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Sex, citizenship, ethnicity, race, and source of support of postdocs at federally funded research and development centers: 2012–23

(Number)

Characteristic	2012	2013	2015	2017	2019	2021	2023
FFRDCs with postdocs	21	21	24	23	24	25	24
All postdocs	2,793	2,613	2,696	2,975	3,335	3,637	3,629
Male	2,115	2,020	2,048	2,259	2,476	2,657	2,602
Female	678	593	648	716	859	980	1,027
Unknown sex	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
U.S. citizens and permanent residents ^a	1,156	1,150	1,246	1,341	1,429	1,779	1,619
Hispanic or Latino	54	52	55	67	76	120	136
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,045	1,065	1,140	1,217	1,311	1,615	1,448
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	3	5	4	0	2	4
Asian	137	171	181	170	193	251	266
Black or African American	14	14	19	27	38	38	42
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	2	0	0	2	1	3
White	853	861	908	991	1,043	1,259	1,068
More than one race	34	14	27	25	35	64	65
Unknown ethnicity or race	57	33	51	57	42	44	35
Temporary visa holders	1,637	1,463	1,450	1,634	1,906	1,858	2,010
Unknown citizenship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Source of support							
Federal support	2,707	2,531	2,543	2,544	2,956	3,091	3,227
Nonfederal support	86	82	150	116	379	411	402
Unknown support source	0	0	3	315	0	135	0

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 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, or 2022. 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://ncses.nsf.gov/surveys/ffrdc-postdocs> for more details.

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Postdocs at Federally Funded Research and Development Centers.