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		Business or industry, total	For-profit business or industry	Nonprofit business or industry	Self-employed, not incorporated	Education, total	4-year educational institution ^a	2-year college or precollege educational institution	Government, total	Federal government	State or local government
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,000	*	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Asian	57,000	18,000	13,000	4,000	2,000	34,000	31,000	3,000	4,000	2,000	2,000
Black or African American	44,000	14,000	11,000	2,000	1,000	21,000	16,000	5,000	9,000	6,000	4,000
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	S	D	D	D	D	S	S	D	D	D	D
White	513,000	200,000	108,000	48,000	45,000	239,000	189,000	51,000	73,000	42,000	32,000
More than one race	16,000	3,000	2,000	1,000	D	11,000	6,000	S	2,000	1,000	S
Without disability	623,000	229,000	126,000	54,000	48,000	300,000	236,000	64,000	94,000	45,000	49,000
With disability	89,000	28,000	16,000	6,000	6,000	41,000	34,000	7,000	20,000	9,000	12,000
Engineers	1,949,000	1,600,000	1,529,000	30,000	41,000	119,000	114,000	5,000	229,000	133,000	97,000
Female	312,000	242,000	228,000	6,000	8,000	27,000	25,000	1,000	44,000	25,000	19,000
Male	1,636,000	1,359,000	1,301,000	25,000	33,000	92,000	88,000	4,000	185,000	107,000	78,000
Hispanic or Latino	178,000	138,000	133,000	2,000	4,000	11,000	10,000	D	29,000	17,000	12,000
Not Hispanic or Latino											
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,000	2,000	2,000	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Asian	316,000	251,000	242,000	7,000	2,000	34,000	33,000	1,000	31,000	13,000	18,000
Black or African American	65,000	49,000	47,000	S	S	3,000	3,000	D	13,000	9,000	4,000
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7,000	5,000	4,000	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
White	1,345,000	1,127,000	1,075,000	19,000	33,000	69,000	65,000	3,000	149,000	89,000	60,000
More than one race	36,000	28,000	26,000	D	D	2,000	2,000	D	6,000	4,000	1,000
Without disability	1,758,000	1,446,000	1,383,000	29,000	34,000	112,000	107,000	5,000	201,000	116,000	85,000
With disability	191,000	155,000	147,000	2,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	D	29,000	17,000	12,000
S&E-related occupations	9,522,000	6,903,000	4,558,000	1,948,000	396,000	1,883,000	724,000	1,159,000	736,000	327,000	409,000
Female	5,494,000	3,896,000	2,293,000	1,366,000	238,000	1,216,000	466,000	750,000	381,000	158,000	223,000
Male	4,028,000	3,007,000	2,266,000	582,000	158,000	667,000	258,000	408,000	355,000	169,000	185,000
Hispanic or Latino	843,000	623,000	405,000	179,000	39,000	129,000	45,000	85,000	91,000	35,000	56,000
Not Hispanic or Latino											
American Indian or Alaska Native	22,000	11,000	9,000	S	D	S	D	S	4,000	S	3,000
Asian	1,264,000	984,000	668,000	251,000	64,000	172,000	123,000	49,000	108,000	42,000	66,000
Black or African American	756,000	530,000	313,000	200,000	17,000	128,000	36,000	92,000	98,000	51,000	47,000
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	36,000	28,000	S	S	D	4,000	S	1,000	S	S	D
White	6,412,000	4,578,000	3,055,000	1,257,000	266,000	1,412,000	503,000	910,000	422,000	193,000	229,000
More than one race	189,000	150,000	95,000	46,000	10,000	29,000	13,000	15,000	10,000	5,000	5,000
Without disability	8,534,000	6,174,000	4,035,000	1,813,000	326,000	1,714,000	671,000	1,043,000	646,000	286,000	360,000
With disability	987,000	729,000	523,000	135,000	71,000	169,000	53,000	116,000	90,000	41,000	49,000
Non-S&E occupations	34,349,000	23,640,000	17,889,000	2,921,000	2,829,000	6,842,000	1,570,000	5,272,000	3,867,000	1,338,000	2,529,000

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Female	18,699,000	11,615,000	8,244,000	1,929,000	1,442,000	5,095,000	996,000	4,100,000	1,989,000	576,000	1,413,000
Male	15,649,000	12,025,000	9,645,000	993,000	1,387,000	1,747,000	575,000	1,172,000	1,878,000	761,000	1,116,000
Hispanic or Latino	3,772,000	2,310,000	1,852,000	244,000	214,000	917,000	197,000	720,000	545,000	207,000	339,000
Not Hispanic or Latino											
American Indian or Alaska Native	94,000	56,000	42,000	S	4,000	14,000	2,000	12,000	24,000	1,000	23,000
Asian	2,546,000	1,984,000	1,686,000	121,000	177,000	299,000	126,000	172,000	263,000	76,000	188,000
Black or African American	2,955,000	1,664,000	1,197,000	343,000	124,000	650,000	159,000	491,000	641,000	237,000	404,000
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	83,000	46,000	35,000	S	S	7,000	S	3,000	31,000	S	24,000
White	24,018,000	16,960,000	12,616,000	2,140,000	2,205,000	4,803,000	1,050,000	3,753,000	2,255,000	772,000	1,483,000
More than one race	880,000	619,000	460,000	57,000	102,000	153,000	32,000	121,000	108,000	39,000	69,000
Without disability	29,886,000	20,473,000	15,561,000	2,578,000	2,334,000	6,077,000	1,378,000	4,699,000	3,336,000	1,081,000	2,255,000
With disability	4,462,000	3,167,000	2,328,000	343,000	495,000	765,000	192,000	573,000	531,000	256,000	274,000

* = suppressed when population estimate < 500. D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information. S = suppressed for reliability; coefficient of variation exceeds publication standards.

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Includes medical schools and university-affiliated research institutes.

Note(s):

Numbers are rounded to the nearest 1,000. Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Hispanic or Latino may be any race; race categories exclude Hispanic origin. The National Survey of College Graduates asks the degree of difficulty—none, slight, moderate, severe, or unable to do—an individual has in seeing (with glasses), hearing (with hearing aid), walking without assistance, lifting 10 pounds, or concentrating, remembering, or making decisions. Those respondents who answered "moderate," "severe," or "unable to do" for an activity were classified as having a disability.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Survey of College Graduates, 2021.