



# **Sponsored Research Awards**

**Research, scholarly, and creative  
activity and discovery at  
Kansas State University**

July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020



October 7, 2020

Dear Colleague:

The Office of the Vice President for Research is pleased to provide the attached proposal/award activity report for the period July 1, 2019–June 30, 2020. We are presenting this annual report in a new format, making it easier for the user to search, compare, and collect information across the university. The complete, more detailed and interactive view of the report is available at [k-state.edu/research/faculty/awards/reports](https://k-state.edu/research/faculty/awards/reports).

**Total extramural funding garnered by Kansas State University has increased for the fifth year in a row, for a net increase of 55% since fiscal year (FY) 2016.** In FY 2020, our researchers obtained 1,137 awards for a record total of \$199,132,973, a 13% increase over FY 2019.

**These awards represented a 28% increase in Federal funding** while maintaining our funding from state and local governments, private foundations, and industry sponsors.

**Economic Development and Technology Transfer** are significant focus areas for the growth of our strategic partnerships. On July 1, 2019, the historic K-State Research Foundation and the Institute for Commercialization merged to form Kansas State University Innovation Partners. This new entity better represents the organization's national leadership position in technology commercialization, economic development and corporate engagement. In its first year of operations, Innovation Partners facilitated **more than \$3.2 million in total licensing revenue in FY 2020 and a record 35 license agreements** — four of those agreements with direct impact on the fight against COVID-19. At this writing, additional COVID-19 treatments continue to be developed, disclosed, licensed, and further tested and validated with corporate partners. Over the last decade, 24 companies and 600 employees have been attracted to the region.

This was an **all-around record year** for K-State research despite the pandemic in the last quarter of FY 2020. Our research faculty and staff are resilient and are responsible for making K-State a leader and primary contributor in the world innovation ecosystem.

If you have questions about the content of this report, please contact Paul Lowe at [plowe@k-state.edu](mailto:plowe@k-state.edu) or 785-532-6804 or the RADAR team at [radar@k-state.edu](mailto:radar@k-state.edu) or 785-532-6804.

Sincerely,



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Vice President for Research

# Award amount and count FY 2016-FY 2020

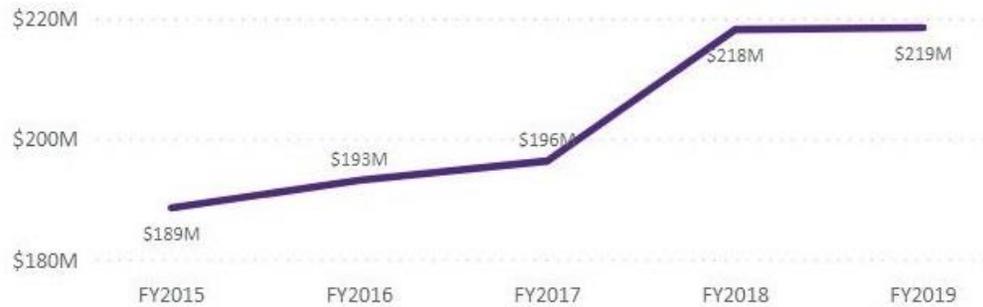
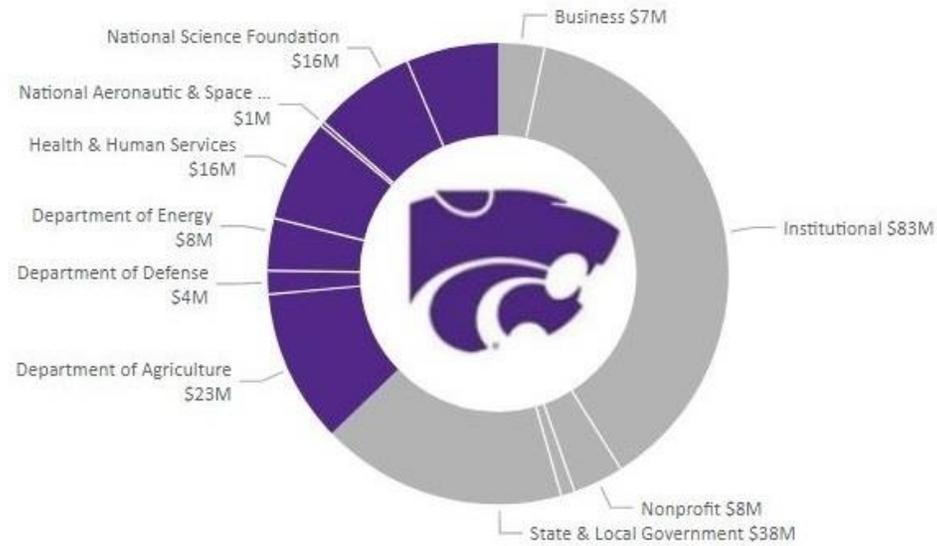
Award amount and count  
FY 2016-FY 2020



K-State's implementation of the new research administration system, Cayuse SP, allowed for a distinct count of award transactions while also allowing the appropriate allocation of credit to individual project team members. The previous years' reports, prior to the annual comparison above, presented a collaborative count in which each research contributing intellectual input was credited with a count for the purposes of allocating credit. The above annual award dollars reflect the funds obligated by the sponsor(s) within the fiscal year.

## Expenditures (NSF HERD)

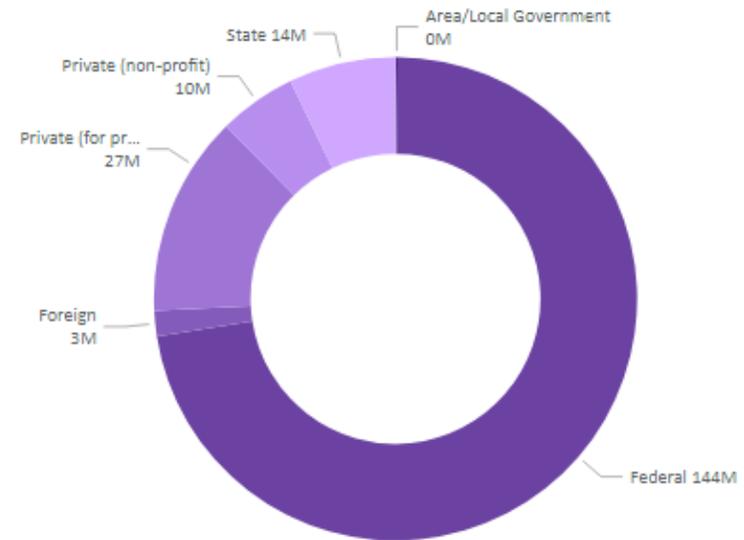
## FY 2019 preliminary



The HERD survey consists of the annual expenditures of more than 600 participating higher education institutions. The FY 2019 expenditures are the most up-to-date expenditures data published by the NSF HERD Survey. K-State has submitted its FY 2019 survey data; the data is considered preliminary until released by NSF.

## Award summary by source FY 2020

Source of Funds	Count	Amount	Percent of Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	589	144,103,176	72.37%
<input type="checkbox"/> USDA - US Department of Agriculture	194	44,192,267	22.19%
<input type="checkbox"/> NSF - National Science Foundation	107	21,602,044	10.85%
<input type="checkbox"/> HHS - US Department of Health and Human Services	95	20,663,216	10.38%
<input type="checkbox"/> US Education - US Department of Education	14	15,785,834	7.93%
<input type="checkbox"/> USAID - United States Agency for International Development	25	13,994,222	7.03%
<input type="checkbox"/> DOE - US Department of Energy	44	9,350,950	4.70%
<input type="checkbox"/> DOD - US Department of Defense	36	6,794,387	3.41%
<input type="checkbox"/> DOT - US Department of Transportation	14	4,089,079	2.05%
<input type="checkbox"/> EPA - US Environmental Protection Agency	14	3,501,207	1.76%
<input type="checkbox"/> DOI - US Department of the Interior	17	1,712,600	0.86%
<input type="checkbox"/> NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration	9	627,639	0.32%
<input type="checkbox"/> DHS - US Department of Homeland Security	3	593,719	0.30%
<input type="checkbox"/> US Commerce - US Department of Commerce	5	551,245	0.28%
<input type="checkbox"/> US State - US Department of State	5	463,441	0.23%
<input type="checkbox"/> HUD - US Department of Housing and Urban Development	1	78,803	0.04%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Federal	5	72,132	0.04%
<input type="checkbox"/> DHS - Federal Emergency Management Agency	1	30,391	0.02%
<input type="checkbox"/> Private (for profit)	142	26,744,142	13.43%
<input type="checkbox"/> State	150	14,270,071	7.17%
<input type="checkbox"/> Private (non-profit)	218	10,355,418	5.20%
<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	26	3,343,254	1.68%
<input type="checkbox"/> Area/Local Government	11	316,912	0.16%
<input type="checkbox"/> Kansas State University	1	0	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1137</b>	<b>199,132,973</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



The above award summary by source represents the original sources of funding, regardless of the flow of these funds through an intermediary organization.



# Award summary by unit

## FY 2016-FY 2020

Date Fiscal Year Unit	FY 2016		FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019		FY 2020	
	Count	Amount	Count	Amount	Count	Amount	Count	Amount	Count	Amount
⊕ College of Agriculture	393	46,557,546	397	45,809,019	369	39,795,801	355	49,522,566	478	60,397,265
⊕ College of Architecture, Planning and Design	5	35,721	8	197,543	5	35,995	8	104,275	13	133,351
⊕ College of Arts and Sciences	151	19,033,811	163	27,243,509	152	51,278,662	152	48,042,873	216	50,535,891
⊕ College of Business Administration			1	47,500			2	94,469	4	40,254
⊕ College of Education	31	4,564,195	28	3,461,870	32	2,500,753	24	3,858,387	41	5,672,027
⊕ College of Engineering	134	22,867,528	139	17,705,722	156	22,696,113	140	22,382,058	210	33,431,636
⊕ College of Health and Human Sciences									34	6,928,170
⊕ College of Human Ecology	47	12,507,045	42	10,520,492	48	10,685,358	43	12,557,244		
⊕ College of Veterinary Medicine	103	12,331,272	119	11,566,509	141	16,101,496	151	14,522,368	150	17,678,877
⊕ Cooperative Extension Service	39	2,014,764	54	11,510,133	48	5,519,142	35	8,666,611	43	3,968,950
⊕ Division of Communications and Marketing									2	44,250
⊕ Facilities Management					1	3,750				
⊕ Graduate School									5	426,122
⊕ Information Systems									2	7,237
⊕ K-State Global									1	5,000
⊕ K-State Libraries									1	5,000
⊕ K-State Olathe			3	43,700			1	0	1	0
⊕ K-State Polytechnic	6	896,549	3	174,821	6	650,512	17	1,210,500	24	2,200,892
⊕ Office of the President			3	5,022,932	3	5,026,300	3	5,082,500	1	1,760
⊕ Office of the Provost	17	1,482,311	20	1,831,565	15	2,153,790	17	1,804,874	19	14,222,026
⊕ School of Leadership Studies									5	343,933
⊕ University Operations									3	13,102
⊕ Vice President for Administration and Finance	2	19,605	2	9,878	1	2,000	1	24,897		
⊕ Vice President for Research	13	4,568,457	10	2,067,758	10	1,839,343	12	2,709,839	23	1,360,005
⊕ Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students	19	1,856,460	20	2,103,803	24	3,287,568	25	3,002,644	15	1,717,225
<b>Total</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>128,735,264</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>139,316,754</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>161,576,583</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>173,586,105</b>	<b>1137</b>	<b>199,132,973</b>

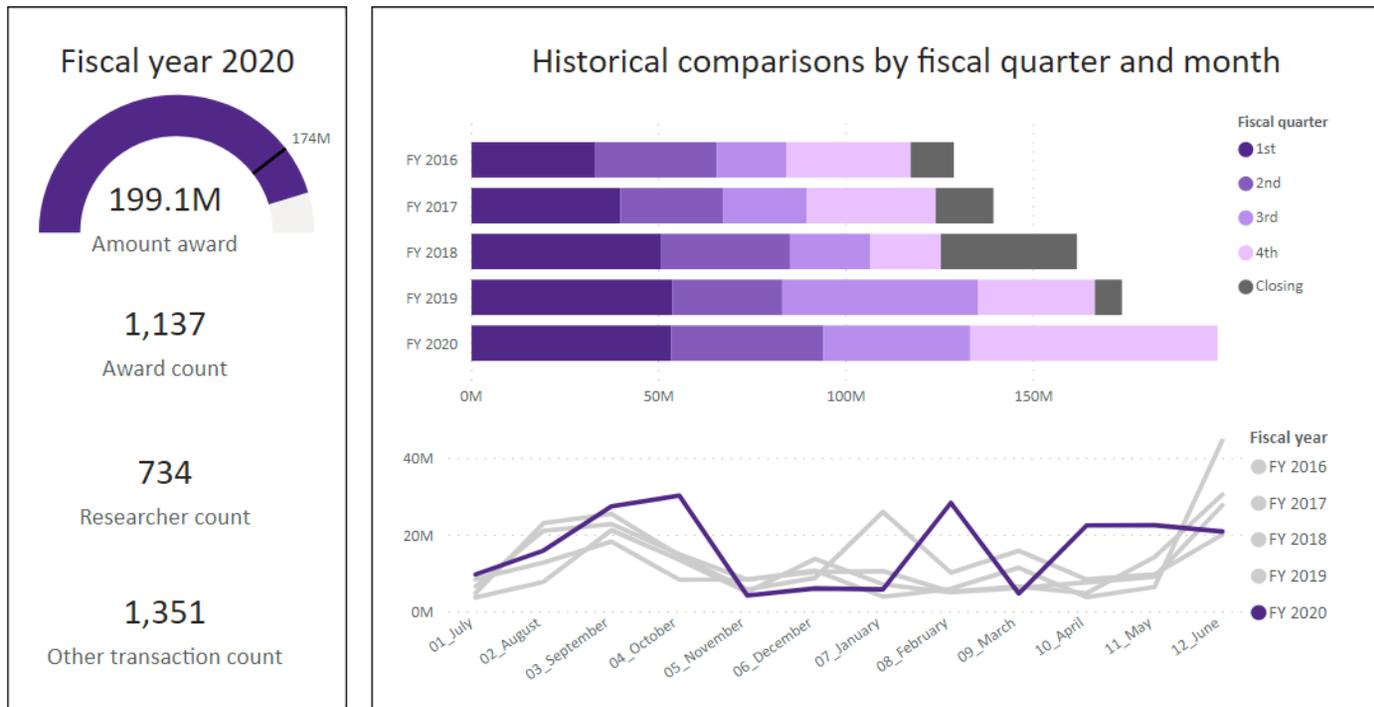
# Proposal Summary by Unit

## FY 2016-FY 2020

Fiscal Year Unit	FY 2016		FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019		FY 2020	
	Count	Amount								
⊕ College of Agriculture	656	84,722,634	662	99,817,778	584	105,313,313	680	121,218,028	596	143,844,412
⊕ College of Architecture, Planning and Design	16	3,722,112	17	2,381,620	11	1,893,716	14	712,119	15	841,476
⊕ College of Arts and Sciences	393	109,912,551	418	135,552,920	393	159,900,360	415	148,784,203	360	164,304,565
⊕ College of Business Administration	1	323,809	3	467,822	2	20,281	4	247,685	2	33,073
⊕ College of Education	75	41,505,674	86	42,280,306	84	25,851,795	66	29,736,528	58	17,381,344
⊕ College of Engineering	324	121,429,251	367	112,386,322	382	116,344,236	378	112,581,319	334	146,487,835
⊕ College of Health and Human Sciences									73	20,340,762
⊕ College of Human Ecology	96	45,405,537	96	27,817,693	87	16,864,265	89	24,278,713		
⊕ College of Veterinary Medicine	259	60,258,236	289	89,982,884	290	87,789,238	337	96,062,260	252	89,683,292
⊕ Cooperative Extension Service	70	7,622,988	86	9,196,091	76	8,104,558	71	11,916,576	49	6,382,061
⊕ Division of Communications and Marketing									1	20,000
⊕ Facilities Management					1	3,750	3	16,836		
⊕ Graduate School									1	22,695
⊕ Information Systems					1	375,000			2	182,330
⊕ K-State Global									2	15,000
⊕ K-State Libraries									3	127,865
⊕ K-State Olathe					1	24,600	4	651,637	4	814,273
⊕ K-State Polytechnic	10	1,000,851	9	1,942,816	21	6,395,671	34	1,194,091	23	2,975,226
⊕ Office of the President	1	0	4	5,119,814	6	5,254,692	5	5,183,518	4	390,165
⊕ Office of the Provost	25	11,024,574	26	1,607,701	22	3,362,694	28	3,647,884	19	20,991,795
⊕ School of Leadership Studies									8	1,271,984
⊕ University Operations									1	3,000
⊕ Vice President for Administration and Finance	4	77,785	2	0	1	0	1	24,897	1	0
⊕ Vice President for Research	23	4,790,956	26	5,796,246	17	2,796,299	36	5,089,696	24	2,450,950
⊕ Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students	18	305,557	26	5,204,509	25	1,750,332	28	3,171,611	10	1,337,695
<b>Total</b>	<b>1728</b>	<b>492,102,516</b>	<b>1785</b>	<b>539,554,521</b>	<b>1712</b>	<b>542,044,800</b>	<b>1867</b>	<b>564,517,601</b>	<b>1553</b>	<b>619,901,798</b>

# Award activity analysis

## FY 2020



**Award count:** Inclusive of new awards and funded award modifications.

**Researcher count:** Represents the distinct count of individuals engaged in award activity.

**Other transaction count:** Representative of other RSCAD transactions; inclusive of nonmonetary award modifications (i.e., budget revisions, no cost time extensions, etc.), outgoing agreement (i.e., sub-agreements, service agreements, and consulting agreements) as well as zero-dollar agreements (i.e., MTA, NDA, CA).

It is suggested that all reports found in this annual summary be accessed via the [online interactive tool](#) for more in-depth filtering and analysis.