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Federal Science and Engineering Obligations to Academic Institutions Increase 2%; Support to HBCUs Declines 17%

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n FY 2017, federal agencies obligated \$32.4 billion to institutions of higher education in support of science and engineering (S&E), up 2% from the \$31.6 billion obligated in FY 2016. Funding for research and development to universities and colleges increased 4% to \$29.8 billion (table 1). Meanwhile, total S&E support to historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) declined for the third year in a row, to \$308 million, down 17% from FY 2016, and support to HBCUs for R&D declined 9% (table 2). (Unless otherwise noted, amounts for FY 2017 obligations and comparisons with previous years are in current dollars.) These and other estimates in this Info-Brief are from the FY 2017 Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions (Federal S&E Support Survey), conducted by the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) within the National Science Foundation (NSF).

After adjusting for inflation, federal S&E obligations to academic institutions increased 1% in FY 2017, following a 2% increase in FY 2016. Similarly, inflation-adjusted R&D obligations rose 3% in FY 2017, following a 4% increase in FY 2016. Inflation-adjusted obligations for all S&E support to HBCUs declined 19% in FY 2017, having previously declined 7% in FY 2016. Inflationadjusted R&D support to HBCUs

TABLE 1. Federal science and engineering obligations, by type of activity: FYs 2009-17

| Fiscal year | All federal obligations | R&D | R&D plant | Facilities and equipment for instruction in S&E | Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants | General support for S&E | Other S&E activities |
|-------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------------|---|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Current \$millions | | | |
| 2009 ^a | 35,874 | 32,081 | 806 | 5 | 968 | 245 | 1,769 |
| 2010 ^a | 35,942 | 30,999 | 1,831 | 6 | 1,137 | 361 | 1,609 |
| 2011 | 31,760 | 28,202 | 330 | 4 | 1,016 | 208 | 2,000 |
| 2012 | 31,216 | 27,700 | 437 | 4 | 914 | 142 | 2,019 |
| 2013 | 29,407 | 26,156 | 273 | 4 | 894 | 132 | 1,948 |
| 2014 | 31,157 | 27,652 | 400 | 11 | 1,341 | 138 | 1,615 |
| 2015 | 30,561 | 27,105 | 371 | 4 | 1,347 | 138 | 1,596 |
| 2016 | 31,647 | 28,531 | 370 | 4 | 1,374 | 128 | 1,239 |
| 2017 | 32,431 | 29,796 | 432 | 3 | 1,371 | 96 | 732 |
| | | | Cor | nstant FY 2012 \$millio | ons | | |
| 2009 ^a | 37,600 | 33,624 | 845 | 5 | 1,015 | 257 | 1,854 |
| 2010 ^a | 37,342 | 32,207 | 1,902 | 6 | 1,181 | 375 | 1,672 |
| 2011 | 32,339 | 28,716 | 336 | 4 | 1,035 | 212 | 2,036 |
| 2012 | 31,216 | 27,700 | 437 | 4 | 914 | 142 | 2,019 |
| 2013 | 28,918 | 25,721 | 268 | 4 | 879 | 130 | 1,916 |
| 2014 | 30,092 | 26,707 | 386 | 11 | 1,295 | 133 | 1,560 |
| 2015 | 29,164 | 25,866 | 354 | 4 | 1,285 | 132 | 1,523 |
| 2016 | 29,881 | 26,939 | 349 | 4 | 1,297 | 121 | 1,170 |
| 2017 | 30,079 | 27,635 | 401 | 3 | 1,272 | 89 | 679 |

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Includes American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 obligations.

NOTES: Gross domestic product implicit price deflators were used to convert current to constant dollars. Detail may not sum to total due to rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions.

TABLE 2. Federal science and engineering obligations to HBCUs, by type of activity: FYs 2009–17

| Fiscal year | All federal obligations | R&D | R&D plant | Facilities and equipment for instruction in S&E | Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants | General support for S&E | Other S&E activities |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----|--------------|---|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Current \$millions | | | |
| 2009 ^a | 458 | 265 | 3 | 0 | 28 | 23 | 139 |
| 2010 ^a | 497 | 282 | 31 | 0 | 40 | 19 | 125 |
| 2011 | 448 | 258 | 1 | 0 | 32 | 22 | 135 |
| 2012 | 400 | 232 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 15 | 123 |
| 2013 | 380 | 218 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 15 | 119 |
| 2014 | 408 | 242 | 10 | 0 | 66 | 16 | 74 |
| 2015 | 397 | 257 | 1 | 0 | 73 | 15 | 51 |
| 2016 | 373 | 258 | 2 | 0 | 57 | 5 | 51 |
| 2017 | 308 | 234 | 1 | 0 | 59 | 0 | 14 |
| | | | Co | nstant FY 2012 \$millions | 3 | | |
| 2009 ^a | 480 | 278 | 3 | 0 | 29 | 24 | 146 |
| 2010 ^a | 516 | 293 | 32 | 0 | 42 | 20 | 130 |
| 2011 | 456 | 263 | 1 | 0 | 33 | 22 | 137 |
| 2012 | 400 | 232 | 3 | 0 | 27 | 15 | 123 |
| 2013 | 374 | 214 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 15 | 117 |
| 2014 | 394 | 234 | 10 | 0 | 64 | 15 | 71 |
| 2015 | 379 | 245 | 1 | 0 | 70 | 14 | 49 |
| 2016 | 352 | 243 | 2 | 0 | 54 | 5 | 48 |
| 2017 | 285 | 217 | 1 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 13 |

HBCUs = historically black colleges and universities; S&E = science and engineering.

^a Includes American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 obligations.

NOTES: Gross domestic product implicit price deflators were used to convert current to constant dollars. Detail may not sum to total due to rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions.

declined 11% in FY 2017, following a 1% decline in FY 2016.

S&E Support to Higher Education Institutions

Federal S&E support includes six categories: R&D; R&D plant; facilities and equipment for instruction in S&E; fellowships, traineeships, and training grants (FTTGs); general support for S&E; and other S&E activities (see definitions in "Data Sources and Limitations"). Twenty higher education institutions receiving the largest amounts of federal S&E support accounted for 37% of all S&E support obligations by the federal government (table 3). For these 20 academic institutions, 94% of all federal FY 2017 S&E obligations were for R&D, 4% were directed toward FTTGs, 2% for other S&E activities, and less than 1% for R&D plant. These shares slightly differ from those for all other academic institutions where 91% of all S&E obligations are directed toward R&D, 5% toward FTTGs, 2% for other S&E support activities, and 2% for R&D plant.

Six federal agencies accounted for 97% of all S&E support to higher education institutions in FY 2017: the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), which includes the National Institutes of Health (59%), NSF (17%), the Department of Defense (DOD) (13%), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) (3%), Department of Energy (DOE) (3%), and the Department of Agriculture (USDA) (3%) (table 4). Because obligations for R&D are the single largest share of total S&E support, these six agencies also accounted for most of the federal R&D obligations to the academic sector: HHS (61%), NSF (15%), DOD (12%), NASA (4%), USDA (3%), and DOE (3%) (details available in table 19 in the full set of data tables).

S&E Support to Minority-Serving Institutions

Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Sixty-three of the 105 HBCUs² received federal obligations for some type of

TABLE 3. Federal science and engineering obligations to the 20 universities and colleges receiving the largest amounts, by type of activity: FY 2017

(Thousands of dollars)

| Institution | All federal obligations | R&D | R&D plant | Facilities for instruction in S&E | Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants | General support for S&E | Other S&E activities |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|---|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| All institutions | 32,430,792 | 29,796,361 | 431,665 | 3,131 | 1,371,419 | 96,438 | 731,778 |
| Top 20 institutions | 11,840,626 | 11,121,944 | 27,614 | 0 | 428,253 | 34,848 | 227,967 |
| Johns Hopkins U. ^a | 1,708,000 | 1,658,299 | 13 | 0 | 31,667 | 745 | 17,278 |
| U. Michigan | 700,050 | 656,721 | 2,521 | 0 | 25,272 | 631 | 14,905 |
| U. Washington | 667,400 | 612,729 | 1,970 | 0 | 28,189 | 4,779 | 19,734 |
| U. California, San Diego | 639,089 | 586,657 | 6,068 | 0 | 20,107 | 11,660 | 14,598 |
| U. California, San Francisco | 628,270 | 573,522 | 0 | 0 | 28,982 | 1,131 | 24,635 |
| Stanford U. | 581,148 | 550,247 | 93 | 0 | 23,331 | 980 | 6,496 |
| Columbia U. in the City of New York | 574,306 | 534,659 | 253 | 0 | 21,921 | 1,161 | 16,313 |
| U. Pennsylvania | 552,306 | 509,277 | 919 | 0 | 33,530 | 2,832 | 5,748 |
| U. Pittsburgh | 544,466 | 503,566 | 616 | 0 | 20,115 | 1,629 | 18,540 |
| Duke U. | 523,037 | 490,343 | 4,900 | 0 | 15,567 | 348 | 11,880 |
| U. California, Los Angeles | 522,729 | 492,364 | 531 | 0 | 22,550 | 106 | 7,178 |
| Harvard U. | 490,075 | 447,531 | 108 | 0 | 25,743 | 0 | 16,693 |
| U. Wisconsin-Madison | 485,333 | 453,756 | 779 | 0 | 25,463 | 226 | 5,109 |
| U. Colorado Boulder | 481,184 | 442,173 | 1,818 | 0 | 17,926 | 2,698 | 16,570 |
| Washington U., Saint Louis | 476,403 | 447,831 | 3 | 0 | 19,884 | 2,546 | 6,139 |
| Georgia Institute of Technology | 473,320 | 465,721 | 1,009 | 0 | 3,705 | 0 | 2,885 |
| U. North Carolina, Chapel Hill | 460,652 | 430,254 | 452 | 0 | 25,540 | 835 | 3,572 |
| Yale U. | 460,097 | 431,569 | 699 | 0 | 20,001 | 570 | 7,258 |
| Pennsylvania State U. | 450,200 | 428,910 | 4,828 | 0 | 12,935 | 966 | 2,561 |
| U. Southern California | 422,562 | 405,815 | 36 | 0 | 5,827 | 1,008 | 9,876 |
| All other academic institutions | 20,590,166 | 18,674,417 | 404,052 | 3,131 | 943,166 | 61,590 | 503,811 |

S&E = science and engineering.

^a Includes funding for Applied Physics Laboratory (\$947.4 million for S&E obligations, of which \$947.4 million was for R&D).

NOTE: Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions, FY 2017.

S&E activities in FY 2017, totaling \$308 million (table 5). FY 2017 marked the third year in a row of decreasing S&E obligations to HBCUs, down 17% from FY 2016 and down by one-fourth, or \$100 million, from the \$408 million obligated in FY 2014 (table 2). In FY 2017, total R&D support to all HBCUs was \$234 million, a 9% decrease from the \$258 million obligated in FY 2016.

The 20 HBCUs receiving the largest share of federal S&E support accounted for 72% of all S&E support obligations to all HBCUs. These 20 HBCUs received 77% (\$181 million) of all federal obligations for R&D to all HBCUs. FTTGs to these same 20 institutions account for 64% (\$38 million) of all FTTGs to all HBCUs, and 100% (\$40 million) of general support for S&E to all HBCUs.

In FY 2017, five federal agencies accounted for 92% of all federal obligations for S&E support to HBCUs (table 6). HHS provided the most S&E support, accounting for \$98 million, or 32% of all federal HBCU obligations. NSF provided \$79 million in S&E support, or 26% of the total, and USDA followed with \$75 million, or 24% of all federal S&E support to HBCUs. Obligations by DOD and by the Department of Education (ED) accounted for 6% and 5%, respectively. In terms of R&D support to HBCUs, HHS leads all agencies with 37% of total R&D obligations to HBCUs (\$87 million), followed by USDA (\$70 million, or 30%), NSF (\$36 million, or 15%), DOD (\$15 million, or 7%), DOE (\$13 million, or 6%), and NASA (\$5 million, or 2%) (details available in table 25 in the full set of data tables).

| TABLE 4. Federal science and engineering obligations to the 20 universities and colleges receiving the largest amounts, by agency: FY 2017 | 7 |
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| (Thousands of dollars) | |

| | All federal | | | | | | | Other |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|
| Institution | obligations | DOD | DOE | HHS | NASA | NSF | USDA | agencies |
| All institutions | 32,430,792 | 4,170,293 | 995,109 | 19,051,676 | 1,101,811 | 5,358,732 | 941,046 | 812,126 |
| Top 20 institutions | 11,840,626 | 2,189,578 | 233,753 | 7,803,104 | 367,251 | 1,054,620 | 54,373 | 137,947 |
| Johns Hopkins U. ^b | 1,708,000 | 845,610 | 2,947 | 651,779 | 173,223 | 30,458 | 720 | 3,264 |
| U. Michigan | 700,050 | 51,965 | 20,321 | 508,120 | 17,689 | 83,895 | 1,187 | 16,873 |
| U. Washington | 667,400 | 74,925 | 17,397 | 434,121 | 13,548 | 96,467 | 5,514 | 25,428 |
| U. California, San Diego | 639,089 | 106,938 | 15,877 | 404,836 | 9,444 | 87,691 | 557 | 13,746 |
| U. California, San Francisco | 628,270 | 33,156 | 0 | 585,817 | 0 | 8,639 | 0 | 658 |
| Stanford U. | 581,148 | 50,101 | 12,979 | 448,394 | 12,101 | 52,766 | 0 | 4,807 |
| Columbia U. in the City of New York | 574,306 | 41,063 | 6,896 | 425,803 | 16,727 | 80,850 | 0 | 2,968 |
| U. Pennsylvania | 552,306 | 27,458 | 6,200 | 474,339 | 3,628 | 37,583 | 1,107 | 1,991 |
| U. Pittsburgh | 544,466 | 39,475 | 3,003 | 471,639 | 675 | 29,673 | 0 | 0 |
| Duke U. | 523,037 | 32,773 | 9,494 | 447,708 | 1,832 | 29,072 | 675 | 1,484 |
| U. California, Los Angeles | 522,729 | 33,432 | 17,033 | 394,248 | 15,937 | 60,781 | 177 | 1,121 |
| Harvard U. | 490,075 | 53,327 | 7,580 | 383,407 | 6,717 | 36,006 | 50 | 2,988 |
| U. Wisconsin-Madison | 485,333 | 24,418 | 59,474 | 288,841 | 0 | 91,904 | 18,578 | 2,118 |
| U. Colorado Boulder | 481,184 | 41,125 | 10,161 | 258,926 | 63,291 | 80,789 | 891 | 26,001 |
| Washington U., Saint Louis | 476,403 | 11,504 | 9,710 | 431,382 | 6,596 | 17,192 | 15 | 3 |
| Georgia Institute of Technology | 473,320 | 354,408 | 4,739 | 31,798 | 9,468 | 65,915 | 50 | 6,944 |
| U. North Carolina, Chapel Hill | 460,652 | 4,914 | 6,378 | 406,405 | 992 | 37,303 | 25 | 4,636 |
| Yale U. | 460,097 | 22,203 | 5,577 | 406,585 | 2,248 | 21,178 | 137 | 2,168 |
| Pennsylvania State U. | 450,200 | 229,932 | 14,648 | 101,337 | 10,564 | 64,688 | 24,678 | 4,354 |
| U. Southern California | 422,562 | 110,852 | 3,339 | 247,620 | 2,573 | 41,772 | 12 | 16,395 |
| All other academic institutions | 20,590,166 | 1,980,716 | 761,356 | 11,248,571 | 734,560 | 4,304,111 | 886,673 | 674,179 |

DOD = Department of Defense; DOE = Department of Energy; HHS = Department of Health and Human Services; NASA = National Aeronautics and Space Administration; NSF = National Science Foundation; USDA = Department of Agriculture.

^a Includes data for the following agencies: the Departments of Commerce, Education, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, and Transportation; the Agency for International Development; the Environmental Protection Agency; the Appalachian Regional Commission; the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; the Office of Justice Programs (part of the Department of Justice); and the Social Security Administration.

^b Includes funding for Applied Physics Laboratory.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to total due to rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions, FY 2017.

High-Hispanic-Enrollment Institutions

Among other minority-serving institutions, high-Hispanic-enrollment institutions (HHEs)³ received \$1.7 billion in federal obligations for S&E support in FY 2017, a 1% increase from FY 2016 (table 7). Support to HHEs for R&D amounted to \$1.5 billion, up 3% from the FY 2016 total. R&D obligations accounted for 89% of total federal S&E support to HHEs. By comparison, R&D accounted for 76% of the S&E total obligations to HBCUs and for 92% of all federal S&E support to higher education institutions. The majority (58%) of the FY 2017 S&E support to HHEs came from HHS, with over \$1 billion in obligations. NSF was the second-leading federal agency to support HHEs, with \$365 million (21%) (details available in table 26 in the full set of data tables).

R&D Support to Nonprofit Institutions

NCSES collects statistics on federal obligations to independent nonprofit institutions for two of the six S&E support categories, namely, R&D and R&D plant. During FY 2017, federal agencies obligated \$7.2 billion in R&D and R&D plant to 956 nonprofit institutions (table 8). The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute received the most in federal funds for R&D and R&D plant (\$884 million).

Data Sources and Limitations

Gross domestic product implicit price deflators were used to convert current to constant dollars in this InfoBrief.⁴ Data presented here were obtained from the 20 agencies (12 federal departTABLE 5. Federal science and engineering obligations to the 20 HBCUs receiving the largest amounts, by type of activity: FY 2017 (Thousands of dollars)

| Institution | All federal obligations | R&D | R&D plant | Facilities for instruction in S&E | Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants | General support for S&E | Other S&E activities |
|--|-------------------------|---------|-----------|---|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| All HBCUs | 307,892 | 234,460 | 903 | 0 | 58,895 | 40 | 13,595 |
| Top 20 HBCUs | 222,903 | 180,640 | 643 | 0 | 37,911 | 40 | 3,670 |
| North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State U. | 26,793 | 17,939 | 53 | 0 | 7,512 | 0 | 1,290 |
| Florida A&M U. | 19,665 | 15,428 | 97 | 0 | 4,125 | 16 | 0 |
| Morehouse School of Medicine | 18,268 | 17,947 | 0 | 0 | 321 | 0 | 0 |
| Meharry Medical C. | 15,310 | 13,689 | 0 | 0 | 1,621 | 0 | 0 |
| Howard U. | 12,825 | 10,516 | 14 | 0 | 2,123 | 0 | 172 |
| North Carolina Central U. | 12,301 | 10,838 | 0 | 0 | 1,463 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson State U. | 11,777 | 9,434 | 0 | 0 | 2,343 | 0 | 0 |
| Hampton U. | 11,431 | 9,757 | 0 | 0 | 1,650 | 24 | 0 |
| Tuskegee U. | 10,113 | 7,483 | 200 | 0 | 2,430 | 0 | 0 |
| Prairie View A&M U. | 10,100 | 9,707 | 0 | 0 | 393 | 0 | 0 |
| Morgan State U. | 9,036 | 5,611 | 3 | 0 | 2,142 | 0 | 1,279 |
| Tennessee State U. | 8,659 | 7,852 | 0 | 0 | 808 | 0 | 0 |
| Delaware State U. | 8,156 | 6,003 | 263 | 0 | 1,795 | 0 | 96 |
| Xavier U. Louisiana | 7,756 | 6,068 | 0 | 0 | 1,689 | 0 | 0 |
| U. of the Virgin Islands | 7,543 | 5,323 | 0 | 0 | 2,220 | 0 | 0 |
| Virginia State U. | 7,099 | 5,124 | 0 | 0 | 1,558 | 0 | 417 |
| Norfolk State U. | 6,934 | 6,221 | 14 | 0 | 698 | 0 | 0 |
| Alabama A&M U. | 6,679 | 5,779 | 0 | 0 | 900 | 0 | 0 |
| Southern U. and A&M C., system office | 6,422 | 4,338 | 0 | 0 | 2,084 | 0 | 0 |
| U. Arkansas, Pine Bluff | 6,036 | 5,584 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 417 |
| All other HBCUs | 84,989 | 53,821 | 259 | 0 | 20,984 | 0 | 9,925 |

HBCUs = historically black colleges and universities; S&E = science and engineering.

NOTE: Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions FY 2017.

ments and 8 independent agencies) that made S&E obligations to academic and nonprofit institutions in FY 2017, as reported to the Federal S&E Support Survey. The survey collects federal S&E support data by funding agency, institution, type of activity, type of institution, and geographic location.

The six funding categories of federal S&E support are defined as follows:

• *Research and development* includes all direct, indirect, incidental, or related costs resulting from or necessary to perform R&D by private individuals and organizations under grant, contract, or cooperative agreement.

- *R&D plant* includes all projects whose principal purpose is to provide support for construction, acquisition, renovation, modification, repair, or rental of facilities, land, works, or fixed equipment for use in scientific or engineering R&D.
- Facilities and equipment for S&E instruction includes all programs whose principal purpose is to provide support for construction, acquisition, renovation, modification, repair, or

rental of facilities, land, works, or equipment for use in instruction in S&E.

- *Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants* includes all fellowship, traineeship, and training grant programs that are directed primarily toward the development and maintenance of the scientific workforce.
- *General support for S&E* includes funds used for scientific projects and support for activities within a specified discipline; explicit purpose is not specified.

| | | | | | | | | | Other |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|----------|
| Institution | All agencies | DOD | DOE | ED | HHS | NASA | NSF | USDA | agencies |
| All HBCUs | 307,892 | 18,199 | 12,908 | 14,184 | 98,150 | 5,191 | 78,672 | 74,616 | 5,972 |
| Top 20 HBCUs | 222,903 | 12,979 | 12,758 | 3,896 | 84,851 | 5,042 | 53,308 | 44,320 | 5,750 |
| North Carolina Agricultural and | | | | | | | | | |
| Technical State U. | 26,793 | 1,955 | 2,054 | 447 | 1,756 | 0 | 14,741 | 4,340 | 1,502 |
| Florida A&M U. | 19,665 | 1,396 | 4,465 | 741 | 3,818 | 0 | 6,113 | 3,014 | 120 |
| Morehouse School of Medicine | 18,268 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18,268 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Meharry Medical C. | 15,310 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15,310 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Howard U. | 12,825 | 1,044 | 0 | 250 | 9,250 | 26 | 2,256 | 0 | C |
| North Carolina Central U. | 12,301 | 0 | 695 | 250 | 7,345 | 0 | 2,721 | 0 | 1,291 |
| Jackson State U. | 11,777 | 2,458 | 486 | 250 | 4,839 | 0 | 3,744 | 0 | C |
| Hampton U. | 11,431 | 376 | 747 | 120 | 4,609 | 3,965 | 1,394 | 0 | 221 |
| Tuskegee U. | 10,113 | 276 | 0 | 0 | 2,386 | 0 | 2,915 | 4,412 | 124 |
| Prairie View A&M U. | 10,100 | 250 | 0 | 0 | 112 | 0 | 2,806 | 5,857 | 1,076 |
| Morgan State U. | 9,036 | 350 | 0 | 0 | 5,419 | 1,052 | 798 | 0 | 1,417 |
| Tennessee State U. | 8,659 | 581 | 0 | 0 | 1,748 | 0 | 496 | 5,834 | C |
| Delaware State U. | 8,156 | 766 | 0 | 0 | 2,436 | 0 | 2,649 | 2,305 | C |
| Xavier U. Louisiana | 7,756 | 91 | 0 | 0 | 7,278 | 0 | 388 | 0 | C |
| U. of the Virgin Islands | 7,543 | 143 | 0 | 0 | 279 | 0 | 5,109 | 2,013 | C |
| Virginia State U. | 7,099 | 572 | 0 | 417 | 0 | 0 | 1,788 | 4,322 | C |
| Norfolk State U. | 6,934 | 1,168 | 4,311 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,455 | 0 | C |
| Alabama A&M U. | 6,679 | 1,428 | 0 | 119 | 0 | 0 | 437 | 4,694 | C |
| Southern U. and A&M C., system office | 6,422 | 0 | 0 | 701 | 0 | 0 | 3,500 | 2,222 | C |
| U. Arkansas, Pine Bluff | 6,036 | 125 | 0 | 602 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,309 | C |
| All other HBCUs | 84,989 | 5,220 | 150 | 10,289 | 13,299 | 148 | 25,364 | 30,295 | 223 |

| TABLE 6. Federal science and engineering obligations to the 20 HBCUs receiving the largest amounts, by agency: FY 2017 |
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| (Thousands of dollars) |

DOD = Department of Defense; DOE = Department of Energy; HBCUs = historically black colleges and universities; HHS = Department of Health and Human Services; NASA = National Aeronautics and Space Administration; NSF = National Science Foundation; USDA = Department of Agriculture.

^a Includes data for the following agencies: the Departments of Commerce, Homeland Security, the Interior, Transportation; the Environmental Protection Agency; and the Social Security Administration.

NOTE: Detail may not add to total because of rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions, FY 2017.

• Other S&E activities includes all academic S&E obligations that cannot be assigned elsewhere and activities in support of technical conferences, teacher institutes, and programs aimed at increasing precollege and undergraduate students' scientific knowledge.

The full set of data tables on the FY 2017 Federal S&E Support Survey will be available online at https://www. nsf.gov/statistics/srvyfedsupport/. Individual tables may be available in advance of the full report. Data for the survey will be available in NCSES's interactive data tool (https://ncsesdata. nsf.gov/ids/fss). For more information, please contact the author.

Notes

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| TABLE 7. Federal science and engineering obligations to 10 HHEs receiving the largest amounts, by type of activity: FYs 201 |
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| Institution | All federal obligations | R&D | R&D plant | Facilities for instruction in S&E | Fellowships, traineeships, and training grants | General support for S&E | Other S&E activities |
|--|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|---|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | FY 2017 | (current \$thous | ands) | | | | |
| All HHEs | 1,735,558 | 1,546,178 | 7,232 | 0 | 114,600 | 7,804 | 59,745 |
| Top 10 HHEs | 1,212,515 | 1,113,854 | 2,978 | 0 | 50,226 | 4,534 | 40,923 |
| U. Arizona | 224,132 | 202,668 | 771 | 0 | 11,347 | 0 | 9,346 |
| U. California, Irvine | 181,488 | 165,191 | 366 | 0 | 10,599 | 0 | 5,332 |
| U. Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center | 155,319 | 143,478 | 0 | 0 | 2,378 | 0 | 9,463 |
| U. Illinois, Chicago | 146,914 | 137,361 | 226 | 0 | 5,119 | 480 | 3,729 |
| U. New Mexico | 122,853 | 111,442 | 79 | 0 | 7,324 | 125 | 3,883 |
| U. California, Santa Barbara | 103,095 | 99,769 | 1,211 | 0 | 1,836 | 0 | 280 |
| U. Texas Health Science Center, Houston ^a | 88,950 | 86,926 | 0 | 0 | 1,849 | 0 | 175 |
| U. Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio | 68,986 | 58,456 | 0 | 0 | 3,699 | 576 | 6,255 |
| Florida International U. | 60,621 | 50,852 | 326 | 0 | 4,209 | 2,898 | 2,337 |
| U. California, Santa Cruz | 60,156 | 57,711 | 0 | 0 | 1,866 | 456 | 124 |
| All other HHEs | 523,044 | 432,324 | 4,254 | 0 | 64,374 | 3,270 | 18,822 |
| | FY 2016 | (current \$thous | ands) | | | | |
| All HHEs | 1,719,520 | 1,499,734 | 14,501 | 0 | 134,228 | 11,387 | 59,671 |
| Top 10 HHEs | 1,163,023 | 1,069,864 | 6,238 | 0 | 51,453 | 5,297 | 30,172 |
| U. Arizona | 211,508 | 185,962 | 2,385 | 0 | 11,025 | 393 | 11,744 |
| U. California, Irvine | 181,119 | 167,846 | 18 | 0 | 10,764 | 1,632 | 860 |
| U. Illinois, Chicago | 145,695 | 133,214 | 1,567 | 0 | 6,603 | 0 | 4,311 |
| U. Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center | 129,868 | 119,083 | 0 | 0 | 2,193 | 0 | 8,593 |
| U. New Mexico | 108,798 | 100,082 | 235 | 0 | 5,721 | 1,894 | 865 |
| U. California, Santa Barbara | 100,306 | 95,567 | 1,154 | 0 | 1,331 | 600 | 1,655 |
| U. Texas Health Science Center, Houston ^a | 86,983 | 84,256 | 0 | 0 | 2,550 | 0 | 177 |
| U. California, Santa Cruz | 72,560 | 68,978 | 413 | 0 | 2,870 | 0 | 298 |
| U. California, Riverside | 64,251 | 58,603 | 466 | 0 | 4,768 | 178 | 236 |
| U. Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio | 61,936 | 56,274 | 0 | 0 | 3,628 | 600 | 1,434 |
| All other HHEs | 556,498 | 429,871 | 8,264 | 0 | 82,775 | 6,090 | 29,499 |

HHEs = high-Hispanic-enrollment institutions.

^a Excludes obligations for the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston's School of Dentistry.

NOTES: Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Institution order is based on total actual dollars received before amounts are rounded. Only those agencies that had obligations in the variables represented by this table appear in the table. This list of HHEs includes those institutions of higher education whose full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of undergraduate students is at least 25% Hispanic, according to fall 2016 enrollment data self-reported by the institutions in the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System survey conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). NCES determined FTE enrollment by calculating that approximately three part-time students are equivalent to one full-time student.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions.

3. HHE institutions are those whose full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of undergraduate students is at least 25% Hispanic, according to fall 2016 enrollment data self-reported by the institutions in the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System survey conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). Fall 2017

enrollment data were not available at the time these data were produced. NCES determined FTE enrollment by calculating that approximately three part-time students are equivalent to one full-time student.

4. Gross domestic product implicit price deflators on a federal fiscal year basis

were adjusted from historical figures for 1953–2017. Office of Management and Budget. 2018. Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2019, Historical Tables (Table 10.1). Office of Management and Budget. 2018. Budget of the United States Federal Government, Fiscal Year 2019, Economic Assumptions, Projections, 2018–2021.

TABLE 8. Federal research and development and R&D plant obligations to the 10 independent nonprofit institutions receiving the largest amounts, by agency: FY 2017

(Thousands of dollars)

| | All federal | | | | | | Other |
|--|-------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----------------------|
| Institution | obligations | HHS | DOD | NSF | NASA | DOE | agencies ^a |
| All institutions | 7,214,464 | 4,611,451 | 915,480 | 326,097 | 198,814 | 68,511 | 1,094,111 |
| Top 10 nonprofit institutions | 3,096,676 | 1,823,131 | 272,810 | 96,905 | 3,693 | 14,523 | 885,614 |
| Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute | 883,941 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 883,941 |
| Massachusetts General Hospital | 394,497 | 375,973 | 17,209 | 1,079 | 236 | 0 | 0 |
| Brigham and Women's Hospital | 371,925 | 369,848 | 692 | 0 | 1,386 | 0 | 0 |
| Mayo Clinic | 300,890 | 299,930 | 853 | 107 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center | 280,404 | 278,425 | 1,423 | 556 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Battelle Memorial Institute | 279,123 | 16,391 | 174,861 | 72,261 | 33 | 14,523 | 1,055 |
| SRI International | 162,329 | 60,449 | 77,773 | 21,452 | 2,038 | 0 | 618 |
| Children's Hospital Boston | 150,149 | 149,179 | 0 | 970 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dana-Farber Cancer Institute | 139,922 | 139,761 | 0 | 161 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center | 133,495 | 133,176 | 0 | 319 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| All other nonprofit institutions | 4,117,789 | 2,788,320 | 642,671 | 229,192 | 195,122 | 53,988 | 208,497 |

DOD = Department of Defense; DOE = Department of Energy; HHS = Department of Health and Human Services; NASA = National Aeronautics and Space Administration; NSF = National Science Foundation.

^a Includes data for the following agencies: the Departments of Commerce, Education, Homeland Security, Housing and Urban Development, the Interior, Justice, Labor, and Transportation; the Agency for International Development; the Environmental Protection Agency; the Appalachian Regional Commission; the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund; and the Social Security Administration.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to total due to rounding.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Science and Engineering Support to Universities, Colleges, and Nonprofit Institutions, FY 2017.