

National Science Foundation

2009 Small Business Procurement Scorecard

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FPDS-NG Data as of July 29, 2010
ARRA Data as of August 6, 2010

Prime Contracting Achievement:			64.80
	2008 Achievement	2009 Goal	2009 Achievement
Small Business	15.25%	28.26%	16.88% (\$0.054B)
Women Owned Small Business	3.49%	5.00%	4.64%
Small Disadvantaged Business	9.75%	5.00%	7.72%
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	0.02%	3.00%	0.33%
HUBZone	0.12%	3.00%	1.07%

Sub Contracting Achievement:			37.77
	2008 Achievement	2009 Goal	2009 Achievement
Small Business	8.73%	29.70%	13.48%
Women Owned Small Business	2.02%	5.00%	2.26%
Small Disadvantaged Business	0.04%	5.00%	2.80%
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	0.00%	3.00%	0.08%
HUBZone	0.00%	3.00%	0.05%

Plan Progress:		100
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Full response * Unacceptable response ↔ Partial response 		
✓ Has implemented a strategy to increase the number of competitively awarded contracts to small businesses.		✓
✓ Has demonstrated top-level Agency commitment to small business contracting.		✓
✓ Planned significant events to increase small business participation in the procurement process during the period.		✓
✓ Demonstrated the small business data is accurately reported in FPDS-NG during the period. Verified & Cleared FPDS-NG Anomalies.		✓
✓ Demonstrated the policies and procedures are in place to ensure compliance with subcontracting plans and attainment of subcontracting goals during the period.		✓
✓ Demonstrated no unjustified bundling has taken place during the period.		✓
✓ Planned training to contracting staff/managers in executing small business/socioeconomic procurements during the period.		✓
✓ Planned to collaborate with SBA on formulation of small business procurement policy initiatives during the period.		✓
✓ Agency submits all strategic plans and reports that became due to SBA during the reporting period.		✓

Grading Scale	
A+	≤ 150% but ≥ 120%
A	< 120% but ≥ 100%
B	< 100% but ≥ 90%
C	< 90% but ≥ 80%
D	< 80% but ≥ 70%
F	< 70%

Comments:

Graded Agency:

In FY 2009, NSF obligated slightly under \$490M for contract actions. Of that amount, \$312.6M or 80% was devoted to 4 large dollar complex contracts with large businesses for Antarctic Support, Arctic Research Support and Logistics Services, and Ocean Drilling Program Support. Due to the size, complexity and uniqueness of these NSF requirements, a small business is not capable of performing as the prime on any of these contracts. As a result, NSF only had 20% of its obligations to possibly award to small business in FY 2009. Undeterred by this situation, NSF was still able to achieve a small business rate of 16.8% in FY 2009.

SBA:

Goaling Achievement

The National Science Foundation (NSF) met 1 of their 5 prime contracting goals missing Small Business, Women Owned Small Business, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, and HUBZone.

Fiscal year 2009 prime contracting achievement saw increases over FY2008 in Small Business, Women Owned Small Business, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business and HUBZone. NSF FY2009 achievement declined from FY2008 in Small Disadvantaged Business.

SBA Data Anomaly Reports

NSF responded on-time to SBA's contracting data anomaly report and fully addressed submitted anomalies.

Partnership with SBA

NSF rarely attended the SBA chaired Small Business Procurement Advisory Council meetings hosted at the SBA.

American Reinvestment and Recovery Act Contracts

Since enactment of ARRA, NSF has directed 0.00% (zero) of their Recovery Act funds toward small businesses.