

Table 37. Domestic R&D paid for by others and performed by the company and others as a percentage of domestic net sales, by industry and company size: 2024

(Millions of U.S. dollars and percent)

Industry and company size	NAICS code	Domestic R&D (US\$millions)	Percentage of domestic sales of R&D performers or funders ^a	Percentage of domestic sales of R&D performers ^b
All industries	21–23, 31–33, 42–81	96,246	0.6	0.6
Manufacturing industries	31–33	55,860	0.8	0.8
Food	311	270	*	*
Beverage and tobacco products	312	*	*	*
Textile, apparel, and leather products	313–16	6	*	*
Wood products	321	6	*	*
Paper	322	1	*	*
Printing and related support activities	323	2	*	*
Petroleum and coal products	324	3	*	D
Chemicals	325	16,156	1.3	1.3
Basic chemicals	3251	239	0.1	0.1
Resin, synthetic rubber, and artificial synthetic fibers and filaments	3252	D	D	D
Pesticide, fertilizer, and other agricultural chemicals	3253	D	D	D
Pharmaceuticals and medicines	3254	15,073	2.1	2.1
Soap, cleaning compound, and toilet preparations	3256	272	0.2	0.2
Paint, coating, adhesive, and other chemicals	3255, 3259	D	D	D
Plastics and rubber products	326	141	0.1	0.1
Nonmetallic mineral products	327	22	*	*
Primary metals	331	47	*	*
Fabricated metal products	332	159	0.1	0.1
Machinery	333	2,249	0.4	0.4
Agricultural implement	33311	D	D	D
Semiconductor machinery	333242	D	D	D
Engine, turbine, and power transmission equipment	3336	D	D	D
Other machinery	other 333	341	0.1	0.1
Computer and electronic products	334	8,661	1.1	1.1
Communications equipment	3342	771	0.7	0.7
Semiconductor and other electronic components	3344	D	D	D
Navigational, measuring, electromedical, and control instruments	3345	3,426	2.4	2.5
Electromedical, electrotherapeutic, and irradiation apparatus	334510, 334517	205	1.0	1.0
Search, detection, navigation, guidance, aeronautical, and nautical system and instruments	334511	3,036	5.4	5.4
Other measuring and controlling devices	other 3345	185	0.3	0.3
Other computer and electronic products	other 334	D	D	D
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components	335	865	0.5	0.5
Transportation equipment	336	26,956	1.7	1.7
Motor vehicles, bodies, trailers, and parts	3361–63	D	D	D
Aerospace products and parts	3364	D	D	D
Aircraft, aircraft engine, and aircraft parts	336411–13	D	D	D
Guided missile, space vehicle, and related parts	336414–15, 336419	D	D	D
Military armored vehicle, tank, and tank components	336992	10	1.0	1.0
Other transportation	other 336	D	D	D
Furniture and related products	337	0	0.0	D
Miscellaneous	339	316	*	*
Medical equipment and supplies	3391	289	0.1	0.1
Other miscellaneous manufacturing	3399	27	*	*
Nonmanufacturing industries	21–23, 42–81	40,386	0.5	0.5

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Mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction, and support activities	21	639		0.3	0.3
Utilities	22	D		D	D
Wholesale trade	42	D		D	D
Electronic shopping and electronic auctions	454111-12	2	r	*	*
Transportation and warehousing	48-49	D		D	D
Information	51	1,335		0.1	0.1
Publishing	511	D		D	D
Newspaper, periodical, book, and directory publishers	5111	0		0.0	0.0
Software publishers	5112	D		D	D
Telecommunications	517	D		D	D
Data processing, hosting, and related services	518	759		0.1	0.1
Other information	other 51	D		D	D
Finance and insurance	52	101		*	*
Real estate and rental and leasing	53	0		0.0	0.0
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible assets (except copyrighted works)	533	0		0.0	0.0
Other real estate and rental and leasing	other 53	0		0.0	0.0
Professional, scientific, and technical services	54	37,409		5.4	5.5
Architectural, engineering, and related services	5413	737		0.6	0.6
Computer systems design and related services	5415	4,646		1.8	1.8
Scientific research and development services	5417	30,852		25.3	25.5
Research and development in nanotechnology	541713	126		7.0	7.2
Research and development in biotechnology (except nanobiotechnology)	541714	5,625		19.0	19.0
Research and development in the physical, engineering, and life sciences (except nanotechnology and biotechnology)	541715	24,398	i	27.4	27.5
Research and development in the social sciences and humanities	541720	704		55.2	55.2
Other professional, scientific, and technical services	other 54	1,174		0.7	0.7
Health care services	621-23	164		0.1	0.1
Other nonmanufacturing	23, 44-45 (excluding 454111-12), 55-56, 624, 71-72, 81	69		*	*
All companies (number of domestic employees)	-	96,246		0.6	0.6
Small companies					
10-19 ^c	-	1,191		3.9	4.1
20-49	-	2,361		2.4	2.5
Medium companies					
50-99	-	2,524		2.0	2.0
100-249	-	3,155		1.0	1.1
Large companies					
250-499	-	3,226		0.8	0.8
500-999	-	5,014		0.9	0.9
1,000-4,999	-	15,008		0.7	0.7
5,000-9,999	-	8,522		0.6	0.6
10,000-24,999	-	20,952		0.7	0.7
25,000 or more	-	34,294	i	0.5	0.5

* = amount < \$500,000 or less than 0.05%; D = data withheld to avoid disclosing operations of individual companies; i = more than 50% of the estimate is a combination of imputation and reweighting to account for nonresponse; r = relative standard error is more than 50%.

NAICS = 2017 North American Industry Classification System.

^a Statistics used for both the numerator and denominator in the calculation of these percentages are representative of companies located in the United States that performed or funded R&D.

^b Statistics used for both the numerator and denominator in the calculation of these percentages are representative of companies located in the United States that performed R&D. The calculation of percentages in this column excludes R&D and sales of companies that fund R&D but do not perform R&D.

^c The Business Enterprise Research and Development Survey does not include companies with fewer than 10 domestic employees.

Note(s):

Detail may not add to total because of rounding. Industry classification is based on the dominant business code for domestic R&D performance, where available. For companies that did not report business codes, the classification used for sampling was assigned. Unless indicated otherwise, statistics are representative of companies located in the United States that performed or funded \$50,000 or more of R&D.

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