	3.9	4.3
Unknown	12.1	10.3	11.4	12.0	12.8
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) ^b	51.8	46.9	54.8	41.4	57.2
Master's earned (%)	83.9	86.3	84.5	85.7	82.1
Age at doctorate (median years)	34.4	34.5	34.7	33.7	34.6
Time to doctorate (median years)					
From bachelor's	11.0	10.6	11.3	11.0	11.0
From graduate school start	9.2	8.7	9.3	9.0	9.5
Female doctorate recipients (number)	2,901	430	518	939	1,014
Citizenship (%)					
U.S. citizen or permanent resident	79.6	65.8	82.2	84.5	79.5
Temporary visa holder	13.7	25.6	12.2	9.4	13.3
Unknown	6.8	8.6	5.6	6.2	7.2
Marital status (%)					
Never married	25.2	22.6	23.6	25.6	26.8
Married	45.6	48.8	48.1	44.6	43.9
Marriage-like relationship	11.4	9.3	12.9	12.5	10.7
Separated, divorced, widowed	6.1	7.9	5.2	6.0	5.9
Unknown	11.7	11.4	10.2	11.4	12.7
Bachelor's in same field as doctorate (%) ^b	50.9	45.8	50.2	47.6	56.6
Master's earned (%)	84.8	87.9	84.9	85.8	82.5
Age at doctorate (median years)	33.8	34.5	33.4	33.4	34.3

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From graduate school start	9.2	9.7	8.7	9.0	9.6

* = value < 0.05%.

^a Includes respondents who did not report sex.

^b 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.

SOURCE: NSF, NIH, USED, USDA, NEH, NASA, Survey of Earned Doctorates, 2013.