

TABLE 6. Field of research of postdocs at federally funded research and development centers, by citizenship: 2012–13

Field of research	2012			2013		
	Total	U.S. citizens and permanent residents	Temporary visa holders	Total	U.S. citizens and permanent residents	Temporary visa holders
All postdocs	2,793	1,156	1,637	2,613	1,150	1,463
Science and engineering	2,720	1,124	1,596	2,493	1,106	1,387
Science	2,108	863	1,245	1,875	807	1,068
Agricultural sciences	0	0	0	2	1	1
Biological sciences	247	114	133	209	108	101
Chemistry	496	207	289	428	203	225
Computer sciences	123	49	74	78	33	45
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	240	100	140	210	86	124
Mathematical sciences	61	31	30	58	28	30
Physics and astronomy	861	332	529	790	309	481
Psychology	1	1	0	1	1	0
Social sciences	6	0	6	8	5	3
Other sciences	73	29	44	91	33	58
Engineering	612	261	351	618	299	319
Aerospace engineering	17	10	7	17	10	7
Agricultural engineering	0	0	0	4	1	3
Biomedical engineering	17	8	9	19	8	11
Chemical engineering	84	38	46	85	49	36
Civil engineering	15	6	9	24	15	9
Electrical engineering	42	19	23	57	28	29
Engineering science and physics	20	11	9	7	3	4
Industrial and manufacturing engineering	0	0	0	3	1	2
Materials and metallurgical engineering	226	89	137	183	65	118
Mechanical engineering	91	35	56	109	57	52
Mining engineering	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nuclear engineering	48	24	24	50	36	14
Petroleum engineering	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other engineering	52	21	31	59	26	33
Health	30	12	18	17	9	8
Multidisciplinary	31	13	18	27	12	15
Non-science or engineering	0	0	0	7	0	7
Field of research not known	12	7	5	69	23	46

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