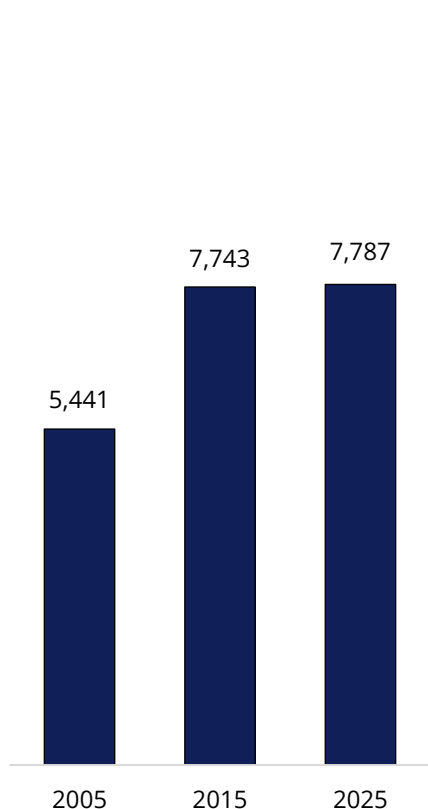


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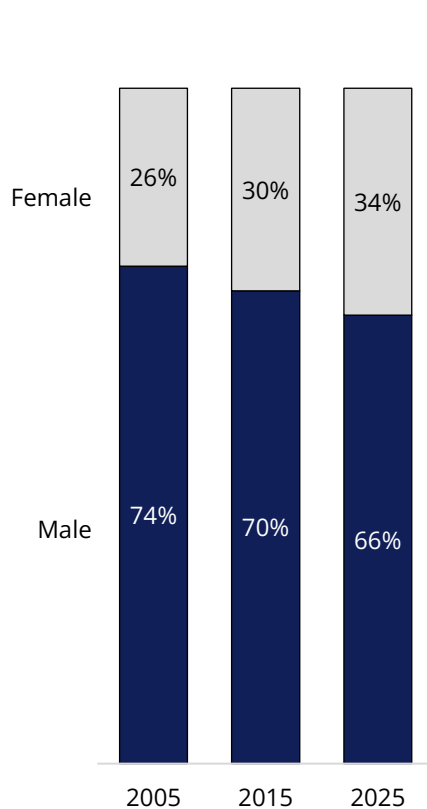
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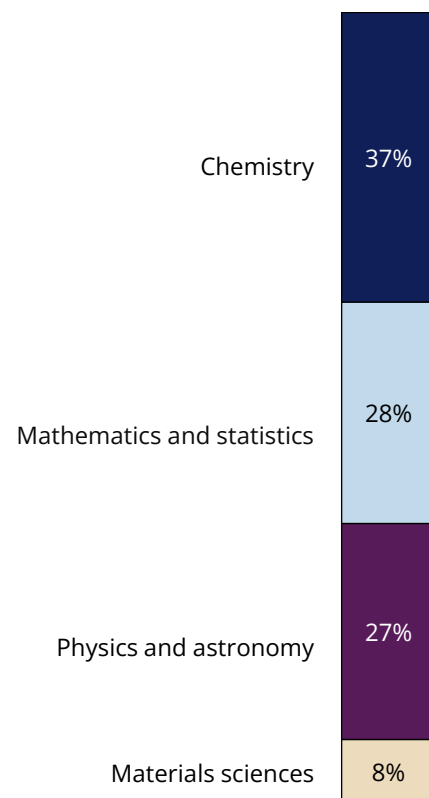
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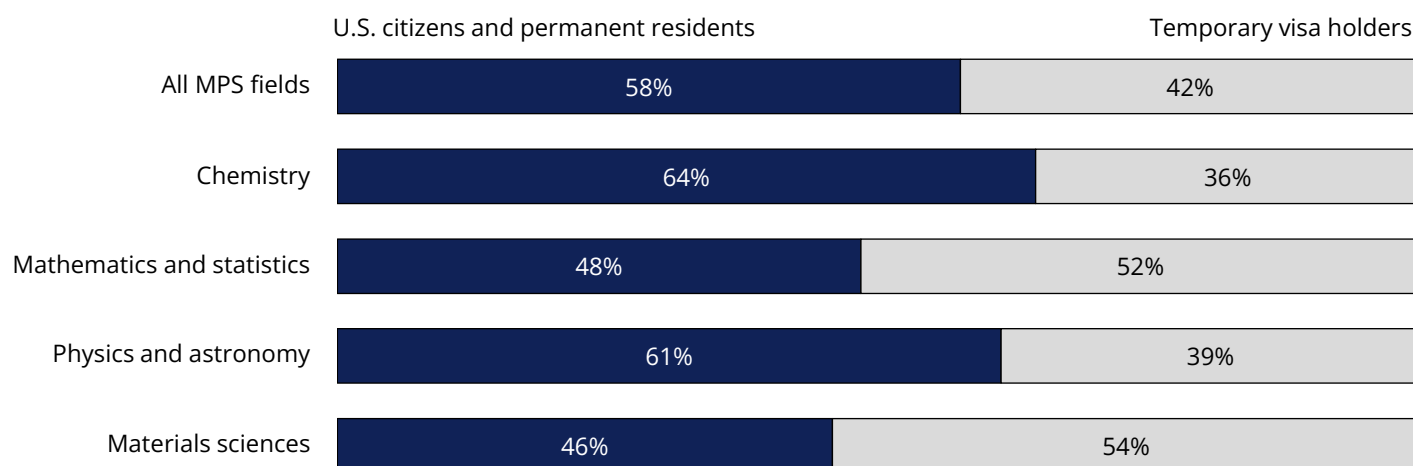
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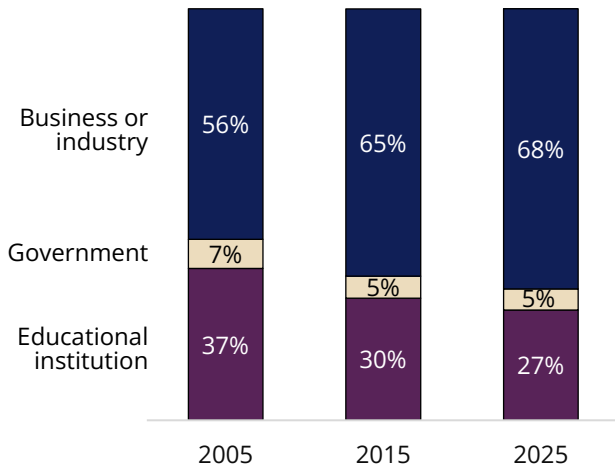


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Definite non-postdoctoral employment commitments by sector: 2005, 2015, and 2025



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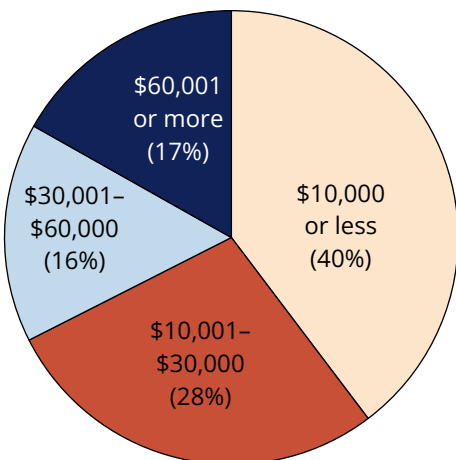
# 87%

of mathematical and physical sciences research doctorate recipients reported having **no graduate education-related debt** after receiving their doctoral degree in 2025.

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## Graduate education-related debt among those with graduate debt: 2025

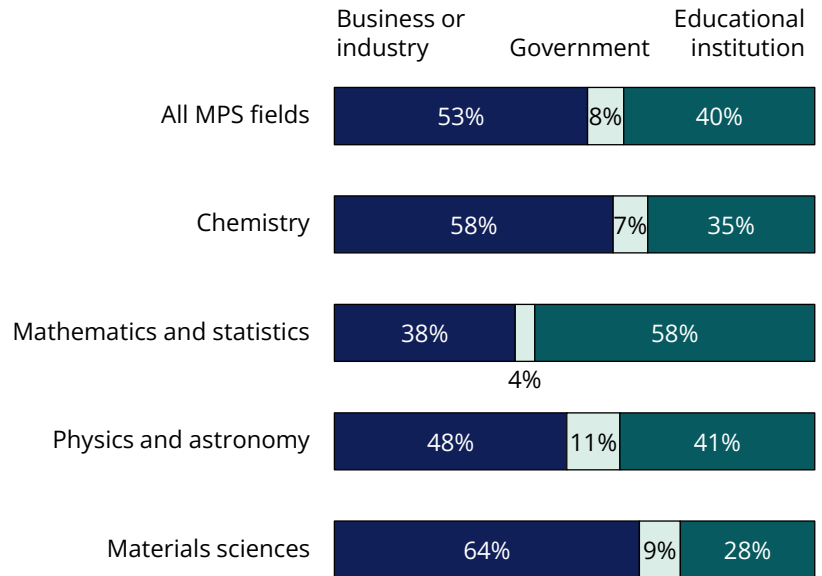
Among the 13% who reported debt



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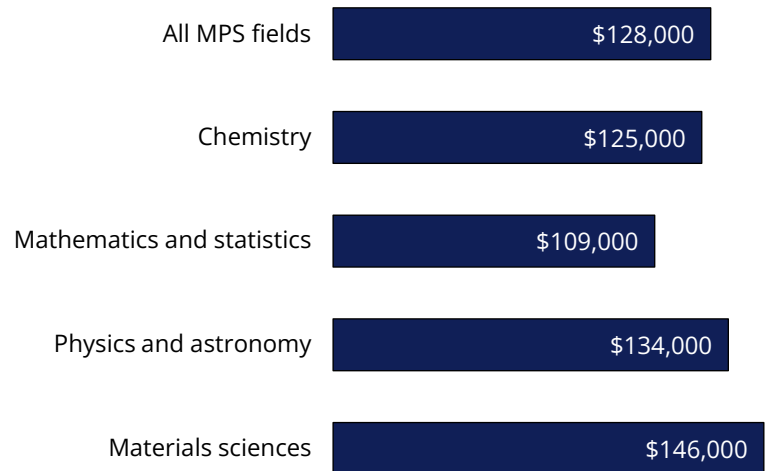
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Employment sector by field of degree: 2023



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## Median salary by field of degree: 2023



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