

RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES (R&RA)**\$5,807,460,000**
-\$1,460,000 / 0.0%

The FY 2015 Budget Request for the Research and Related Activities (R&RA) Appropriation is \$5,807.46 million, a decrease of \$1.46 million below the FY 2014 Estimate level of \$5,808.92 million. Funding within the R&RA Appropriation enables U.S. leadership and progress across the frontiers of scientific and engineering research and education.

In FY 2015 NSF will sustain targeted investments in fundamental science and engineering to nurture discovery and learning necessary for a prosperous future. Such transformational work holds great promise for meeting the complex social, economic, and environmental challenges faced by our Nation and world.

In FY 2015, funding within the broad and flexible R&RA account includes agency-wide support for research priorities such as advanced manufacturing, clean energy technology, robotics, cyberinfrastructure, cybersecurity, and cognitive science and neuroscience. Also included is ongoing support for young scientists and engineers engaged in research and teaching at the forefront of science, engineering, and technology.

R&RA Funding
(Dollars in Millions)

	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Estimate	FY 2015 Request	Change over FY 2014 Estimate	
				Amount	Percent
Biological Sciences	\$679.21	\$721.27	\$708.52	-\$12.75	-1.8%
Computer & Information Science & Engineering	858.13	894.00	893.35	-0.65	-0.1%
Engineering	820.18	851.07	858.17	7.10	0.8%
Geosciences	1,273.77	1,303.03	1,304.39	1.36	0.1%
Mathematical & Physical Sciences	1,249.34	1,299.80	1,295.56	-4.24	-0.3%
Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences	242.62	256.85	272.20	15.35	6.0%
International and Integrative Activities	434.28	481.59	473.86	-7.73	-1.6%
U.S. Arctic Research Commission	1.39	1.30	1.41	0.11	8.1%
Total, R&RA	\$5,558.88	\$5,808.92	\$5,807.46	-\$1.46	-

Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Appropriations Language

For necessary expenses in carrying out the National Science Foundation Act of 1950 (42 U.S.C. 1861 et seq.), and Public Law 86-209 (42 U.S.C. 1880 et seq.); services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; maintenance and operation of aircraft and purchase of flight services for research support; acquisition of aircraft; and authorized travel; ~~\$5,808,918,000~~ \$5,807,460,000, to remain available until September 30, ~~2015,2016~~, of which not to exceed \$520,000,000 shall remain available until expended for polar research and operations support, and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for operational and science support and logistical and other related activities for the United States Antarctic program: *Provided*, That receipts for scientific support services and materials furnished by the National Research Centers and other National Science Foundation supported research facilities may be credited to this appropriation.: ~~*Provided further*, That not less than \$158,190,000 shall be available for activities authorized by section 7002©(2)(A)(iv) of Public Law 110-69.~~

**Research and Related Activities
FY 2015 Summary Statement
(Dollars in Millions)**

	Enacted/ Request	Carryover/ Recoveries	Permanently Reduced	Adjustments to Prior Year Accounts	Unobligated Balance End-of-Year	Total Resources	Transfers	Obligations/ Estimates
FY 2013 Appropriation	\$5,983.28	\$18.38	-\$413.65	\$6.94	-\$10.16	\$5,584.79	-\$25.91	\$5,558.88
FY 2014 Estimate	5,808.92	10.16				5,819.08		5,819.08
FY 2015 Request	5,807.46					5,807.46		5,807.46
\$ Change from FY 2014 Estimate								-\$11.62
% Change from FY 2014 Estimate								-0.2%

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Explanation of Carryover

Within the **Research and Related Activities (R&RA)** account, \$10.16 million (\$5.65 million in 2-year funds; \$2.58 million in Polar no-year funds; \$1.93 million in incoming interagency reimbursable agreement funds) was carried over into FY 2014. Obligation of these funds is expected by the end of the second quarter of FY 2014.

- There is \$3.42 million in carryover associated with the NSF’s financial system modernization project (iTRAK), which is funded through Program-Related Technology and managed by the Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management
- Polar Program funds totaling \$2.58 million represent funding recovered and allotted very late in the fiscal year from previously obligated projects.
- There is carryover associated with R&RA funding provided for the operations of the National Coordination Office/Networking and Information Technology Research and Development (\$200,000) and the National Nanotechnology Coordination Office (\$30,000).
- The remaining \$2.0 million was carried over for awards that were not ready for obligation in FY 2013.
- Within R&RA, \$1.93 million of incoming two-year interagency funds were carried over.