

The State of U.S. Science & Engineering

Science & Engineering Indicators 2022

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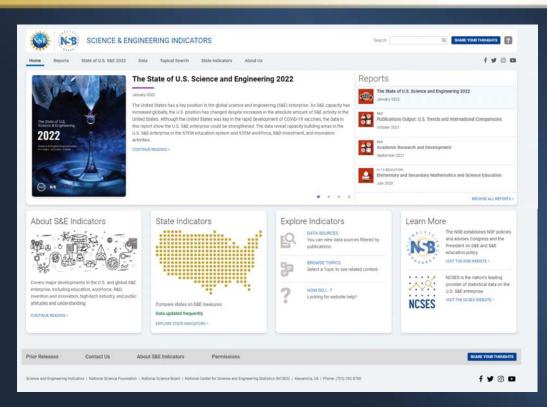
Policy making body for NSF

- Establishes policies
- Identifies issues critical to NSF's future
- Approves strategic budget direction and major programs and awards

Advisors to the President and Congress

- Publishes Science and Engineering Indicators
- Issues policy reports on S&E, STEM education, and workforce

Science and Engineering Indicators



https://ncses.nsf.gov/indicators

- Elementary and Secondary STEM Education
- Academic Research & Development
- The STEM Labor Force of Today: Scientists, Engineers, and Skilled Technical Workers
- Invention, Knowledge Transfer and Innovation
- Publications Output
- Higher Education
- R&D: U.S. Trends and International Comparisons
- Production and Trade of Knowledge- and Technology-Intensive Industries
- Science and Technology: Public Perceptions, Awareness, and Information Sources
- State Indicators

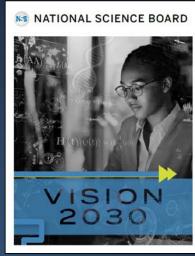


Resources from the National Science Board











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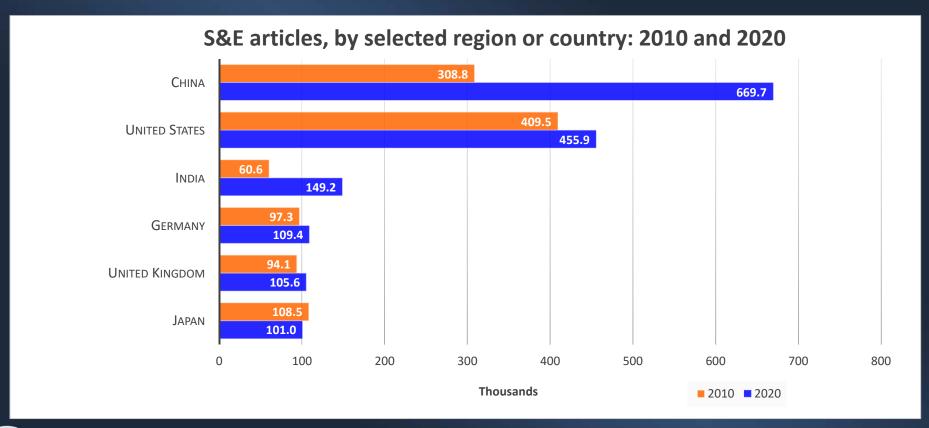
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The data show the United States is in a strong leadership position and plays a central role as educator and collaborator.

But that role has evolved as other countries outpace our growth in S&T investments and capabilities.



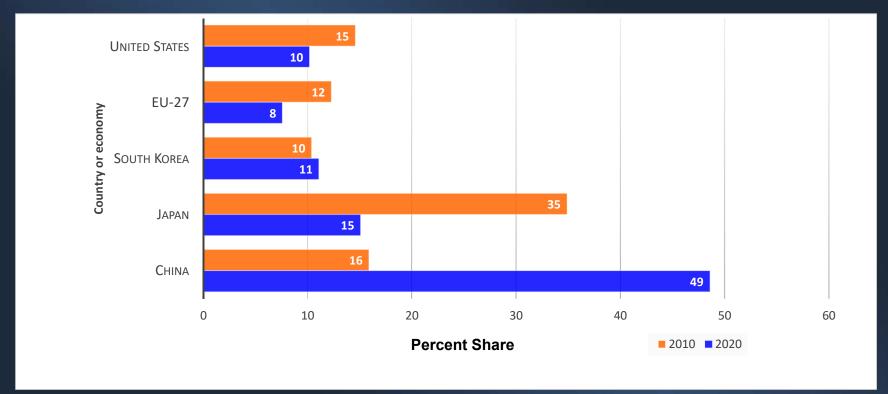
Global S&E Publications





Global S&E Patents

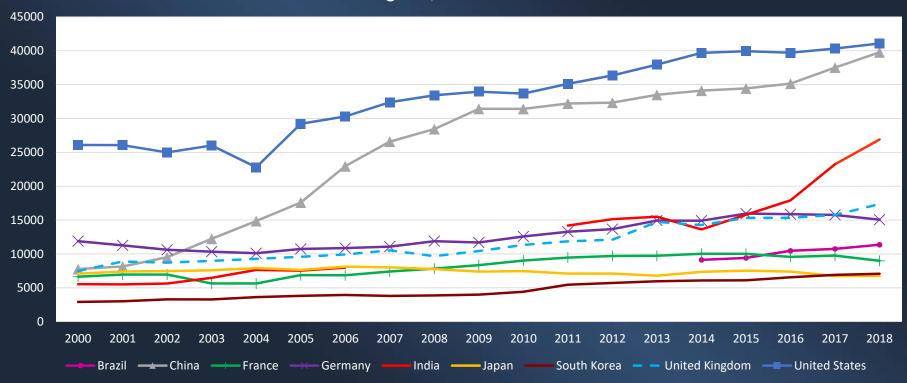
Shares of worldwide patents granted to inventors, by selected region, country, or economy: 2010 and 2020





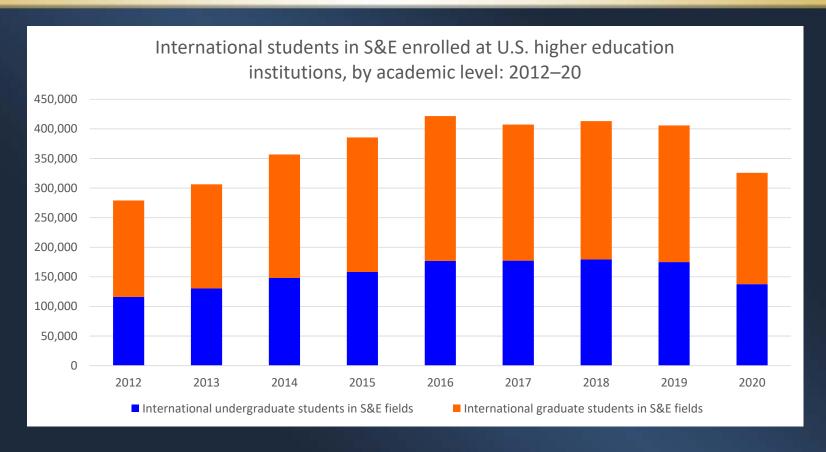
Global S&E Doctoral Degrees Awarded





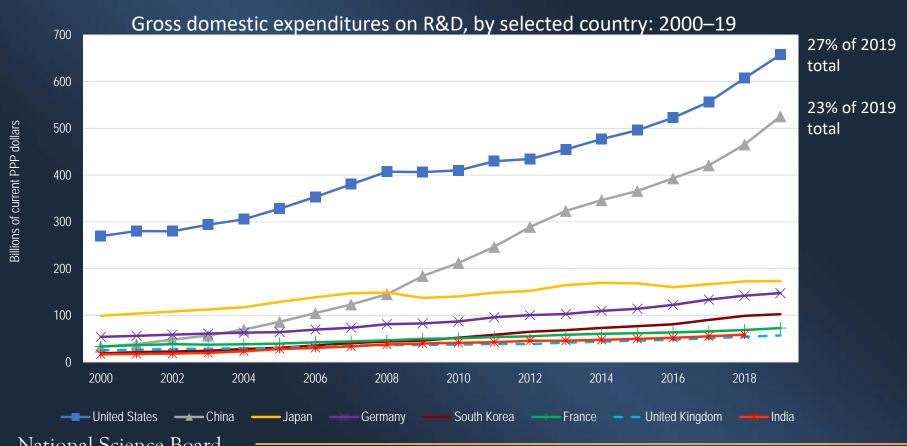


International Students in S&E





Global R&D Spending



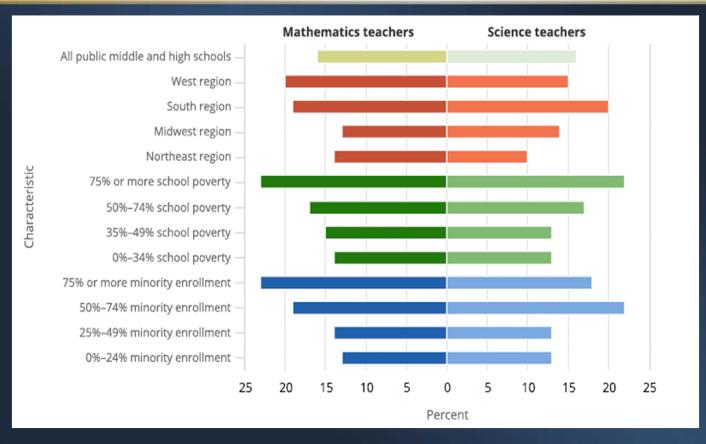


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Building, broadening, and diversifying S&E capacity could strengthen the U.S. S&E enterprise and bolster its ability to meet future challenges.



K-12 Education: Public School STEM Teacher Experience



Public middle and high school mathematics and science teachers with 3 years or less of teaching experience, by selected school characteristics: 2017–18

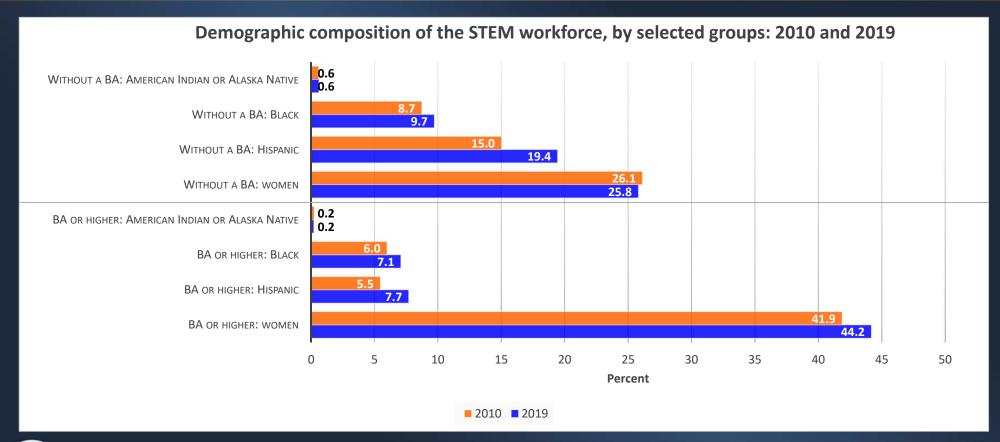


U.S. STEM Workforce

- New definition of the STEM workforce: workers at all education levels working in occupations that use significant levels of S&E expertise and skills.
- There are 36 million STEM workers, comprising 23% of the total U.S. workforce.
 - 16 million with a bachelor's degree or higher
 - 20 million without a bachelor's degree the Skilled Technical Workforce (STW)
- They work in a variety of occupations ranging from scientists and engineers to workers in health care to those in production and construction.



U.S. STEM Workforce: Women and Underrepresented Racial/Ethnic Groups





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Stagnant performance by U.S. STEM K–12 students and demographic differences in achievement highlight areas for potential strengthening. And geographical analysis of the U.S. S&E enterprise reveals an uneven distribution of S&E activities and STEM career opportunities.





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Missing Millions: Faster Progress in Increasing Diversity Needed to Reduce Significant Talent Gap

Women



Hispanic or Latino

Black or African American

American Indian or Alaska Native



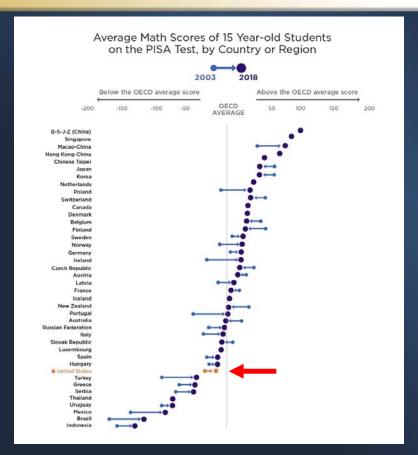
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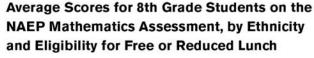


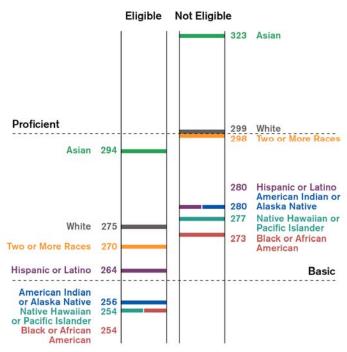
x 100,000 people in 2021 S&E workforce

x 100,000 additional people needed in 2030 for the S&E workforce to be representative of the U.S. population

Lagging Right Out of the Gate: U.S. K-12 STEM Education

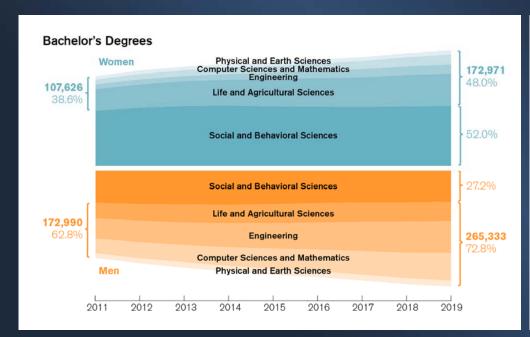


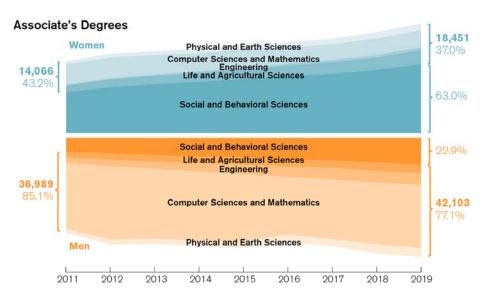






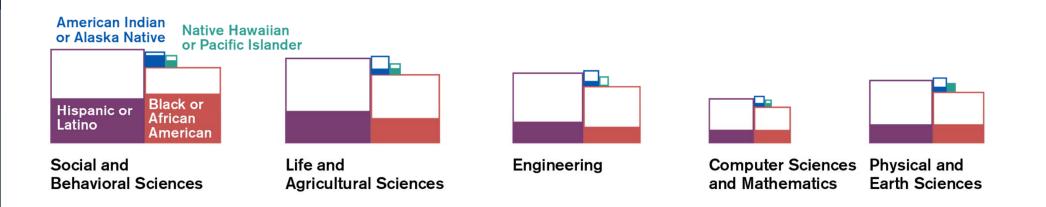
Gender Differences in STEM Higher Education







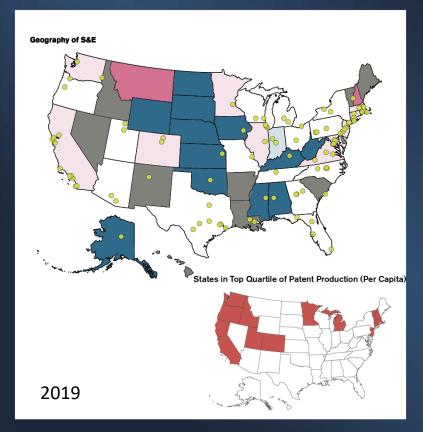
The Missing PhDs: Gaps by Race or Ethnicity

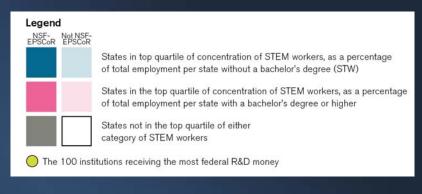


2018 data from Women, Minorities, and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering 2021 https://ncses.nsf.gov/wmpd



Geography of S&E: Leveraging Local Strengths

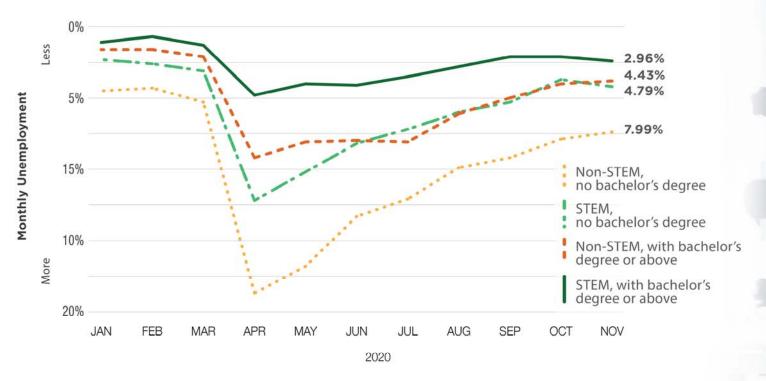








THE STEM WORKFORCE IS RESILIENT, EVEN DURING A GLOBAL PANDEMIC



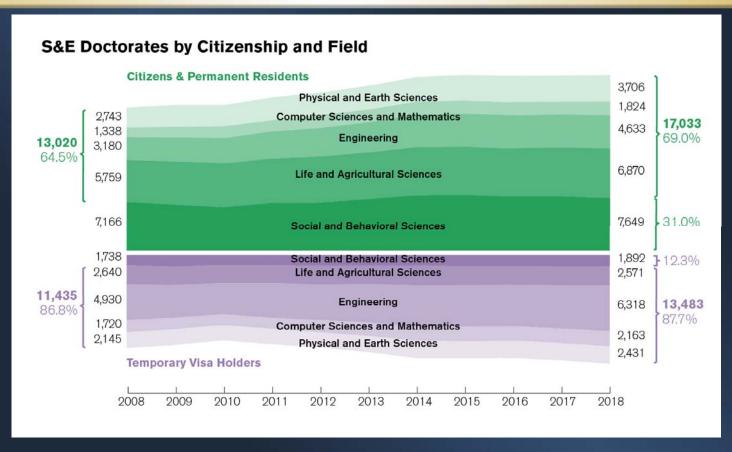
STEM jobs are resilient. During the pandemic, STEM workers were employed at a higher rate than their non-STEM peers at all education levels. Skilled technical workers who use S&E skills in their jobs but do not have a bachelor's degree were employed on par with non-STEM workers who do have a bachelor's degree or above, even after large initial increases in unemployment. These data illustrate the value of STEM education and skills to all U.S. workers.

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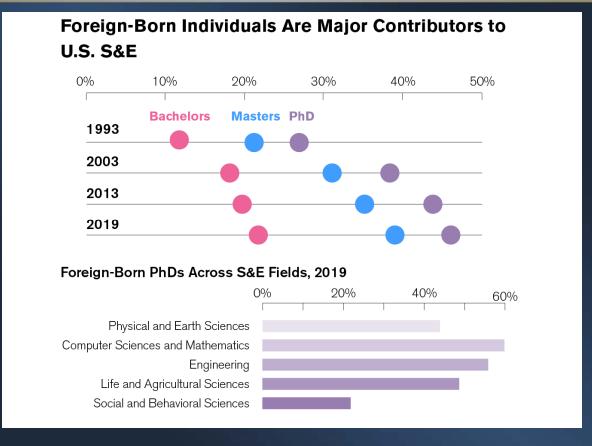


Doctorates Awarded: Domestic and International Students





International STEM Talent in the U.S. Workforce



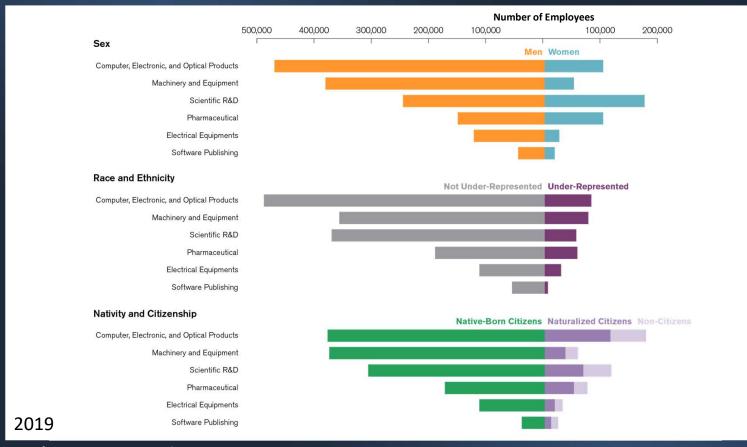


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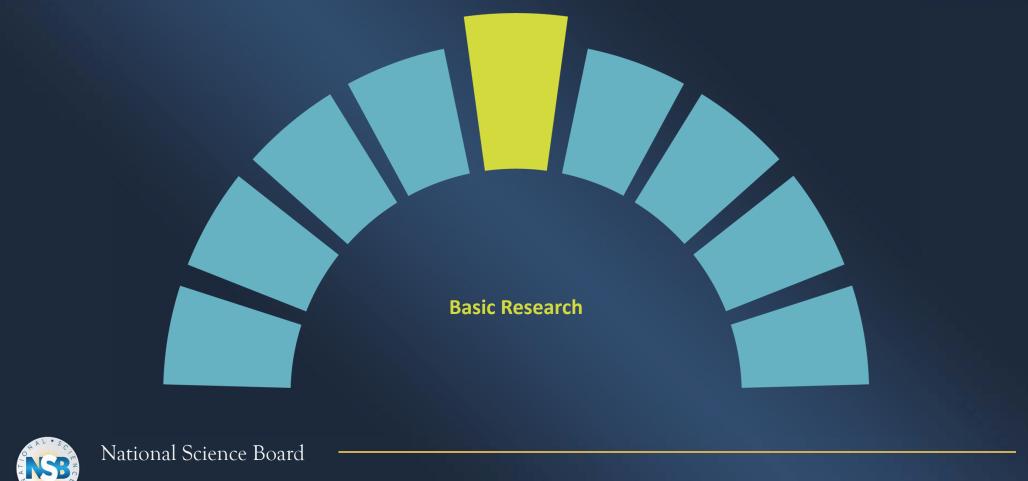


Demographics of S&E Workers in Selected KTI Industries

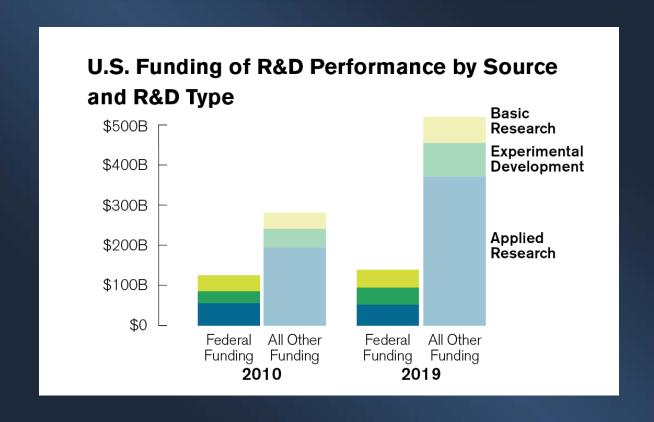




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Federal Funding: Decreasing Share, Declining in Real Dollars



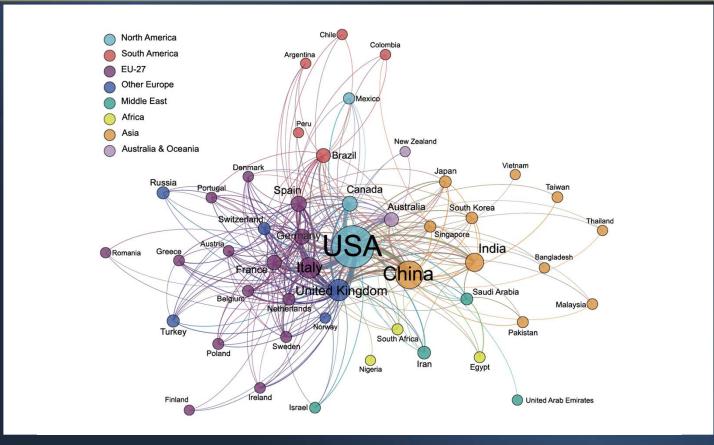


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COVID-19 Publication Collaborations: 2020





What Does It Mean to Be a Keystone?



https://www.nsf.gov/nsb/sei/keystone2022.pdf

