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NIH FUNDING AT WORK IN TENNESSEE

DATA FOR FY2025

QUICK FACTS

NIH awarded **$826.3 million**[1] in grants and contracts during FY2025 that directly supported **9,555 jobs**[2] and **$2.22 billion**[2] economic activity in Tennessee.



ANNUAL MORTALITY RATES IN TENNESSEE FOR SELECT DISEASES[3]

- Alzheimer's Disease: **33.6**
- Cancer: **165.6**
- Chronic Lung Disease: **48.1**
- Heart Disease: **210.2**
- Diabetes: **29.2**
- Stroke: **43.7**

(Deaths per 100,000 population)

TOP NIH-FUNDED INSTITUTIONS (GROUPED BY SYSTEM) IN TENNESSEE INCLUDE:[1]

- Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Vanderbilt University
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- University of Tennessee System
- Meharry Medical College
- State University & Community College System of Tennessee
- Oak Ridge Associated Universities
- VoluMetrix, LLC
- Baptist Memorial Health Care

Jobs Supported by NIH Extramural Research:[2]	Economic Activity Supported:[2]	Biopharmeceutical Industry Jobs:[4]	Biopharmeceutical Industry Businesses:[4]
9,555	$2.22B	48,258	3,903

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