

# US Higher Education Data (2000-01)

## Bachelor's Degrees

<b>Total Number</b>	<b>1,244,171</b>	<b>1%</b>
		<u>Change from</u>
<u>Field</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Business	265,746	3%
Social Sciences/History	128,036	1%
<b>Education</b>	<b>105,566</b>	<b>-2%</b>
Psychology	73,534	-1%
Health Professions	73,490	-6%
Visual/Performing Arts	61,148	4%
Biological Sciences	60,553	-5%
<b>Engineering</b>	<b>58,098</b>	<b>-1%</b>
Communications	58,013	4%
English	51,419	1%
Computer/Information Sciences	41,954	16%
Liberal/General Studies	37,962	5%
Multi/Interdisciplinary	25,999	-5%
Protective Services	25,211	1%
Parks, Recreation, Leisure	19,565	2%
Public Admin & Services	19,447	-4%
<b>Physical Sciences</b>	<b>17,979</b>	<b>-2%</b>
Home Economics	17,777	0%
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>11,674</b>	<b>-3%</b>
All Others	91,000	-2%

Source: Digest of Education  
Statistics, 2002,  
National Center for Education  
Statistics (<http://nces.ed.gov>);  
Table 255.

# PhD and Other Professional Degrees 2000-2001

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Change from Previous Year</u>
PhD and ED	44,904	0%
JD	37,904	-1%
MD	15,403	1%
Pharmacy	6,324	12%
Divinity	5,026	-18%
DDS	4,391	3%
Chiropractic	3,796	0%
DVM	2,248	0%
All Other Fields	4,615	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>124,611</b>	<b>0%</b>
PhD and ED:		
Education	6,716	-2%
<b>Engineering</b>	<b>5,558</b>	<b>3%</b>
Psychology	4,659	8%
Biological Sciences	4,600	-5%
Physical Sciences	3,976	-1%
Social Sciences/History	3,930	-4%
Health Professions	2,855	7%
English	1,506	-7%
Theological Studies	1,469	-11%
Business	1,180	-1%
<b>Computer Science</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>-1%</b>
All Others	7,687	4%

Source: Digest of Education Statistics, 2002, National Center for Education Statistics (<http://nces.ed.gov>); Tables 254 and 260.

## Other Interesting Education Facts for 2000-2001

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Associate's Degrees	578,865	347,220	60%
Bachelor's Degrees	1,244,171	712,331	57%
Master's Degrees	468,476	274,125	59%
PhD and ED Degrees	44,904	20,176	45%
First Professional Degrees	79,707	36,845	46%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,416,123</b>	<b>1,390,697</b>	<b>58%</b>

### Of the Master's Degrees:

Education	129,066	98,828	77%
Business	116,475	47,415	41%
Health	43,617	33,742	77%
Engineering	26,250	5,562	21%

### Of the PhD Degrees:

- 54% of PhDs in Engineering went to Non-Residents.
- 49% of PhDs in Computer Science went to Non-Residents.
- 48% of PhDs in Mathematics went to Non-Residents.
- 37% of PhDs in Physical Sciences went to Non-Residents.
- 17% of PhDs in Engineering went to Women.

Source: Digest of Education Statistics, 2002, National Center for Education Statistics (<http://nces.ed.gov>); Tables 251,255, 260, and 271.

## Undergraduate Degrees 1999 or Most Recent Year

	<u>Number of Degrees</u>	<u>% of 24-Year Olds</u>
United States	1,199,579	35.3%
India	750,000	4.8%
Russia	554,814	25.6%
Japan	532,436	30.1%
China	440,935	2.2%
United Kingdom (Short)	258,753	36.0%
Brazil	245,401	8.2%
South Korea	204,390	24.7%
Germany (Long and Short)	197,151	21.4%
Mexico	191,024	9.4%
 Total	 4,574,483	
 Worldwide Total	 6,781,885	 9.6%

Source: Science and Engineering Indicators 2002; National Science Foundation;  
Table 2-18.

## Undergraduate BS Engineering Degrees 1999 or Most Recent Year

	<u>Number of Engineering Degrees</u>	<u>% of BS/BA Degrees</u>
Worldwide Total	868,340	12.8%
China	196,354	44.5%
Japan	103,440	19.4%
Russia	82,409	14.9%
United States	60,914	5.0%
South Korea	45,145	22.1%
Germany (Long and Short)	32,663	16.6%
India	29,000	3.9%
France (Long)	22,828	29.5%
United Kingdom (Short)	22,012	8.5%
Mexico	21,358	11.2%
 Total	 616,123	 14.0%

# Workforce Issues

## Unemployment by Education

	Sep-02 Number 1000s	%	Sep-03 Number 1000s	%	Max % Last 24 Months	Min%
Over 25 years of age:						
Less than HS	977	7.9%	1,088	8.6%	9.7 %	7.7%
HS-No College	1,912	5.0%	2,031	5.3%	5.8%	4.4%
Some College	1,552	4.6%	1,634	4.8%	5.0%	3.4%
<b>College Graduates</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>2.9%</b>	<b>1,276</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>
Sum	5,569	5.1%	6,029	5.5%	5.9%	4.5%
Overall Unemployment (16 and over)	8,321	5.7%	8,973	6.1%	6.4%	4.1%

*All numbers are seasonally adjusted*

Source: data of the Bureau of Labor Statistics ([www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)) Tables A-5 and A-9

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