

TABLE A-1. Summary of company counts: 2008–10

Company counts	2008	2009	2010
Published BRDIS (U.S.-located, for-profit companies)			
Companies in frame (millions)	1,926,012	2,090,181	2,013,399
Consolidated companies in sample	38,536	39,993	39,974
Unweighted number of company respondents with nonzero R&D performance	10,213	12,041	11,492
FDIUS survey (U.S. affiliates)			
Consolidated U.S. affiliates	18,069	18,925	19,878
U.S. affiliates matched to Business Register	8,259	8,471	8,738
U.S. affiliates matched to BRDIS	1,285	1,074	1,118
Unique BRDIS companies matched to FDIUS	1,137	944	1,014
With nonzero R&D performance	984	825	997
USDIA survey (parent companies of U.S. MNCs)			
Consolidated U.S. parent companies	3,003	3,920	3,863
U.S. parent companies matched to Business Register	2,825	3,587	3,485
U.S. parent companies matched to BRDIS	1,461	1,807	1,673
Unique BRDIS companies matched to USDIA	1,431	1,773	1,643
With nonzero R&D performance	1,392	1,713	1,638

BRDIS = Business R&D and Innovation Survey; FDIUS = Foreign Direct Investment in the United States; MNC = multinational company; USDIA = U.S. Direct Investment Abroad.

NOTES: The R&D Data Link project consisted of matching data across surveys for a given year. No linking was performed across years. Year-to-year variation in this table may reflect a combination of factors: changes in the multinational status of companies (e.g., acquisition or divestiture by a parent company), changes in R&D-active status (e.g., a company may be an R&D performer in one year but not the next), or changes in coverage (e.g., a company not captured by a given survey in one year because of size thresholds or other reasons [hence not matched] but sampled and matched in another year). The term "nonzero R&D performance" refers to nonzero sum of worldwide R&D paid for and performed by a company and the worldwide R&D funded by others and performed by a company.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, and U.S. Census Bureau, R&D Data Link Project, 2008–10.