

National Science Foundation

2010 Small Business Procurement Scorecard

C 83.7

FPDS-NG Data as of April 29, 2011
 eSRS Data as of May 31, 2011

Prime Contracting Achievement:			77.62
	2009 Achievement	2010 Goal	2010 Achievement
Small Business	16.88%	17.65%	15.10% (\$0.046B)
Women Owned Small Business	4.64%	5.00%	4.73% (\$0.014B)
Small Disadvantaged Business	7.72%	5.00%	6.73% (\$0.020B)
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	0.33%	3.00%	0.35% (\$0.001B)
HUBZone	1.07%	3.00%	0.66% (\$0.002B)

Sub Contracting Achievement:			115.67
	2009 Achievement	2010 Goal	2010 Achievement
Small Business	13.48%	8.70%	27.30%
Women Owned Small Business	2.26%	5.00%	7.30%
Small Disadvantaged Business	2.80%	5.00%	5.20%
Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business	0.08%	3.00%	0.10%
HUBZone	0.05%	3.00%	0.10%

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 FY10, NSF demonstrated significant strides in our small business achievement resulting in a two grade improvement from "F" to "C" from FY09. We made a small improvement in our Prime Contracting Achievement and a significant improvement in our Sub Contracting Achievement scores. Our Plan Progress score remains at a perfect 100, a clear indication that NSF is taking steps to improve. NSF exceeds or is within 3 percentage points of 3 of the 5 Prime Contracting Achievement areas. We are focused on improving our areas of weakness, HUBZone and Service Disabled Veteran Small Business, through targeting efforts, as detailed in the Small Business Scorecard progress report. NSF will continue to make every effort to ensure that all small business fully participate in our contracting/subcontracting activities and actively reach out to the small business community by providing counseling services and networking opportunities. NSF's primary obstacle to achieving a high percentage level of Prime Contracting Achievement is that 34% of our FY 2010 small business eligible obligated dollars were devoted to 3 large dollar complex contracts with large businesses for 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.

SBA:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) met 1 of its 5 prime contracting goals: Small Disadvantaged Business. However, it did not meet its prime contracting goals for Small Business, Woman Owned Small Business, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business and HUBZone.

Fiscal year 2010 prime contracting achievement saw increases over FY2009 in Women Owned Small Business and Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business. NSF FY2010 achievement declined for Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business and HUBZone.

NSF occasionally attends Small Business Procurement Advisory Council meetings.