

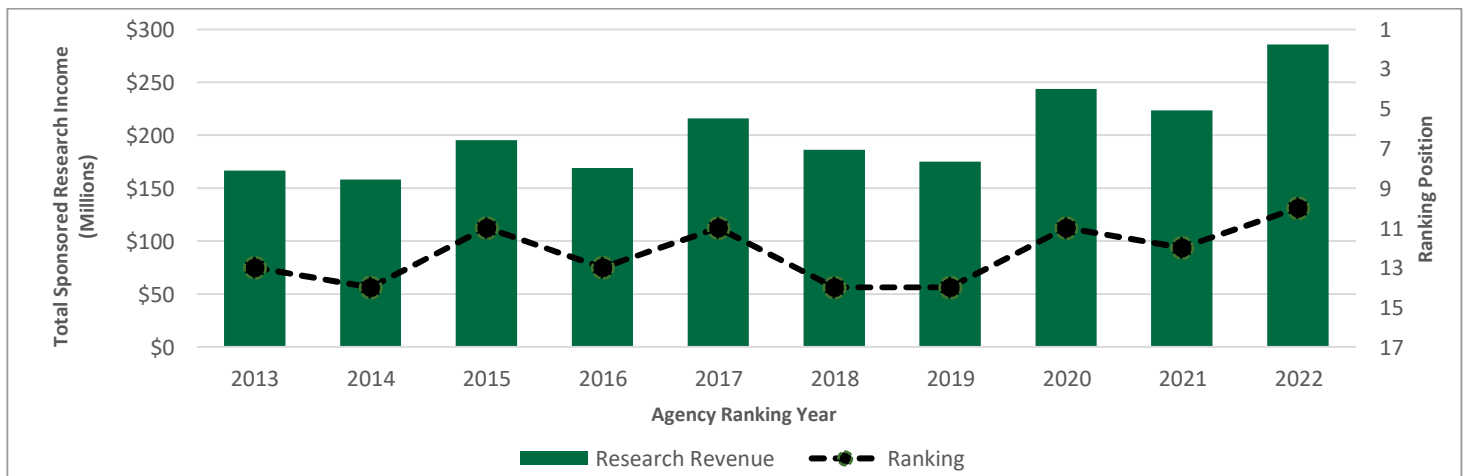
## Summary

Research Infosource, a company that specializes in providing research and development intelligence, released their annual Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities on January 18, 2023. **The University of Saskatchewan (USask) ranked 10<sup>th</sup> overall, increasing two positions over prior year, and obtaining its highest ever placement.** The University of Toronto remained the top ranked university, followed by University of British Columbia, McGill University, Universite de Montreal, and University of Alberta. University of Toronto’s annual research revenue reached close to \$1.5 billion, more than double that of second place, while revenues for the other four schools in the Top 5 were between \$550-\$730 million.

The Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities ranking is based on total sponsored research income which refers to all funds to support research received in the form of a grant, contribution, or contract from all sources external to the institution. The 2022 ranking was based on financial data for the 2020-21 fiscal year obtained from Statistics Canada. Information on the 2022 results is available here: <https://researchinfosource.com/top-50-research-universities/2022/list>.

## University of Saskatchewan Details

According to the Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities rankings, USask had a total sponsored research income of \$285,434,000. **The revenue for this year was a historical record for USask. The increase over prior year was 27.8%, which was the top percentage increase amongst the 16 schools in the medical tier group.** Over the most recent ten years, USask had consistently previously ranked between 11 and 14 overall in terms of total research revenue.



In addition to Canada’s Top 50 Research Universities ranking, Research Infosource also publishes secondary ranking tables pertaining to Research Universities of the Year, Corporate Research Income, Not-for-Profit Research Income, as well as new tables providing insight into income performance as a percentage of total research income over the last 5-year period, for key national funding agencies CFI, CIHR, NSERC, and SSHRC.

The **Research Universities of the Year** ranking takes into account a number of factors including total sponsored research income (20%), research intensity per faculty (20%), research intensity per graduate student (10%), total number of publications (20%), publication intensity (20%), and publication impact (10%). USask moved up one position to rank 10<sup>th</sup> nationally in this table (out of 47 universities) with a total score of 43.9 out of 100. In terms of the individual indicators,

**USask again performed very strongly in research intensity per graduate student, this time finishing top in the country (\$81,800 per student).** Other rankings were 9<sup>th</sup> in research intensity per faculty, 10<sup>th</sup> in total sponsored research income, 13<sup>th</sup> in publication intensity, 14<sup>th</sup> in total number of publications, and 25<sup>th</sup> in publication impact. The lowest ranking indicator continues to be the one measuring impact. Further information on the **Research Universities of the Year** ranking is available here: <https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/2022RUYAllUniversities.pdf>.

The **Corporate Research Income** ranking tables pertain to research income from corporate sourced grants and contracts to assess the magnitude of activity in this area. Of the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed 13<sup>th</sup> in total corporate research income (\$22,647,000) and 11<sup>th</sup> in the percentage of total research income derived from corporate income (7.9%). **However, with respect to corporate research income growth compared to prior year, USask placed in the top position in the medical tier group with a 25.2% increase.** Details of the **Corporate Research Income** ranking tables are located here: [https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2022CorporateResIncome\\_Medical.pdf](https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2022CorporateResIncome_Medical.pdf).

The **Not-for-Profit Research Income** ranking tables pertain to research income from not-for-profit sourced grants and contracts to assess the magnitude of activity in this area. Of the medical tier group of 16 universities, USask placed 15<sup>th</sup> in total not-for-profit research income (\$14,893,000) and 15<sup>th</sup> in the percentage of total research income derived from not-for-profit income (5.2%). With respect to not-for-profit research income growth, USask placed last in the medical tier group with a 38.6% decrease. Details of the **Not-for-Profit Research Income** ranking tables are located here: [https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2022NotforProfitResIncome\\_Medical.pdf](https://researchinfosource.com/pdf/WCTop50List2022NotforProfitResIncome_Medical.pdf).

Within this specific release, Research Infosource also included an additional spotlight on income performance over a 5-year period (fiscal 2016-17 through 2020-21) as related to four specific national funding agencies. **In terms of CFI funding, USask was positioned 4<sup>th</sup> overall in total funding (\$150,954,000) and in terms of % of total research income, this was first overall in the medical tier group at 13.6%. The total NSERC funding over this same period was \$189,781,000 and this was 7<sup>th</sup> highest in the medical tier group, but with respect to % of total research income, this was notably 2<sup>nd</sup> highest in the group at 17.0%.** The CIHR income over the same time period was \$101,405,000 (13<sup>th</sup> in the medical tier group) and this was 12<sup>th</sup> in the group in terms of % of total income (9.1%). Finally, the SSHRC funding over the 5-year period was \$39,144,000 (12<sup>th</sup> in the medical tier group) and was 7<sup>th</sup> within the group in terms of % of total research income (3.5%).

## Further Information

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