

Department of Health and Human Services

Mission Statement: “To enhance the health and well-being of all Americans.” (Source: [hhs.gov](https://www.hhs.gov))

DEPARTMENTAL FACTS

EMPLOYEES*

64,473

TOP 5 EMPLOYEE LOCATIONS



1. **Maryland:** 30,670
2. **Georgia:** 7,444
3. **Arizona:** 3,885
4. **D.C.:** 3,207
5. **New Mexico:** 3,013



BUDGET INFORMATION

USASpending.gov is an official website of the U.S. government that provides an interactive way to explore federal funding.

For HHS profile: usaspending.gov/#/agency/806

For FY 2020 spending by agency: usaspending.gov/#/explorer/agency

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Below High School	613
High School or Equivalency	6,053
Between HS & Bachelors	10,215
Bachelors	14,728
Masters	13,465
Doctorate	7,347
Other	12,052

*Employment numbers at the Department of Health and Human Services exclude uniformed members of the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps. Find more information at [usphs.gov/media/gjwha2tw/about-us-factsheet.pdf](https://www.usphs.gov/media/gjwha2tw/about-us-factsheet.pdf)

Unless otherwise noted, all data are for full-time, nonseasonal, permanent employees as of December 2020. ([fedscope.opm.gov](https://www.fedscope.opm.gov))

EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS

EMPLOYEES AGES 20 TO 29

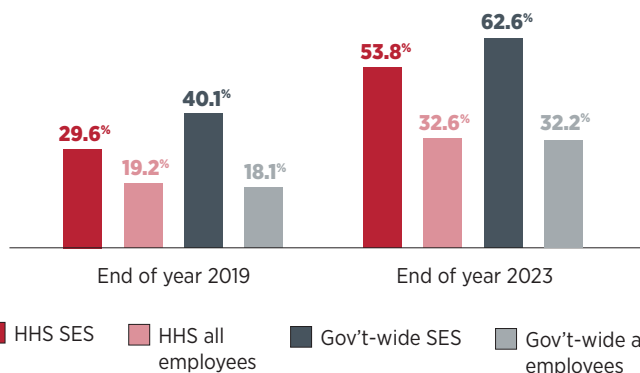
HHS	5.0%
Government-wide	6.8%
U.S. Labor Force	19.7%

ATTRITION RATES (FY 2019)

HHS	5.7%
Government-wide	6.1%

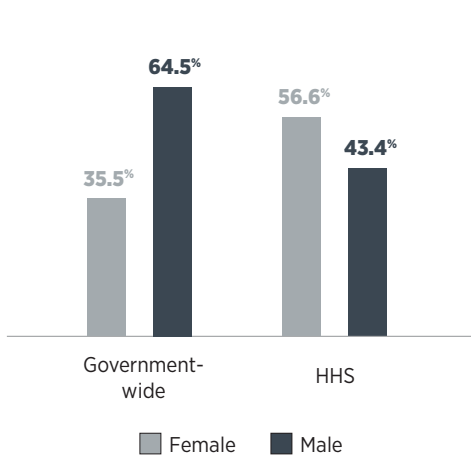
Note: Attrition is defined as the number of voluntary separations from federal civil service in fiscal 2019 as a share of the total employees onboard at the beginning of the fiscal year.

EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT

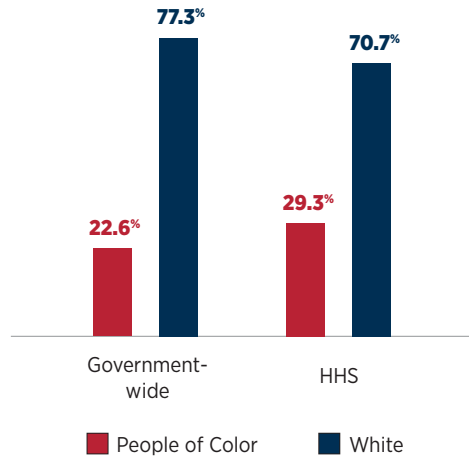


DIVERSITY OF LEADERSHIP

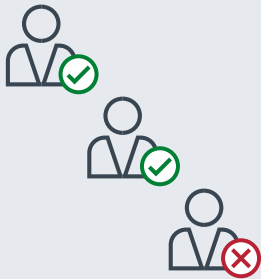
CAREER SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE BY SEX



CAREER SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE BY RACE AND ETHNICITY



KEY LEADERSHIP VACANCIES



Key leadership positions include presidential appointments such as Cabinet secretaries, deputy and assistant secretaries, and other full-time critical leadership positions needing Senate confirmation.

See: Partnership for Public Service and Washington Post Political Appointee Tracker (ourpublicservice.org/political-appointee-tracker/)

SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

TWITTER FOLLOWERS



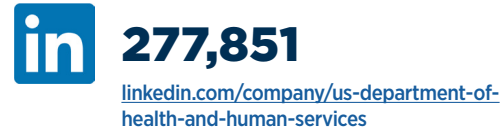
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INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS



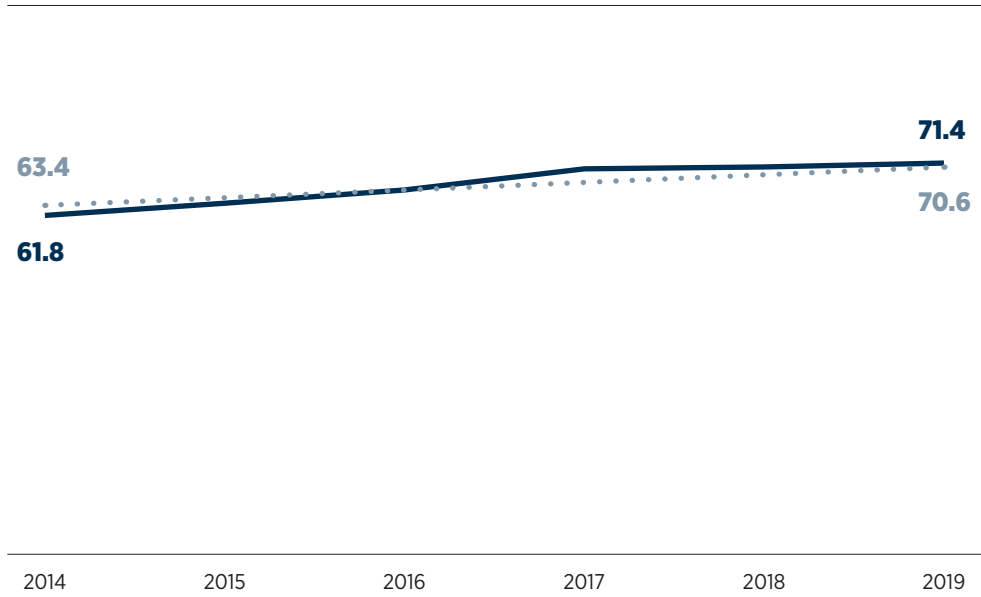
LINKEDIN FOLLOWERS



Numbers are current as of March 3, 2021.

EMPLOYEE PERSPECTIVE

BEST PLACES TO WORK SCORES (OUT OF 100)



2

out of 17 large agencies
(2019 rankings)

HHS BPTW Engagement Score

2019 Government-wide BPTW
Engagement Score: **61.7**

HHS Innovation Category Score

2019 Government-wide Innovation
Category Score: **64.4**

Employee engagement is defined as employee satisfaction, commitment, and willingness to put in discretionary effort.

See: Best Places to Work in the Federal Government® (bestplacetowork.org)

EMPLOYEE CONFIDENCE IN WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS



Percentage of respondents who agreed or strongly agreed that "I can disclose a suspected violation of any law, rule or regulation without fear of reprisal."

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PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

2021 HIGH RISK AREAS

- Improving Federal Oversight of Food Safety (multiple agencies).
- Protecting Public Health through Enhanced Oversight of Medical Products.*
- Medicare Program & Improper Payments.
- Strengthening Medicaid Program Integrity.
- Improving Federal Management of Programs that Serve Tribes and their Members (multiple agencies).*
- National Efforts to Prevent, Respond to, and Recover from Drug Misuse (multiple agencies).

*High risk areas as related to skills gaps caused by insufficient number of staff, inadequate workforce planning, and a lack of training in critical skills.

See: Government Accountability Office 2021 High Risk List ([gao.gov/highrisk/overview](https://www.gao.gov/highrisk/overview))

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

(CONTINUED)

GAO PRIORITY OPEN RECOMMENDATION IMPLEMENTATION RATE*



*Defined as the percentage of GAO’s recommendations from 2014 that the agency has implemented as of November 2018

See: Priority Open Recommendations, Department of Health and Human Services (gao.gov/assets/700/698322.pdf)

IT MODERNIZATION



The House Committee on Oversight and Reform issues report cards that grade each agency’s compliance with the Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act.

See: House Committee on Oversight and Reform Biannual Scorecard - December 2020. (oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/FITARA%20Scorecard%2011.pdf)

TOP MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES



See: 2020 Top Management and Performance Challenges Facing HHS (oig.hhs.gov/reports-and-publications/top-challenges/2020/index.asp?utm_source=web&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=2020-topchallenges)

AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION NEEDED

Some programs lack reauthorization and continue to receive funding. Operating on a long-term basis without a reauthorization bill means that agencies lose an opportunity to obtain legislative changes addressing policy and programmatic challenges or to make adjustment to operate more effectively.

See: Expired and Expiring Authorizations of Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2021—Information for Legislation Enacted Through December 23, 2020 (cbo.gov/publication/56959)