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Survey forms mailed for companies with subcompany reporting units, by sampling stratum: 2017

(Number of companies)

Stratum	Sent one form	Sent multiple forms ^a
Total	44,671	92
Known positive R&D	17,528	92
Certainties	12,821	92
Noncertainties	4,707	0
Known zero R&D	2,105	0
Certainties	1,524	0
Noncertainties	581	0
Unknown R&D	24,945	0
Certainties	5,885	0
Noncertainties	19,060	0
Cases not in the frame	93	0

^a Portions of some companies are surveyed separately using multiple survey forms, under special arrangement with the U.S. Census Bureau, to facilitate reporting. This special arrangement extends to holding companies to facilitate reporting among the operating units. The number of companies does not include companies that made special reporting arrangements with the U.S. Census Bureau after the initial mailout.

Note(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 3 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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