

## **ASA Membership Statistics**

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Based on the ASA membership file as of July 2005, the number of ASA members stood at 16,383. Members do not always provide all of their demographic information. The following statistics do not account for missing data, each item having between three and for thousand cases with missing information. The results are based on only valid responses.

Almost 30% of ASA members are women. About two-thirds are non-Hispanic White, and more than 20% are Asian. Blacks and Hispanics, together, account for only about 8% of all members. Academics comprise 45% of the membership; a third are in business and industry, and 10% work for the Federal government. Sixty percent have doctoral degrees, and almost a third have master's degrees. Almost 80% are employed, and another 15% are students. Only about 5% are retired. Over 30% of the members work in the health sciences.

Looking at the statistics by gender, Women are more likely than men to be Asian and substantially more likely to be under the age of 45 (68% vs. 40%). Two-thirds of the men have doctoral degrees compared to 46% for women. Women are twice as likely to be students than men. Women are more likely than men to work in the health sciences. Almost half the women are in biostatistics, and about a third of the men are.

Blacks, Hispanics, and Asians are younger than their White non-Hispanic counterparts, especially in the case of women. For both men and women, Asians are the most likely to be in biostatistics. The younger age cohorts for both men and women (especially in the case of women) are more likely to work in the health sciences.