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(Percent)

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Field	1–3 years since doctorate				4–7 years since doctorate			
	All positions	Full-time faculty	Other full time	Postdocs	All positions	Full-time faculty	Other full time	Postdocs
<b>All fields</b>								
1975	44.2	31.1	58.3	87.8	42.5	40.0	66.2	83.2
1977	44.5	28.8	61.2	87.0	42.2	37.8	71.6	85.3
1979	47.2	29.6	58.9	86.6	43.0	37.4	67.3	83.1
1981	51.0	30.8	63.1	87.9	46.5	41.2	64.8	86.9
1983	50.2	33.7	59.0	86.1	50.1	45.3	68.1	84.8
1985 <sup>a</sup>	43.2	23.9	59.3	79.1	42.4	36.2	63.3	81.0
1987	53.3	36.7	56.1	82.0	54.8	49.7	71.6	84.2
1989	57.2	38.7	58.7	84.7	57.8	53.5	70.0	89.1
1991	53.6	38.3	56.6	83.8	57.4	53.4	66.6	88.7
1993 <sup>a</sup>	43.5	20.8	43.7	80.7	41.1	34.0	46.8	87.3
1995 <sup>a</sup>	47.0	23.2	40.1	78.5	43.9	36.1	52.0	86.0
1997 <sup>a</sup>	45.3	21.0	42.4	74.1	41.9	33.7	49.6	78.5
1999	52.8	28.8	45.5	79.5	47.4	41.4	46.6	83.3
2001	48.4	29.4	45.5	73.4	46.1	39.8	50.7	78.6
<b>Physical sciences</b>								
1975	64.1	27.9	60.7	93.2	43.8	36.6	77.3	85.1
1977	63.2	28.9	95.7	88.5	51.6	40.5	77.5	92.4
1979	59.1	25.5	73.7	84.7	52.0	39.0	72.1	91.7
1981	69.3	25.2	94.3	88.1	57.9	49.4	84.5	97.9
1983	70.4	33.8	82.7	88.2	66.2	56.3	85.3	84.8
1985 <sup>a</sup>	64.3	18.7	86.6	84.6	50.8	35.7	78.7	91.4
1987	80.9	66.7	69.9	90.2	68.7	56.0	97.1	93.1
1989	77.9	49.2	82.1	88.0	72.4	61.9	89.0	90.6
1991	69.9	44.1	78.8	87.2	67.2	55.1	88.5	100.0
1993 <sup>a</sup>	63.1	21.3	64.9	84.5	58.2	43.9	70.0	94.5
1995 <sup>a</sup>	62.8	21.0	41.9	84.1	53.9	37.8	60.2	86.7
1997 <sup>a</sup>	64.2	30.0	71.4	77.7	53.4	41.2	67.9	96.5
1999	68.0	39.3	69.9	80.5	57.0	46.7	65.5	89.4
2001	62.2	31.0	55.4	80.9	54.1	39.4	73.9	83.7
<b>Mathematics</b>								
1975	14.5	13.0	37.6	28.3	18.9	18.5	0.0	57.9
1977	16.2	12.2	45.9	56.4	19.2	17.6	82.0	52.2
1979	24.8	22.5	52.9	42.5	32.3	30.2	64.9	46.9
1981	10.8	9.5	0.0	44.1	29.7	27.6	62.7	81.5
1983	31.8	29.8	7.1	73.4	39.8	39.8	51.3	100.0
1985 <sup>a</sup>	14.7	14.1	—	34.6	27.0	26.8	26.7	100.0
1987	15.6	7.4	81.8	37.6	34.9	35.5	7.3	10.3
1989	29.1	24.9	53.8	52.4	39.0	39.1	78.6	100.0
1991	39.8	35.8	54.9	80.4	28.3	28.6	40.9	—
1993 <sup>a</sup>	15.7	14.8	0.0	100.0	15.2	14.0	100.0	—
1995 <sup>a</sup>	17.7	13.4	0.0	40.0	25.6	19.6	42.4	70.6
1997 <sup>a</sup>	14.9	3.5	29.1	32.9	16.7	14.9	0.0	42.2
1999	36.4	24.0	0.0	58.7	32.2	33.5	0.0	47.2
2001	34.6	21.6	34.6	56.3	42.2	38.6	62.4	100.0
<b>Computer sciences</b>								
1975	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1977	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1979	34.8	25.0	—	57.1	—	—	—	—
1981	27.7	24.1	25.0	100.0	52.4	52.4	—	—
1983	45.7	35.1	60.0	100.0	43.5	40.4	92.3	—
1985 <sup>a</sup>	54.1	46.4	77.2	0.0	36.7	31.0	100.0	—
1987	47.2	46.3	42.0	100.0	73.2	66.3	100.0	0.0
1989	33.0	29.3	50.0	100.0	70.8	78.0	35.7	100.0
1991	23.1	23.1	25.1	—	66.2	63.9	100.0	100.0
1993 <sup>a</sup>	44.7	39.5	100.0	100.0	30.7	30.9	27.3	100.0
1995 <sup>a</sup>	38.2	31.4	61.1	75.9	38.1	38.3	23.9	—
1997 <sup>a</sup>	40.5	29.7	74.3	97.0	40.4	37.7	75.6	—

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1999.....	59.7	50.6	77.5	100.0	56.6	56.5	85.9	—
2001.....	31.4	25.9	44.2	100.0	49.2	47.3	53.2	—
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences								
1975.....	50.7	38.4	85.3	74.2	54.0	49.8	97.0	100.0
1977.....	44.3	22.5	60.5	94.4	46.9	38.3	82.1	100.0
1979.....	67.2	41.3	97.3	96.7	49.6	43.1	72.3	100.0
1981.....	66.1	43.2	79.7	100.0	57.2	53.3	72.7	0.0
1983.....	61.8	36.7	75.7	92.8	64.5	59.5	100.0	66.7
1985 <sup>a</sup> .....	56.0	33.4	83.9	96.4	59.6	50.6	81.2	100.0
1987.....	64.2	42.3	87.9	89.6	71.1	61.9	88.9	100.0
1989.....	70.4	52.8	88.5	90.1	81.2	78.0	92.9	93.8
1991.....	76.0	61.7	100.0	77.4	76.6	75.3	100.0	64.1
1993 <sup>a</sup> .....	68.2	33.0	97.8	74.2	59.9	50.2	72.6	100.0
1995 <sup>a</sup> .....	65.4	35.8	87.4	88.0	66.4	58.9	86.2	100.0
1997 <sup>a</sup> .....	67.3	35.0	74.7	94.2	57.1	49.4	70.7	69.4
1999.....	61.7	42.9	89.7	79.8	65.3	62.7	75.6	55.5
2001.....	80.7	64.0	84.2	90.0	54.1	48.7	69.3	95.6
Life sciences								
1975.....	61.8	46.4	72.5	87.6	60.1	57.6	76.2	87.5
1977.....	61.6	38.1	70.4	88.9	59.6	56.6	73.3	90.2
1979.....	65.9	40.6	75.8	85.9	57.3	51.4	76.5	84.2
1981.....	71.8	51.7	76.5	88.1	64.0	58.8	70.8	85.7
1983.....	68.2	52.8	65.1	84.7	67.1	64.5	72.6	83.7
1985 <sup>a</sup> .....	59.6	34.1	67.2	78.9	61.1	55.6	72.3	81.7
1987.....	70.2	53.5	73.8	82.1	71.4	68.3	81.0	83.0
1989.....	74.5	50.2	79.3	89.1	71.9	67.5	79.1	89.3
1991.....	68.1	49.9	60.0	83.0	70.6	66.8	79.2	86.3
1993 <sup>a</sup> .....	61.2	32.2	44.8	81.9	55.7	46.4	52.0	86.7
1995 <sup>a</sup> .....	58.5	30.3	35.3	80.3	54.0	43.9	47.4	87.4
1997 <sup>a</sup> .....	58.3	23.0	42.2	77.5	52.3	42.4	48.4	78.8
1999.....	65.0	35.0	46.2	82.4	57.2	47.2	49.3	83.0
2001.....	59.2	34.2	39.0	76.8	56.4	48.9	49.5	78.8
Psychology								
1975.....	35.0	25.5	53.7	88.5	35.3	34.9	32.8	71.2
1977.....	35.3	26.8	71.7	86.0	31.5	27.9	60.5	73.0
1979.....	35.2	22.5	22.2	95.5	39.3	31.4	76.5	87.6
1981.....	46.5	33.2	41.6	93.4	34.7	28.6	54.5	88.2
1983.....	31.2	19.8	34.2	89.3	32.3	28.2	37.1	87.2
1985 <sup>a</sup> .....	30.6	15.6	44.5	70.1	29.2	26.2	38.7	72.5
1987.....	37.5	28.5	28.8	82.7	33.2	25.6	40.3	97.9
1989.....	41.7	34.6	36.1	64.9	36.1	36.7	33.1	63.1
1991.....	35.9	23.9	24.3	100.0	38.8	38.6	24.8	86.9
1993 <sup>a</sup> .....	21.6	12.0	27.5	61.6	23.2	24.6	15.5	48.2
1995 <sup>a</sup> .....	33.5	17.5	40.6	63.5	26.1	21.8	36.0	82.1
1997 <sup>a</sup> .....	34.5	24.2	19.0	70.9	29.5	22.3	36.4	77.3
1999.....	33.4	22.4	29.9	63.6	35.6	34.7	23.8	100.0
2001.....	35.5	20.0	41.7	64.1	34.9	32.6	42.7	45.6
Social sciences								
1975.....	23.1	22.5	29.0	61.7	26.2	26.2	42.4	39.2
1977.....	24.8	24.2	12.3	61.4	24.6	23.2	56.3	48.0
1979.....	26.6	22.8	37.6	97.5	20.8	19.2	52.2	70.8
1981.....	20.4	16.3	48.7	56.0	24.3	24.3	25.2	60.0
1983.....	28.2	23.6	49.0	77.9	28.1	23.6	57.5	93.8
1985 <sup>a</sup> .....	15.6	12.3	27.8	44.4	19.3	15.7	51.0	41.0
1987.....	22.5	20.9	34.5	21.4	29.9	27.7	54.0	0.0
1989.....	25.6	24.7	24.3	41.9	33.2	31.6	51.4	83.9
1991.....	21.7	19.5	38.8	31.7	36.6	33.8	44.2	100.0
1993 <sup>a</sup> .....	11.2	7.2	25.4	88.2	14.9	14.4	21.9	100.0

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1997 <sup>a</sup> .....	14.1	10.9	26.8	33.7	17.4	15.6	26.3	57.7
1999.....	21.1	15.2	26.1	77.1	22.8	21.7	31.3	48.1
2001.....	20.5	21.2	24.0	41.8	21.2	20.3	28.0	63.3
Engineering								
1975.....	53.7	48.9	65.8	83.8	54.4	53.1	82.3	100.0
1977.....	55.2	47.2	84.8	72.9	52.9	52.3	64.8	64.9
1979.....	55.5	48.5	71.9	99.4	55.1	58.8	33.8	16.9
1981.....	54.4	43.2	100.0	100.0	65.6	61.9	83.9	100.0
1983.....	47.1	36.7	58.2	98.3	64.3	62.2	99.0	100.0
1985 <sup>a</sup> .....	43.9	37.8	66.1	94.5	47.6	46.3	66.4	0.0
1987.....	53.3	43.7	79.2	75.7	65.5	64.2	97.6	100.0
1989.....	56.0	48.9	71.9	73.3	70.8	68.6	91.8	100.0
1991.....	66.6	62.1	67.7	89.9	73.2	73.0	79.7	100.0
1993 <sup>a</sup> .....	43.4	32.1	65.1	68.7	51.2	49.4	65.9	70.3
1995 <sup>a</sup> .....	51.1	38.5	50.3	72.6	62.1	60.3	72.5	86.5
1997 <sup>a</sup> .....	50.0	35.5	66.4	66.3	51.3	48.4	62.5	60.5
1999.....	58.5	40.0	70.9	78.1	55.5	56.4	44.8	94.2
2001.....	54.9	49.1	77.0	57.1	58.3	59.2	54.9	74.2

— too few cases

NA not available

<sup>a</sup>Not comparable to the other years and understates degree of Federal support by asking whether work performed during the week of April 15 was supported by the Government. In other years, question pertains to work conducted over course of a year.

NOTES: Recent doctorate holders are defined as having earned their doctorate within 3 years or within 4–7 years, respectively, preceding the survey year. Full-time faculty includes full, associate, and assistant professors plus instructors. Other types of full-time positions include nonfaculty appointments such as research associates, adjunct appointments, lecturers, and administrative positions.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, Division of Science Resources Statistics, Survey of Doctorate Recipients, unpublished tabulations.

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