

REIMBURSABLE ACTIVITY

Reimbursements for the Research and Related Activities Appropriation and the Education and Human Resources Appropriation are realized from other federal agencies that have entered into interagency agreements with the Foundation. NSF enters into agreements (including Memoranda of Understanding) with other U.S. government agencies, as authorized by the NSF Act, 42 U.S.C. 1870 (c) and the Economy Act: 31 U.S.C. 1535, under which NSF assumes some responsibility for activities supported by these agencies. These activities can include jointly funded projects and programs, support of research operations and logistics, and access to NSF supported research facilities.

Reimbursements by Agency

(Dollars in Millions)

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY	FY 2008 Actual
DEFENSE	
<i>Air Force</i>	\$12.2
<i>Army</i>	\$5.3
<i>Other DOD (DARPA, NSA & Intelligence Agency)</i>	\$11.7
Subtotal, DOD	\$29.2
Interior	\$1.0
CIA	\$4.0
Commerce (Including NOAA)	\$6.3
Education	\$1.0
Energy	\$7.5
Environmental Protection Agency	\$1.7
Executive Office of the President	\$2.1
State	\$1.0
Agriculture	\$1.5
Health & Human Services	\$22.6
Homeland Security	\$6.7
NASA	\$8.7
National Archives	\$1.9
Transportation	\$1.8
OTHER (less than \$500,000)	\$0.6
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENTS	\$97.6

Since the 1980s, the number of interagency agreements NSF handles has increased dramatically. This increase is indicative of the growth in the breadth and complexity of the Foundation's programmatic activity. Consistent with applicable legislation and GAO decisions, agreements include reimbursement for costs that are incurred in the management and administration of these awards.

In FY 2008 the largest portion of NSF's reimbursable activity came from joint activities with the Department of Defense (29.9 percent), the Department of Health and Human Services (23.2 percent), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (8.9 percent), the Department of Energy (7.7 percent) and the Department of Homeland Security (6.9 percent). Reimbursable activities with the Department of Defense were primarily for the management of the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). Reimbursable activities with the Department of Health and Human Services are for non-medical biological research such as the human frontiers science program and the Macromolecular Structure Database (MSD) program.