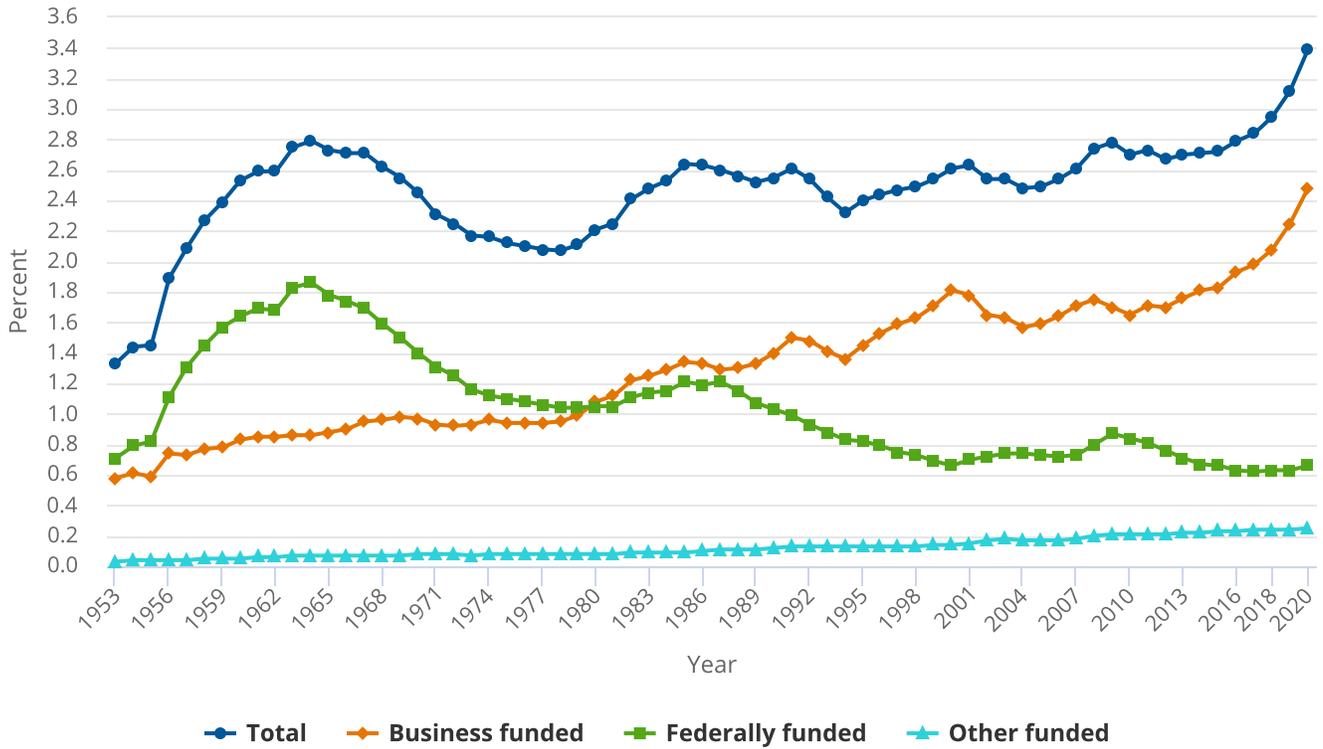


**Figure 2**

**Ratio of U.S. R&D to gross domestic product, by source of funding for R&D: 1953–2020**



GDP = gross domestic product.

**Note(s):**

The data for 2020 include estimates and are likely to later be revised. The federally funded data represent the federal government as a funder of R&D by all performers; similarly, the business funded data cover the business sector as a funder of R&D by all performers. The "other" category includes the R&D funded by all other sources—mainly, by higher education, nonfederal government, and nonprofit organizations. The GDP data used reflect the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis statistics of late October 2021.

**Source(s):**

National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, National Patterns of R&D Resources (annual series).