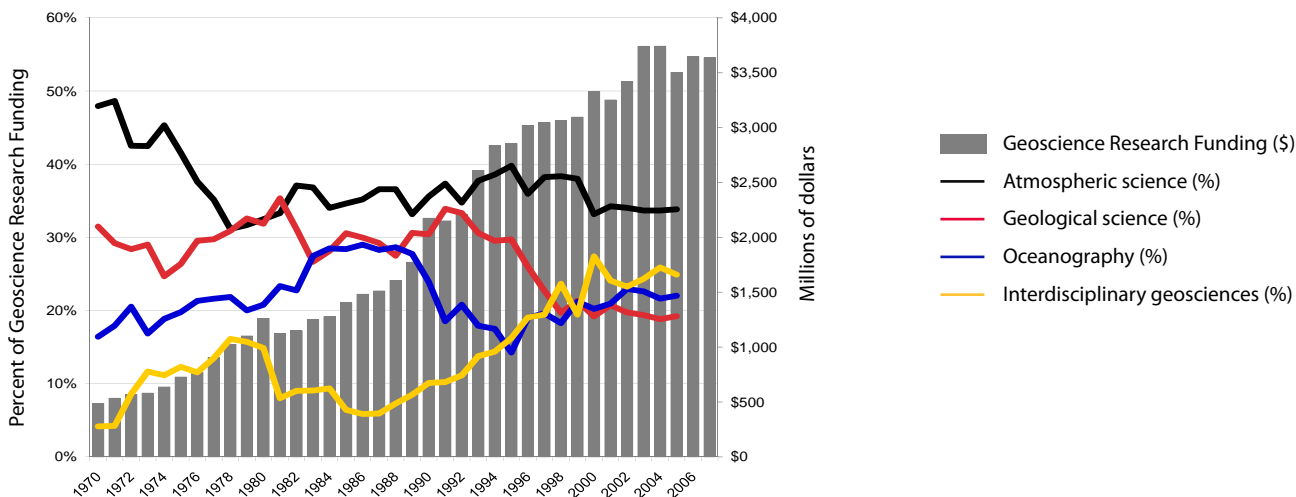


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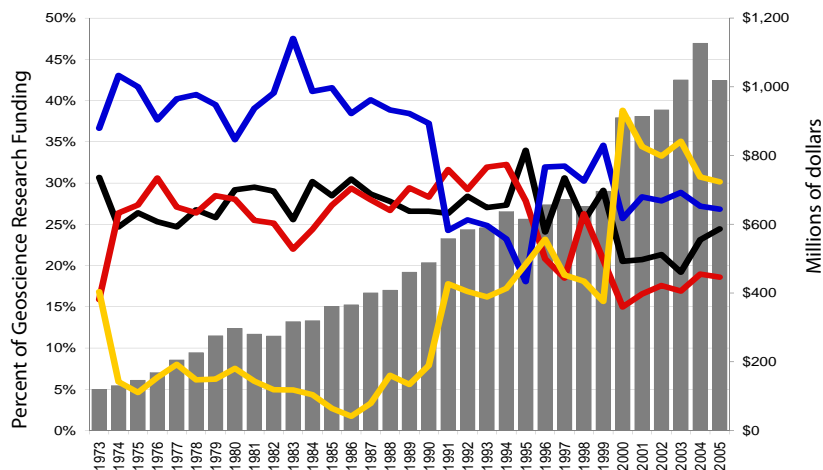
Total federal funding for geoscience research has leveled off since 2003, as have the proportions of funding for atmospheric science, geological science, and oceanography. Since the mid-1980's however, the percentage of geoscience research funding applied to interdisciplinary geosciences has steadily increased.

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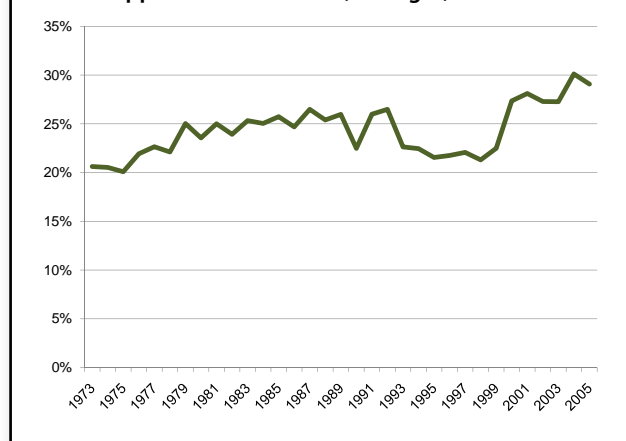


Federal funding of geoscience research in universities, colleges, and non-profit organizations (NPOs) in 2005 was 30% of the total federal funding of geoscience research. Federal funding for interdisciplinary geoscience research at these institutions has steadily increased since the mid-1980's. Since 2000, interdisciplinary geoscience research has been awarded the highest percentage of geoscience research funds of all geoscience sub-disciplines.

Federal Research Funding of the Geosciences at Universities, Colleges & NPOs by Selected Federal Agencies*



Percent of Total Federal Geoscience Research Funding Applied to Universities, Colleges, & NPOs



* Selected Agencies are: Agency for International Development, Appalachian Regional Commission, Department of Agriculture, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, Department of Education, Department of Health & Human Services, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of the Interior, Department of Labor, Department of Transportation, Department of Energy, Environmental Protection Agency, National Aeronautics & Space Administration, National Science Foundation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Justice Programs, Social Security Administration

Sources: NSF/SRS: Survey of Federal Funds for Research and Development; Federal S&E Support to Universities, Colleges, and NPOs

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