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Federal obligations for basic research performed at universities and colleges in social sciences, by selected agency and detailed field: FY 2020

(Dollars in thousands)

Agency	Total	Anthropology	Economics	Political science	Sociology	Other social sciences
All agencies surveyed	307,483.7	17,237.9	24,044.4	4,554.1	13,317.6	248,329.7
Departments						
Department of Agriculture	10,348.2	0.0	7,178.6	0.0	3,103.1	66.6
Agricultural Research Service	187.9	0.0	187.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Forest Service	341.2	0.0	249.6	0.0	25.0	66.6
National Institute of Food and Agriculture	9,819.2	0.0	6,741.1	0.0	3,078.1	0.0
Department of Defense	77,591.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	77,591.9
Department of the Air Force	54,718.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	54,718.3
Department of the Army	2,440.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,440.4
Department of the Navy	5,050.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5,050.4
Other defense agencies	15,382.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	15,382.9
Department of Health and Human Services	36,576.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36,576.3
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	200.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	200.0
National Institutes of Health	36,376.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36,376.3
Other agencies						
National Science Foundation	182,967.3	17,237.9	16,865.9	4,554.1	10,214.5	134,094.9

Note(s):

Because of rounding, detail may not add to total. Seven agencies are required to report data for this section of the survey: the Departments of Agriculture, Defense, Energy, Health and Human Services, and Homeland Security; the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and the National Science Foundation. Basic research obligations of these seven agencies represented more than 99% of total federal basic research obligations to universities and colleges in FY 2020. Only those agencies and subdivisions that had obligations in variables represented by this table appear in the table. FYs 2020 obligations include additional funding provided by supplemental COVID-19 related appropriations (e.g., Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security [CARES] Act). See technical table A-2 for additional notes associated with the agencies listed in this table.

Source(s):

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