

Statistics on R&D Activities

Year 2010. Preview results

Provisional main results

- Internal expenditure on Research and Development (R&D) registers a decrease of 1.7% in 2010, as compared with the previous year.
- Business expenditure on R&D decreases 2.4% with regard to 2009, whereas public expenditure registers a 0.9% decrease.
- The number of persons dedicated to R&D activities, on a full-time equivalent, decreases 2.2% in the business sector and increased 4.6% in the public sector.

According to the preview results of this study, internal expenditure on R&D registered a 1.7% decrease in 2010. Whereas business expenditure on R&D experienced a decrease of 2.4% (current expenses decreased 1.0%, and capital expenses decreased 13.9%), public expenditure on R&D decreased 0.9%.

Regarding the personnel dedicated to R&D activities on a full-time equivalent, a decrease of 2.2% was registered in the business sector, and an increase of 4.1% was recorded in the public sector in 2010.

The preview results presented today were compiled considering 195 of the companies with the greatest expenditure in R&D in the year 2009. These companies represented 43.9% of business expenditure on R&D in said year. It has also taken into consideration the information collected, to date, from the public sector.