

## NSF Average Months to Decision Data Dictionary

**AvgMonthstoDecision:** The average number of months elapsed until a final award or decline decision is made on a proposal. Time to decision is calculated from the program deadline, target date, or proposal receipt date, whichever is later.

**Fiscal Year (FY):** The fiscal year in which the proposal funding (award or decline) decision was made. The federal fiscal year covers the period October 1 through September 30. For example, fiscal year 2009 would cover the period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

**Organization:** Abbreviation for directorate or office, or the NSF total. Possible values are:

BIO = Biological Sciences

CISE = Computer and Information Science and Engineering

EHR = Education and Human Resources

ENG = Engineering

GEO = Geosciences

MPS = Mathematical and Physical Sciences

NSF = National Science Foundation (Total)

O\_D = Office of the Director

SBE = Social and Behavioral, and Economic Sciences