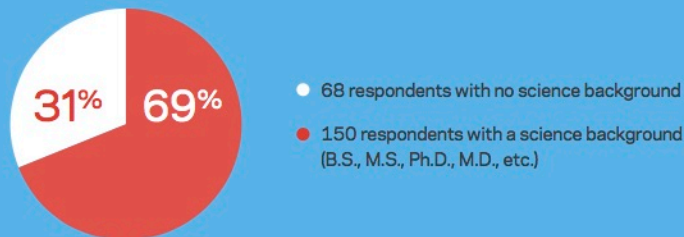

How we put this guide together

In the summer of 2015, Sense About Science USA worked with its network of young scientists to see what questions and concerns they had about being interviewed. Similarly, we asked several science journalists what questions and concerns they most often hear from scientists. With these insights, we composed a short survey to better understand how science journalists work, what the conventions in their field are, and what concerns they have; in September 2015, we invited science journalists in the US (via various science writer organizations and societies) to participate in our online survey.

Of the 218 (mostly science) journalists who took our survey:

- 115 were freelance journalists, 103 were staff journalists
- 58% have undergraduate or graduate journalism degrees, or both
- With the exception of three general assignment journalists, all others are science, health, environment, and/or energy journalists
- Most worked at print or online media outlets



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