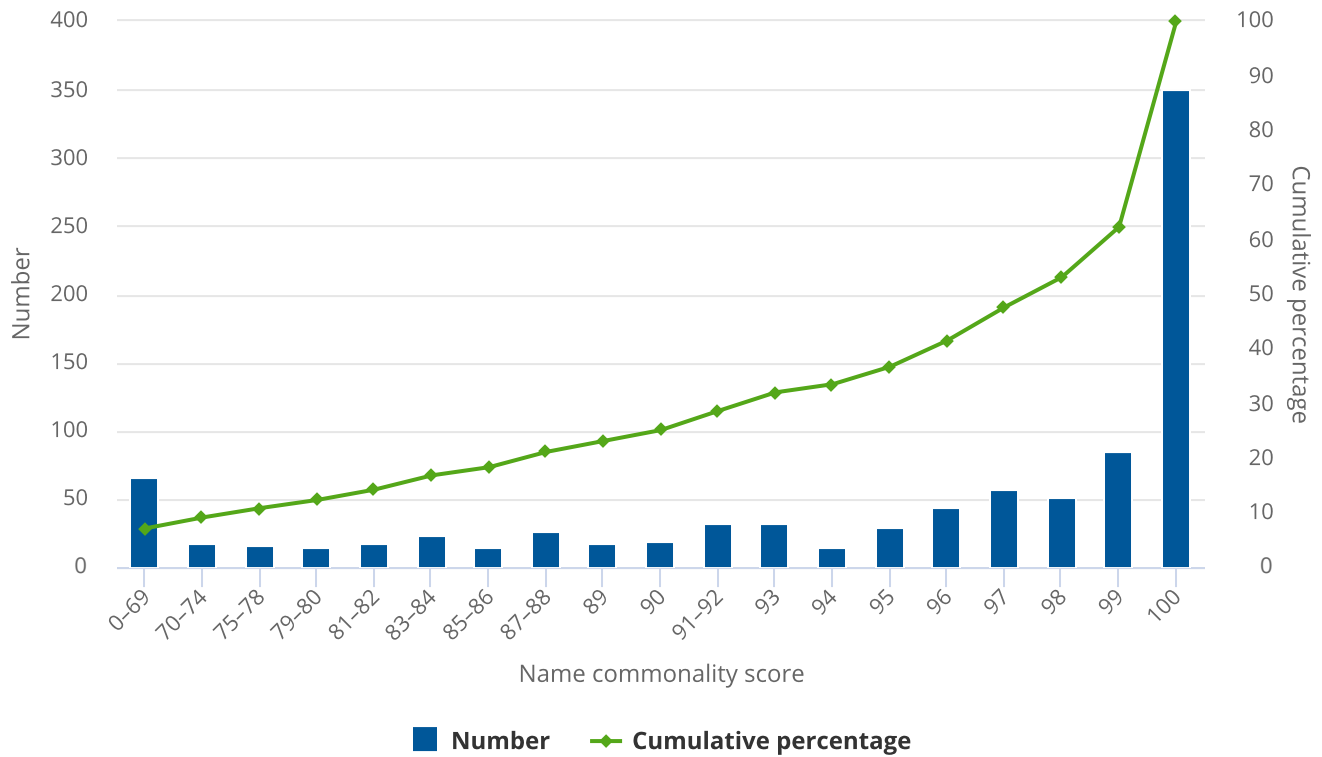


**FIGURE 5**

**Distribution of name commonality scores for anomalous award-investigator matches**



**Note(s):**

Anomalous matches are defined as matched pairs where the difference between the year of award and birth year of investigator was less than 20 years or greater than 66 years. Bars represent the count of name commonality among problematic matched pairs. Dots represent the cumulative percentage of problematic matches, showing that 90% of this set are excluded from the results if a name commonality score threshold of 77 is used. Because of disclosure issues, some name commonality scores are binned.

**Source(s):**

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Doctorate Recipients, 2015, linked to the public NSF Awards Database (<https://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/download.jsp>).