

TRAVEL

\$9,870,000
+\$9,610,000 / 3,751.5%

NSF Travel
(Dollars in Millions)

	FY 2021 Actual ¹	FY 2022 (TBD)	FY 2023 Request	Change over		Funding Source
				FY 2021 Actual Amount	Percent	
NSF Federal Employee Staff	\$0.16	-	\$6.03	\$5.87	3634.0%	AOAM
IPA Appointments	0.09	-	3.84	3.75	3951.6%	R&RA/EHR
Total Travel	\$0.26	-	\$9.87	\$9.61	3751.5%	
Total AOAM	0.16	-	6.03	5.87	3634.0%	
R&RA	0.09	-	3.50	3.41	3782.1%	
EDU	0.00	-	0.34	0.34	7259.3%	

¹ FY 2021 funding for Federal Employee Staff and IPA travel is lower than normal due to travel restrictions related to COVID-19. This results in the large percent increases shown.

The FY 2023 Request level for staff and IPA travel is \$9.87 million. NSF employee travel accounts for about 61 percent of this total and is provided from the AOAM account. Travel for IPA appointments, which is supported by the R&RA and EDU accounts, is the remaining 39 percent.

As part of the review of the agency's operational and administrative needs used to develop the FY 2023 budget request, NSF analyzed historical travel data and projected estimated travel costs related to the amount of program activities anticipated at the FY 2023 Request level for NSF. In addition, travel restrictions in place for FY 2021 and into FY 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic were considered to be no longer in place in FY 2023 in the formulation of NSF's FY 2023 travel budget request.

NSF Employee Travel

FY 2023 funding for NSF employee full-time equivalent (FTE) travel is estimated at \$6.03 million. NSF's employee FTE travel costs are increased in FY 2023 to levels consistent with historical averages, in anticipation of COVID restrictions being lifted and travel resuming as normal. NSF employee FTE travel is also based on the travel activity associated with utilization of 1,445 regular FTE. It includes travel-related funding for training, site reviews, outreach activities, and post-award monitoring and oversight.

IPA Travel

The FY 2023 funding for IPA travel is \$3.84 million, representing an IPA usage level of 275 IPA FTEs. The per IPA travel costs are increased in FY 2023 to levels consistent with historical averages, in anticipation of COVID restrictions being lifted and travel resuming as normal. Travel is essential to the successful completion of an IPA's duties while at NSF, which include responsibilities for oversight and stewardship of NSF's programs and awards, outreach to and engagement with scientific communities and other external stakeholders as NSF ambassadors, and maintaining their own professional prevalence (including, but not limited to, independent research and development activities).

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