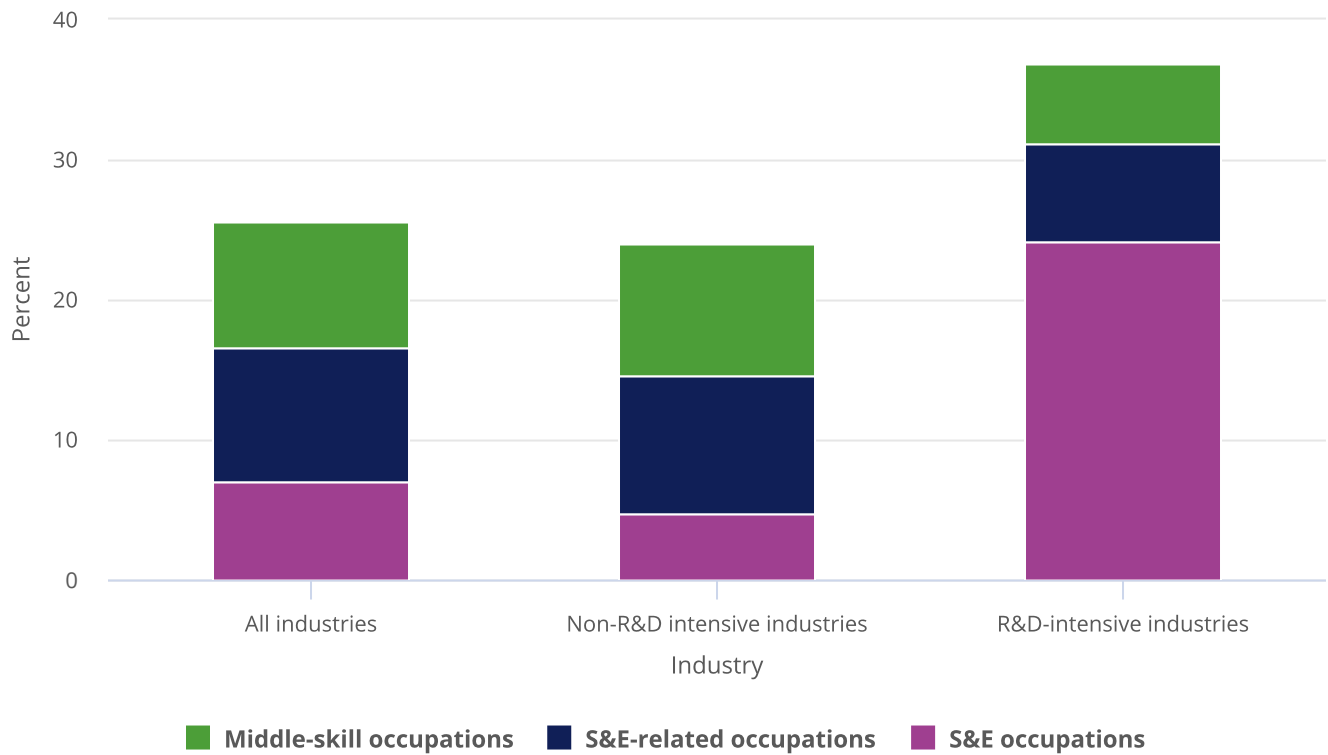


Figure 20. STEM occupational group share of total employment, by R&D-intensive industry classification: 2024**Note(s):**

STEM is science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. STEM employment includes workers in S&E, S&E-related, and middle-skill occupations. The classification of R&D-intensive industries is based on 2023 data from the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics Business Enterprise Research and Development (BERD) Survey, which uses the 2017 version of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). The resulting 2017 NAICS industry codes were crosswalked to the NAICS-based codes used in the 2024 American Community Survey (ACS), which are based on the 2022 version of NAICS. In the 2022 version of NAICS the 2017 NAICS code 519130 was combined with multiple existing industries and recoded. Some of these industries are not classified as R&D intensive using 2023 BERD Survey data based on 2017 NAICS codes. These industries remained excluded from the identified R&D-intensive classification. As a result, use caution when comparing R&D intensity estimates across NAICS vintages.

Source(s):

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