

## C 2 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

With a research intensity of 2.98 percent in 2012, Germany recorded the highest R&D intensity to date, while also reaching its own stated target of three percent.<sup>481</sup> In spite of this success, Germany continues to lag behind such countries as Korea (4.36 percent), Japan (3.34 percent) and Sweden (3.41 percent). The United States' R&D intensity increased slightly in 2012 to 2.79 percent, but did not regain the level of 2009 (2.82 percent). Overall, the United States account for approximately 41 percent of R&D expenditure within the OECD.

The budgets for civil R&D (C 2–2) show that public expenditure on R&D has increased in the last ten years in all of the comparative countries. The development during the period 2002–2012, however, is heterogeneous. R&D investment in France increased only slightly up until 2008 and even decreased over some of the years. Sweden, Switzerland and, especially, Korea continuously increased their R&D efforts over the surveyed period. In the United States, public investment in R&D increased only slowly between 2002 and 2008 but was stepped up considerably as part of the 2009 stimulus programme.

The distribution of gross domestic expenditure on R&D by performing sector (C 2–3) developed in disparate ways in the comparison countries between 2001 and 2011. It is noteworthy that in the Asian economies, the private sector's share in R&D expenditure increased between 2001 and 2011, while the European economies and the United States recorded a decline. In Germany, the private sector's share in gross domestic expenditure on R&D decreased from 70 percent in 2001 to 68 percent in 2011.

The figure on the German federal states' R&D intensity (C 2–4) shows that there are no significant differences between the eastern, northern and southern German federal states with regard to public R&D facilities. However, the R&D intensity of the private sector shows major differences across Germany's federal states. The states of Bavaria, Baden-Württemberg and Hesse recorded by far the highest values of all federal states. In Baden-Württemberg and Hesse, the R&D intensity of the private sector has also increased significantly compared to 2001.

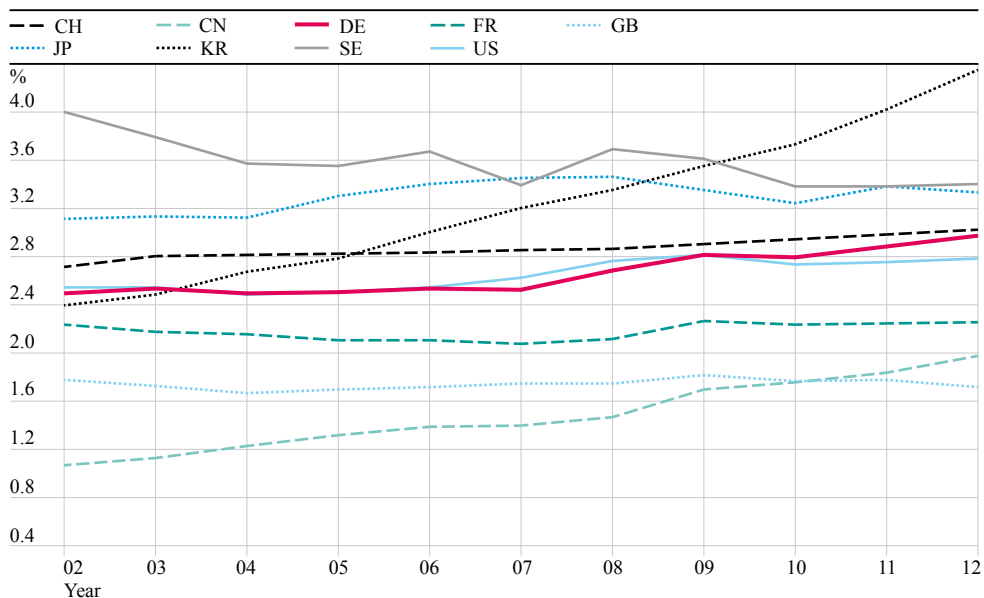
The share of Germany's public sector's funding of private R&D activities is low when compared to other countries. The breakdown of private internal R&D expenditure by source of funding (C 2–5) for the year 2011 shows that the state financed approximately 4 percent of the total R&D activities conducted by private businesses. Two years earlier this share amounted to 3.6 percent, and four years earlier it had amounted to 3.1 percent. Public R&D funding is particularly important for small enterprises: in 2011, the government's share of financing for companies with less than 100 employees amounted to almost 15 percent.

The breakdown of R&D expenditure according to industry, as measured by internal R&D expenditure relative to revenue from domestic products (C 2–6), shows that most industries once again increased their R&D intensity in 2012 compared to the preceding year (2011). Only in the pharmaceutical industry and in other transport equipment did R&D intensity experience a slight downturn. Overall, the manufacturing sector's R&D intensity increased to 3.2 percent in 2012 compared to 3.1 percent in the preceding year.

**R&D intensity in selected OECD countries and China**  
(figures in percent)

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R&D intensity:  
share of expenditure on  
research and development  
of an economy's gross  
domestic product.



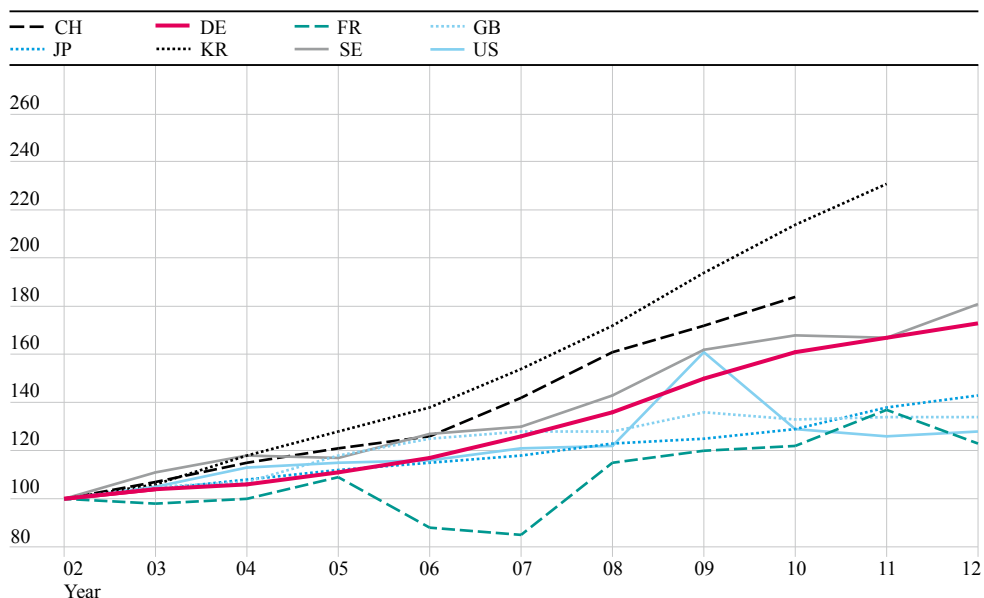
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Source: OECD, *SV Wissenschaftsstatistik*.  
Calculations and estimates by NIW. In: Schasse et al. (2014).

**State budget estimates for civil R&D**

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R&D budget estimates:  
budget resources available  
for the financing of R&D as  
specified in the state budget.



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Index: 2002 = 100, data partially based on estimates.  
Source: OECD, EUROSTAT. Calculations and estimates by NIW. In: Schasse et al. (2014).

**C 2-3 Distribution of gross domestic expenditure on R&D (GERD) by performing sector 2001 and 2011**

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| Countries       | 2001                             |                         |                                  |                        |                      | 2011                             |                         |                                  |                        |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
|                 | GERD in million USD <sup>1</sup> | of which private sector | of which higher education sector | of which public sector | of which not defined | GERD in million USD <sup>1</sup> | of which private sector | of which higher education sector | of which public sector | of which not defined |
| DE              | 54,426                           | 69.9                    | 16.4                             | 13.7                   | –                    | 93,987                           | 67.7                    | 17.8                             | 14.5                   | –                    |
| FR              | 35,804                           | 63.2                    | 18.9                             | 16.5                   | 1.4                  | 51,891                           | 63.4                    | 21.2                             | 14.1                   | 1.2                  |
| GB              | 29,179                           | 65.5                    | 22.7                             | 10.0                   | 1.8                  | 39,627                           | 61.5                    | 26.9                             | 9.3                    | 2.4                  |
| JP              | 103,718                          | 73.7                    | 14.5                             | 9.5                    | 2.3                  | 146,537                          | 77.0                    | 13.2                             | 8.4                    | 1.5                  |
| KR              | 21,259                           | 76.2                    | 10.4                             | 12.4                   | 1.0                  | 59,890                           | 76.5                    | 10.1                             | 11.7                   | 1.6                  |
| SE              | 10,374                           | 77.5                    | 19.6                             | 2.8                    | 0.1                  | 13,216                           | 69.3                    | 26.0                             | 4.3                    | 0.3                  |
| CH <sup>2</sup> | 5,766                            | 73.9                    | 22.9                             | 1.3                    | 1.9                  | 10,525                           | 73.5                    | 24.2                             | 0.7                    | 1.6                  |
| US              | 278,239                          | 72.6                    | 12.1                             | 11.3                   | 4.0                  | 415,193                          | 68.3                    | 15.2                             | 12.1                   | 4.3                  |
| CN              | 31,744                           | 60.4                    | 9.8                              | 29.7                   | –                    | 208,172                          | 75.7                    | 7.9                              | 16.3                   | –                    |

<sup>1</sup> 2000 instead of 2001, and 2008 instead of 2011. <sup>2</sup> GERD in USD according to PPP.  
Not defined: share of GERD not explicitly performed in the “private”, “higher education” or “public” sectors; this share is often included in the “public” sector.  
Source: OECD, Eurostat (figures as of 13/11/2013), *SV Wissenschaftsstatistik*. In: Schasse et al. (2014).

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (GERD) refers to expenditure on research and development in the private sector, higher education sector and the public sector.

**C 2-4 R&D intensity of Germany’s federal states between 2001 and 2011 (figures in percent)**

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| Federal states             | 2001        |                |               |                         | 2011        |                |               |                         |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|
|                            | Total       | private sector | public sector | higher education sector | Total       | private sector | public sector | higher education sector |
| Baden-Württemberg          | 3.86        | 3.05           | 0.40          | 0.41                    | 5.08        | 4.10           | 0.43          | 0.55                    |
| Bavaria                    | 3.07        | 2.46           | 0.24          | 0.37                    | 3.15        | 2.41           | 0.30          | 0.44                    |
| Berlin                     | 3.94        | 2.15           | 1.01          | 0.78                    | 3.55        | 1.39           | 1.24          | 0.92                    |
| Brandenburg                | 1.47        | 0.54           | 0.65          | 0.28                    | 1.68        | 0.54           | 0.78          | 0.36                    |
| Bremen                     | 2.14        | 1.05           | 0.56          | 0.53                    | 2.78        | 1.00           | 1.00          | 0.78                    |
| Hamburg                    | 1.40        | 0.72           | 0.33          | 0.34                    | 2.24        | 1.26           | 0.47          | 0.51                    |
| Hesse                      | 2.37        | 1.92           | 0.15          | 0.30                    | 3.01        | 2.35           | 0.23          | 0.44                    |
| Mecklenburg-West Pomerania | 1.17        | 0.18           | 0.48          | 0.51                    | 2.09        | 0.68           | 0.73          | 0.67                    |
| Lower Saxony               | 2.49        | 1.79           | 0.31          | 0.39                    | 2.88        | 1.97           | 0.40          | 0.51                    |
| North Rhine-Westphalia     | 1.74        | 1.09           | 0.28          | 0.38                    | 2.01        | 1.21           | 0.31          | 0.49                    |
| Rhineland-Palatinate       | 1.96        | 1.48           | 0.14          | 0.34                    | 2.07        | 1.46           | 0.18          | 0.44                    |
| Saarland                   | 1.02        | 0.38           | 0.22          | 0.42                    | 1.49        | 0.54           | 0.43          | 0.52                    |
| Saxony                     | 2.44        | 1.22           | 0.60          | 0.61                    | 2.91        | 1.26           | 0.88          | 0.77                    |
| Saxony-Anhalt              | 1.28        | 0.34           | 0.40          | 0.54                    | 1.49        | 0.43           | 0.57          | 0.49                    |
| Schleswig-Holstein         | 1.15        | 0.53           | 0.31          | 0.32                    | 1.43        | 0.69           | 0.36          | 0.37                    |
| Thuringia                  | 2.11        | 1.13           | 0.44          | 0.53                    | 2.22        | 1.03           | 0.54          | 0.65                    |
| <b>Germany</b>             | <b>2.47</b> | <b>1.73</b>    | <b>0.34</b>   | <b>0.41</b>             | <b>2.89</b> | <b>1.96</b>    | <b>0.42</b>   | <b>0.51</b>             |

Source: *SV Wissenschaftsstatistik*, Statistisches Bundesamt.  
Calculations by NIW. In: Schasse et al. (2014).

R&D expenditure: share of the federal states’ R&D expenditure as a percentage of their GDP, according to performing sectors.

**Internal R&D expenditure of companies according to source of funding, sectors, size, and technology categories 2011**

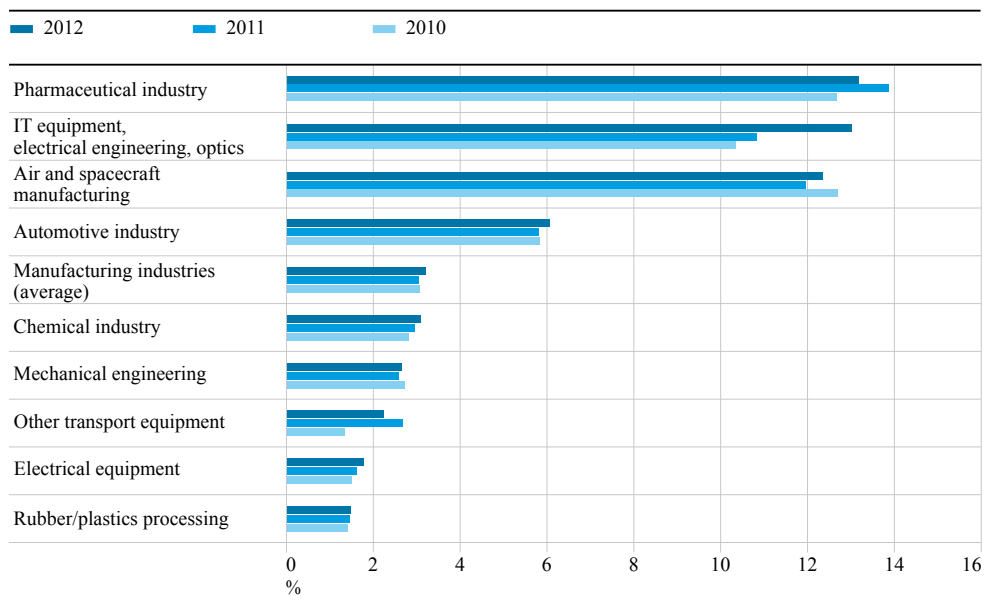
Internal R&D: research and development that is conducted inside the company, either for the company's own purposes or commissioned by a third party.

| Internal R&D expenditure   | Total             | of which ... was funded by |               |                         |                  |
|--|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|------------------|
|  |                   | private sector             | public sector | other domestic entities | foreign entities |
|  | in EUR            | in percent                 |               |                         |                  |
| <b>All companies active in research</b>                            | <b>50,804,210</b> | <b>91.7</b>                | <b>4</b>      | <b>0.3</b>              | <b>4</b>         |
| <b>Manufacturing industries</b>                                    | <b>43,733,376</b> | <b>93.1</b>                | <b>3.2</b>    | <b>0.2</b>              | <b>3.6</b>       |
| Chemical industry  | 3,296,674         | 95.3                       | 2             | –                       | 2.7              |
| Pharmaceutical industry  | 4,069,729         | 97.9                       | 0.4           | –                       | 1.6              |
| Plastics, glass and ceramic industries                             | 1,224,873         | 93.3                       | 2.5           | 0.5                     | 3.8              |
| Metal production and processing                                    | 1,242,073         | 80.5                       | 7.4           | –                       | 12.1             |
| Electrical engineering/electronics                                 | 8,165,077         | 94.8                       | 3.2           | 0.1                     | 1.9              |
| Mechanical engineering   | 4,902,500         | 94.8                       | 1.9           | –                       | 3.2              |
| Vehicle equipment  | 18,914,281        | 91.5                       | 4             | 0.3                     | 4.3              |
| Other manufacturing industries                                     | 1,918,170         | 91.2                       | 3.3           | –                       | 5.5              |
| <b>Remaining sectors</b>   | <b>7,070,835</b>  | <b>83.3</b>                | <b>9.3</b>    | <b>0.8</b>              | <b>6.6</b>       |
| less than 100 employees  | 2,864,072         | 81                         | 14.9          | 0.5                     | 3.6              |
| 100 to 499 employees   | 5,147,816         | 89.3                       | 5.3           | 0.4                     | 5                |
| 500 to 999 employees   | 3,027,362         | 87.5                       | 7.1           | 0.1                     | 5.3              |
| 1000 employees and more  | 39,764,960        | 93.1                       | 2.8           | 0.2                     | 3.8              |
| <b>Technology categories in industry</b>                           |                   |                            |               |                         |                  |
| Cutting-edge technology (> 9 percent of revenue expended on R&D)   | 13,092,505        | 90.6                       | 6.9           | –                       | 2.5              |
| High-value technology (2.5 – 9 percent of revenue expended on R&D) | 25,497,475        | 95                         | 1.3           | 0.2                     | 3.6              |

Source: *SV Wissenschaftsstatistik*. In: Schasse et al. (2014).

C 2-6 Internal R&D expenditure relative to revenue from domestic products 2010, 2011, 2012

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