## **RESEARCH FACTS & FIGURES**







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\$1.05
BILLION

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61%

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#### **ECONOMIC IMPACT**

\$2.6 total annual North Carolina economic impact of UNC research and UNC startup companies //EMSI. 2013

306 NC BUSINESSES

founded by faculty and students at UNC, creating 8,090 jobs in North Carolina and generating \$10 billion in annual revenues // UNC OCED, 2017

6,486 NC BUSINESSES in 95 North Carolina counties are supported by \$60 million in annual purchases by UNC Research // UNC Research, 2016

9,456 NC EMPLOYEES from 90 counties throughout the state are employed by UNC Research, with a \$300 million annual payroll // UNC Research, 2017

50

research centers and institutes attracting top faculty and over \$492 million annually in external funding to North Carolina for scientific research

#### **RESEARCH COLLABORATION**

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**\$596 million** in multi-investigator projects **\$472 million** in multi-department projects

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## FEDERAL INVESTMENT

**4th** in the US for federally funded health sciences research //HERD Survey, 2016

Health is UNC's largest federal funder, awarding more than **\$412M** in 2017 for nearly **800** projects // UNC RAMSeS, 2017

**1st** in the nation for federally funded social and behavioral science research and development //COSSA 2017

**3rd** among the nation's Schools of Public Health for NIH funding //NIH RePORTER, 2016

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# NATIONAL RANKINGS AND RESEARCH EXPENDITURES BY FIELD

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