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CSIRO Funding trends

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CSIRO Funding	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
CSIRO funding, current prices (\$millions)	184.50	211.30	247.10	290.90	328.20	331.60	324.90
CSIRO funding, (2023-24 dollar, GDP deflator, \$millions)	1,094.20	1,135.05	1,213.04	1,280.96	1,310.25	1,228.24	1,149.47
CSIRO funding, (2023-24 dollar, CPI adjusted, \$millions)	1,085.11	1,119.41	1,207.66	1,281.81	1,301.55	1,264.45	1,162.27
Funding as a percentage of GDP	0.16%	0.16%	0.16%	0.17%	0.17%	0.16%	0.14%

Data used	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85
Gross domestic product: Current prices (\$millions)	118,753	134,614	152,360	175,860	189,414	213,693	235,503
GDP deflator (2023-24 = 100)	16.9	18.6	20.4	22.7	25.0	27.0	28.3
CPI deflator (2023-24 = 100)	17.0	18.9	20.5	22.7	25.2	26.2	28.0

Source:

[Department of Industry, Science and Resources, 2025-26 Science, research and innovation \(SRI\) budget tables, August 2025](#)

Funding in real dollars calculated by the Parliamentary Library.



1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
344.30	367.80	347.80	348.10	375.20	414.40	446.30	456.20	460.40	461.60	417.60
1,143.21	1,140.07	1,005.19	922.87	936.63	1,002.77	1,064.89	1,078.48	1,078.47	1,057.15	931.43
1,135.13	1,109.80	979.20	911.63	912.04	974.89	1,037.63	1,041.46	1,032.37	990.26	869.01
0.13%	0.13%	0.11%	0.09%	0.09%	0.10%	0.11%	0.10%	0.10%	0.09%	0.08%

1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
260,875	286,366	324,582	368,280	404,703	415,332	423,280	444,229	466,617	495,846	528,969
30.1	32.3	34.6	37.7	40.1	41.3	41.9	42.3	42.7	43.7	44.8
30.3	33.1	35.5	38.2	41.1	42.5	43.0	43.8	44.6	46.6	48.1

1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
444.50	466.80	475.40	500.00	496.70	509.60	532.06	568.65	577.10	593.90	610.10
978.66	1,016.85	1,031.21	1,055.55	1,003.18	1,001.63	1,014.66	1,051.23	1,026.18	1,005.51	984.22
922.22	961.30	968.95	988.60	925.40	923.40	939.56	979.26	969.75	959.64	965.59
0.08%	0.08%	0.08%	0.08%	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.07%	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%

1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
556,665	589,240	621,807	662,674	707,402	756,446	803,108	864,089	925,442	999,585	1,089,023
45.4	45.9	46.1	47.4	49.5	50.9	52.4	54.1	56.2	59.1	62.0
48.2	48.6	49.1	50.6	53.7	55.2	56.6	58.1	59.5	61.9	63.2

2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
663.10	675.79	704.88	720.42	724.94	733.82	778.18	745.27	750.28	787.27	793.55
1,021.53	993.35	1,022.93	985.53	973.54	986.76	1,032.87	994.34	1,008.90	1,021.16	1,010.15
1,004.78	1,009.68	1,021.27	1,008.00	1,002.21	990.80	1,019.93	962.26	958.92	987.11	974.73
0.06%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.05%	0.04%	0.04%

2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1,179,629	1,261,441	1,304,322	1,418,559	1,500,738	1,537,271	1,599,333	1,624,165	1,657,914	1,757,655	1,842,045
64.9	68.0	68.9	73.1	74.5	74.4	75.3	75.0	74.4	77.1	78.6
66.0	66.9	69.0	71.5	72.3	74.1	76.3	77.4	78.2	79.8	81.4

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
834.56	837.87	960.54	950.29	1,001.07	1,014.39	931.40
1,026.69	1,011.36	1,125.01	1,038.34	1,027.10	1,014.39	906.47
1,009.03	1,016.58	1,122.24	1,046.00	1,039.25	1,014.39	912.34
0.04%	0.04%	0.05%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.03%

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2022-24	2022-25
1,947,319	1,981,663	2,085,822	2,330,329	2,567,513	2,672,659	2,786,247
81.3	82.8	85.4	91.5	97.5	100.0	102.8
82.7	82.4	85.6	90.9	96.3	100.0	102.1