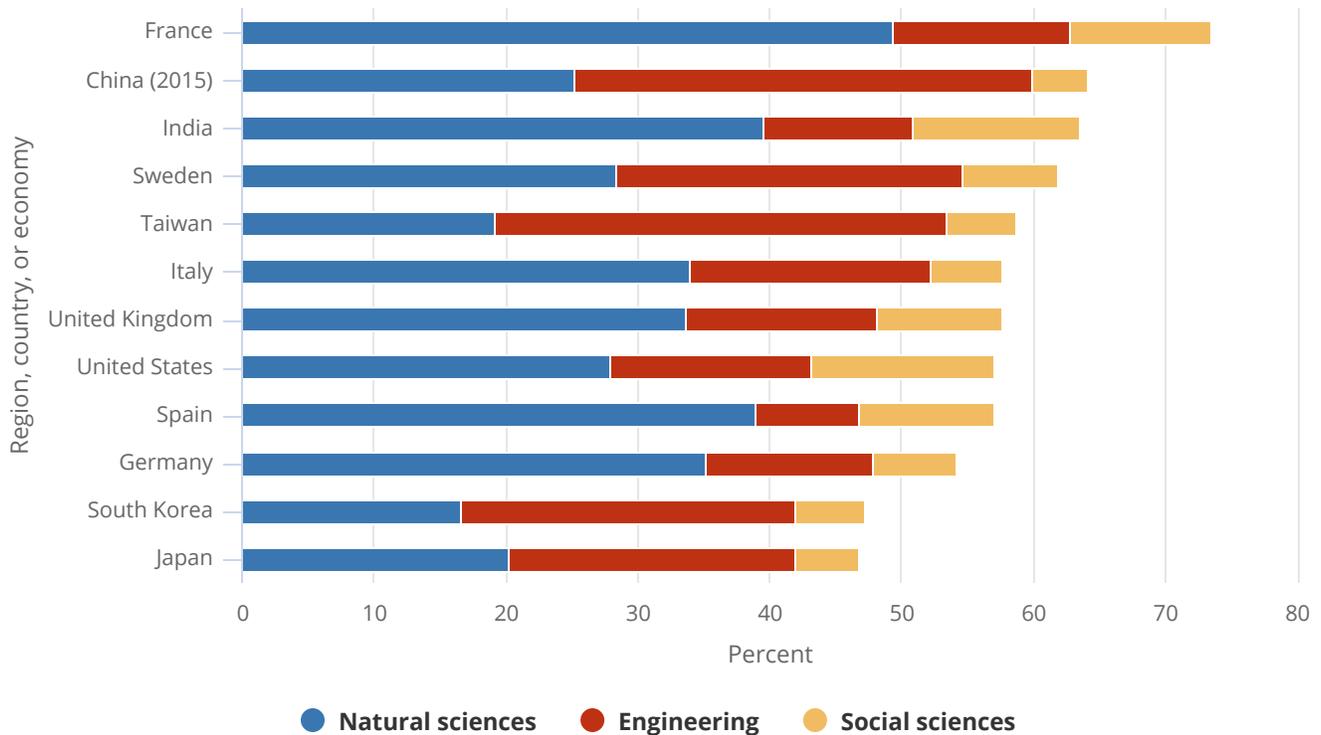


FIGURE 2-22

Total doctoral degrees by broad area of study, by selected region, country, or economy: 2016 or most recent year

**Note(s)**

Natural sciences include agricultural sciences; biological sciences; computer sciences; earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences; and mathematics. Data are not comparable with data presented in earlier *Indicators* reports because of a change to the International Standard Classification of Education 2011 and to a more aggregated taxonomy of fields. To facilitate international comparison, data for the United States are those reported to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, which varies slightly from the National Science Foundation classification of fields presented in other sections of the report.

Source(s)

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