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The World Today Technology is Transforming the Battlespace

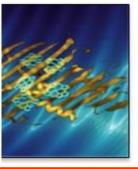


- Easy proliferation of knowledge and technology has eroded U.S. historic advantages
 - Increasing systems capabilities
 - Advanced production capabilities
 - Driving lower costs
 - Decreasing the "time to market"
- Increased rate of investment in military Research & Development (R&D) from nearpeers
- Increasingly Competitive National Security Technical Environment
- Speed and cycle time become the discriminator

- NSF 2015 data predicted R&D investment parity with China in 2020
 - Feb 2018 National Science Board (NSB) estimates China R&D investment parity with U.S. by end of 2018





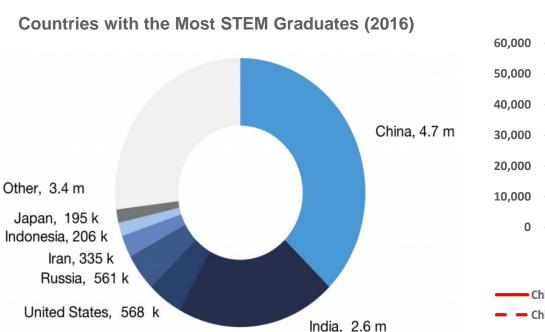


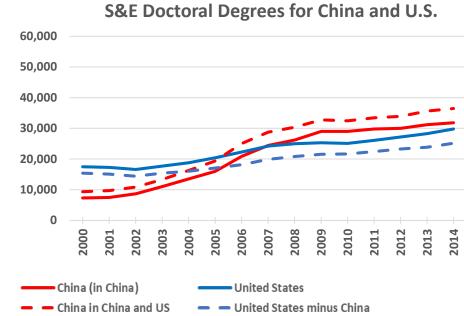
- 2017 GLOBAL R&D FUNDING FORECAST WINTER 2017 Industrial Research Institute, R&D Magazine



Science & Technology Is Crucial To Maintaining Technical Advantage







U.S. Education Institutions Boost Number of China's S&E Ph.D.

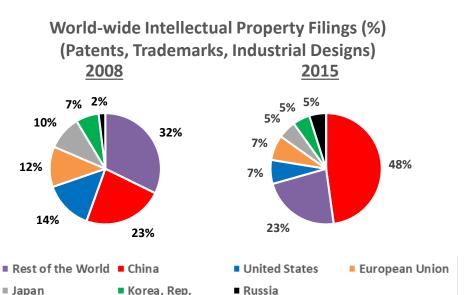
Graduates by Almost 15% When China Is Already Producing the Most

STEM Graduates in the World.



Intellectual Property & Research and Development









- U.S.'s share decreased by half from 14% to 7% in the same time frame
- China's share more than doubled in seven years from 23% in 2008 to 48% in 2015

Source: World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Statistics Database at www.wipo.int/ipstats/. The International Bureau of WIPO assumes no responsibility with respect to the transformation of these data.

- U.S. leads in basic and applied research investments
- China leads in experimental development investments

Source: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics; SRI International; Science-Metrix; Elsevier, Scopus abstract and citation database, accessed July 2017, Science and Engineering Indicators 2018



Maintaining Technology Superiority

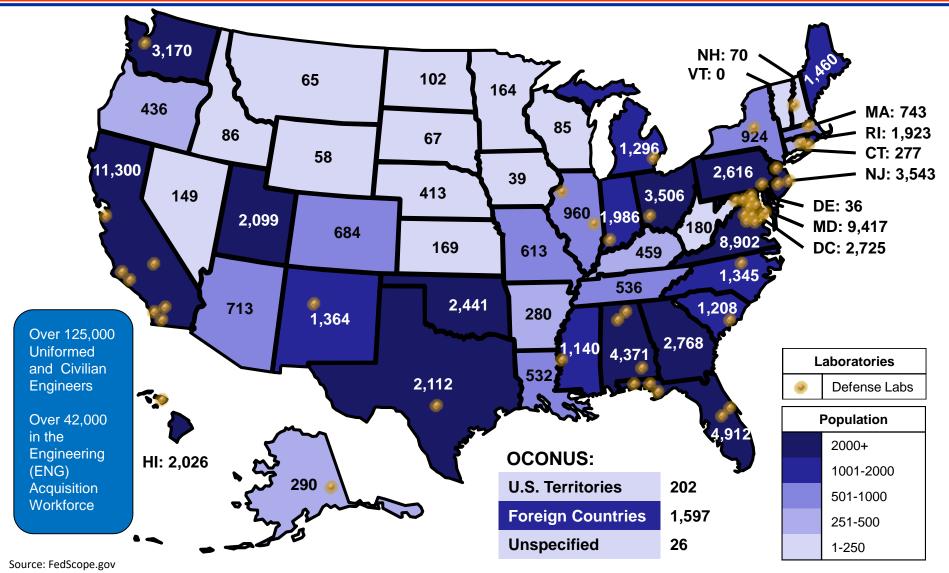


- We will address challenges to technological superiority by identifying and investing in *innovative technologies and processes*
- We are pushing the envelope with innovative and cutting edge research
- Beyond technical innovation, we are pursuing new practices and organizational structures to ensure future U.S. technical dominance
- From basic research to advanced capabilities, the DoD Research & Engineering (R&E) enterprise provides the technological foundations that ensures our military of the future remains the most capable in the world
- The U.S. military has long relied on high quality people, technological superiority, innovative operational and organizational constructs, and our unmatched ability to fight as a Joint Force



The U.S. DoD is the World's Largest Engineering Organization

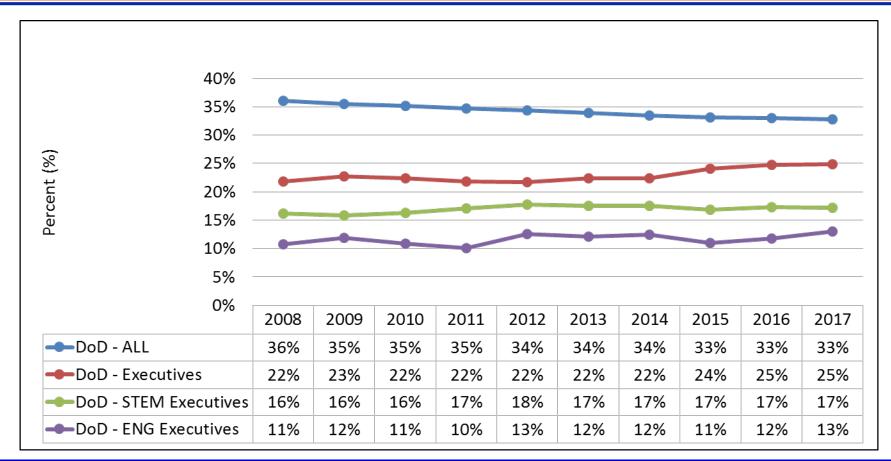






Women in Defense





Over the last decade, the DoD has seen a decrease of 3% in the ratio of Women employees; the ratio of DoD Women executives has increased.

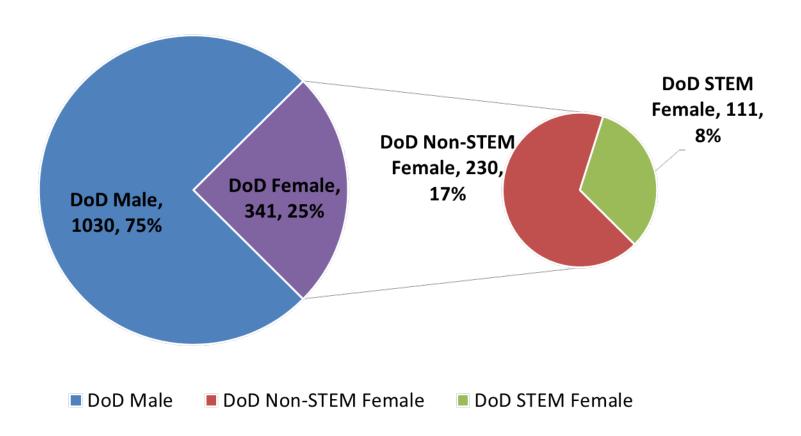
Source: Defense Civilian Personnel Data System, May 2018



FY2017 DoD Executives Gender Distribution With STEM Breakout



DoD Executives by Gender



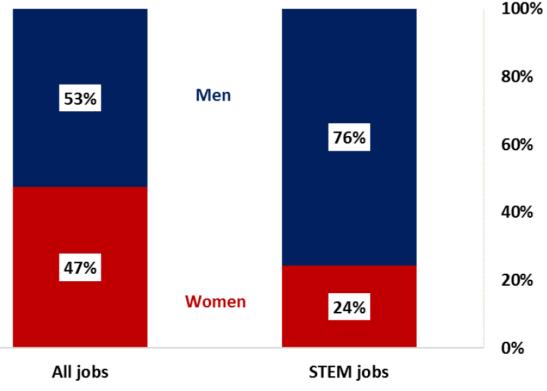
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2015 US Gender Shares of Total and STEM Jobs



Figure 1. Gender Shares of Total and STEM Jobs, 2015



Source: OCE calculations using American Community Survey public-use microdata.

Note: Estimates are for employed persons age 16 and over.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Economics and Statistics Administration. "Women in STEM: 2017 Update." ESA Issue Brief #06-17. November 13, 2017. Available at http://www.esa.doc.gov/sites/default/files/women-in-stem-2017-update.pdf

The percentage of women in STEM fields has remained constant at 24% since at least 2009.



Make a Difference as a DoD Engineer





Help bring Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines home to their families



Work on groundbreaking innovations



Inspire and mentor the next generation