

**Table 6-7****Median basic annual salary for research doctorate recipients with definite postgraduation plans for employment in the United States, by broad field of doctorate and employment sector: 2022**

(Dollars)

Field of doctorate	Total with definite plan <sup>a</sup>	Academe	Industry or business <sup>b</sup>	Government	Nonprofit organization	Other or unknown <sup>c</sup>
Doctorate recipients reporting annual salary	96,000	70,000	120,000	90,000	85,000	75,000
Science and engineering	105,000	71,000	120,000	90,000	92,000	71,000
Agricultural sciences and natural resources	84,000	65,000	95,000	73,875	80,000	60,000
Biological and biomedical sciences	100,000	65,000	110,000	79,901	85,000	57,000
Computer and information sciences	150,000	97,500	160,000	112,000	120,000	56,500
Engineering	118,000	88,000	120,000	99,493	106,000	110,000
Geosciences, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	80,000	65,000	113,750	70,853	68,000	57,500
Health sciences	90,000	78,000	110,000	89,950	105,000	74,000
Mathematics and statistics	120,000	61,750	140,000	104,500	100,000	53,500
Multidisciplinary/ interdisciplinary sciences	130,000	82,250	150,000	108,904	101,800	D
Physical sciences	110,000	60,000	115,000	95,000	110,000	58,000
Psychology	73,000	63,000	95,000	75,000	80,000	70,000
Social sciences	84,000	70,000	137,000	99,920	88,000	100,500
Non-science and engineering	70,000	66,925	89,000	88,000	70,000	76,476
Business	134,000	133,000	140,000	131,500	96,000	107,000
Education	73,415	68,000	90,000	86,000	81,500	85,000
Humanities	58,000	55,000	62,000	70,000	60,000	62,000
Visual and performing arts	53,350	53,000	50,000	D	53,500	65,000
Other non-science and engineering	70,000	65,000	95,000	90,000	90,000	68,000

D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information.

<sup>a</sup> Includes doctorate recipients who did not report employment sector.<sup>b</sup> Includes doctorate recipients reporting self-employment.<sup>c</sup> Other is mainly composed of elementary and secondary schools.**Note(s):**

A definite postgraduation commitment includes accepting new employment or a postdoctoral study (postdoc) position or returning to predoctoral employment. Basic annual salary is based on the job or postdoctoral study expected to be held after graduation. Median salaries in this table are the 50th percentile of the exact salary data provided and are rounded to the nearest dollar. Beginning in 2021, a modified version of the 2020 Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes was used in the survey data collection, and new broad, major, and detailed fields are used in tables reporting data from 2021 to the present; see the field list in table A-4. Therefore, the field of doctorate data prior to 2021 may not be comparable to subsequent years. For more information, see the "Technical Notes" and the SED 2021 Taxonomy Changes Working Paper (available at <https://nces.nsf.gov/pubs/nces23200>).

**Source(s):**

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