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Tenure status of S&E doctorate holders employed in academia, by age: 1995 and 2015

(Percent)

Age	1995			2015		
	Tenured	Tenure track	Others	Tenured	Tenure track	Others
Total all ages	52.6	16.7	30.7	46.6	14.7	38.7
Younger than 30	s	25.0	75.0	s	26.9	76.9
30-34	5.2	36.7	58.5	3.2	35.8	61.0
35-39	24.9	35.2	39.8	18.9	35.3	45.9
40-44	47.2	20.5	32.3	43.3	19.3	37.5
45-49	63.1	10.3	26.5	54.4	10.0	35.6
50-54	75.8	5.4	18.5	59.3	4.9	35.9
55-59	80.1	2.0	17.5	64.0	3.9	32.0
60-64	85.8	1.4	12.8	68.1	2.6	29.3
65-75	75.9	s	22.8	68.2	1.4	30.4

s = suppressed for reasons of confidentiality and/or reliability.

Note(s)

Academic employment is limited to U.S. doctorate holders employed at 2- or 4-year colleges or universities, medical schools, and university research institutes. Percentages may not add to 100% because of rounding. Others include S&E doctorate holders at institutions where no tenure is offered or there is no tenure for the position held.

Source(s)

National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, special tabulations (2017) of the Survey of Doctorate Recipients (SDR).

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