



The CSIRO'S budget (after inflation) is **lower than in 1979**



The Department of Defence is Australia's **second largest** government research agency



Australia also funds **Antarctic bases** and a **nuclear reactor**



Most government research funding goes to the **private sector** as **tax benefits**



ARC grants fund some, but not all, of research at universities



Medical research grants, for example, are **funded separately**

Who makes your discoveries? Who gets your money?
Should tax breaks count as research funding?
How about university funds not set aside for research?
It's your Government's call.

Buying Innovation:

A look at Australian Government research funding by @rockym93
based on <https://data.gov.au/dataset/science-research-and-innovation-sri-budget-tables>

