

TABLE 9-15. Employment status and median salary of 2012 and 2013 science, engineering, and health doctoral degree recipients, by broad field of doctorate, sex, race, ethnicity, and disability status: 2015

Field, sex, race, ethnicity, and disability status	All recipients	Employed				Not employed		Median salary for full-time employed ^a (\$)
		Total	Full time	Part time	Postdoc	Seeking work	Not seeking work	
All S&E and S&E-related fields	68,100	64,800	47,950	3,300	13,550	1,750	1,550	73,000
Female	29,800	27,700	19,650	2,150	5,900	900	1,200	65,000
Male	38,250	37,100	28,300	1,150	7,700	800	350	80,000
White	38,850	37,200	27,650	2,050	7,500	800	900	70,000
Asian ^b	20,300	19,250	14,250	450	4,550	600	500	79,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	7,400	6,950	5,000	750	1,200	300	150	73,000
Without disability	64,300	61,200	45,200	3,100	12,850	1,600	1,550	73,000
With disability	3,800	3,600	2,750	150	700	150	50	65,000
Science	49,400	46,800	32,900	2,750	11,150	1,300	1,300	65,000
Female	23,450	21,700	14,800	1,750	5,150	700	1,050	60,000
Male	25,950	25,100	18,100	1,000	6,050	600	250	70,000
White	30,050	28,800	20,850	1,700	6,200	550	700	65,000
Asian ^b	12,550	11,700	7,750	350	3,600	450	400	65,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	5,500	5,150	3,500	600	1,050	200	150	66,000
Without disability	46,600	44,150	30,950	2,600	10,600	1,150	1,250	65,000
With disability	2,850	2,650	1,950	150	550	150	50	60,000
Biological/life sciences	17,850	16,600	9,200	500	6,900	600	650	50,000
Female	9,450	8,700	4,750	400	3,550	300	450	50,000
Male	8,350	7,900	4,450	100	3,350	250	200	51,000
White	10,350	9,750	5,700	300	3,750	250	350	53,000
Asian ^b	5,000	4,550	2,250	50	2,250	250	200	48,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	2,000	1,850	1,050	50	750	50	100	52,000
Without disability	17,000	15,850	8,700	450	6,650	550	650	50,000
With disability	800	750	500	D	250	S	D	51,000
Computer and information sciences	3,400	3,350	3,050	50	200	D	D	105,000
Female	700	650	600	D	S	D	D	99,000
Male	2,700	2,700	2,450	D	200	D	D	108,000
White	1,550	1,500	1,400	D	100	D	D	98,000
Asian ^b	1,600	1,600	1,500	D	100	D	D	110,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	200	150	150	D	D	D	D	114,000
Without disability	3,150	3,100	2,850	50	200	D	D	106,000
With disability	250	250	250	D	D	D	D	100,000
Mathematical sciences	3,300	3,200	2,700	150	350	D	D	77,000
Female	1,050	950	850	D	100	D	D	78,000
Male	2,250	2,250	1,850	150	250	D	D	77,000
White	1,750	1,750	1,450	100	250	D	D	65,000
Asian ^b	1,250	1,200	1,050	D	100	D	D	88,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	200	200	150	D	D	D	D	73,000
Without disability	3,150	3,100	2,600	150	350	D	D	77,000
With disability	150	150	100	D	D	D	D	77,000
Physical and related sciences	9,600	9,100	6,150	350	2,600	350	150	70,000
Female	3,150	2,850	1,900	200	750	200	100	65,000
Male	6,400	6,250	4,250	150	1,850	150	50	74,000
White	5,800	5,600	3,950	250	1,400	150	50	70,000
Asian ^b	2,850	2,650	1,600	50	950	150	100	68,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	750	650	450	50	150	S	D	81,000
Without disability	8,950	8,500	5,750	350	2,400	300	150	72,000
With disability	650	600	400	D	150	D	D	54,000

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		Total	Full time	Part time	Postdoc	Seeking work	Not seeking work	
Psychology	7,000	6,650	5,150	800	700	100	250	70,000
Female	4,950	4,650	3,650	550	450	50	250	68,000
Male	2,050	2,000	1,500	250	250	D	D	70,000
White	5,200	4,900	3,850	550	500	100	200	70,000
Asian ^b	600	550	400	D	100	D	D	61,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	1,050	1,050	750	200	100	D	D	68,000
Without disability	6,650	6,300	4,900	750	600	100	250	70,000
With disability	400	350	250	D	100	D	D	50,000
Social sciences	8,250	7,900	6,600	900	400	200	150	68,000
Female	4,150	3,900	3,050	600	250	100	150	65,000
Male	4,100	4,000	3,550	300	150	100	D	72,000
White	5,400	5,250	4,500	500	250	50	100	65,000
Asian ^b	1,250	1,200	950	150	50	D	D	80,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	1,300	1,200	900	250	50	100	D	70,000
Without disability	7,650	7,350	6,150	800	350	150	150	68,000
With disability	600	550	450	100	S	D	D	62,000
Engineering	14,350	13,800	11,700	250	1,850	350	200	92,000
Female	3,250	3,000	2,500	100	450	150	100	87,000
Male	11,100	10,800	9,200	150	1,450	200	100	94,000
White	6,250	5,950	4,800	150	1,000	200	100	90,000
Asian ^b	6,750	6,550	5,700	S	800	100	D	94,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	1,150	1,100	1,000	D	50	50	D	94,000
Without disability	13,600	13,050	11,000	250	1,800	350	200	92,000
With disability	750	750	650	D	100	D	D	94,000
Health	4,300	4,150	3,350	300	500	50	100	79,000
Female	3,100	2,950	2,350	250	300	50	100	76,000
Male	1,250	1,200	1,000	D	200	D	D	84,000
White	2,550	2,450	2,000	150	300	D	50	76,000
Asian ^b	1,000	950	750	D	150	D	D	80,000
Underrepresented minority ^c	700	700	500	100	100	*	D	81,000
Without disability	4,100	4,000	3,250	300	450	50	100	79,000
With disability	200	200	150	D	D	D	D	67,000

* = value < 25. D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information. S = suppressed for reliability; coefficient of variation exceeds publication standards.

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Salary data are for principal jobs only. Full-time employed are those working at least 35 hours per week at their principal jobs.

^b Excludes Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.

^c Underrepresented minority category includes black, Hispanic or Latino, and American Indian or Alaska Native. Persons of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity may be of one or more races.

NOTES: Numbers rounded to nearest 50, and median salaries rounded to nearest \$1,000. Detail may not add to total because of rounding and suppression. Total includes Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander and persons of more than one race who are not Hispanic or Latino. Survey of Doctorate Recipients asks the degree of difficulty—none, slight, moderate, severe, or unable to do—an individual has in seeing (with glasses); hearing (with hearing aid); walking without assistance; lifting 10 pounds; or concentrating, remembering, or making decisions. Respondents who answered "moderate," "severe," or "unable to do" for any activity were classified as having a disability.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Doctorate Recipients, 2015.