# ACROSS THE BOARD: **RESEARCH FUNDING FOR VARIOUS GOVERNMENT SECTORS**

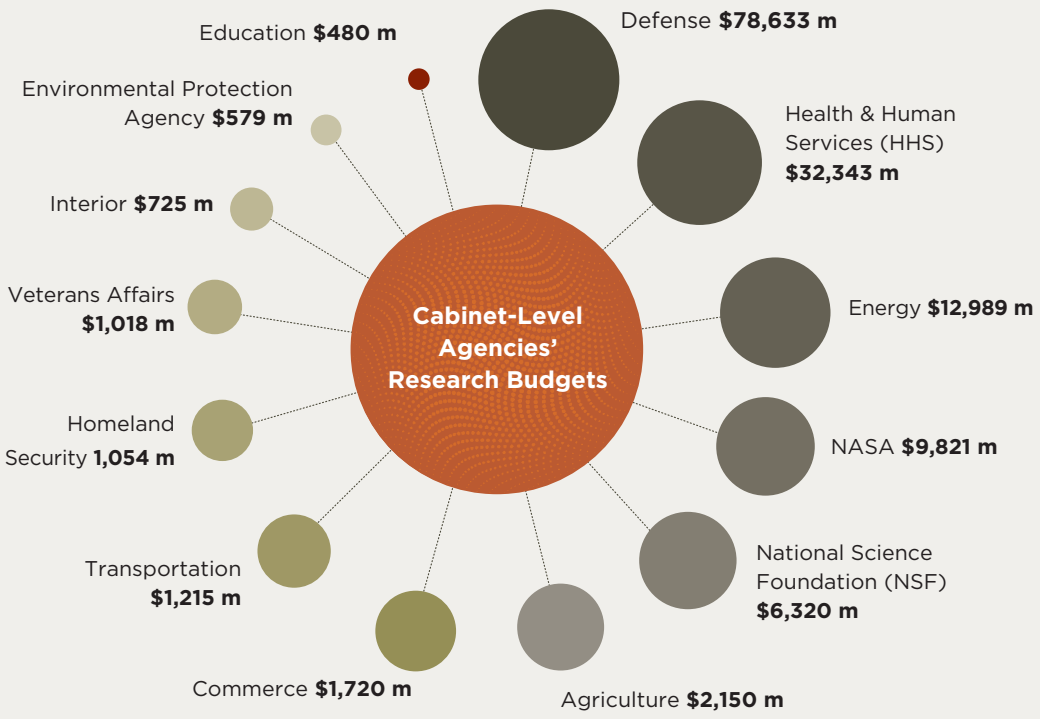
Compared to other cabinet-level agencies, the U.S. Department of Education has the least-allotted resources for research. Compare how much money each agency requested for research and development for fiscal year 2012.

The Obama administration is seeking

**$621.2 MILLION**

for the IES. The budget says this would allow the IES to fund more than $30 million in new research at all levels of education. President Obama's budget request for fiscal year 2013 asked for an increase in spending for IES of $27.5 million. That's an increase of more than 4 percent from the IES's 2012 appropriation and nearly double the amount that IES received in 2004.

*Sparks (2012)*




*Knowledge Alliance (2011a)*

Less than **1%** of the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION's discretionary budget was invested in research and development, a much smaller percentage than any other cabinet-level agency.

| DEFENSE | NASA | ENERGY | HHS | NSF | AGRICULTURE |
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| 17% | 68% | 37% | 42% | 74% | 4.6% |

*Kohlmoos (2006)*

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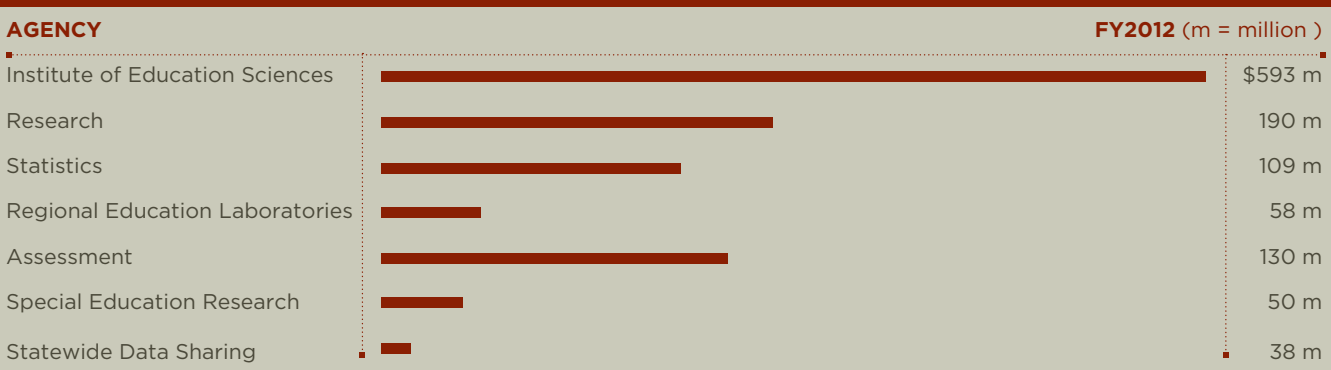


*American Educational Research Association (2012)*

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