TRAVEL   **$9,900,000**

NSF Travel

(Dollars in Millions)

	FY 2023 Base Plan	FY 2024 (TBD)	FY 2025 Request	Change over FY 2023 Base Plan		Funding Source
				Amount	Percent	
NSF Federal Employee Staff	$6.10	-	$6.14	$0.04	0.6%	AOAM
IPA Appointments	4.00	-	3.76	-0.24	-6.0%	R&RA/EDU
Total Travel	**$10.10**	**-**	**$9.90**	**-$0.20**	**-2.0%**	
Total AOAM	6.10	-	6.14	0.04	0.6%	
R&RA	3.66	-	3.42	-0.24	-6.6%	
EDU	0.34	-	0.34	-	-	

The FY 2025 Request for staff and IPA travel is $9.90 million. NSF employee travel accounts for about 60 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 40 percent.

As part of the review of the agency's operational and administrative needs used to develop the FY 2025 budget request, NSF analyzed historical travel data and projected estimated travel costs related to the amount of program activities anticipated at the FY 2025 Request level for NSF.

NSF Employee Travel

FY 2025 funding for NSF employee full-time equivalent (FTE) travel is estimated at $6.14 million. NSF's employee FTE travel costs in FY 2025 are consistent with historical averages and are based on the travel activity associated with utilization of 1,455 regular FTE. It includes travel-related funding for training, site reviews, outreach activities, and post-award monitoring and oversight.

IPA Travel

The FY 2025 funding for IPA travel is $3.76 million, representing an IPA usage level of 316 IPA FTEs. The per IPA travel costs are increased in FY 2025 to levels consistent with historical averages, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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).