

Should science get more governmental funding?

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Background
In the US, science does get funded, but with budget cuts to **higher learning** coming into effect and **more cuts to science along the way** (with education cuts that fuels science and **research**, and seen with the **use of citizen science**), we have to ask at this point - why are we choosing to take funding from science and add it to the defense? Shouldn't science get more funding, as it has **worldwide benefits**?

Or if we add more of a budget to science, it would go to waste - as we might spend it on unnecessary topics, because people might've been misallocated the funding towards less valuable fields of science when it should've been spent on more valuable ones? According to this **study**, people's interest in space has gone down, so allocating the US's budget to NASA, might increase interest, but might be wasteful to more pressing issues like **climate change** (where if we don't have an Earth to live on, how can we go into space?).

Either way, all science topics are losing economically to the defense and other budgets, so this discussion asks - is this good? Should money be spent on this, because it's better to? Or, are we making a mistake, as it **cuts basic research or sends it to other countries**? Or, are we just not handling science properly, and we should put our money there, to make science work? If it doesn't get money from the government, then it comes from the **private sector, which can be biased** or even the public (via a **governmental intermediary**). Maybe it should even get it from the **stock market**? Let's talk about all of this here.

Discussion Topology



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bhatstata	21	383	0
Klako321	19	115	2
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Riun	3	5	7
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