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Research degrees included in the Survey of Earned Doctorates: 2013–17

(Number and percent)

Research degree	Degree title	2013		2014		2015		2016		2017	
		Number	Percent								
All research doctorates		52,704	100.0	53,991	100.0	54,901	100.0	54,862	100.0	54,664	100.0
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy	51,497	97.7	52,946	98.1	53,816	98.0	53,832	98.1	53,559	98.0
EdD	Doctor of Education	689	1.3	587	1.1	616	1.1	615	1.1	589	1.1
DSc, ScD	Doctor of Science	127	0.2	106	0.2	105	0.2	103	0.2	122	0.2
DEng, DEsc, DES	Doctor of Engineering or Engineering Science	19	*	32	0.1	36	0.1	33	0.1	40	0.1
DA	Doctor of Arts	7	*	6	*	4	*	7	*	4	*
DBA	Doctor of Business Administration	39	0.1	31	0.1	35	0.1	32	0.1	32	0.1
DMA	Doctor of Musical Arts	204	0.4	168	0.3	178	0.3	141	0.3	139	0.3
DDes	Doctor of Design	9	*	7	*	1	*	5	*	7	*
DPH	Doctor of Public Health	20	*	21	*	27	*	20	*	53	0.1
DHL	Doctor of Hebrew Letters	0	0.0	3	*	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0
DME	Doctor of Music Education	1	*	0	0.0	2	*	0	0.0	3	*
DML	Doctor of Modern Languages	3	*	7	*	3	*	5	*	6	*
DNsc	Doctor of Nursing Science	1	*	5	*	2	*	2	*	10	*
ThD	Doctor of Theology	14	*	8	*	16	*	14	*	22	*
DFA	Doctor of Fine Arts	4	*	1	*	0	0.0	2	*	4	*
JSD, SJD	Doctor of Juridical Science	63	0.1	61	0.1	54	0.1	45	0.1	67	0.1
STD	Doctor of Sacred Theology	6	*	1	*	5	*	2	*	1	*
JCD	Doctor of Canon Law	0	0.0	1	*	1	*	2	*	6	*
All other research doctorates ^a		1	*	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0

* = value < 0.05%.

^a Includes doctorates awarded that were determined to be ineligible for Survey of Earned Doctorates after the doctoral program was begun but before doctorate was granted.**Note(s)**

Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100.

Source(s)

National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates.