

APPENDIX 13: CHARACTERISTICS OF MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION IN ASA: 1982, 1992, 2001

Table 1. Distribution of ASA Membership by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 1982*

	Sex		Ethnicity					N
	Male	Female	White	Black	Nat. Amer.	Asian	Hispanic	
Member**	70.5	29.5	92.3	2.8	0.5	3.3	1.1	8,329
Associate	63.9	36.1	92.5	3.7	1.1	1.8	0.9	1,063
Intl.***	83.5	16.5	78.2	1.7	0.2	18.0	1.9	808
Student	44.7	55.3	85.9	3.4	1.1	7.5	2.1	1,559
TOTAL	67.4	32.6	90.5	2.9	0.6	4.7	1.3	11,759

*Source: Table is reproduced from "Minorities and Women in Sociology: An Update," by Paul R. Williams, *Footnotes*, December 1982:6 (Table 1). The nonresponse rate was reported as: no information on sex: 114 (1.0%); no information on race/ethnicity: 1,916 (16.3%).

**Includes regular, emeritus, and life members. (Membership categories are those used prior to changes in membership requirements which became effective in the 1983 membership year.)

***Includes international members and international associates.

Table 2. Distribution of ASA Membership by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 1992*

	Sex		N	Ethnicity					N
	Male	Female		White	Black	Nat. Amer.	Asian	Hispanic	
Member**	6,609	4,513	11,122	8,657	389	62	761	243	10,112
%	59.4	40.6	100.0	85.6	3.9	0.6	7.5	2.4	100.0
unknown			541						1,551

*Source: Data were collected ASA on members in 1990–91 and are presented in the "August Biennial Report on the Participation of Women and Minorities in ASA for 1990 and 1991," August 1992.

Table 3. Distribution of ASA Membership by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 2001

Gender	Membership Type		All Regular and Student Members
	Regular	Student	
Men	53.5%	34.9%	48.1%
Women	46.5	65.1	51.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
(N)	(6,588)	(2,704)	(9,292)
Race/Ethnicity			
White	81.5%	72.6%	79.6%
African American	5.6	7.9	6.0
Asian American, Pacific Islander	6.3	6.5	6.3
Hispanic or Latina/o	3.3	7.6	4.3
Native American/Alaskan, American Indian	0.6	1.1	0.7
Other	2.6	4.4	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
(N)	(5,984)	(2,246)	(8,230)

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Table 4. Distribution of Dues Categories Among Regular ASA Members by Race/Ethnicity and Gender, 2001

Gender	Regular Membership						Total	(N)
	A \$20,000 or less	B \$20,000 to \$29,999	C \$30,000 to \$39,999	D \$40,000 to \$54,999	E \$55,000 to \$69,999	F \$70,000 or more		
Men	5.5%	7.8%	12.8%	24.3%	16.3%	33.3%	100.0%	(3,526)
Women	8.9	10.5	14.9	30.3	16.2	19.2	100.0	(3,062)
Total	7.1	9.0	13.8	27.1	16.3	26.8	100.0	(6,588)
Race/Ethnicity								
White	5.8%	7.8%	12.6%	27.4%	16.3%	30.0%	100.0%	(4,877)
African American	7.4	5.3	10.9	28.1	19.8	28.4	100.0	(338)
Asian American	11.3	12.9	20.6	27.4	15.3	12.4	100.0	(379)
Hispanic or Latina/o	7.5	9.5	17.1	29.1	19.1	17.6	100.0	(199)
Native American/ Alaskan, American Indian	2.9	14.7	20.6	26.5	17.6	17.6	100.0	(34)
Other	16.6	13.4	16.6	22.3	13.4	17.8	100.0	(157)
All Members	6.6	8.3	13.3	27.4	16.4	28.0	100.0	(5,984)

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Table 5. Participation of Women and Minorities in ASA Governance and Activities: 1982, 1992, 2002

Year	Elected Officers & Council		Constitutional (Elected Committees)*		Council/ Presidential Appointments		Editorial Boards		Elected Section Officers	
	Women	Minorities	Women	Minorities	Women	Minorities	Women	Minorities	Women	Minorities
1982	50.0 (18)	6.0 (18)	43.0 (30)	0.0 (30)	43.0 (186)	20.0 (186)	28.0 (164)	6.0 (164)	34.0 (184)	6.0 (184)
1992	.60 (20)	.25 (20)	50.5 (99)	21.2 (99)	45.4 (324)	20.9 (324)	39.1 (189)	7.4 (189)	46.7 (240)	12.9 (240)
2002	36.8 (19)	31.6 (19)	54.9 (82)	35.4 (82)	47.1 (276)	30.8 (276)	48.4 (312)	23.4 (312)	52.8 (362)	18.0 (362)

Note: The numbers in parenthesis represent the total number of available positions: For example, in 2002, out of 276 Presidential/Council appointments, women had 47.1 percent of the positions and minorities had 30.8 percent of these positions. (Because the unit of analysis is the position rather than the person, an individual who serves on two committees/positions is counted twice.)

*This category includes the "Constitutional Committees" (see Appendix 15), which prior to the 1998 reorganization of the committee structure were elected. Since the 1998 reorganization, several of these committees are appointed by the President with the approval of Council, but are included in this category for consistency.

Sources:

- Data for 1982 are derived from Table 7 in "Minorities and Women in Sociology: An Update," by Paul R. Williams, *Footnotes*, December 1982:7.
- With the exception of editorial boards, data for 1992 were compiled and tabulated by Katherine Rosich in January 2005 from NOAH records. Rate of response on race/ethnicity was 93 percent or higher. In addition there were no records in NOAH for 12 people across all categories. Data for editorial boards for 1992 are from an internal ASA report, "August Biennial Report on the Participation of Women and Minorities in ASA for 1990 and 1991," August 1992.
- Data for 2002 are based on information submitted by the members of ASA from the NOAH database. Data on participation by women and minorities on editorial boards are routinely compiled by the Publications Department of ASA from this source. Tabulations on other categories were performed by Katherine Rosich in December 2004. Overall, the response rate on ethnicity was 95 percent or higher across categories. Also, the minority category includes a few cases where individuals identified themselves in the "other" minority race/ethnicity category.