

TABLE 3-7. Disability status of S&E graduate students, by sex, age, race or ethnicity, enrollment status, and citizenship status: 2012
(Percent distribution)

Sex, age, race or ethnicity, enrollment status, and citizenship status	All students	Without disability	With disability
All S&E graduate students (number in thousands)	1,058.1	1,007.3	50.8
Sex	100.0	100.0	100.0
Female	55.6	55.4	59.1
Male	44.4	44.6	40.9
Age (years)	100.0	100.0	100.0
15–23	14.2	14.4	9.6
24–29	43.5	43.7	40.9
30 and older	42.3	41.9	49.5
Race or ethnicity ^a	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	58.5	58.6	57.1
Asian	19.5	19.6	18.6
Black	10.4	10.3	12.8
Hispanic	8.7	8.8	6.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.4 *	0.4 *	0.1 **
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.5 *	0.6 *	0.4 *
More than one race	1.9	1.7	4.4 *
Enrollment status	100.0	100.0	100.0
Exclusively full time	51.4	51.4	52.8
Exclusively part time	33.6	34.0	26.1
Mix of full and part time	15.0	14.6	21.0
Citizenship status	100.0	100.0	100.0
U.S. citizen	78.8	78.6	82.7
Resident alien	4.4	4.3	5.3 **
Foreign or international student	16.8	17.1	12.0

* = interpret data with caution; the estimate is unstable because the standard error represents more than 30% of the estimate.

** = interpret data with caution; the estimate is unstable because the standard error represents more than 50% of the estimate.

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Includes U.S. citizens and resident aliens only.

NOTES: Enrollment status was determined by student responses to the question, "Since you started working on your degree, have you been enrolled mainly as a full-time student or part-time student?" For disability status, those who reported any type of disability related to blindness, deafness, a severe vision or hearing impairment, substantial limitation of mobility, or any other physical, mental, or emotional condition that lasted 6 months or more are classified as with disability. Racial or ethnic and citizenship categories are those used by the National Center for Education Statistics in reporting these data. Resident alien is comparable to permanent resident, and foreign or international student is comparable to temporary resident. The total number of S&E graduate students differs from data in other tables due to differences in survey methodologies. Detail may not round to total due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study, 2012.