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Abstract:

# Planetary Science Stats from the Planetary Sc. Subcommittee

- **2622 survey respondents out of 4252; 1518 PhD planetary Scientist working in the USA (1200 working full time in planetary science)**
- **Source of employment**
  - Less than 48% university
  - 11% NASA (source of funding 53%)
  - 16% federally funded
  - 12% non profits
  - 9% industry
- **Education by discipline**
  - 37% physics
  - 21% geology/geophysics
  - Each less than 10% Chemistry, astronomy and engineering

# Planetary Science Stats from the Planetary Sc. Subcommittee 2-2

- **Demographics**

- Less than 10% from ethnic minorities
- 1 in 4 or 25% were female
- Only 14% faculty positions are women

- **Workforce Production**

- Of the 48 academic department that include planetary science ~65 PhDs are awarded per year
- Current faculty hiring rate are ~12 positions per year or ~18% of the PhD production.
- The issue of how well PhD production rate in planetary science matches demands of the non-academic workforce is a topic of future study.