

TABLE 5. Field of research of postdocs at federally funded research and development centers, by FFRDC type: 2010

Field of research	Total	University administered	Nonprofit administered	Industry administered
All postdocs	3,011	1,234	719	1,058
Science and engineering	2,669	1,227	694	748
Science	2,036	1,043	497	496
Agricultural sciences	1	0	1	0
Biological sciences	223	100	67	56
Chemistry	492	198	173	121
Computer sciences	122	71	26	25
Earth, atmospheric, and ocean sciences	209	131	48	30
Mathematical sciences	44	3	6	35
Physics/astronomy	847	492	139	216
Psychology	1	0	0	1
Social sciences	13	11	1	1
Other sciences	84	37	36	11
Engineering	633	184	197	252
Aerospace engineering	10	0	3	7
Agricultural engineering	0	0	0	0
Biomedical engineering	17	0	4	13
Chemical engineering	100	22	44	34
Civil engineering	21	5	10	6
Electrical engineering	58	13	13	32
Engineering science and physics	18	7	6	5
Industrial/manufacturing engineering	4	0	4	0
Materials/metallurgical engineering	224	101	55	68
Mechanical engineering	102	28	25	49
Mining engineering	0	0	0	0
Nuclear engineering	54	8	23	23
Petroleum engineering	0	0	0	0
Other engineering	25	0	10	15
Health	17	2	14	1
Multidisciplinary	8	3	1	4
Non-science or engineering	4	2	1	1
Field of research not known	313	0	9	304

FFRDC = federal funded research and development center.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Postdocs at Federally Funded Research and Development Centers, 2010.