

TABLE 12. American Indian or Alaska Native, black or African American, and Hispanic recent graduates with master's degrees in science, engineering, or health, by major field of degree and sex: October 2008

Major field	All graduates ^a	American Indian or Alaska Native		Black or African American		Hispanic	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
All fields	309,000	1,000	*	7,000	13,000	7,000	11,000
Science	146,000	D	*	4,000	6,000	4,000	5,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	22,000	D	D	*	1,000	*	1,000
Agricultural/food sciences	2,000	D	D	D	D	D	*
Biological sciences	18,000	D	D	*	1,000	*	*
Environmental life sciences	2,000	D	D	D	D	D	*
Computer and information sciences	30,000	D	D	1,000	1,000	1,000	*
Mathematics and statistics	9,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Physical and related sciences	11,000	D	D	1,000	*	*	*
Chemistry, except biochemistry	4,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences ^b	4,000	D	D	D	*	D	*
Physics	3,000	D	D	*	D	*	*
Psychology	41,000	D	D	1,000	3,000	1,000	3,000
Social and related sciences	34,000	D	*	1,000	2,000	1,000	1,000
Economics	5,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Political and related sciences	12,000	D	D	*	*	*	1,000
Sociology/anthropology	6,000	D	*	*	*	*	*
Other social sciences	10,000	D	D	*	1,000	*	*
Engineering	58,000	*	D	2,000	*	2,000	1,000
Chemical	2,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Civil/architectural	7,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Electrical/computer	22,000	D	D	1,000	*	1,000	*
Industrial	4,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Mechanical	8,000	D	D	*	*	*	*
Other	16,000	D	D	*	*	1,000	*
Health	105,000	D	D	2,000	7,000	2,000	5,000

* = value < 500; D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information.

^a Includes Asian, white, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, and individuals reporting two or more races, not shown separately.

^b Other physical sciences are included in earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences.

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest 1,000. Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Estimates are from sample survey of college graduates who received bachelor's or master's degrees in science, engineering, or health fields in 2006 and 2007 academic years; estimates may differ from degree counts published elsewhere.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 2008.