

TABLE 34. Highest educational attainment of either parent of doctorate recipients:
Selected years, 1983–2013

(Percent)

Year	High school or less	Some college ^a	Bachelor's degree	Advanced degree
1983	38.1	15.7	22.2	24.0
1988	35.2	14.7	22.8	27.3
1993	31.2	15.1	20.8	32.8
1998	25.8	13.7	22.4	38.1
2003	23.2	13.3	23.2	40.2
2008	20.8	13.3	25.4	40.0
2013	18.5	12.7	25.4	42.9

^a Includes those who attended college but did not earn a bachelor's.

NOTE: Percentages may not sum to 100 because of rounding and because 210 doctorate recipients (0.5%) reported "not applicable/unknown" for both father's and mother's education in 2008, and 251 doctorate recipients (0.5%) reported "not applicable/unknown" for both father's and mother's education in 2013.

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