

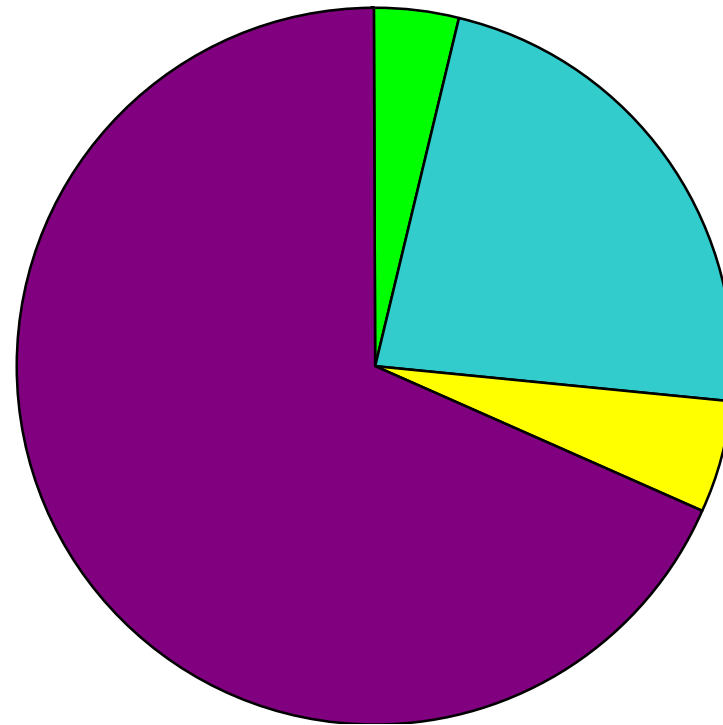
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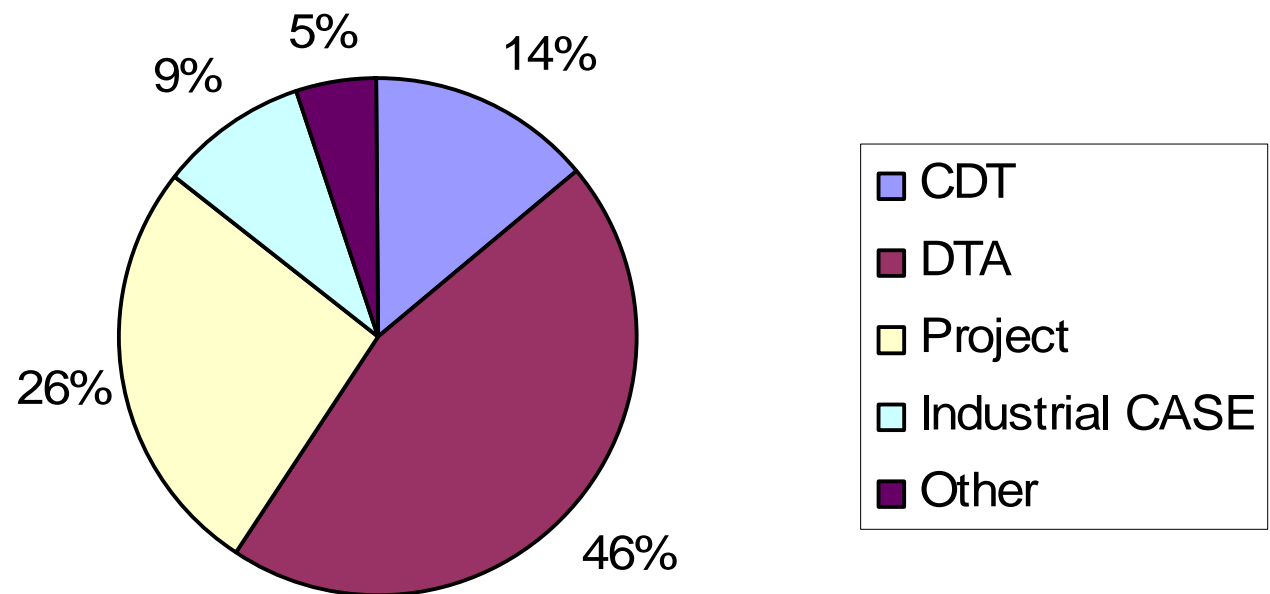
- Administration & restructuring 4%
- Post Graduate training 23%
- Fellowships 5%
- Research grants 69%

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Current Postgraduate Training Portfolio





Centres for Doctoral Training

- £280 million invested in 45 new centres for doctoral training which will train over 2200 PhD students over the next five years.
- Approach piloted through Engineering Doctorate Centres and Doctoral Training Centres at the Life Sciences Interface.
- The multidisciplinary centres bring together many areas of expertise, building relationships between teams in universities and with industry.
- Investment brings our current portfolio of Centres to 62

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Centres for Doctoral Training

45 new Centres awarded in..

- Investigator-led areas(12)
- Digital Economy (6)
- Energy (7)
- Nanoscience through Engineering to Application (3)
- Industrial Doctorates (17)
- Current call for Centres for Doctoral Training in the mathematical sciences

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Doctoral Training Accounts

- 2009 Doctoral Training Grants awarded to 45 institutions and announced 6 months earlier than previously
- Target of converting 10% to CASE

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Other Studentship Support

- Project studentships – awarded on research grants
- Industrial CASE – Allocated to companies who take the lead in defining and arranging projects with an academic partner of choice
- Vacation Bursaries - £1M to 36 Universities in 2009
- PhD plus is a pilot being run with 14 HEIs intended to help universities retain their best PhD students.
- Enterprise Funding – 2.9M to 54HEIs in 2009

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Recent changes and next steps

- Increased use of centre based approaches to align with strategy
- Encouraging universities to use their training funds strategically
- There will be a review of the funding needs and distribution of funds across all of the securing the future theme in Autumn '09

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