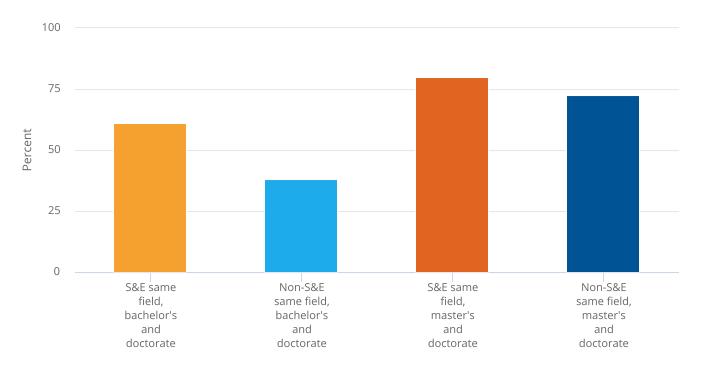
Figure 33

Doctorate recipients who stayed in the same field of study as their bachelor's or master's degrees: 2017–19



Field of study and degree levels

S&E = science and engineering.

Note(s):

Percentages for same field in bachelor's degree and doctorate are based on the total number of doctorates. Percentages for same field in master's degree and doctorate are based on the number of doctorate recipients who reported earning a master's degree. A bachelor's or master's degree is counted as in the "same field" as the doctorate if the first or most recent bachelor's or master's degree and doctorate are in the same major field, except for engineering and education, where only the broad field needs to match. See table A-6 in the technical notes for a listing of broad fields and their constituent major fields.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates, 2019.