

Resources of Research Councils

1. Research Councils

Social Science Research Council	-	S.S.R.C.
Science Research Council	-	S.R.C.
National Environment Research Council	-	N.E.R.C.
Medical Research Council	-	M.R.C.
Agricultural Research Council	-	A.R.C.

2. Summary of resources

Funds are provided by grants in aid accounted for by the Department of Education and Science. The following figures are taken from published estimates for 1967/68.

	£ M (incl. receipts)	Staff in post 31/3/68
S.S.R.C.	1.2	43
S.R.C.	37.3	2,449
N.E.R.C.	8.3	1,233
M.R.C.	15.4	3,538
A.R.C.	12.6	1,610

3. Notes on individual research councils

(i) S.S.R.C.

Apart from administration, expenditure is split approximately equally between (a) grants for research in universities and other bodies and (b) postgraduate awards and fellowships.

(ii) S.R.C.

The expenditure can be broken down (a) by disciplines and (b) by sectors. The following facts may be required for the interpretation of the two pie diagrams

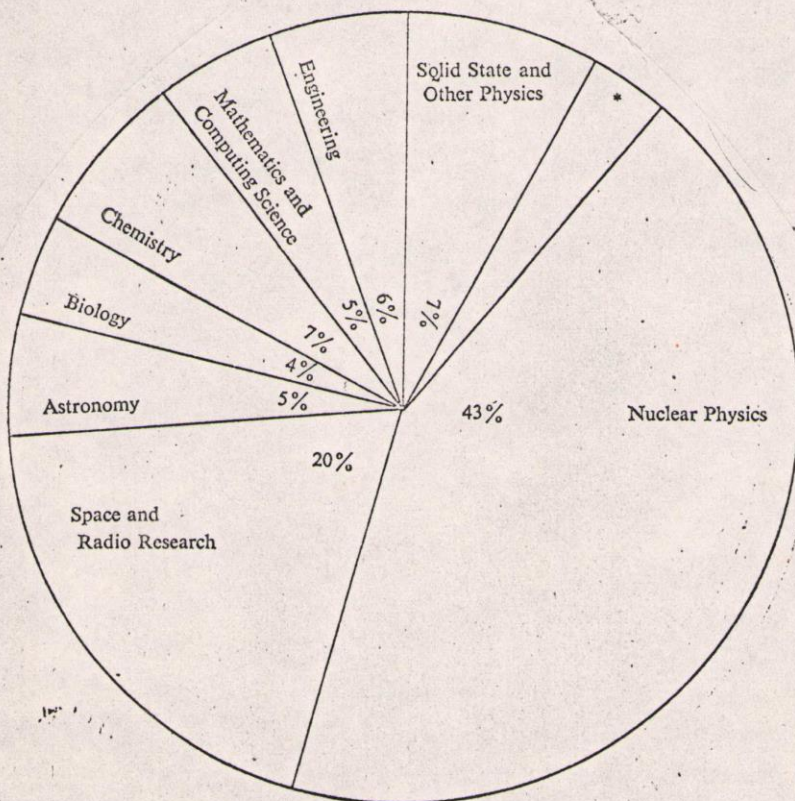
European Organisation for Nuclear Research	= CERN
" " for Space Research	= ESRO
	£ M
Annual subscriptions for 1967/68 - CERN	4.8
ESRO	4.1
NATO	0.3
Scientific schemes	

Rutherford Laboratory (Berkshire)	} concerned with nuclear physics research
Daresbury Laboratory (Cheshire)	
CERN (Geneva)	

Radio and Space Research Establishment (Slough)	} concerned with radio and space research.
ESRO	

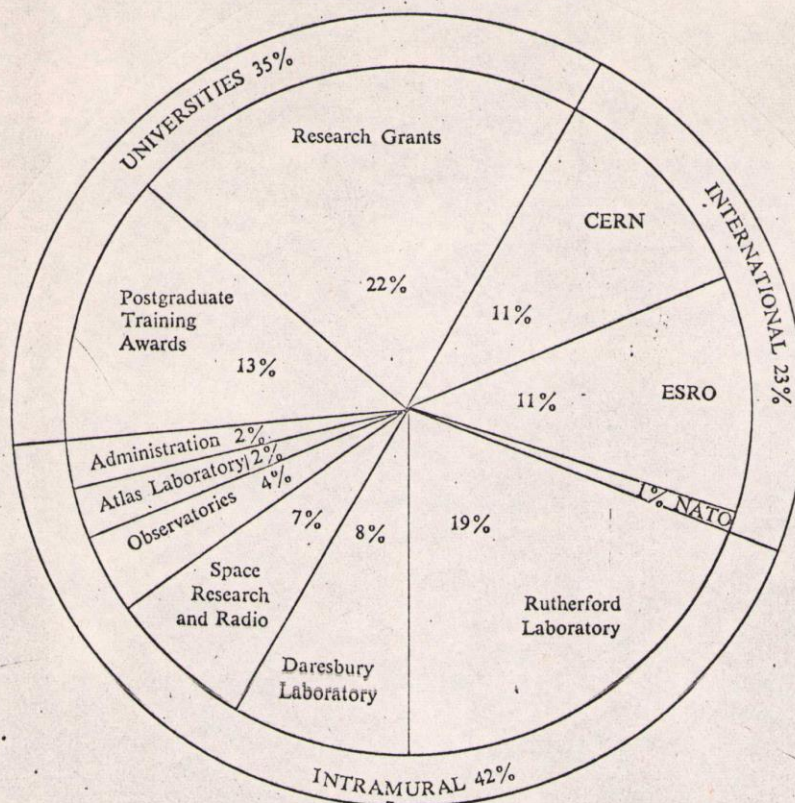
(a)

EXPENDITURE BY DISCIPLINES



(b)

EXPENDITURE BY SECTORS



(iii) N.E.R.C.

The main breakdown of expenditure is as follows

<u>General Expenditure</u>	<u>£M</u>
Administration etc.	0.3
Research Establishments of the Council (6 in number)	3.6
Grants for research in universities etc.	1.9
British Antarctic Survey	1.0
Postgraduate training awards and fellowships	0.4
<u>Capital Expenditure</u>	0.8

(iv) M.R.C.

The main breakdown of expenditure is as follows

<u>General Expenditure</u>	<u>£M</u>
Administration etc.	0.7
National Institute for Medical Research	1.5
Clinical Research Centre	0.1
Research Units (31 in number)	5.9
Grants for research in universities etc.	3.3
Special grants to Institutions	0.7
Training awards and fellowships	0.5
<u>Capital Expenditure</u>	2.4

(v) A.R.C.

The main breakdown of expenditure is as follows

<u>General Expenditure</u>	<u>£M</u>
Administration etc.	0.3
Research establishments and units of the Council (24 in number)	3.4
Grants and awards (other research institutes, universities etc.)	5.5
<u>Capital Expenditure</u>	2.7

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