The Rise of the Post-Doc:

2 in 10 candidates on the market placed in Post-Docs, the largest category of all non-Tenure-Track Placements, indicating an increased proportion of candidates taking Post-Docs for first-time placements.

- 6 in 10 post-docs come from institutions ranked in the first NRC quintile.
- 64% of candidates placed in Post-Doc positions were male.
- 75% of candidates who took Post-Doc positions were from non-underrepresented race and ethnic groups.
- 87% of Post-Docs went to positions at PhD granting institutions.
- 32% of candidates placed in Post-Doc positions specialized in Comparative Politics, 27% studied International Politics, and 18% studied American Politics.
- Candidates who took Post-Doc positions were on the job market for a median of 1 year.