

TABLE 7

Sex, citizenship, ethnicity, race, and source of support of postdocs at federally funded research and development centers: 2005–17

(Number)

Characteristic	2005	2006	2007	2009	2010	2012	2013	2015	2017
FFRDCs with postdocs	22	22	22	23	22	21	21	24	23
All postdocs	1,820	2,147	2,235	2,449	3,011	2,793	2,613	2,696	2,975
Male	1,430	1,373	1,461	1,679	2,052	2,115	2,020	2,048	2,259
Female	390	455	450	513	673	678	593	648	716
Unknown sex	0	319	324	257	286	0	0	0	0
U.S. citizens and permanent residents ^a	654	774	899	899	1,191	1,156	1,150	1,246	1,341
Hispanic or Latino	NA	NA	NA	39	48	54	52	55	67
Not Hispanic or Latino	NA	NA	NA	833	1,005	1,045	1,065	1,140	1,217
American Indian or Alaska Native	NA	NA	NA	2	4	4	3	5	4
Asian	NA	NA	NA	115	151	137	171	181	170
Black or African American	NA	NA	NA	18	16	14	14	19	27
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	NA	NA	NA	2	3	3	2	0	0
White	NA	NA	NA	691	822	853	861	908	991
More than one race	NA	NA	NA	5	9	34	14	27	25
Unknown ethnicity or race	NA	NA	NA	27	138	57	33	51	57
Temporary visa holders	1,120	1,373	1,336	1,293	1,820	1,637	1,463	1,450	1,634
Unknown citizenship	46	0	0	257	0	0	0	0	0
Source of support									
Federal support	NA	1,641	2,030	2,258	2,541	2,707	2,531	2,543	2,544
Nonfederal support	NA	506	205	181	184	86	82	150	116
Unknown support source	NA	0	0	10	286	0	0	3	315

NA = not available; data were not collected.

FFRDC = federally funded research and development center.

^a Race and ethnicity data are available only for U.S. citizens and permanent residents.**Note(s)**

The survey was not conducted in 2008, 2011, 2014, or 2016. Exercise caution in using trend data because the changes in how FFRDCs define their postdocs, maintain their administrative data, and report unknown responses affect data comparability trends. See <https://www.nsf.gov/statistics/srvyffrdcpd/> for more details.

Source(s)

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