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Employment sector of S&E highest degree holders and workers in S&E occupations: 1993, 2003, and 2019

(Percent)

Employment sector	1993		2003		2019	
	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations	Highest degree in S&E	S&E occupations
Total (number)	7,036,000	3,303,000	9,579,000	4,817,000	15,362,000	7,466,000
Business or industry	68.7	67.8	71.3	71.7	73.9	72.9
For-profit businesses	57.3	61.1	59.1	64.2	60.3	65.3
Nonprofit businesses	5.2	3.2	6.3	3.7	8.0	5.1
Self-employed, unincorporated businesses	6.2	3.5	5.9	3.9	5.7	2.5
Education	16.8	17.8	15.6	15.9	15.3	16.4
4-year institutions	9.1	14.3	8.5	12.9	8.6	13.6
2-year and precollege institutions	7.7	3.5	7.2	3.0	6.7	2.8
Government	14.5	14.4	13.1	12.4	10.8	1.7
Federal	6.9	8.4	5.3	5.9	4.9	5.6
State or local	7.7	5.9	7.8	6.5	6.0	5.0

Note(s):

Percentages may not add to 100% because of rounding.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Scientists and Engineers Statistical Data System (SESTAT), 1993, 2003, and National Survey of College Graduates (NSCG), 2019.

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