

TABLE A-7

## Survey forms mailed, by sampling stratum: 2015

(Number)

Stratum	Total forms mailed initially			BRDI-1 forms mailed due to reported data from BRDI-1(S) forms	Total BRDI-1 forms mailed
	Total	BRDI-1	BRDI-1(S)		
Total	44,204	6,752	37,452	1,348	8,100
Known positive R&D	17,346	6,682	10,664	782	7,464
Certainties	11,370	6,051	5,319	470	6,521
Noncertainties	5,976	631	5,345	312	943
Known zero R&D	3,433	19	3,414	33	52
Certainties	1,951	19	1,932	26	45
Noncertainties	1,482	0	1,482	7	7
Unknown R&D	23,373	3	23,370	531	534
Certainties	5,935	3	5,932	392	395
Noncertainties	17,438	0	17,438	139	139
Cases not in the frame	52	48	4	2	50

**Note(s)**

Companies were sent the detailed survey form (BRDI-1) if their R&D spending was at least \$1.0 million in 2013 or 2014 (except companies that did not respond in these prior 2 years). All other companies received an abbreviated form (BRDI-1(S)). Companies were said to be known to conduct R&D (known positive R&D) if they reported positive R&D in any of the previous 5 survey years. Companies were said to have known zero R&D if they reported zero R&D in at least 1 of the previous 5 survey years and no positive R&D in any of the 5 years. Companies were said to be unknown if no R&D information was available.

**Source(s)**

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