



APPENDIX TABLE 3-4

Employment sector of S&E highest degree holders and workers in S&E occupations: 1993, 2003, and 2015

(Percent)

Employment sector	1993		2003		2015	
	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations
Total (number)	7,036,000	3,303,000	9,579,000	4,817,000	13,497,000	6,407,000
Business or industry	68.7	67.8	71.3	71.7	72.3	71.5
For-profit businesses	57.3	61.1	59.1	64.2	58.9	63.6
Nonprofit businesses	5.2	3.2	6.3	3.7	7.3	4.7
Self-employed, unincorporated businesses	6.2	3.5	5.9	3.9	6.1	3.2
Education	16.8	17.8	15.6	15.9	15.8	17.2
4-year institutions	9.1	14.3	8.5	12.9	8.8	14.2
2-year and precollege institutions	7.7	3.5	7.2	3.0	7.1	3.0
Government	14.5	14.4	13.1	12.4	11.9	11.3
Federal	6.9	8.4	5.3	5.9	5.3	5.8
State or local	7.7	5.9	7.8	6.5	6.5	5.5

Note(s)

Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

Source(s)



National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System (SESTAT) (1993 and 2003), <https://www.nsf.gov/statistics/sestat/>, and the National Survey of College Graduates (NSCG) (2015), <https://www.nsf.gov/statistics/srvygrads/>.

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