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Research degrees included in the Survey of Earned Doctorates: 2014–18

(Number and percent)

Research degree	Degree title	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All research doctorates		53,988	100.0	54,889	100.0	54,798	100.0	54,559	100.0	55,195	100.0
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy	52,943	98.1	53,804	98.0	53,768	98.1	53,479	98.0	54,246	98.3
EdD	Doctor of Education	587	1.1	616	1.1	615	1.1	589	1.1	571	1.0
DSc, ScD	Doctor of Science	106	0.2	105	0.2	103	0.2	108	0.2	92	0.2
DEng, DEsc, DES	Doctor of Engineering or Engineering Science	32	0.1	36	0.1	33	0.1	28	0.1	21	*
DA	Doctor of Arts	6	*	4	*	7	*	4	*	5	*
DBA	Doctor of Business Administration	31	0.1	35	0.1	32	0.1	32	0.1	24	*
DMA	Doctor of Musical Arts	168	0.3	178	0.3	141	0.3	139	0.3	116	0.2
DDes	Doctor of Design	7	*	1	*	5	*	7	*	9	*
DPH	Doctor of Public Health	21	*	27	*	20	*	53	0.1	41	0.1
DHL	Doctor of Hebrew Letters	3	*	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0	0	0.0
DME	Doctor of Music Education	0	0.0	2	*	0	0.0	3	*	0	0.0
DML	Doctor of Modern Languages	7	*	3	*	5	*	6	*	4	*
DNsc	Doctor of Nursing Science	5	*	2	*	2	*	10	*	0	0.0
ThD	Doctor of Theology	8	*	16	*	14	*	23	*	11	*
DFA	Doctor of Fine Arts	1	*	0	0.0	2	*	4	*	3	*
JSD, SJD	Doctor of Juridical Science	61	0.1	54	0.1	45	0.1	67	0.1	50	0.1
STD	Doctor of Sacred Theology	1	*	5	*	2	*	1	*	0	0.0
JCD	Doctor of Canon Law	1	*	1	*	2	*	6	*	2	*
All other research doctorates ^a		0	0.0	0	0.0	1	*	0	0.0	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 Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates.