

Attendee profile

The AAN Annual Meeting is the largest international meeting of neurologists and neuroscience professionals. The following information shows a breakdown of recent Annual Meeting participants.

A total of 16,340 people enjoyed the latest education, science, and networking opportunities at the 2026 Annual Meeting in Chicago and live online.

2026 attendance*

Chicago and online

- Total attendance: 16,340
- Professional attendance: 13,191
- US: 78%
- International: 22%

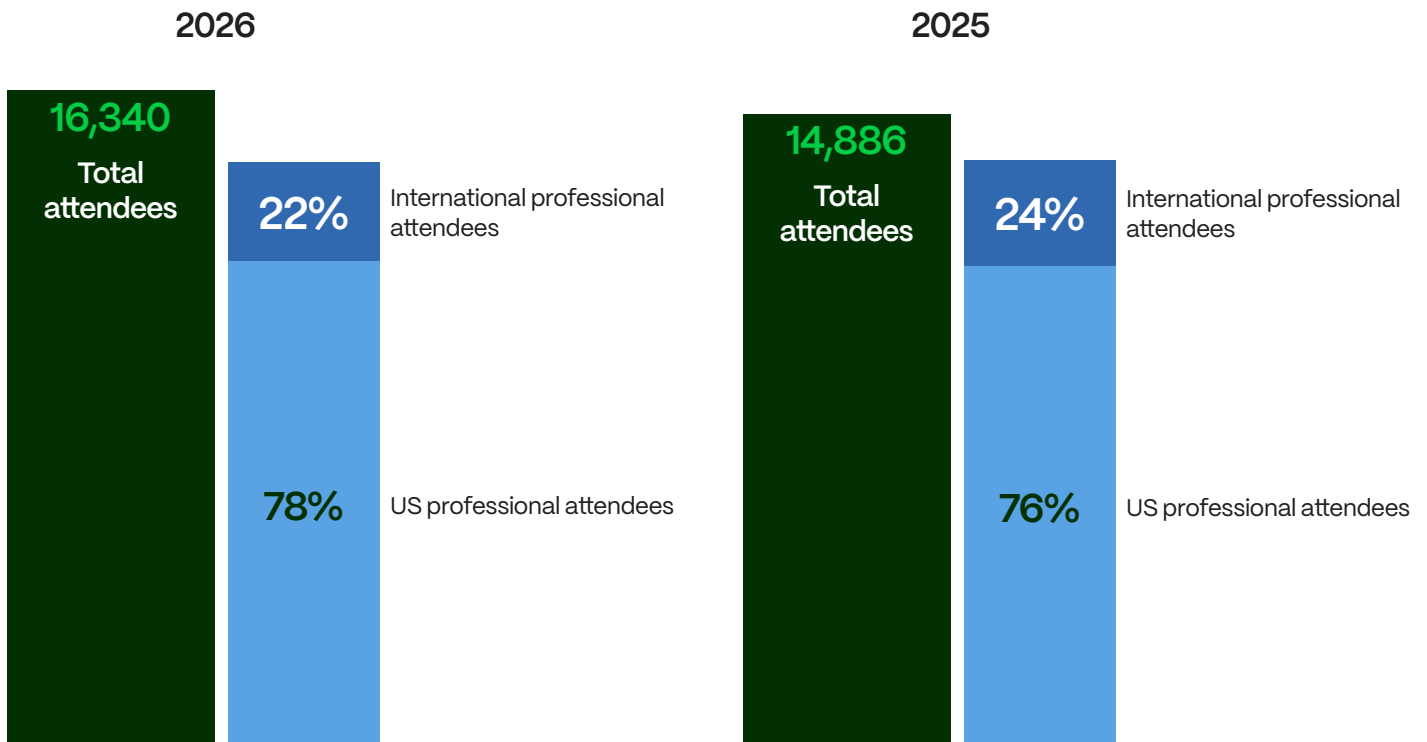
2025 attendance**

San Diego and online

- Total attendance: 14,886
- Professional attendance: 12,134
- US: 76%
- International: 24%

*Total attendance for the 2026 online option was 2,424. With the online option removed, the US/international split was 80%/20%.

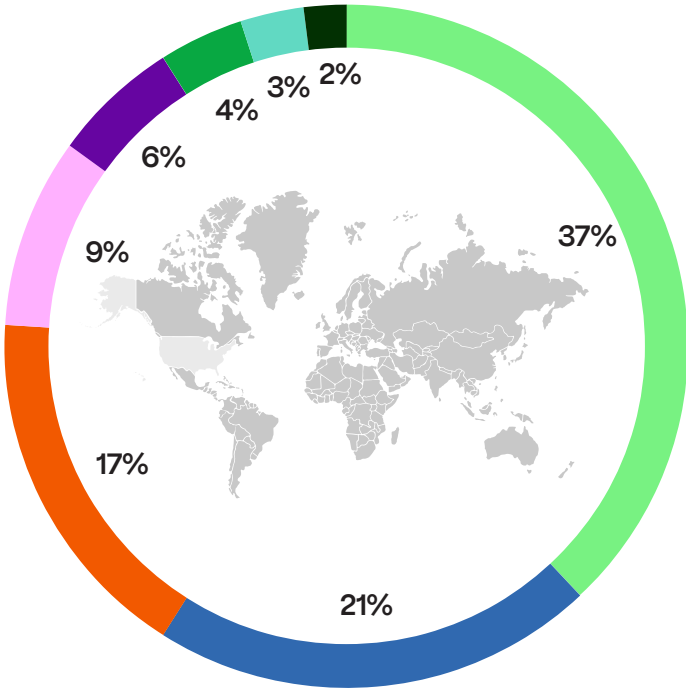
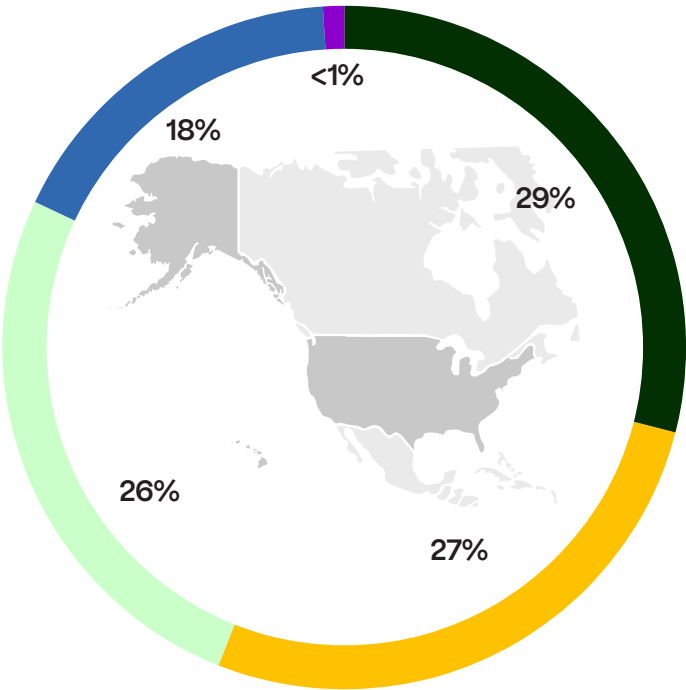
**2,314 professional attendees participated in the 2025 Annual Meeting online only.



2026 professional attendance
by region

US region	Attendees
Northeast	2,949
South	2,765
Midwest	2,622
West	1,851
Territories	37
US total	10,224

International region	Attendees
Europe / Scandinavia	1,102
Asia	634
South / Central America	498
Canada	281
Middle East	171
Mexico	133
Pacific Rim	84
Africa	64



2026 Annual Meeting participants by stated subspecialty and practice setting.

Subspecialty*

Primary subspecialty	Count
Neuroimmunology and Multiple Sclerosis	766
General Neurology	686
Epilepsy	650
Movement Disorders	623
Neuromuscular Medicine	601
Vascular Neurology and Stroke	548
Clinical Neurophysiology	391
Headache Medicine	305
Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry	253
Neurocritical Care	206
Other	193
Neurohospitalist	191
Sleep Medicine	139
Neuro-oncology	92
Neuro-ophthalmology	66
Geriatric Neurology	46
Infectious Diseases and Neurovirology	46
Neurogenetics	46
Sports Neurology	44
Endovascular and Interventional Neurology	25
Pain Medicine	25
Autonomic Disorders	22
Neuroimaging	22
Palliative Neurology	22
Neural Repair and Rehabilitation	20
Neuro-otology	20
Traumatic Brain Injury	19
Neuroepidemiology	15
Neuromuscular Pathology	8

Practice arrangement*

Practice arrangement	Count
Academic Based	3,286
Hospital Based	1,618
Neurology Group	922
Multispecialty Group	426
Industry	381
Solo Practice	364
Government Based	234
Other	213

456 Advanced Practice Providers joined the 2026 Annual Meeting.

*Data was taken from attendees' member profiles where available.

Meeting abstracts by topic

A vital part of the AAN Annual Meeting is the Science Program, which features the latest in cutting-edge research and scientific developments in neurology. Thousands of abstracts are presented each year in all subspecialties. Presentation formats include plenary sessions, platform presentations, and poster sessions with time to ask questions of the author.

Topic	Regular abstract submissions	Late-breaking submissions
Aging, Dementia, and Behavioral Neurology	456	51
Autoimmune Neurology	407	32
Autonomic Disorders	24	3
Cerebrovascular Disease and Interventional Neurology	742	41
Child Neurology and Developmental Neurology	190	13
Education, Research, and Methodology	153	7
Epilepsy/Clinical Neurophysiology (EEG)	354	39
General Neurology	209	10
Global Health and Neuroepidemiology	69	4
Headache	182	14
History of Neurology	38	0
Infectious Disease	216	11
Movement Disorders	437	28
Multiple Sclerosis	287	15
Neuro Trauma and Sports Neurology	31	1
Neurocritical Care	135	7
Neurohospitalist	27	1
Neuromuscular and Clinical Neurophysiology (EMG)	367	18
Neuro-oncology	176	6
Neuro-ophthalmology/Neuro-otology	93	4
Neuro-rehabilitation	49	4
Pain	48	9
Palliative Care	6	0
Practice, Policy, and Ethics	55	2
Sleep	72	9
Total	4,823	329

AAN member subspecialties

The AAN represents over 44,000 neurologists and neuroscience professionals consisting of approximately 33,500 US members and 10,500 international members.

Self-identified subspecialties are as follows:

Subspecialty	Percent
General Neurology	N/A
Epilepsy	15%
Vascular Neurology and Stroke	12%
Neuromuscular Medicine	11%
Movement Disorders	10%
Clinical Neurophysiology	8%
Neuroimmunology and Multiple Sclerosis	8%
Sleep Medicine	5%
Neurocritical Care	5%
Headache Medicine	5%
Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry	4%
Neurohospitalist	4%
Other	2%
Neuro-oncology	2%
Pain Medicine	1%
Neuro-ophthalmology	1%
Endovascular and Interventional Neurology	1%
Geriatric Neurology	1%
Neurogenetics	1%
Neuroimaging	<1%
Neural Repair and Rehabilitation	<1%
Traumatic Brain Injury	<1%
Sports Neurology	1%
Infectious Diseases and Neurovirology	<1%
Neuro-otology	<1%
Autonomic Disorders	<1%
Palliative Neurology	<1%
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Neuromuscular Pathology	<1%
Neuroepidemiology	<1%
Total	100%