

Table 412.—Percent of graduate degrees awarded in science: Selected countries, 1985, 1990, 1996, and 1999

| Country | All science degrees | | | | Natural sciences | | | | Mathematics and computer science | | | | Engineering | | | |
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| | 1985 | 1990 | 1996 | 1999 | 1985 | 1990 | 1996 | 1999 | 1985 | 1990 | 1996 | 1999 | 1985 | 1990 | 1996 | 1999 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| Australia | — | — | 14.0 | 17.9 | — | — | 5.4 | 6.3 | — | — | 3.8 | 3.8 | — | — | 4.7 | 7.7 |
| Austria | 43.3 | 37.7 | 38.8 | 38.4 | 14.2 | 12.3 | 17.5 | 15.0 | 7.3 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 3.6 | 21.7 | 20.8 | 16.6 | 19.8 |
| Belgium ¹ | — | — | — | 17.6 | — | — | — | 7.0 | — | — | — | 2.4 | — | — | — | 8.3 |
| Canada | 19.7 | 20.0 | 22.3 | 23.0 | 7.5 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 9.4 | 8.8 | 11.2 | 11.5 |
| Czech Republic | — | — | — | 21.3 | — | — | — | 5.6 | — | — | — | 6.3 | — | — | — | 9.3 |
| Denmark | 16.0 | 22.2 | 12.3 | — | 4.1 | 5.8 | 3.1 | — | 2.7 | 4.8 | 1.5 | — | 9.2 | 11.6 | 7.8 | — |
| Finland | 47.6 | 30.6 | 28.3 | 31.1 | 24.0 | 14.7 | 11.6 | 8.5 | 6.3 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 3.9 | 17.2 | 10.5 | 12.7 | 18.7 |
| France | — | — | — | 21.0 | — | — | — | 6.4 | — | — | — | 1.6 | — | — | — | 13.0 |
| Germany ² | 27.7 | 33.2 | 38.6 | 38.9 | 18.7 | 23.5 | 25.5 | 25.2 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 9.5 | 9.8 |
| Hungary | — | — | — | 13.5 | — | — | — | 4.8 | — | — | — | 1.2 | — | — | — | 7.6 |
| Iceland | — | — | — | 30.7 | — | — | — | 20.0 | — | — | — | 0.0 | — | — | — | 10.7 |
| Ireland | 31.4 | 34.5 | 23.1 | 24.8 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 10.9 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 5.8 | 3.0 | 16.0 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 4.8 |
| Italy | — | — | — | 13.1 | — | — | — | 1.0 | — | — | — | 6.5 | — | — | — | 5.6 |
| Japan | 50.1 | 54.6 | — | 42.4 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 10.2 | — | — | — | — | — | 40.5 | 45.1 | 44.4 | 42.4 |
| Korea, Republic of | — | — | — | 48.3 | — | — | — | 8.8 | — | — | — | 4.1 | — | — | — | 35.4 |
| Netherlands | — | 28.9 | 18.6 | 17.6 | 20.6 | 17.7 | 4.4 | — | — | 1.5 | 3.7 | 8.7 | 7.5 | 9.7 | 10.6 | 8.8 |
| New Zealand | 45.1 | 22.6 | 16.7 | 24.4 | 24.6 | 13.8 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 15.1 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 9.4 |
| Norway | 40.1 | 33.4 | 38.3 | 21.0 | 17.9 | 8.0 | 8.7 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 4.3 | 18.7 | 23.3 | 27.7 | — |
| Poland | — | — | — | 3.1 | — | — | — | 0.6 | — | — | — | 0.9 | — | — | — | 1.7 |
| Spain | 35.6 | 26.9 | 36.0 | 40.1 | 28.6 | 19.7 | 24.8 | 24.8 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 11.1 |
| Sweden | 48.0 | 48.5 | 32.3 | 41.5 | 21.2 | 19.4 | 9.2 | 14.4 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 5.9 | 4.1 | 20.0 | 19.9 | 17.1 | 23.0 |
| Switzerland | 30.7 | 30.2 | 40.1 | 41.5 | 20.3 | 22.0 | 25.8 | 11.4 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 17.0 | 7.6 | 6.5 | 10.1 | 13.1 |
| Turkey | 35.8 | 24.0 | — | 29.8 | 6.6 | 7.6 | — | 8.0 | 2.8 | 3.3 | — | 3.0 | 26.3 | 13.2 | — | 18.7 |
| United Kingdom | — | — | — | 21.8 | — | — | — | 6.0 | — | — | — | 4.7 | — | — | — | 11.0 |
| United States | 13.5 | 14.5 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 6.3 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.8 |

—Not available.

¹ Data for Flemish Belgium only.

² Data for 1985 are for the former West Germany.

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