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**Summary:** The United States remains far and away the leading destination for the world's most elite AI talent (top ~2%) and remains home to 60% of top AI institutions. Because China produces a sizable portion of the world's top [~20%] AI researchers—rising from 29% in 2019 to 47% in 2022—it is no surprise that more Chinese talent are working in domestic industry. A similar dynamic appears to be taking place in India. While India remains a significant exporter of top-tier AI researchers, its ability to retain talent is growing. In 2019, nearly all Indian AI researchers (based on undergraduate degrees) opted to pursue opportunities abroad. But in 2022, one-fifth of Indian AI researchers ended up staying to work in India. Related: Top Talent, Elite Colleges, and Migration: Evidence from the Indian Institutes of Technology and Third-Country Effects of U.S. Immigration Policy and The Extreme Shortage of High IQ Workers

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