

Table 2**Doctorate-granting institutions and doctorate recipients per institution: 1973–2020**

(Number, mean, and median)

| Year | Doctorate-granting institutions | Doctorate recipients | | |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | Total | Mean (per institution) | Median (per institution) |
| 1973 | 282 | 33,755 | 119.7 | 43.5 |
| 1974 | 288 | 33,047 | 114.7 | 41.0 |
| 1975 | 289 | 32,952 | 114.0 | 45.0 |
| 1976 | 291 | 32,946 | 113.2 | 45.0 |
| 1977 | 299 | 31,716 | 106.1 | 44.0 |
| 1978 | 303 | 30,875 | 101.9 | 39.0 |
| 1979 | 305 | 31,238 | 102.4 | 42.0 |
| 1980 | 313 | 31,019 | 99.1 | 38.0 |
| 1981 | 316 | 31,355 | 99.2 | 41.0 |
| 1982 | 322 | 31,108 | 96.6 | 35.0 |
| 1983 | 326 | 31,280 | 96.0 | 37.0 |
| 1984 | 326 | 31,334 | 96.1 | 39.5 |
| 1985 | 331 | 31,295 | 94.5 | 37.0 |
| 1986 | 333 | 31,897 | 95.8 | 38.0 |
| 1987 | 343 | 32,365 | 94.4 | 40.0 |
| 1988 | 345 | 33,497 | 97.1 | 36.0 |
| 1989 | 350 | 34,325 | 98.1 | 36.5 |
| 1990 | 348 | 36,065 | 103.6 | 43.0 |
| 1991 | 357 | 37,530 | 105.1 | 39.0 |
| 1992 | 360 | 38,886 | 108.0 | 43.5 |
| 1993 | 366 | 39,800 | 108.7 | 42.5 |
| 1994 | 368 | 41,034 | 111.5 | 43.0 |
| 1995 | 376 | 41,747 | 111.0 | 43.0 |
| 1996 | 384 | 42,437 | 110.5 | 44.0 |
| 1997 | 379 | 42,539 | 112.2 | 45.0 |
| 1998 | 382 | 42,636 | 111.6 | 44.5 |
| 1999 | 389 | 41,101 | 105.7 | 43.0 |
| 2000 | 403 | 41,369 | 102.7 | 41.0 |
| 2001 | 411 | 40,744 | 99.1 | 37.0 |
| 2002 | 410 | 40,031 | 97.6 | 38.0 |
| 2003 | 418 | 40,762 | 97.5 | 36.5 |
| 2004 | 413 | 42,122 | 102.0 | 39.0 |
| 2005 | 413 | 43,385 | 105.0 | 42.0 |
| 2006 | 413 | 45,620 | 110.5 | 41.0 |
| 2007 | 408 | 48,132 | 118.0 | 46.0 |
| 2008 | 415 | 48,776 | 117.5 | 43.0 |
| 2009 | 416 | 49,552 | 119.1 | 46.0 |
| 2010 | 411 | 48,028 | 116.9 | 44.0 |
| 2011 | 405 | 48,909 | 120.8 | 44.0 |
| 2012 | 412 | 50,943 | 123.6 | 46.5 |
| 2013 | 417 | 52,703 | 126.4 | 44.0 |
| 2014 | 422 | 53,986 | 127.9 | 47.0 |
| 2015 | 426 | 54,886 | 128.8 | 46.0 |
| 2016 | 430 | 54,809 | 127.5 | 48.0 |
| 2017 | 425 | 54,552 | 128.4 | 50.0 |
| 2018 | 428 | 55,085 | 128.7 | 48.5 |
| 2019 | 447 | 55,614 | 124.4 | 40.0 |
| 2020 | 449 | 55,283 | 123.1 | 41.0 |

Source(s):

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