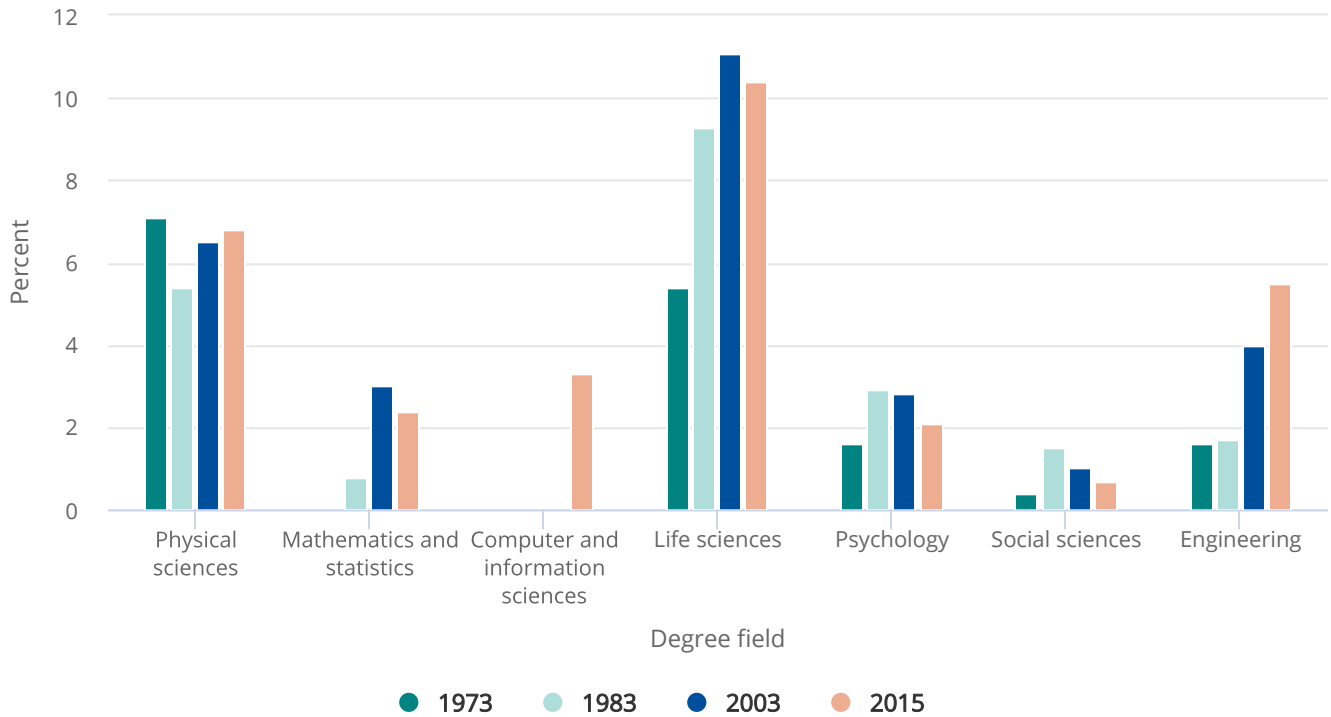


FIGURE 5-19

**S&E doctorate holders employed in academia in a postdoctoral position, by S&E degree field: Selected years, 1973–2015**



**Note(s)**

Data for computer sciences are not available for 1973. Data for computer sciences for 2003 are suppressed for reasons of confidentiality and/or reliability. Academic employment is limited to U.S. doctorate holders employed at 2- or 4-year colleges or universities, medical schools, and university research institutes, excluding those employed part time who are students or retired. Physical sciences include earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences; life sciences include biological, agricultural, environmental, and health sciences.

**Source(s)**

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