

Statistics on R&D Activities

Year 2011. *Preview results*

Provisional main results

- Internal expenditure on Research and Development (R&D) registered a decrease of 4.1% in 2011, as compared with the previous year.
- Business expenditure on R&D decreased 5.4% with regard to 2010, whereas public expenditure and the higher education registered a 3.3% decrease.
- The number of persons dedicated to R&D activities, on a full-time equivalent, decreased 4.1% in the business sector and increased 2.9% in the public sector and the higher education.

According to the preview results of this study, internal expenditure on R&D registered a 4.1% decrease in 2011, as compared with the previous year.

The business expenditure on R&D experienced a decrease of 5.4% (current expenses decreased 5.1%, and capital expenses decreased 7.4%), whereas the public expenditure and the higher education on R&D decreased 3.3%.

Regarding the personnel dedicated to R&D activities on a full-time equivalent, registered a 4.1% decrease in the business sector, and an increase of 2.9% in the public sector and the higher education in 2010.

The preview results presented today were compiled considering 213 of the companies with the greatest expenditure in R&D in the year 2010. These companies represented 40.8% of business expenditure on R&D in said year. It has also taken into consideration the information collected, to date, from the public sector and the higher education.