

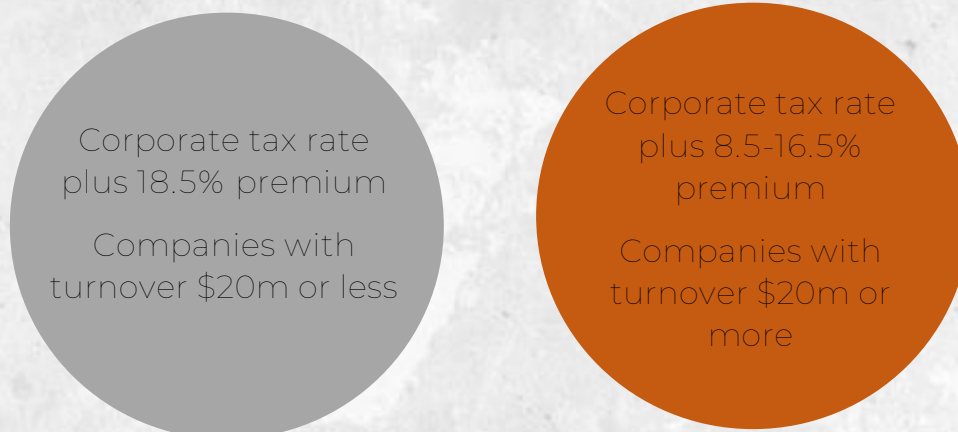
Cooperative Research Centres and the R&D Tax Incentive

R&D Tax Incentive

The R&D Tax Incentive is a Commonwealth Government program offering tax offsets to Australian companies conducting eligible R&D activities. As well as providing financial support for companies conducting their own research and development activities, the R&D Tax Incentive supports collaboration with Registered Research Service Providers such as Cooperative Research Centres.

If you are an incorporated company, paying tax in Australia, your contributions to SmartCrete CRC could be eligible for a refundable tax offset under the R&D Tax Incentive.

Benefit:



Check <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/research-and-development-tax-incentive/overview-of-rd-tax-incentive> for FY21 rates.

How does it work?

The R&D Tax Incentive is jointly administered by the Commonwealth Department of Industry and the Australian Tax Office (ATO). The program is available to all eligible companies undertaking eligible activities. You are required to self-assess. Within 10 months of the end of your financial year, you will need to submit an activity statement through business.gov.au.

You will be sent a registration number to enter with your company's annual tax return, lodged with the ATO.

SmartCrete CRC Example

SmartCrete's standard project investment model requires 25% investment from Industry and 25% investment from Research to match SmartCrete's 50% investment.

Assuming your business contributes the full 25% industry component, you could register for up to a 48.5% refundable offset, bringing your total investment down to 12% of the total project budget.

Example Total Project \$200,000



- Industry: \$50,000
- Research: \$50,000
- SmartCrete: \$100,000

Potential Tax Offset: \$24,450

Total Industry Project Investment: \$25,750

Find Out More

Want to find out more to ensure you can maximise your benefit under the R&D Tax Incentive? More information is available on business.gov.au and we recommend you speak to your accountant to ensure your application aligns with your broader financial strategy.

Resources

- R&D Tax Incentive Overview <https://business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/research-and-development-tax-incentive/overview-of-rd-tax-incentive>
- R&D Tax Incentive and CRCs <https://www.ato.gov.au/business/research-and-development-tax-incentive/in-detail/guides/who-can-claim/?page=5>
- Income Tax Assessment Act; R&D Tax Incentive and CRCs <https://www.ato.gov.au/law/view/document?Docid=PAC/19970038/355-580>