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Median salaries for recent SEH doctorate recipients up to 5 years after receiving degree, by field of degree and employment sector: 2017

(Current dollars)

Field of doctorate	All sectors	Education				Government	Business or industry
		4-year institutions			2-year or precollege institutions		
		All positions	Tenured or tenure-track position	Postdoc			
All SEH fields	80,000	60,000	74,000	49,000	59,000	83,000	104,000
Biological, agricultural, and environmental life sciences	59,000	50,000	72,000	48,000	55,000	65,000	85,000
Computer and information sciences	124,000	81,000	86,000	65,000	s	119,000	138,000
Mathematics and statistics	87,000	66,000	75,000	59,000	59,000	89,000	118,000
Physical sciences	77,000	54,000	65,000	49,000	55,000	81,000	100,000
Psychology	72,000	62,000	65,000	49,000	69,000	88,000	80,000
Social sciences	71,000	65,000	71,000	47,000	59,000	93,000	100,000
Engineering	100,000	69,000	84,000	50,000	48,000	100,000	110,000
Health	82,000	69,000	74,000	47,000	88,000	95,000	105,000

s = suppressed for reasons of confidentiality and/or reliability.

SEH = science, engineering, and health.

Note(s)

Salaries are rounded to the nearest \$1,000. Data include graduates from 19 months to 60 months prior to the survey reference date. The 2-year or precollege institutions include 2-year colleges and community colleges or technical institutes and also preschool, elementary, middle, or secondary schools. The 4-year institutions include 4-year colleges or universities, medical schools, and university-affiliated research institutes.

Source(s)

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Science Foundation, Survey of Doctorate Recipients (SDR), 2017.

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