AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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PROFILE OF SOCIOLOGY PHDS

FROM THE 2017 SURVEY OF EARNED DOCTORATES

In 2017, 689 PhDs in sociology were granted in the U.S.

DEMOGRAPHICS

- 61 percent are women
- 65 percent are white
- 14 percent are temporary visa holders

- 56 percent are married or partnered
- 34 is the median age

EDUCATION

- 43 percent have a Bachelor's degree in sociology
- 9 years is the median time to degree
- 11 years is the median time from Bachelor's to PhD

POSTGRADUATE PLANS

Among the 625 PhD recipients who reported postgraduation plans:

