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### The DFG

The Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) is the central, independent research funding organisation in Germany. It promotes the advancement of science and the humanities by funding research projects, research centres and networks, and facilitating cooperation among researchers. In organisational terms, the DFG is an association under private law with 97 member organisations.

### Over 31,000 Projects Funded in 2019

In 2019, the DFG funded roughly 31,200 new and ongoing projects with a funding volume of €3.3 billion.

Individual grants programmes enable researchers to conduct projects with clearly defined topics and durations and offer support to early career researchers. These programmes accounted for 37 percent of the DFG's total funding in 2019. 17,100 new and ongoing projects were funded during the reporting period.

In the coordinated programmes, which promote cooperation and structural innovation by encouraging national and international collaboration, 106 research collaborations were approved with a funding volume of €824,7 million. In 2019, a total of 850 research collaborations, encompassing 11,800 individual projects, were supported.

### Scientific Review

The scientific review of proposals is an integral part of the DFG's funding process. Assessments by peer reviewers form the basis for subsequent funding decisions. In 2019, approximately 22,100 written reviews were received from more than 15,200 reviewers. Of these, approx. 22 percent were from women. Approximately a third of all reviewers are based at research institutions outside Germany.

## Current Projects by Programme 2019

	Number		Funding <sup>1)</sup>	
	Programmes	Projects	in € millions	% of total
<b>Individual Grants Programmes</b>		<b>17,128</b>	<b>1,215.1</b>	<b>37.0</b>
Research Grants		15,082	1,041.7	31.7
Research Fellowships		1,004	22.5	0.7
Walter Benjamin Programme		1	<0.1	<0.1
Emmy Noether Programme		378	95.1	2.9
Heisenberg Programme		354	26.7	0.8
Reinhart Koselleck Projects		57	12.6	0.4
Clinical Trials		51	14.3	0.4
Other <sup>2)</sup>		201	2.1	0.1
<b>Coordinated Programmes</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>11,806</b>	<b>1,432.8</b>	<b>43.6</b>
DFG Research Centres <sup>3)</sup>	2	2	14.4	0.4
Collaborative Research Centres	291	5,808	796.7	24.2
Priority Programmes	109	3,440	229.2	7.0
Research Units	203	2,311	169.2	5.1
Research Training Groups <sup>3)</sup>	245	245	223.4	6.8
<b>Excellence Initiative<sup>4)</sup>/ Strategy by the German Federal and State Governments<sup>3)</sup></b>	<b>161</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>372.4</b>	<b>11.3</b>
<b>Infrastructure Funding</b>		<b>993</b>	<b>210.1</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Research Instrumentation Infrastructure		337	120.5	3.7
Central Research Facilities		2	27.8	0.8
Scientific Library Services and Information Systems		654	61.9	1.9
<b>Prizes, Other Funding</b>		<b>1,062</b>	<b>55.1</b>	<b>1.7</b>
Prizes		105	29.4	0.9
International Scientific Contacts		935	21.5	0.7
Committees and Commissions		22	4.3	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>31,150</b>	<b>3,285.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>1)</sup> These figures refer to funds approved for 2019 including programme allowances for indirect project costs. Differences within the table and in relation to other tables and diagrams are due to rounding.

<sup>2)</sup> Including, among others, publication allowances, individual instrumentation grants, scientific networks, workshops for early career investigators and project academies.

<sup>3)</sup> The number of projects corresponds to the number of collaborations.

<sup>4)</sup> Projects that were funded under the Excellence Initiative but not continued as new Clusters of Excellence under the Excellence Strategy received completion funding in 2019.

## Current Projects in Programmes to Promote Careers in Research and Academia 2019

	Humanities and Social Sciences	Life Sciences	Natural Sciences	Engineering Sciences	Total
Research Fellowships <sup>1)</sup>	84	554	213	39	<b>890</b>
Emmy Noether Programme	53	151	136	38	<b>378</b>
Heisenberg Programme	99	143	93	19	<b>354</b>
Temporary Positions for Principal Investigators	734	503	528	180	<b>1,945</b>

<sup>1)</sup> Not including return grants.

## Research Funding Volumes<sup>1)</sup> by Area (in € millions)

	2017	2018	2019
<b>Humanities and Social Sciences</b>	<b>480.4</b>	<b>529.7</b>	<b>492.9</b>
Humanities	303.0	331.6	293.4
Social and Behavioural Sciences	177.4	198.1	199.5
<b>Life Sciences</b>	<b>1,110.9</b>	<b>1,166.3</b>	<b>1,166.5</b>
Biology	382.5	387.2	394.2
Medicine	684.7	736.5	725.4
Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine	43.8	42.5	46.9
<b>Natural Sciences</b>	<b>714.1</b>	<b>759.9</b>	<b>735.2</b>
Chemistry	203.9	206.9	211.6
Physics	278.9	300.4	286.5
Mathematics	84.1	89.8	86.5
Geosciences	147.3	162.7	150.5
<b>Engineering Sciences</b>	<b>623.9</b>	<b>663.8</b>	<b>639.3</b>
Mechanical and Industrial Engineering	145.9	161.8	146.7
Thermal Engineering / Process Engineering	91.2	98.9	98.8
Materials Science and Engineering	129.8	131.9	122.8
Computer Science, Systems and Electrical Engineering	216.2	225.0	219.4
Construction Engineering and Architecture	40.8	46.3	51.5
<b>No Subject Classification</b>	<b>223.7</b>	<b>285.7</b>	<b>251.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,153.0</b>	<b>3,405.3</b>	<b>3,285.5</b>

<sup>1)</sup> Based on: All DFG programmes, including programme allowances for indirect project costs. Differences within the table and in relation to other tables and diagrams are due to rounding.

## Participation of Women in New Proposals Decided Upon in the Individual Grants Programmes (as a % of the total number of new proposals)

	2017	2018	2019
Humanities and Social Sciences	35.4	36.7	38.0
Life Sciences	29.1	30.1	31.3
Natural Sciences	16.1	18.0	17.5
Engineering Sciences	10.1	12.0	14.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>26.4</b>