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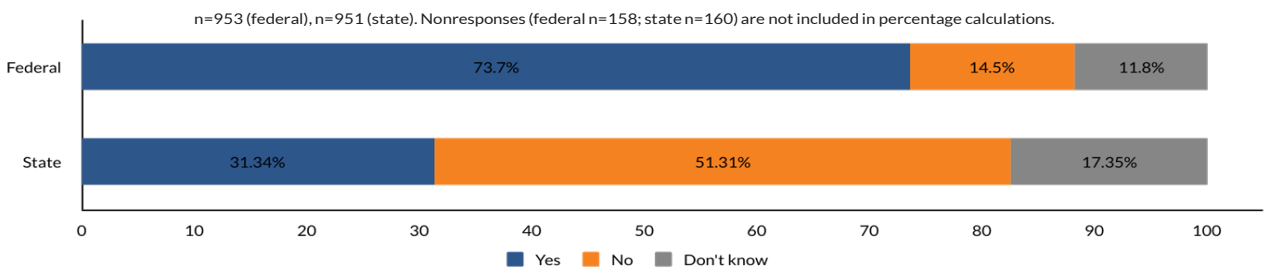
Survey Insights: Perspectives on the Current Policy Climate

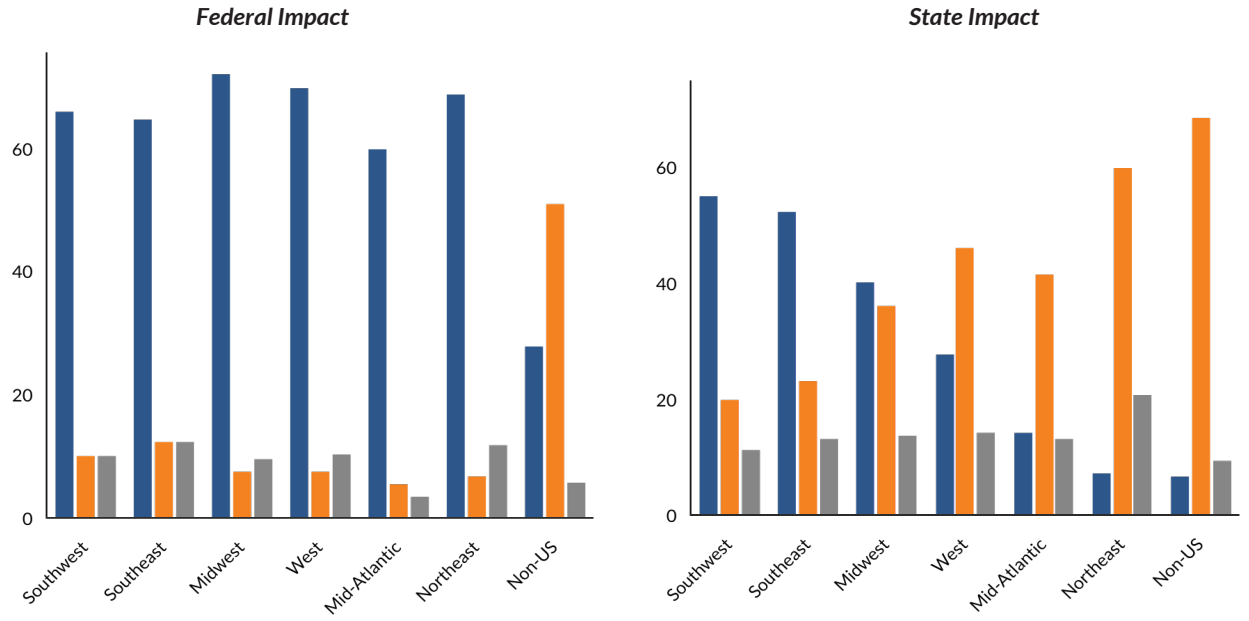
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In recent months, federal policy changes regarding grant funding, DEI programming, and more have changed the academic and research landscape in the United States. This spring, APSA conducted its inaugural Policy Climate Survey to explore who has been impacted by recent policy changes, what people make of these changes, and how institutions have responded. The survey asked about the impacts of the federal actions undertaken by the current administration, as well as the impacts of legislative actions undertaken at the state level within the past two years. Our findings, analyzed from 1111 completed responses, indicate widespread impacts of federal actions, with a majority of respondents feeling supported by their institutions despite uncertainty regarding funding and international travel. For any questions, please contact us at surveys@apsanet.org.

Figures 1 and 2: (1) How Widely Felt Are New Policy Impacts, and (2) Does Perception of Policy Impact Differ by Region?

Has your institution or department been impacted by the recent policies and executive orders introduced by the current administration/by state legislative impacts within the past two years?





n=953 (federal), n=951 (state). Nonresponses are not shown; percentages may not equal 100.

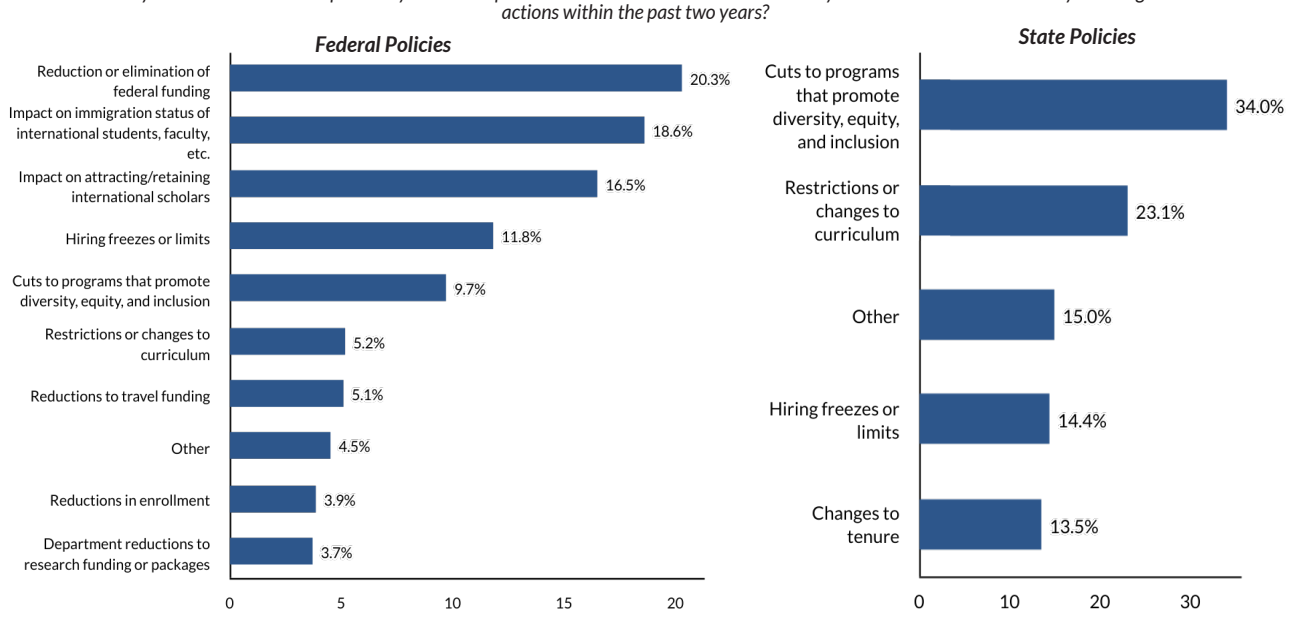
Respondents were more likely to report their institutions being impacted by federal-level actions (e.g. executive orders) than state-level legislative actions- nearly three-quarters (73.7%) of respondents reported being affected by federal actions, compared to less than a third (31.34%) who reported being affected by state actions. As might be expected, reports of federal impacts did not vary widely by region, with the exception of non-US institutions being less likely to report impacts. In contrast, institutions in the Southwest, Southeast, and Midwest were more likely to report being impacted by state-level legislative actions than institutions in the West, Mid-Atlantic, and Northeast.

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Figure 3: What Kinds of Institutional Impacts Do People Report?

How has your institution been impacted by the recent policies and executive orders introduced by the current administration/by state legislative actions within the past two years?

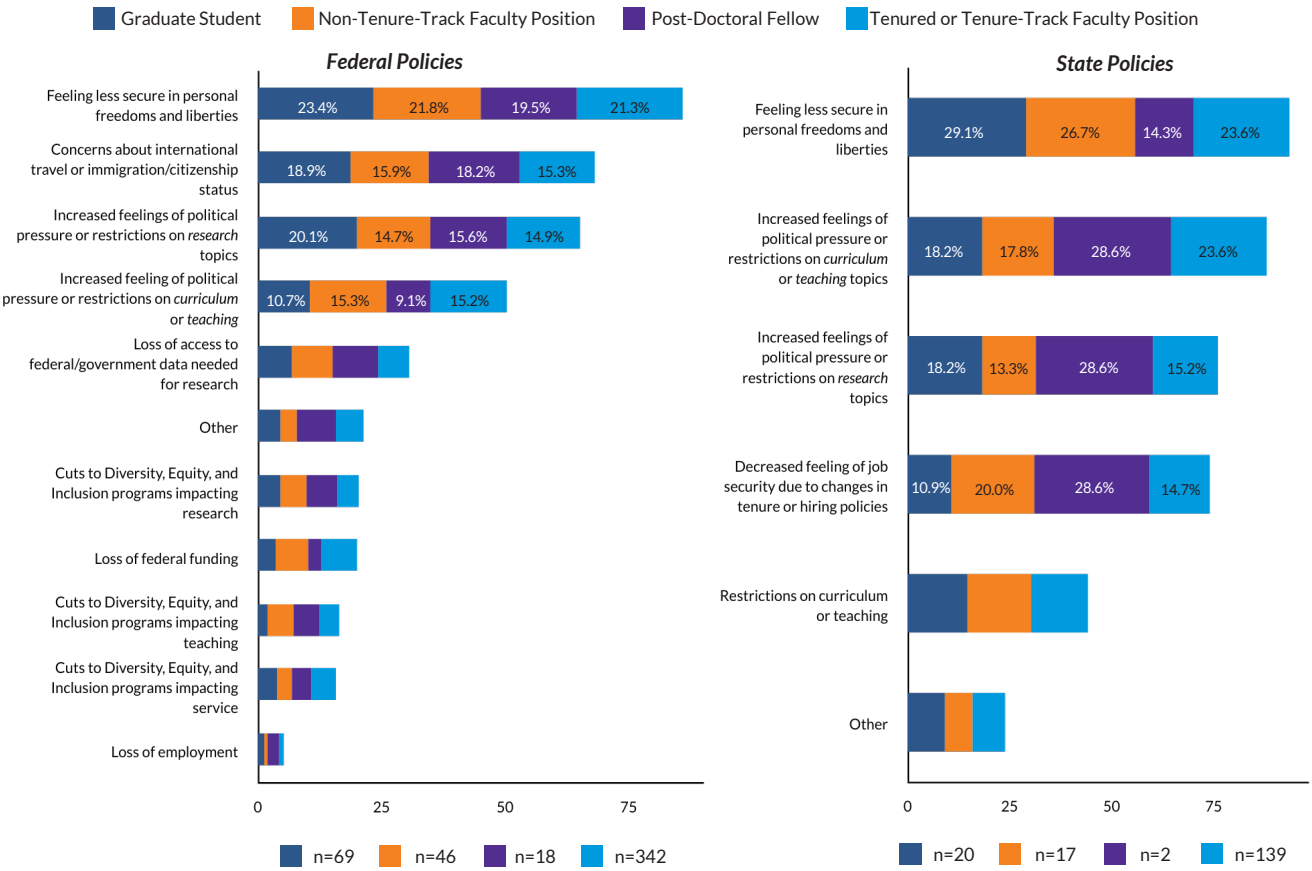


n=700; multi-select question resulted in 2379 responses. "Don't know" and "Prefer not to respond" (n=12, 0.5% of total responses) are not shown here.

n=287; multi-select question resulted in 527responses.

Figure 4: What Kinds of Personal Impacts Do Faculty and Students Report?

Have you been impacted by the administration's executive actions or policies/by state legislative actions within the past two years?



total n=475; multi-select question resulted in 1697 selected responses.

total n=188; multi-select question resulted in 509 selected responses.

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