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Federal Government expenditure on science, research and development, by types of funding [1]

Millions of €

Type of funding	ACTUAL					
	2021		2022		2023	
	Total	Of which, R&D	Total	Of which, R&D	Total	Of which, R&D
1. Project funding and departmental research	13,006.0	10,036.0	14,278.5	11,198.7	14,678.7	11,530.4
1.1 Direct project funding and departmental research [3]	11,950.5	8,980.6	13,195.4	10,116.2	13,697.8	10,549.5
1.2 Indirect research and innovation funding [4]	1,055.6	1,055.3	1,083.1	1,082.5	980.9	980.9
2. Institutional funding of institutions including federal institutions with research and development tasks	11,740.6	10,008.1	12,322.9	10,451.0	12,758.9	10,823.1
2.1 Research and science organisations, of which:	8,628.9	8,349.5	8,851.4	8,558.4	9,104.7	8,812.7
German Research Foundation (DFG)	1,930.3	1,930.3	1,984.3	1,984.3	2,039.9	2,039.9
Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres (HGF)	3,575.5	3,575.5	3,656.6	3,656.6	3,768.5	3,768.5
Leibniz Association (WGL) [5]	811.8	791.6	820.1	799.7	865.2	845.4
2.2 Other non-profit institutions	747.0	397.7	893.2	539.5	952.8	592.8
2.3 Federal institutions with research and development tasks	2,364.7	1,260.8	2,578.4	1,353.1	2,701.5	1,417.6
3. University- and education-related funding [6]	589.7	363.3	513.9	399.7	540.6	404.0
4. Contributions and subsidies to international scientific organisations and intergovernmental institutions [7]	1,382.5	1,321.5	1,396.8	1,336.0	1,413.7	1,353.5
5. Global reduced expenditure of the Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space (share for science and R&D) [8]	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**26,718.8**	**21,728.9**	**28,512.1**	**23,385.4**	**29,392.0**	**24,111.1**
For Information:						
Direct project funding and departmental research [3 9]	11,950.5	8,980.6	13,195.4	10,116.2	13,697.8	10,549.5
Of which:						
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy	703.2	664.2	786.3	749.1	886.7	850.2
Federal Ministry of Defence	1,521.8	1,521.8	1,889.6	1,889.6	1,573.8	1,573.8
Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space	7,214.4	4,539.4	7,761.5	4,981.0	7,866.0	5,017.4

■ **Table 1.1.7 2 / 2**

Federal Government expenditure on science, research and development, by types of funding [1]

Millions of €

Type of funding	ACTUAL		TARGET			
	2024		2025		2026	
	Total	Of which, R&D	Total	Of which, R&D	Total	Of which, R&D
1. Project funding and departmental research	16,580.9	13,220.7	17,932.8	14,946.5	20,698.6	17,500.4
1.1 Direct project funding and departmental research [3]	15,662.7	12,302.5	16,956.4	13,970.1	19,690.5	16,492.3
1.2 Indirect research and innovation funding [4]	918.2	918.2	976.4	976.4	1,008.1	1,008.1
2. Institutional funding of institutions including federal institutions with research and development tasks	12,902.9	10,897.3	13,521.2	11,124.3	13,338.5	11,113.7
2.1 Research and science organisations, of which:	9,111.7	8,826.3	9,349.6	9,068.8	9,432.6	9,146.6
German Research Foundation (DFG)	2,078.4	2,078.4	2,118.7	2,118.7	2,160.7	2,160.7
Helmholtz Association of German Research Centres (HGF)	3,682.1	3,682.1	3,814.9	3,814.9	3,855.3	3,855.3
Leibniz Association (WGL) [5]	895.4	875.3	921.6	901.7	919.3	894.1
2.2 Other non-profit institutions	936.4	575.3	1,351.5	571.0	1,313.3	556.6
2.3 Federal institutions with research and development tasks	2,854.8	1,495.8	2,820.1	1,484.6	2,592.6	1,410.6
3. University- and education-related funding [6]	536.7	402.3	554.3	408.6	552.7	408.7
4. Contributions and subsidies to international scientific organisations and intergovernmental institutions [7]	1,615.8	1,551.8	1,554.6	1,490.4	1,738.8	1,470.6
5. Global reduced expenditure of the Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space (share for science and R&D) [8]	-	-	-420.0	-420.0	-316.0	-316.0
Total expenditure	**31,636.2**	**26,072.2**	**33,142.8**	**27,549.8**	**36,012.5**	**30,177.4**
For Information:						
Direct project funding and departmental research [3 9]	15,662.7	12,302.5	16,956.4	13,970.1	19,690.5	16,492.3
Of which:						
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy	1,031.2	991.2	988.2	950.4	1,125.5	1,088.3
Federal Ministry of Defence	2,838.6	2,838.6	4,088.9	4,088.9	5,500.6	5,500.6
Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space	8,044.5	4,978.6	7,912.3	5,187.2	8,038.1	5,094.3

1 Until 2022, including “Energy and Climate Fund”; as of 2023, including “Climate and Transformation Fund”. Possible deviations from earlier publications due to subsequent changes in the allocation to R&D or subsequent changes in the allocation to the types of funding. Possible rounding differences.

2 Including “Climate and Transformation Fund”. In 2026, excluding other funds from section 60 “General Fiscal Administration” - Chapter 6002 “General Appropriations”. These are collected retrospectively.

3 Including expenditure on orders for departmental and defence research and development. Excluding basic funding of federal institutions with research and development tasks.

4 Excluding tax measures (grants, special depreciations).

5 Including Land-owned institutions with research and development tasks that are jointly funded by the federal and Länder governments.

6 Including universities of the federal armed forces and the Federal University of Applied Administrative Sciences.

7 Located in Germany and abroad.

8 ACTUAL figures are needed to break down the global reduced expenditure of the Federal Ministry of Research, Technology and Space by types of funding.

9 The departments' scopes of responsibilities and their names correspond to the organisational division of the 21st legislative period's Federal Government. To ensure comparability between individual years, expenditures were retrospectively adjusted or implemented to reflect the current organisational division when there were changes in the allocation of responsibilities between government departments.

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