

TABLE 129. Federal obligations for basic research, by performer: FYs 1967–2015  
(Dollars in millions)

Fiscal year	Total	Intramural <sup>a</sup>	Extramural								
			United States and U.S. territories								Foreign
			Industry	Industry-administered FFRDCs	Universities and colleges	University-administered FFRDCs	Other nonprofits	Nonprofit-administered FFRDCs	State, local governments		
1967	1,845.8	434.9	180.9	30.3	857.1	203.7	104.9	7.9	4.2	21.9	
1968	1,840.6	431.6	195.0	30.1	835.1	225.2	93.4	3.0	11.8	15.5	
1969	1,944.8	531.9	184.7	29.8	864.3	219.3	85.5	3.3	13.3	12.6	
1970	1,925.9	558.4	185.0	29.7	808.1	237.0	80.1	3.5	13.9	10.1	
1971	1,980.1	565.4	166.6	29.2	879.4	227.7	85.2	2.2	16.6	7.9	
1972	2,186.9	596.9	151.4	32.2	1,021.4	254.5	96.4	7.2	15.6	11.2	
1973	2,232.0	608.1	176.1	39.4	1,048.2	229.0	98.5	3.4	16.2	13.1	
1974	2,387.7	695.9	124.0	31.5	1,144.7	223.1	127.1	6.2	16.8	18.3	
1975	2,588.4	733.5	118.5	47.9	1,260.6	257.5	128.2	13.8	14.0	14.3	
1976	2,767.5	786.0	131.1	59.8	1,341.7	284.9	126.5	7.9	12.9	16.6	
1977	3,258.6	914.1	208.1	53.1	1,555.1	324.1	162.5	5.6	15.6	20.4	
1978	3,698.6	1,029.3	247.7	65.4	1,759.2	356.8	192.8	5.8	17.1	24.6	
1979	4,192.7	1,089.1	277.1	66.6	2,079.9	393.6	240.3	6.7	19.8	19.5	
1980	4,674.2	1,182.5	325.3	70.4	2,320.3	436.8	279.5	7.5	23.9	28.1	
1981	5,041.3	1,301.8	292.9	73.3	2,503.2	490.6	313.1	8.6	26.5	31.2	
1982	5,481.6	1,465.5	270.9	87.4	2,727.1	516.7	355.6	9.0	24.5	24.9	
1983	6,260.1	1,689.8	292.9	83.0	3,112.3	604.0	409.6	8.0	32.1	28.5	
1984	7,067.4	1,861.1	377.9	91.1	3,530.8	668.9	473.6	8.2	28.1	27.7	
1985	7,818.7	1,923.4	380.1	122.6	4,038.7	724.2	555.8	12.4	30.5	30.9	
1986	8,153.1	2,018.9	511.6	117.6	4,132.1	724.1	572.1	13.0	30.9	32.7	
1987	8,942.4	2,046.2	467.0	119.9	4,665.6	906.7	657.7	13.3	37.5	28.5	
1988	9,473.6	2,050.3	596.9	133.0	4,868.3	989.8	728.6	17.7	42.7	46.3	
1989	10,602.0	2,313.4	773.2	223.9	5,221.4	1,098.1	838.9	42.2	43.6	47.4	
1990	11,285.6	2,294.6	887.5	246.8	5,548.2	1,227.3	924.1	59.2	50.4	47.6	
1991	12,170.8	2,391.6	949.9	264.0	6,064.5	1,306.2	1,015.5	80.8	49.1	49.1	
1992	12,489.9	2,337.6	920.3	247.2	6,331.8	1,394.1	1,097.2	65.5	42.4	53.8	
1993	13,399.1	2,661.8	896.3	243.6	6,833.7	1,402.7	1,164.9	71.3	71.7	53.3	
1994	13,523.5	2,497.8	1,109.6	237.6	6,992.3	1,336.0	1,132.9	74.4	75.2	67.6	
1995	13,877.0	2,693.5	1,214.2	239.8	6,943.9	1,438.8	1,148.3	75.2	78.7	44.6	
1996	14,464.0	2,676.7	1,108.8	272.8	7,443.5	1,521.0	1,234.6	76.1	80.2	50.5	
1997	14,941.9	2,688.3	1,166.7	294.7	7,695.8	1,600.0	1,289.6	88.4	68.4	49.9	
1998	15,613.0	2,918.5	1,119.4	326.4	7,951.7	1,642.3	1,397.6	121.8	84.9	50.4	
1999	17,443.7	3,255.2	1,082.8	313.4	9,107.1	1,565.5	1,650.0	354.9	61.4	53.4	
2000	19,569.8	3,621.8	1,356.5	171.3	10,056.7	1,674.0	1,985.3	521.6	75.7	106.9	
2001	21,958.1	4,193.8	917.1	175.1	11,792.2	1,762.1	2,441.7	540.5	71.6	64.0	
2002	23,668.3	4,460.0	1,231.9	239.6	12,668.2	1,805.2	2,531.7	563.4	71.5	96.8	
2003	24,751.4	4,662.1	1,279.6	312.8	13,151.8	1,827.8	2,703.9	582.1	85.4	146.1	
2004	26,120.7	4,671.6	1,969.4	292.2	13,398.5	2,005.8	2,746.1	606.8	197.9	232.3	
2005	27,140.3	4,772.7	2,051.0	270.1	13,989.9	2,021.2	2,914.2	670.7	235.9	214.6	
2006	26,584.6	4,763.6	1,858.9	220.4	13,657.6	2,096.8	2,867.4	755.8	152.7	211.2	
2007	26,865.8	4,572.2	1,736.2	341.3	14,220.3	1,982.8	2,793.8	889.5	101.3	228.4	
2008	27,154.0	4,767.5	1,545.4	574.9	14,645.7	1,484.3	2,935.2	915.8	75.9	209.1	
2009	32,879.4	5,529.8	1,631.6	678.3	18,229.6	1,964.3	3,487.4	1,059.1	94.3	204.8	
2010	31,795.3	5,190.9	1,746.9	591.6	17,403.1	1,870.6	3,530.4	1,139.4	103.2	219.2	
2011	29,313.6	4,869.8	1,726.5	483.0	15,771.4	2,010.1	3,066.5	1,101.9	75.8	208.7	
2012	30,958.9	5,579.4	2,155.3	434.1	15,729.8	2,550.5	3,123.1	1,096.2	80.4	210.0	

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2013	29,779.4	5,217.2	2,052.3	463.3	14,950.2	2,738.5	2,999.8	1,099.9	66.0	192.3	
2014 (preliminary)	31,602.5	5,769.1	2,439.2	449.0	15,610.9	2,847.2	3,083.3	1,134.6	68.2	200.9	
2015 (preliminary)	31,455.9	5,575.6	2,450.9	434.3	15,649.7	2,735.9	3,110.4	1,230.9	68.4	199.7	

FFRDC = federally funded research and development center.

<sup>a</sup> Intramural activities cover costs associated with the administration of intramural and extramural programs by federal personnel as well as actual intramural performance.

NOTES: Because of rounding, detail may not add to total. In FY 2000, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) reclassified the International Space Station (ISS) as a physical asset, reclassified ISS Research as equipment, and transferred funding for the program from R&D to R&D plant; the National Institutes of Health reclassified all its development activities as research. In FY 2003, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration reclassified some of its funding categories as non-R&D that were considered R&D in prior years. In FY 2006, NASA reclassified as operational costs funding for Space Operations, the Hubble Space Telescope, the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy, and the James Webb Space Telescope that previously had been reported as R&D plant. Between FY 2006 and FY 2007, NASA's R&D obligations decreased for two reasons: (1) in FY 2007, NASA excluded projects that were operational in nature that were not excluded in FY 2006, which accounts for \$850 million of the decrease; and (2) there was an overall decrease in obligations between FY 2006 and FY 2007, which accounts for the remainder of the decrease. In FY 2010, NASA resumed reporting ISS obligations as R&D plant. In FY 2012, NASA began reporting ISS obligations as research rather than R&D plant. In FY 2010, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was unable to report R&D by performer or by location. Percentage distributions calculated from EPA's data submission for FYs 2009–11 were used to estimate its FY 2010 R&D by performer and its location. FYs 2009 and 2010 obligations include additional funding provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

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