

TECHNICAL TABLE A-6

Number and type of survey forms mailed: 2008–18

(Number)

Year	Total ^a	BRDI-1	BRDI-1A/B or BRDI-1(S)	BRDI-1 forms mailed due to reported data from BRDI-1(S) forms	Total BRDI-1 forms mailed
2008	39,593	4,875	34,718	na	na
2009	42,826	2,501	40,325	na	na
2010	42,314	2,572	19,871 (19,871)	na	na
2011	42,389	2,708	39,681	na	na
2012	42,869	6,946	35,923	1,972	8,918
2013	44,769	6,655	38,114	1,924	8,579
2014	43,697	6,823	36,874	1,530	8,353
2015	44,204	6,752	37,452	1,348	8,100
2016	44,733	7,183	37,550	1,578	8,761
2017	44,763	na	na	na	na
2018	45,300	na	na	na	na

na = not applicable.

^a For each year, the "Total forms mailed" is smaller than the sum of the "Total" sample size in table A-3 plus the number of "Known positive R&D" companies added to the sample in table A-5 because some companies selected for the sample went out of business or were merged with other companies between sample selection and survey mailout—that is, the sample was updated before actual mailout of the survey questionnaires.

Note(s):

Beginning in 2017, only one survey form (BRD-1) was mailed. For years prior to 2017, companies were sent the detailed survey form (BRDI-1) if their R&D spending was at least \$1.8 million in 2007 for the 2008 survey; at least \$7.0 million in 2009 for the 2010 and 2011 surveys; at least \$7.0 million in 2010 for the 2012 survey; or at least \$1.0 million in 2011 or 2012 for the 2013 survey (except companies that did not respond in these 2 prior years), at least \$1.0 million in 2012 or 2013 for the 2014 survey (except companies that did not respond in these prior 2 years), at least \$1.0 million in 2013 or 2014 for the 2015 survey (except companies that did not respond in these prior 2 years), or at least \$1.0 million in 2014 or 2015 for the 2016 survey (except companies that did not respond in these prior 2 years). All other companies received an abbreviated form (BRDI-1A for 2008–11; BRDI-1(S) for 2012–16). For 2010, some companies received BRDI-1B, an abbreviated form that tested questions on innovation. In 2012, the BRDI-1(S) was replaced by the BRDI-1A.

Source(s):

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