

Table 409.—Percent of bachelor's degrees awarded in science: Selected countries, 1985, 1990, and 1994 to 1996

Country	All science degrees					Natural sciences					Mathematics and computer science					Engineering				
	1985	1990	1994	1995	1996	1985	1990	1994	1995	1996	1985	1990	1994	1995	1996	1985	1990	1994	1995	1996
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Australia ..	—	—	19.2	19.3	20.1	—	—	10.2	9.9	10.0	—	—	3.6	3.8	4.1	—	—	5.4	5.6	6.0
Austria	16.8	19.6	20.7	21.1	22.1	5.0	5.3	5.5	6.0	6.2	4.1	5.2	5.4	5.3	5.1	7.7	9.0	9.8	9.9	10.8
Belgium ¹	—	—	—	—	24.4	4.6	—	—	—	3.1	1.7	—	—	—	1.8	—	—	—	—	19.5
Canada	17.1	16.4	16.3	16.7	17.4	4.9	6.0	6.2	6.5	6.7	4.5	4.2	3.8	3.8	4.0	7.7	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.7
Denmark ..	—	—	—	—	19.7	6.3	4.4	4.2	2.5	1.4	—	—	—	—	3.3	16.2	21.7	—	17.0	15.1
Finland	39.3	33.5	37.0	37.2	35.7	7.7	4.1	4.4	4.0	4.1	6.3	5.9	7.4	6.9	6.0	25.3	23.4	25.1	26.3	25.6
Germany ²	23.8	31.3	31.7	31.6	31.1	5.0	7.2	6.9	6.7	6.6	2.3	3.5	5.2	5.2	5.0	16.5	20.5	19.6	19.7	19.5
Ireland	28.8	34.1	—	32.3	28.0	12.8	14.1	—	16.9	12.2	4.0	6.3	—	4.7	6.3	12.0	13.7	—	10.7	9.6
Italy	19.5	19.7	19.1	19.5	19.9	8.1	7.6	7.0	6.8	6.6	3.1	3.9	3.4	3.8	3.7	8.3	8.3	8.7	8.9	9.6
Japan	22.7	23.5	22.8	22.8	—	2.4	2.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	—	—	—	—	—	20.3	21.0	19.3	19.3	19.3
Nether-lands	21.8	21.1	—	—	16.0	8.5	7.1	—	—	1.6	1.2	1.6	—	1.6	1.7	12.1	12.4	—	—	12.8
New Zea-land	20.5	19.5	—	—	—	11.7	8.2	—	—	—	5.5	5.5	—	—	—	3.3	5.8	—	3.2	3.6
Norway	—	12.9	18.6	16.8	15.2	2.5	2.1	4.1	3.1	2.8	1.8	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.4	—	10.2	14.2	13.2	11.9
Portugal ...	—	—	15.9	15.0	15.4	6.5	6.7	2.6	2.2	2.8	—	—	2.4	2.8	2.8	—	10.5	11.0	9.9	9.8
Spain	13.9	15.0	—	18.2	18.5	5.5	5.7	—	4.3	4.8	1.3	2.6	—	4.5	4.3	7.0	6.7	—	9.4	9.4
Sweden ...	15.4	24.0	25.0	26.4	22.4	2.6	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.7	1.6	4.7	5.3	5.5	4.5	11.3	15.2	15.9	17.0	14.3
Switzer-land	20.2	23.0	22.1	22.3	22.4	10.3	11.2	10.4	10.4	11.1	2.1	3.7	3.3	3.7	3.1	7.9	8.1	8.4	8.3	8.2
Turkey	23.0	20.6	—	20.9	—	3.6	4.6	—	5.1	—	1.6	2.1	—	2.7	—	17.8	13.8	—	13.1	—
United States ..	21.7	16.9	15.9	—	16.8	6.3	5.1	6.0	—	6.9	5.5	4.0	3.3	3.3	3.2	9.8	7.8	6.7	6.7	6.6

—Not available.

¹Data for the Flemish population of Belgium.

²Data for 1985 are for the former West Germany.

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