



# Foreign Service

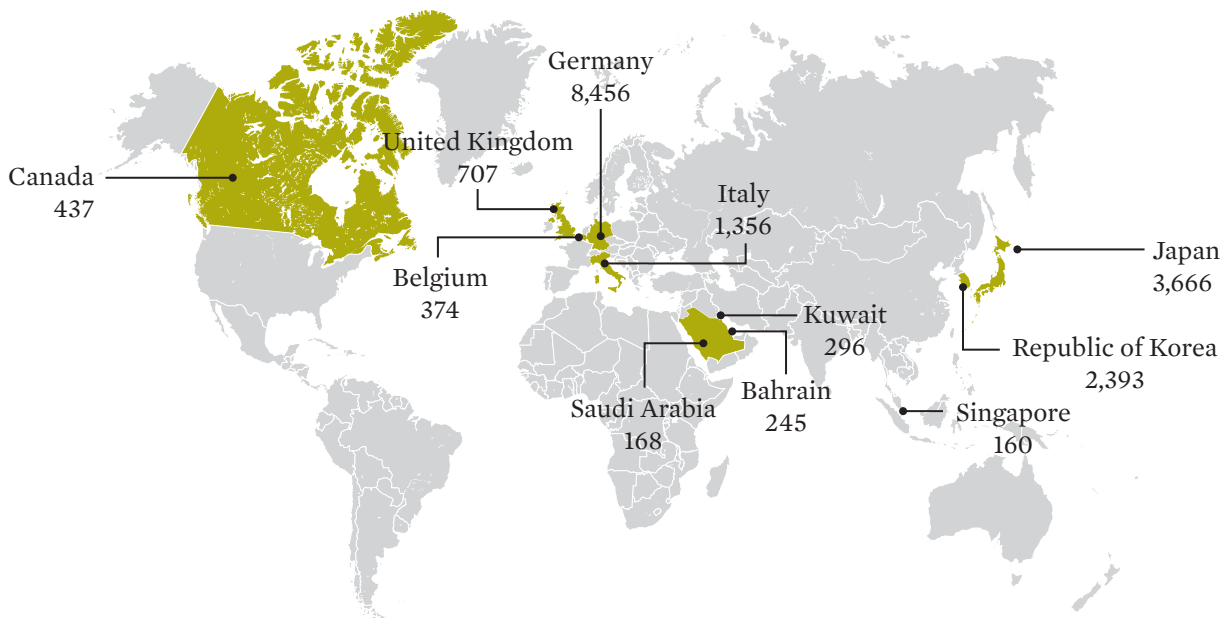
## FEDERAL CAREER GUIDE

Are you interested in pursuing a career in Foreign Service? When the federal government talks about careers in Foreign Service, they are referring to two distinct types of positions.

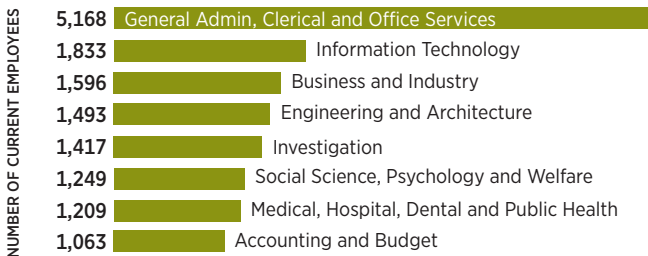
**Foreign service positions located overseas:** The federal government maintains a substantial presence overseas and the positions available cover virtually the entire spectrum of employment. Regardless of which field of employment you wish to enter, the likelihood that the government requires individuals with your skill set to work overseas is quite high.

**Foreign service positions located within the United States:** There are many positions located within the United States which are primarily focused on international programs and policies. Some examples of these positions are management analysts at the U.S. Agency for International Development or an economic analyst at the Department of Agriculture. If these positions are of interest to you, the Social Sciences Federal Career Guide will be a helpful resource.

### Top Foreign Countries with U.S. Federal Government Positions

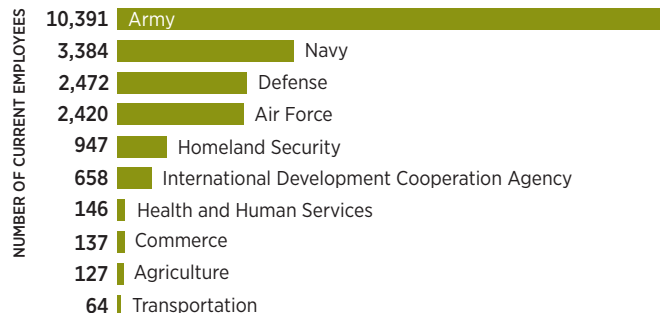


### Top Positions in Foreign Countries



SOURCE: fedscope.opm.gov

### Top Agencies with Employees in Foreign Countries



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# SEARCH FOR FOREIGN SERVICE POSITIONS

Customize a [USAJOBS.gov](https://www.usajobs.gov) search by using the advanced search function and search for jobs based on locations. You can also filter your search by multiple countries, which is a useful way to search for jobs in a particular region.

## Examples of Job Positions

### Public Health Advisor

Department: Health and Human Services  
Agency: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Salary Range: \$70,000-\$120,000/year  
Location: *Uganda*

As a Public Health Advisor, you will:

- Manage, coordinate and evaluate complex public health programs
- Manage personnel and grant funding as well as day to day operations

### Supervisory Electrical Engineer

Department: Department of the Air Force  
Salary Range: \$60,000-\$78,000/year  
Location: *Yokota Air Base, Japan*

As a Supervisory Electrical Engineer you will:

- Serve as an electrical engineering design consultant on Air Force projects.
- Review preliminary and final engineering plans, specifications and cost estimates.

### Physicist

Department: Department of the Navy  
Agency: Navy Field Offices  
Salary Range: \$40,000-\$165,000/year  
Location: *London, United Kingdom*

As a Physicist, you will:

- Assist in the development of state of the art defense systems
- Investigate the applicability and usefulness of new technologies

## Search Tips

As the nation's largest employer, the federal government has thousands of positions open at any one time. Here are our top tips for finding the right job announcements for you:

### 1. Do Your Research.

Explore a variety of positions and agencies, then focus your search to a few that align best with your interests and skills.

### 2. Visit Agency Websites.

Learn more about an agency's mission, structure and current hiring on their website.

### 3. Create an account on USAJOBS.gov

Save your job searches, build your resume and search for positions at [USAJOBS.gov](https://www.usajobs.gov)

## Did You Know?

- Federal employees are working in more than 140 countries world-wide.
- 57 percent of employees overseas are between the ages of 25 and 50.

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