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(Dollars in millions)

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			Industry	Industry-administered FFRDCs	Universities and colleges	University-administered FFRDCs	Other nonprofits	Nonprofit-administered FFRDCs	State, local governments	
1967	4,631.4	1,461.3	1,038.5	69.1	1,312.1	355.0	248.7	47.6	53.2	45.7
1968	4,781.1	1,541.4	1,093.6	64.4	1,301.8	378.9	234.1	40.5	81.9	44.5
1969	4,644.9	1,645.3	886.4	69.9	1,321.8	335.5	221.7	47.6	75.1	41.7
1970	4,900.8	1,903.9	876.5	72.5	1,276.4	382.6	230.5	45.1	83.4	29.9
1971	5,123.2	1,887.9	889.0	75.7	1,430.2	358.9	282.0	52.0	95.8	51.6
1972	5,547.7	1,984.4	906.6	75.3	1,642.8	398.4	342.0	59.9	93.8	44.5
1973	5,581.4	2,088.5	887.3	68.7	1,691.1	355.2	316.2	50.2	84.3	40.0
1974	6,175.2	2,270.2	874.6	98.2	1,958.3	374.0	414.2	50.8	91.0	44.0
1975	6,729.7	2,463.8	1,010.2	135.7	2,078.8	425.5	394.7	64.8	111.9	44.3
1976	7,619.3	2,879.2	1,103.0	176.5	2,249.7	548.3	435.4	57.5	119.4	50.4
1977	8,514.1	2,957.7	1,367.3	192.2	2,583.5	670.3	512.2	55.6	115.2	60.3
1978	9,606.8	3,220.8	1,651.4	235.2	2,928.0	714.9	590.9	66.9	128.8	69.9
1979	10,535.0	3,481.2	1,762.0	245.0	3,333.4	800.6	622.6	73.4	139.5	77.4
1980	11,597.4	3,666.3	2,077.6	311.0	3,699.1	851.2	678.4	71.7	150.9	91.1
1981	12,212.8	4,034.2	1,958.3	351.3	3,920.1	940.6	705.2	67.7	129.3	106.0
1982	13,022.2	4,194.2	2,156.6	487.3	4,045.4	1,056.7	743.5	104.2	125.9	108.3
1983	14,253.5	4,710.3	2,114.2	522.6	4,467.9	1,250.1	836.9	85.2	136.7	129.6
1984	14,978.8	4,764.7	2,137.4	496.5	5,029.7	1,335.9	922.6	87.3	88.2	116.5
1985	16,133.4	5,056.1	2,074.4	485.9	5,726.3	1,421.3	1,045.1	97.0	89.5	137.9
1986	16,502.2	5,160.3	2,280.5	482.1	5,883.4	1,291.7	1,062.9	87.9	91.0	162.4
1987	17,940.5	5,437.7	2,448.6	433.5	6,640.2	1,471.0	1,207.5	89.8	90.2	121.9
1988	18,650.1	5,338.4	2,642.5	455.2	7,022.9	1,564.8	1,300.0	82.9	103.1	140.4
1989	20,765.5	5,897.0	2,875.0	604.3	7,793.1	1,703.4	1,519.8	109.5	121.2	142.1
1990	21,622.4	5,809.8	3,191.6	614.3	8,136.5	1,791.5	1,660.0	137.6	126.4	154.5
1991	23,968.4	6,454.4	3,406.5	709.6	8,867.5	2,160.9	1,925.9	170.9	129.3	143.4
1992	24,490.6	6,523.3	3,451.2	684.9	9,060.7	2,351.8	2,049.6	139.9	109.3	120.0
1993	26,890.5	7,451.8	3,923.8	799.3	9,892.3	2,299.4	2,041.3	173.4	211.8	97.4
1994	27,411.2	7,481.1	4,063.9	737.2	10,291.7	2,181.1	2,102.1	178.4	230.8	144.8
1995	28,434.4	7,684.5	4,698.7	811.6	10,353.8	2,233.6	2,078.7	207.2	221.4	144.8
1996	28,259.8	7,513.2	4,269.1	696.2	10,706.6	2,385.0	2,178.9	195.5	187.4	127.8
1997	29,365.3	7,666.9	4,392.1	759.6	11,173.2	2,598.9	2,294.9	217.5	144.0	118.2
1998	30,922.3	7,969.1	4,632.7	844.1	11,739.0	2,743.0	2,425.2	214.5	240.1	114.5
1999	33,527.5	8,685.8	4,579.8	879.3	13,203.8	2,554.1	2,806.7	469.5	232.4	116.1
2000	38,470.6	9,449.6	4,800.7	700.3	16,021.8	2,773.2	3,714.5	696.1	162.5	152.0
2001	44,713.7	11,130.9	5,262.3	822.3	18,657.1	3,096.3	4,577.9	739.4	308.7	118.9
2002	48,006.7	11,857.4	5,786.8	937.3	20,285.4	3,219.4	4,723.0	749.6	275.5	172.3
2003	51,071.8	12,419.6	6,042.4	1,103.5	21,676.5	3,272.6	5,196.3	779.0	305.8	276.1
2004	53,357.8	12,085.2	6,782.7	1,131.6	22,699.1	3,687.3	5,216.4	795.5	532.9	427.0
2005	53,738.2	12,349.9	6,456.4	1,082.0	23,156.0	3,743.4	5,295.8	907.8	376.8	370.2
2006	53,535.7	12,261.6	6,436.3	947.9	22,809.4	3,783.0	5,448.9	1,028.6	417.9	402.1
2007	54,093.6	11,816.4	6,074.2	1,863.0	23,966.9	2,942.4	5,416.7	1,283.0	297.6	433.3
2008	53,893.7	11,921.7	5,782.4	2,929.7	24,323.2	1,623.1	5,397.5	1,205.7	338.8	371.5
2009	63,691.9	13,318.7	6,280.2	3,070.5	30,168.9	2,148.1	6,500.7	1,462.0	343.6	399.3
2010	63,728.0	13,280.9	6,625.5	2,960.1	29,607.8	2,151.6	6,687.0	1,633.6	352.8	428.6
2011	58,064.8	12,663.4	6,037.4	2,984.4	26,253.2	2,224.4	5,801.9	1,447.7	282.2	370.2
2012	61,986.3	14,293.3	7,794.0	2,678.7	26,289.9	2,856.9	5,854.0	1,457.0	352.2	410.3

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2013	59,532.6	13,416.8	7,365.5	2,713.8	24,771.7	3,089.7	5,779.9	1,686.8	313.5	394.8
2014	63,191.4	14,305.6	8,057.5	3,217.5	26,110.1	3,090.9	5,931.0	1,725.7	394.7	358.5
2015	63,825.4	15,006.5	8,138.4	3,098.0	25,962.1	3,226.8	5,862.7	1,616.9	420.3	493.7
2016	67,104.6	16,054.7	8,370.3	3,533.6	26,863.6	3,224.1	6,270.4	1,891.8	420.2	475.8
2017	69,871.3	15,904.7	8,963.2	3,559.6	27,626.1	3,501.1	7,576.2	1,915.0	453.1	372.3
2018	74,587.6	17,817.5	8,768.1	3,453.6	30,088.6	3,704.6	7,614.5	2,299.8	430.2	410.7
2019	81,117.8	18,298.2	10,738.9	3,666.7	32,381.0	4,882.4	7,891.5	2,270.9	500.4	487.7
2020	85,304.8	19,572.3	10,028.4	3,512.5	35,473.7	3,863.2	9,190.7	2,516.4	644.7	502.9
2021 (preliminary)	85,155.5	20,768.8	9,988.4	3,579.9	34,328.0	3,908.2	8,871.1	2,602.4	605.9	502.7

FFRDC = federally funded research and development center.

^a Intramural activities cover costs associated with the administration of intramural R&D programs and extramural R&D procurements by federal personnel as well as actual intramural performance.

Note(s):

Because of rounding, detail may not add to total. FFRDC funding over the years may be affected by the creation of new FFRDCs and the phasing out of other FFRDCs as well as changes in the type of FFRDC administrator. For details, see the notes in the Master Government List of Federally Funded R&D Centers at <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/ffrdclist/#ffrdc>. FYs 2009 and 2010 obligations include additional funding provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. FYs 2020 and 2021 obligations include additional funding provided by supplemental COVID-19 related appropriations (e.g., Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security [CARES] Act).

Source(s):

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Funds for Research and Development.