

The Manufacturing Imperative

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Importance of the Policy Problem – Manufacturing

Economic importance of Domestic Manufacturing (hardware and software):

1) Diversification:

- a) Manufacturing contributes \$1.6 trillion to GDP and employs 11 million workers
- b) High-tech service jobs are increasingly “tradeable” and 30 economies have policies in place to promote service exports

2) Manufacturing accounts for 67% of US industry-performed R&D and a 57% share of U.S. industry’s scientists/engineers

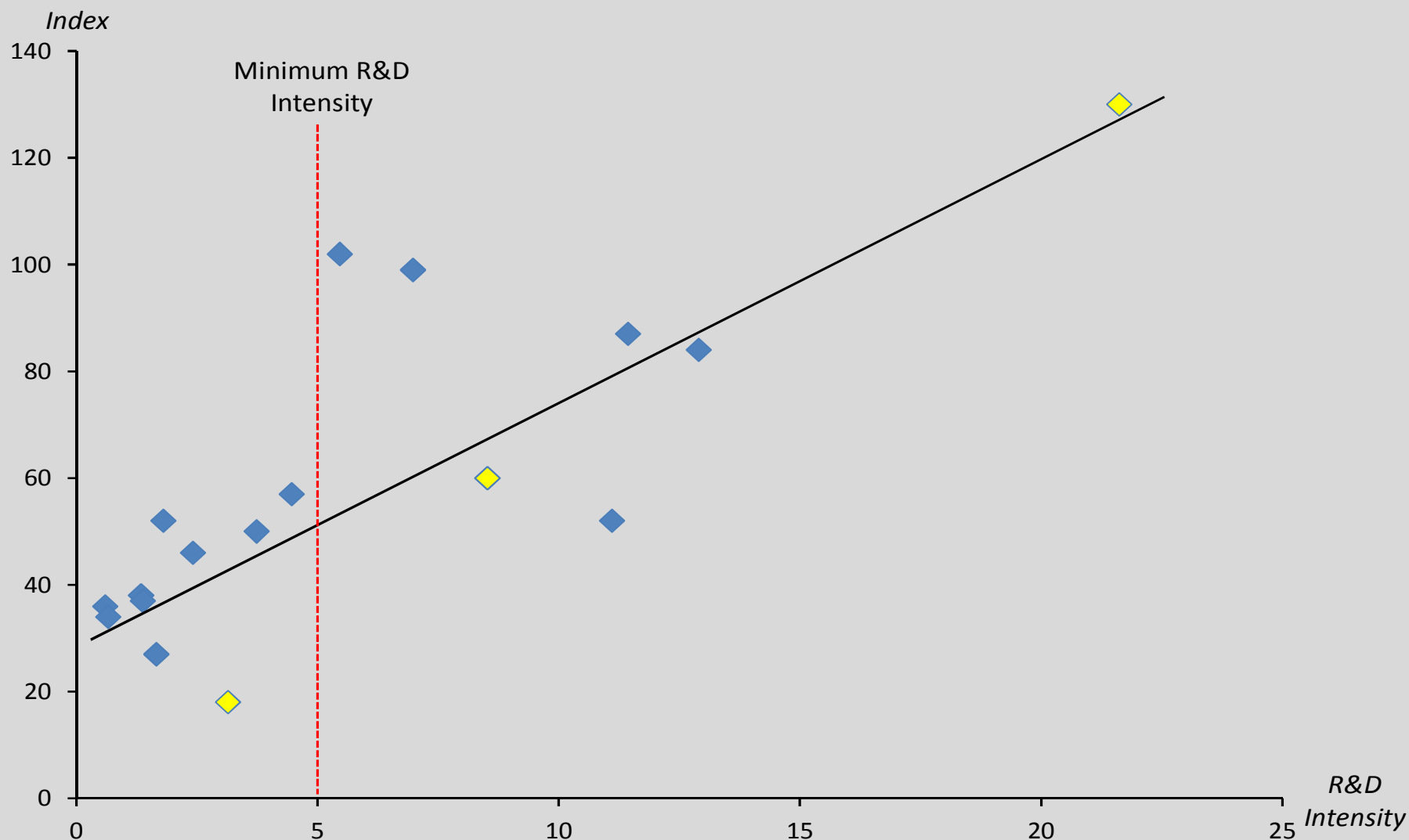
3) Therefore, the fast-growing high-tech services sector must have close ties to its manufacturing base

4) Majority of trade is in manufactured products (but deficits for last 35 years)

Importance of the Policy Problem – R&D Intensity and Innovative Output

Rate of Innovation vs. R&D Intensity:

Percent of Companies in an Industry Reporting Product and/or Process Innovations, 2003-2007



Source: Gregory Tasse, "Beyond the Business Cycle: The Need for a Technology-Based Growth Strategy," forthcoming. Index = sum of percent of companies in an industry reporting product innovations and percent reporting process innovations. R&D intensity data from *Science and Engineering Indicators 2010*, Appendix Table 4-14 (industry and other non-federal funds for R&D); innovation data from Mark Boroush, "NSF Releases New Statistics on Business Innovation," NSF InfoBrief, October 2010

Importance of the Policy Problem – R&D Intensity and Growth

Relationship Between R&D Intensity and Real Output Growth

Industry (NAICS Code)	Average R&D Intensity, 1999-2007	Percent Change in Real Output, 2000-2007
<u>R&D Intensive:</u>		
Pharmaceuticals (3254)	10.5	19.1
Semiconductors (3344)	10.1	15.4
Medical Equipment (3391)	7.5	28.4
Computers (3341)	6.1	106.2
Communications Equip (3342)	13.0	-42.3
Group Ave: 9.5		Group Ave: 25.4
<u>Non-R&D Intensive:</u>		
Basic Chemicals (3215)	2.2	25.5
Machinery (333)	3.8	2.4
Electrical Equipment (335)	2.5	-13.6
Plastics & Rubber (326)	2.3	-4.5
Fabricated Metals (332)	1.4	4.9
Group Ave: 2.5		Group Ave: 2.9

Sources: NSF for R&D intensity and BLS for real output.

Underperformance – Maintaining Domestic Supply Chains

High-tech offshoring is a multi-step process, driven by (1) increasingly attractive skilled labor and (2) capital and R&D subsidies:

- 1) Originally, manufacturing was offshored to take advantage of local-market opportunities, but increasingly for skilled labor (assembly in China, components in Taiwan, Korea)
 - § Initially require **small amount of supporting R&D**
 - § Host country frequently **subsidizes plant and equipment**
- 2) Host country gains some R&D experience and **expands R&D infrastructure** to capture synergies **at “entry” tier** in high-tech supply chain
- 3) Host country **begins to integrate forward into design** and/or **backward into components** to capture higher value added
 - § China—backward to components (from assembly)
 - § Taiwan—forward to electronic circuits (from components)
 - § Korea—forward to electronic products (from components)
- 4) These economies are now beginning to **integrate forward into services**
- 5) Economic policy point: **Co-location synergies** are being lost/captured

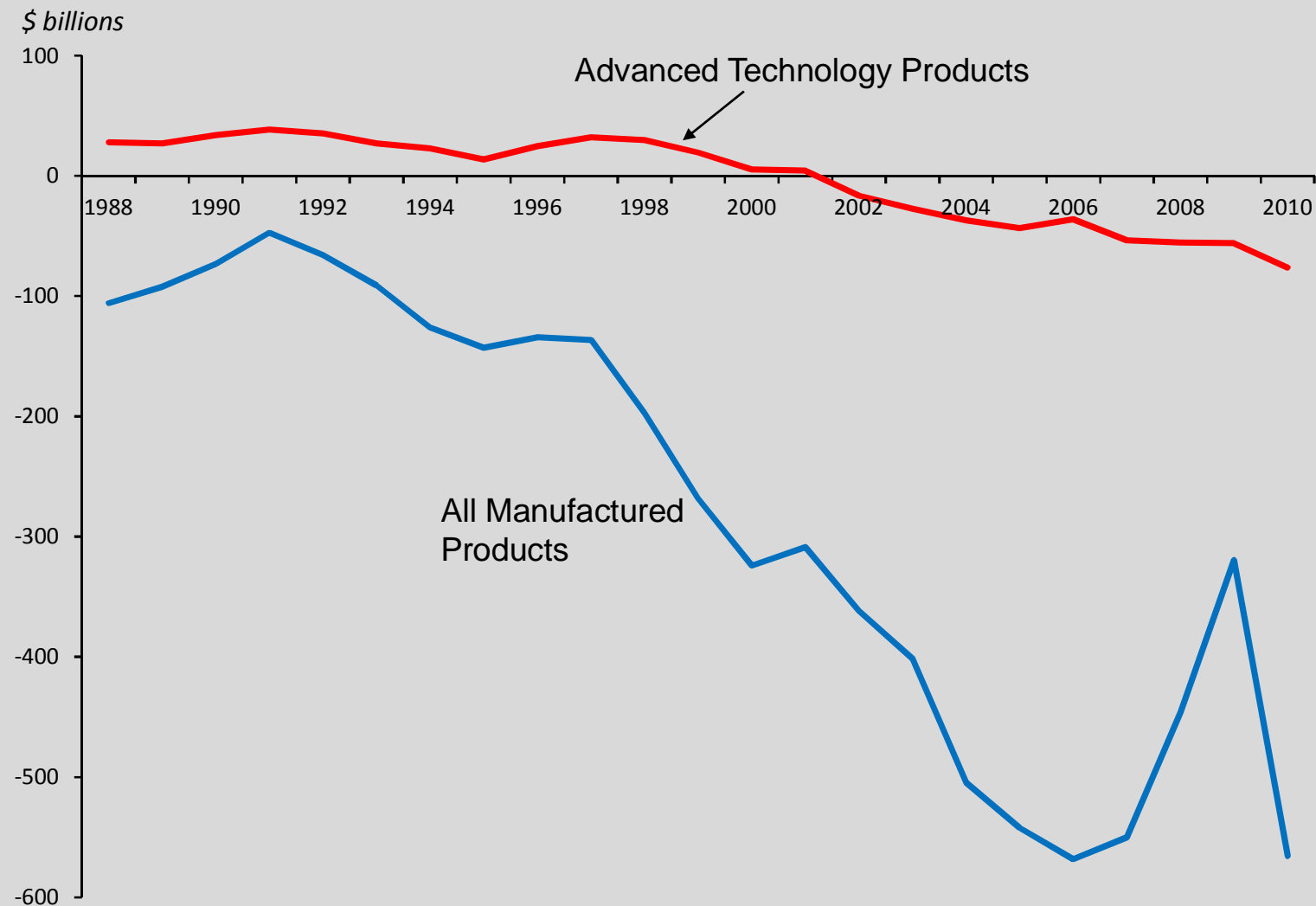
Poor Technology Life-Cycle Management:

The United States **has been the “first mover” and then lost virtually all market share** in a wide range of materials and product technologies, including

- oxide ceramics
- semiconductor memory devices
- semiconductor production equipment such as steppers
- lithium-ion batteries
- flat panel displays
- robotics
- solar cells
- advanced lighting

Underperformance – Manufacturing

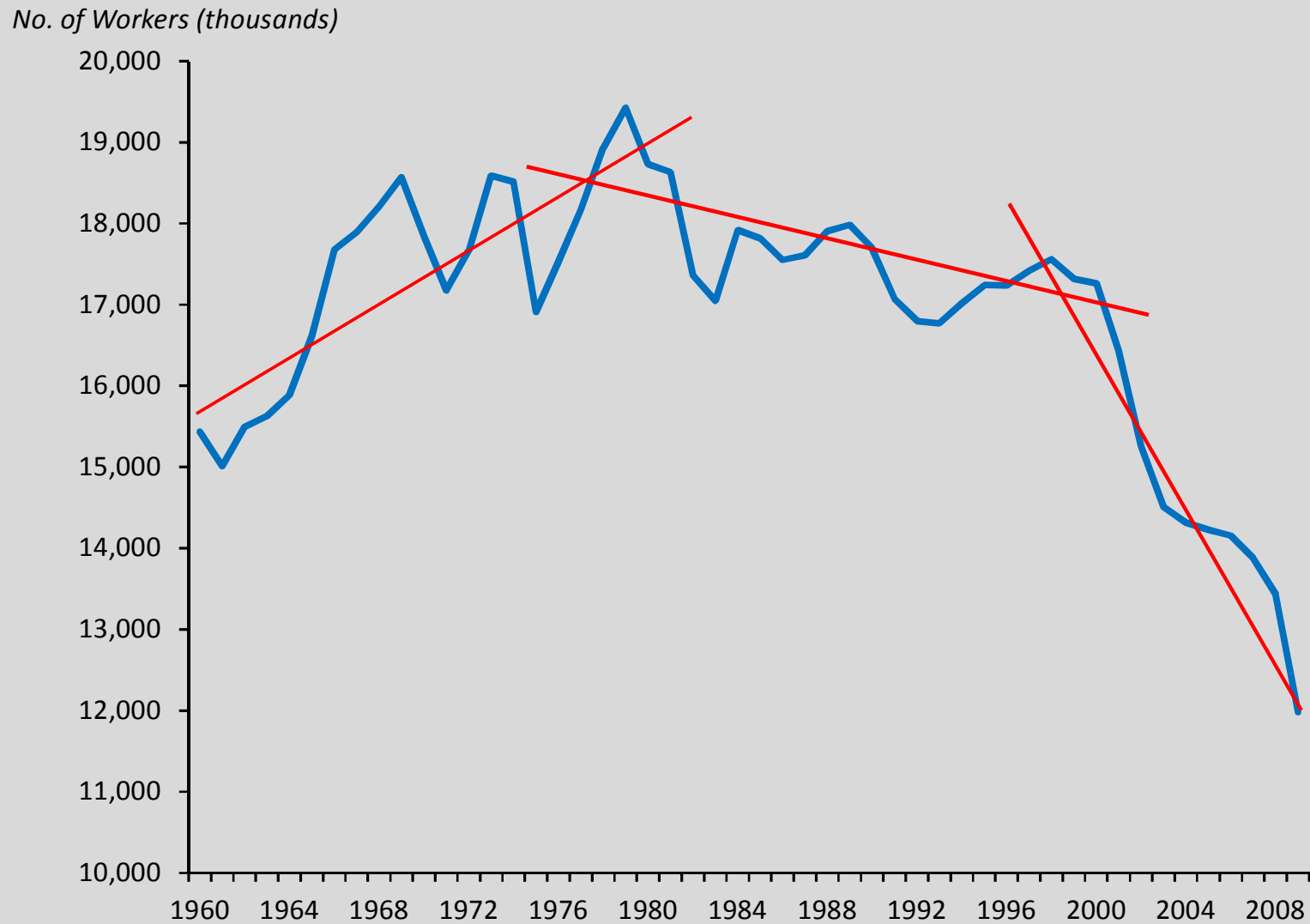
U.S. Trade Balances for High-Tech vs. All Manufactured Products, 1988-2010



Source: Census Bureau, Foreign Trade Division for ATP data; International Trade Administration for all manufactured products

Underperformance – Manufacturing

US Manufacturing Employment: 1960–2009



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Underperformance – Manufacturing

§ Germany has a **trade surplus** in manufacturing, even though, compared to the United States, it has a

- Ø 9 percent lower R&D intensity (2.53 percent vs. 2.77 percent for U.S.)
- Ø 39 percent higher average hourly manufacturing labor compensation
- Ø 12 percent higher corporate tax rate

§ However, Germany has a **more comprehensive and intensively managed STID policy**

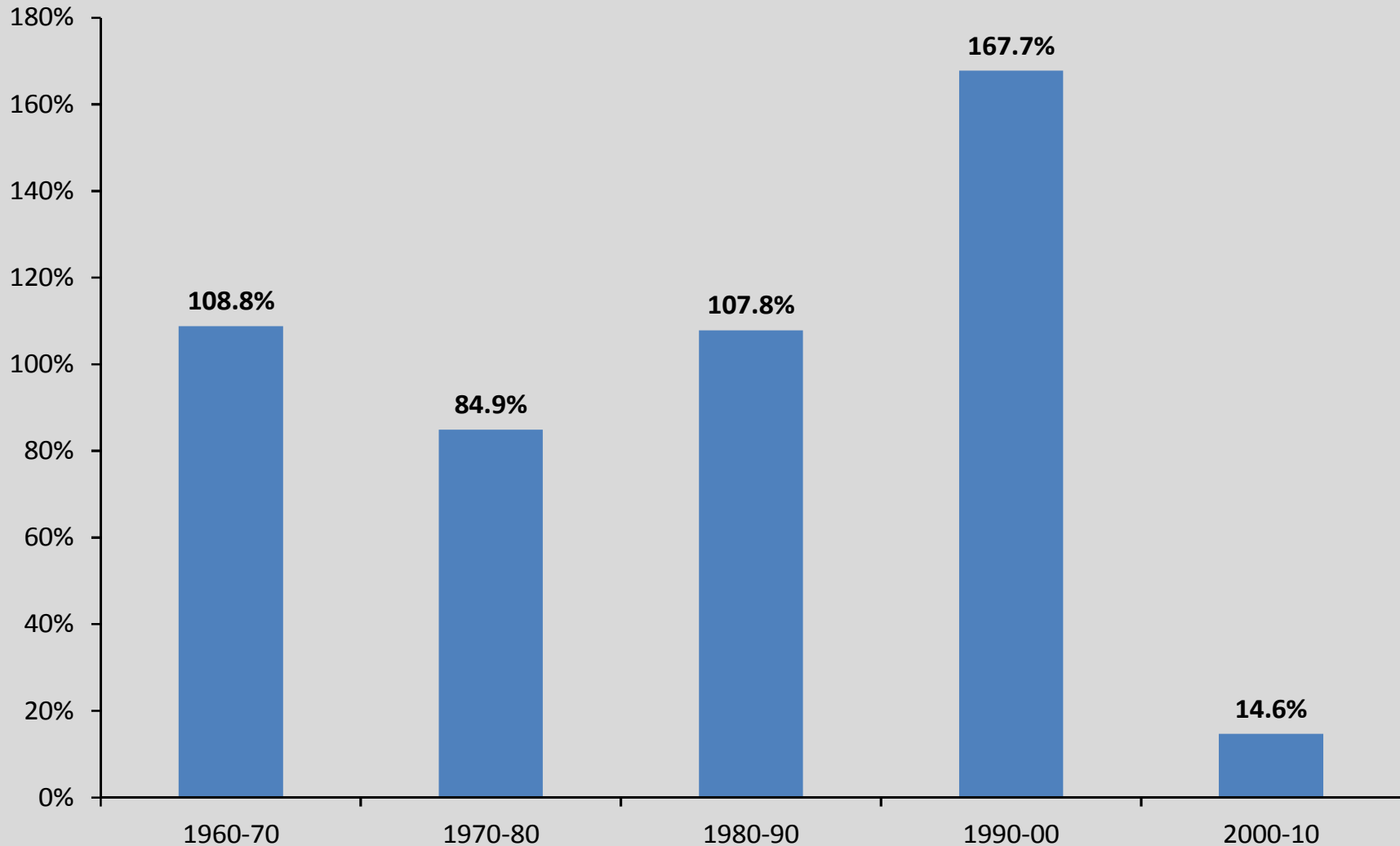
- Ø Highly skilled labor force across all technology occupations
- Ø Optimized industry structure (support for both large firms and SMEs)
- Ø Highest percentage of manufacturing value added from R&D-intensive industries

Trends in Manufacturing R&D Needing Policy Attention

- § Manufacturing sector's average R&D intensity (3.7 percent) has remained flat since the mid-1980s
 - Ø has not been helped by offshoring of low R&D-intensive industries
 - Ø pales compared to truly “R&D-intensive” industries, whose ratios range from 5 to 22 percent
- § Need for effective policy response is great
 - Ø most of the global economy's \$1.3 trillion annual R&D spending targets manufacturing technologies
 - Ø U.S. manufacturing firms are increasing offshore R&D at *three times the rate* of domestic R&D spending
- § Government funding of manufacturing R&D increases the sector's R&D performance intensity from 3.7 to 4.1 percent

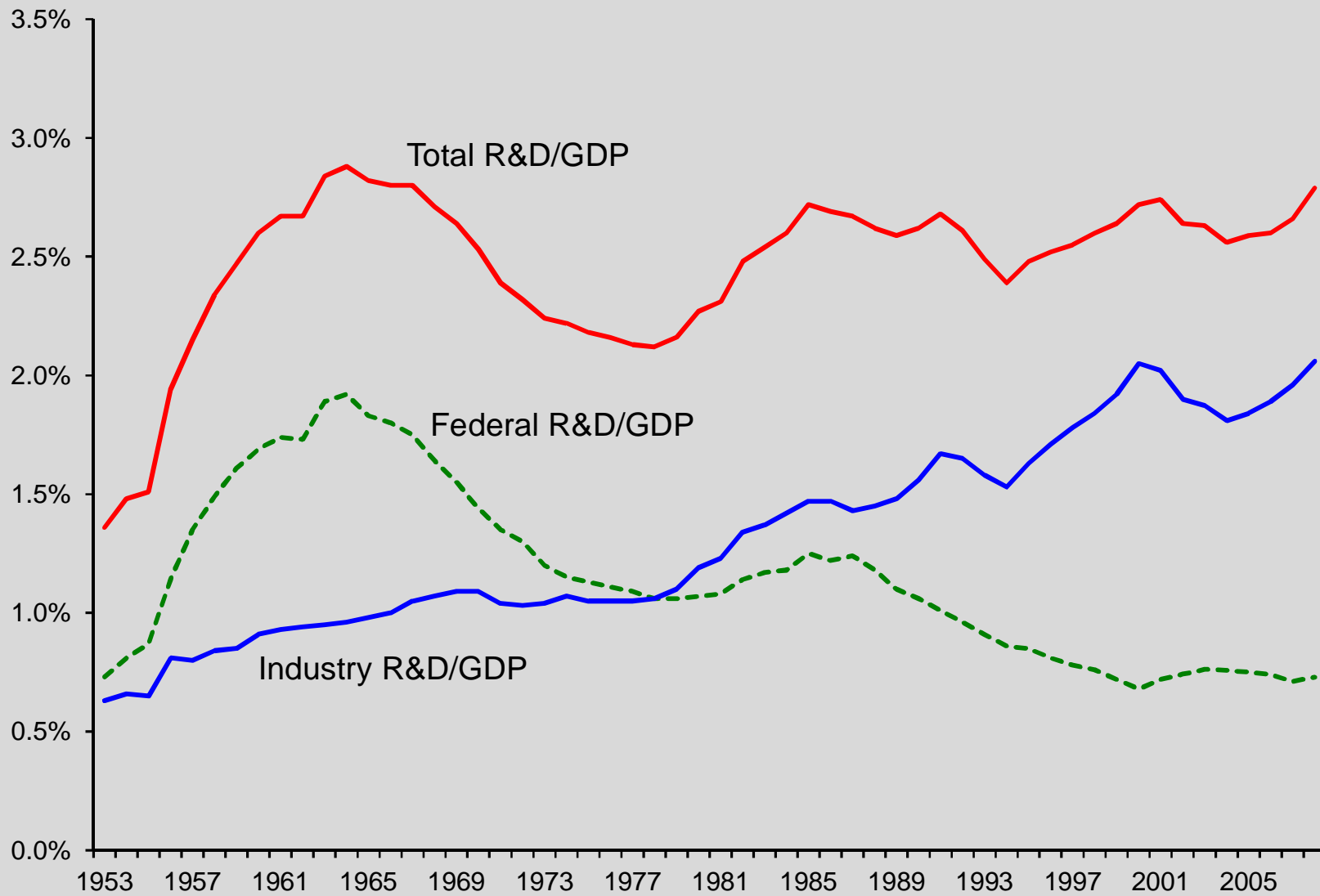
Underinvestment – Aggregate

Fixed Private Investment (hardware & software) (growth by decade in 2005 dollars)



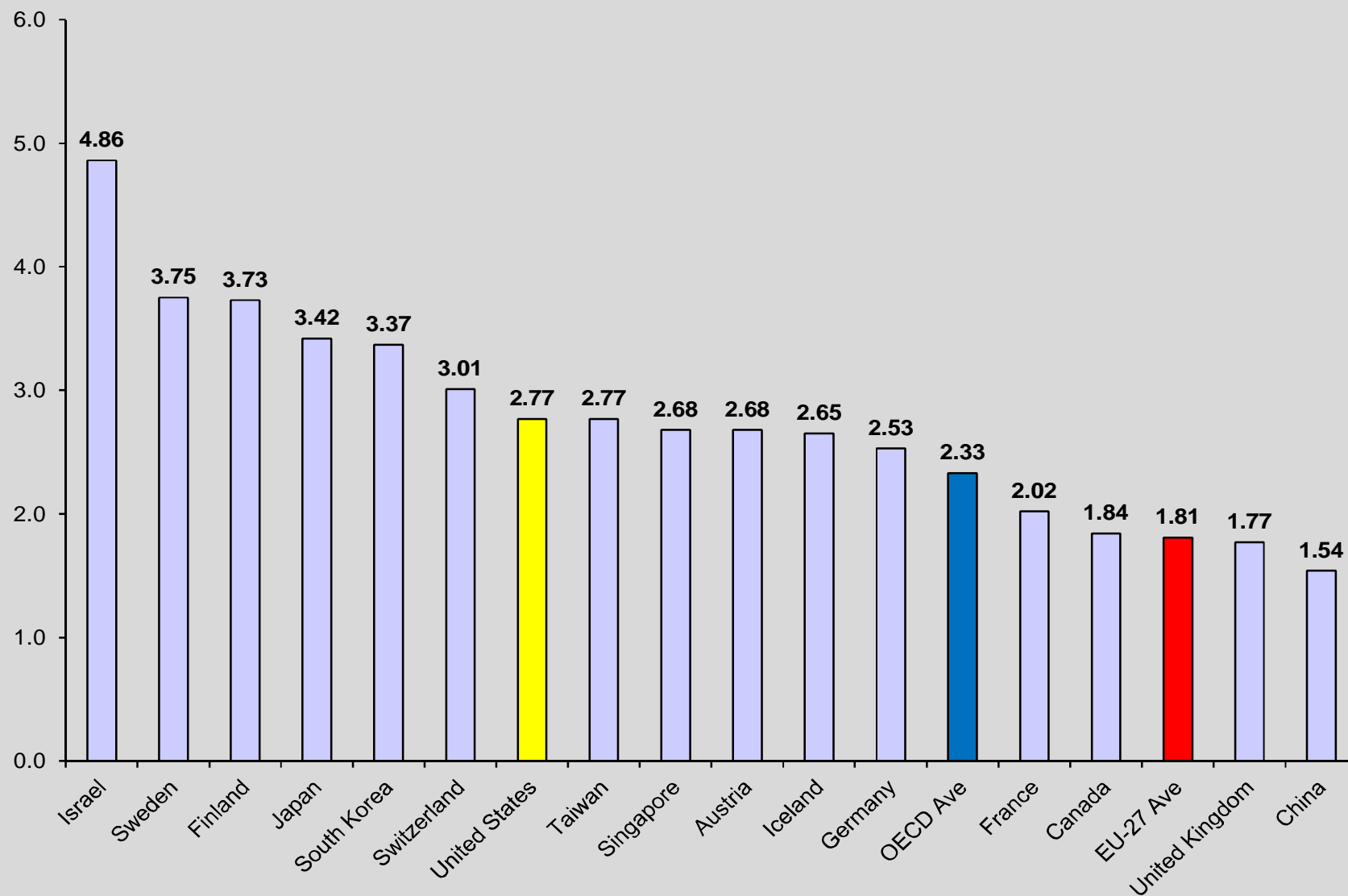
Source: Gregory Tasse, "Beyond the Business Cycle: The Need for a Technology-Based Growth Strategy," forthcoming. Data from Bureau of Economic Analysis, NIPA Table 5.3.5 (includes both equipment and software) and Table 5.3.4 (price indexes for fixed private investment)

U.S. R&D Intensity: Funding as a Share of GDP, 1953-2008



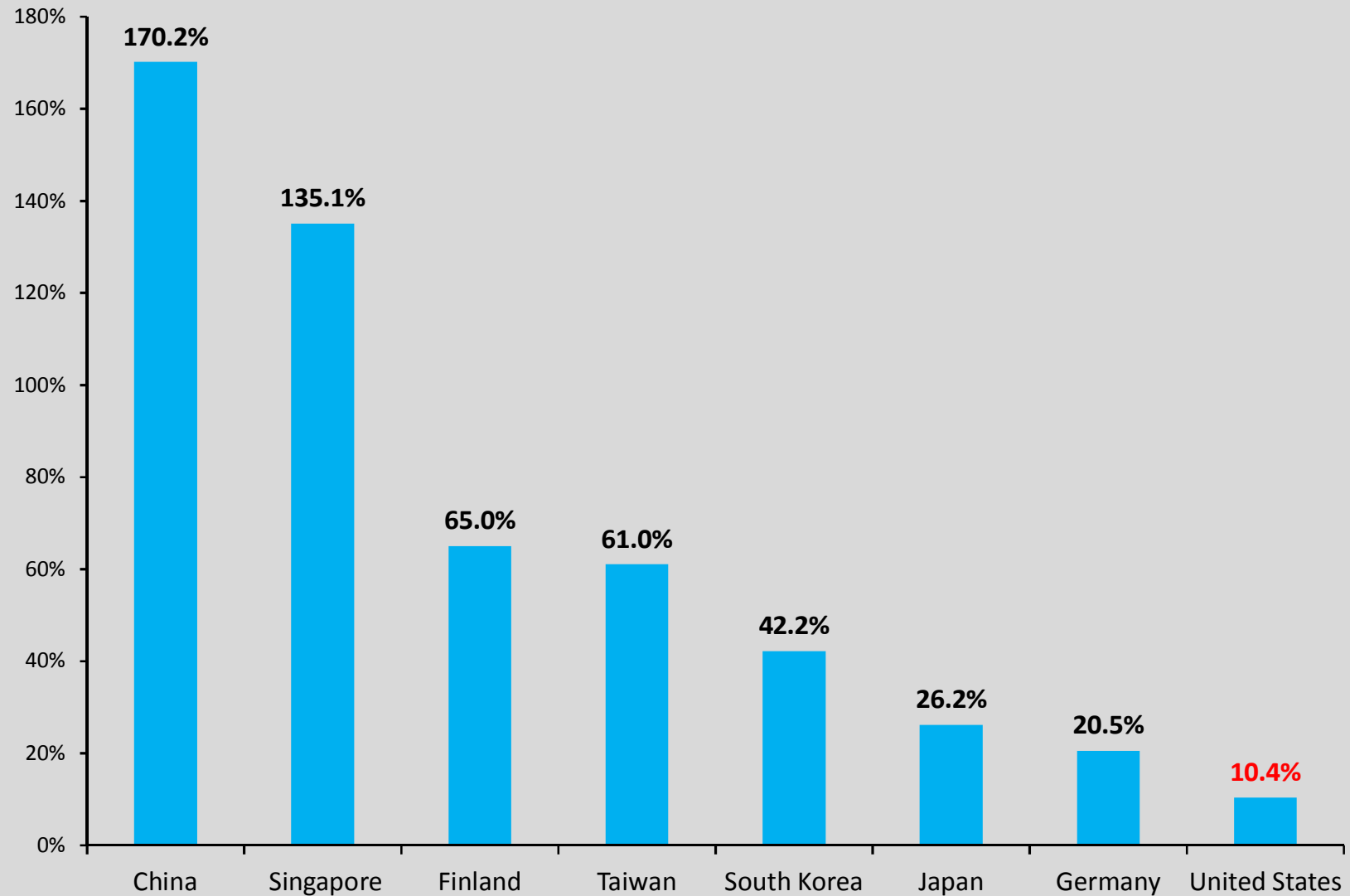
Gregory Tassey, "Rationales and Mechanisms for Revitalizing U.S. Manufacturing R&D Strategies," *Journal of Technology Transfer* 35 (2010): 283-333. Data from the National Science Foundation.

National R&D Intensities, 2008 Gross R&D Expenditures as a Percentage of GDP



Source: OECD, *Main Science and Technology Indicators*, 2010.

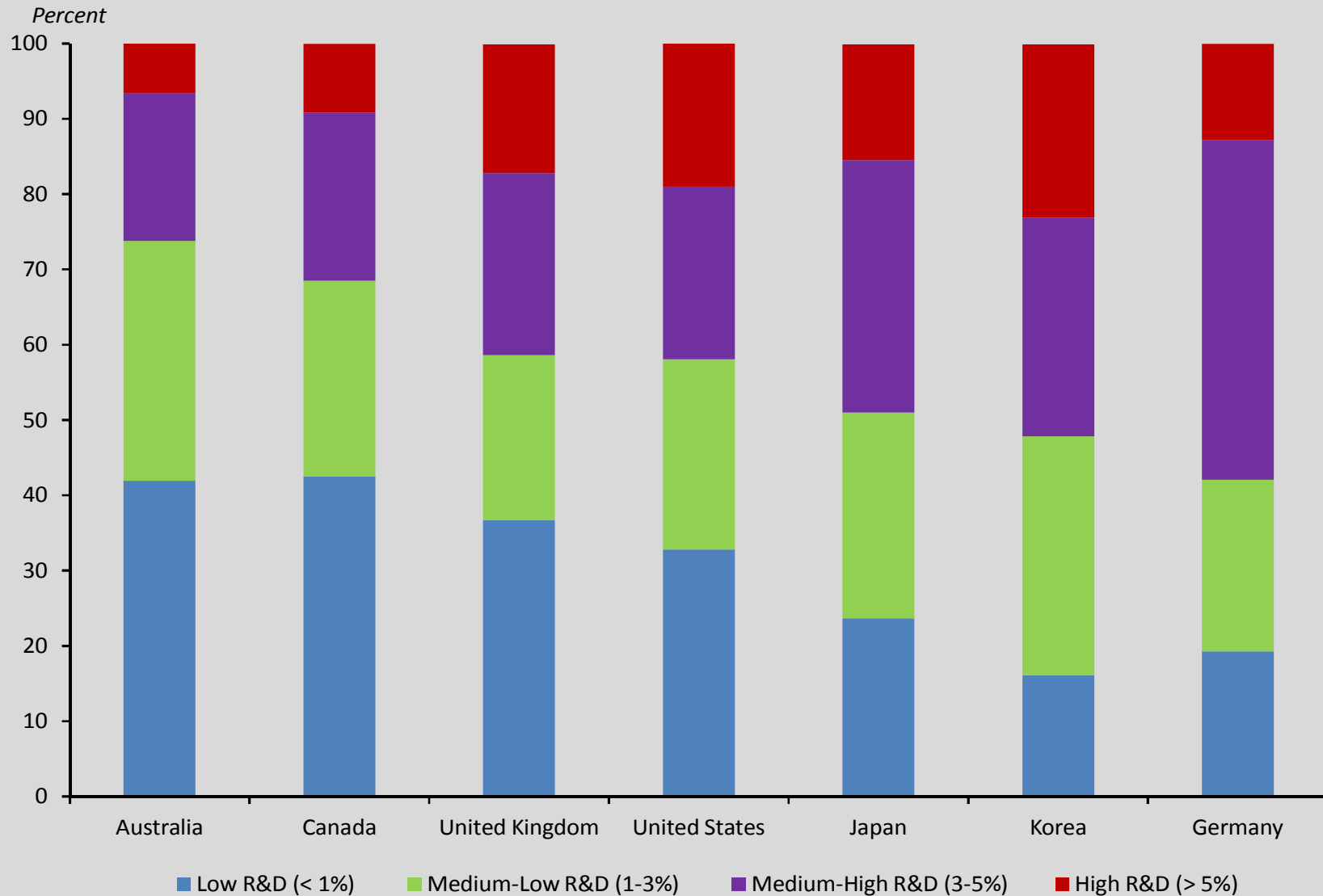
Changes in National R&D Intensity, 1995-2008



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Underinvestment – Amount of R&D

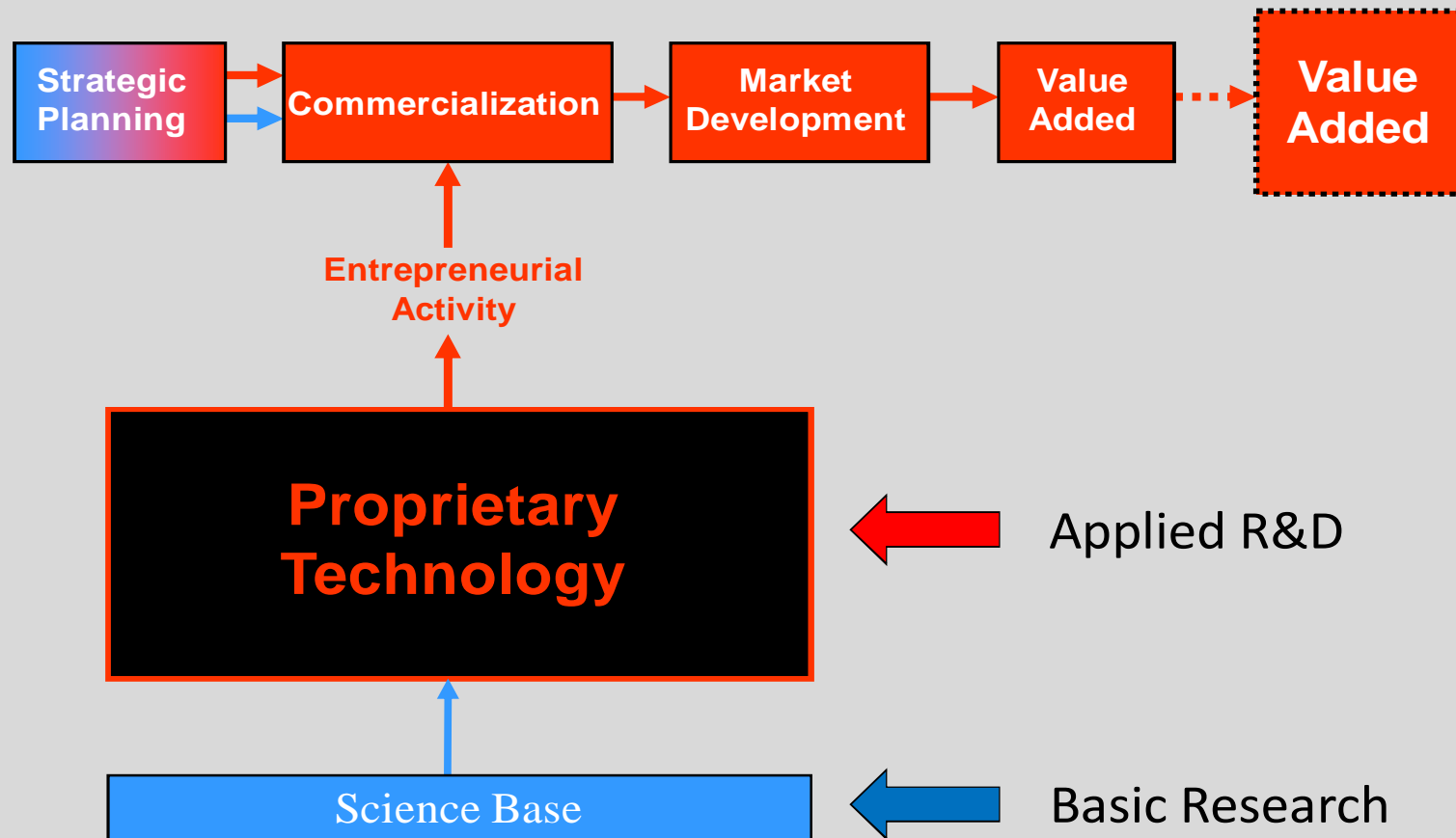
Shares of Manufacturing Value Added by R&D Intensity



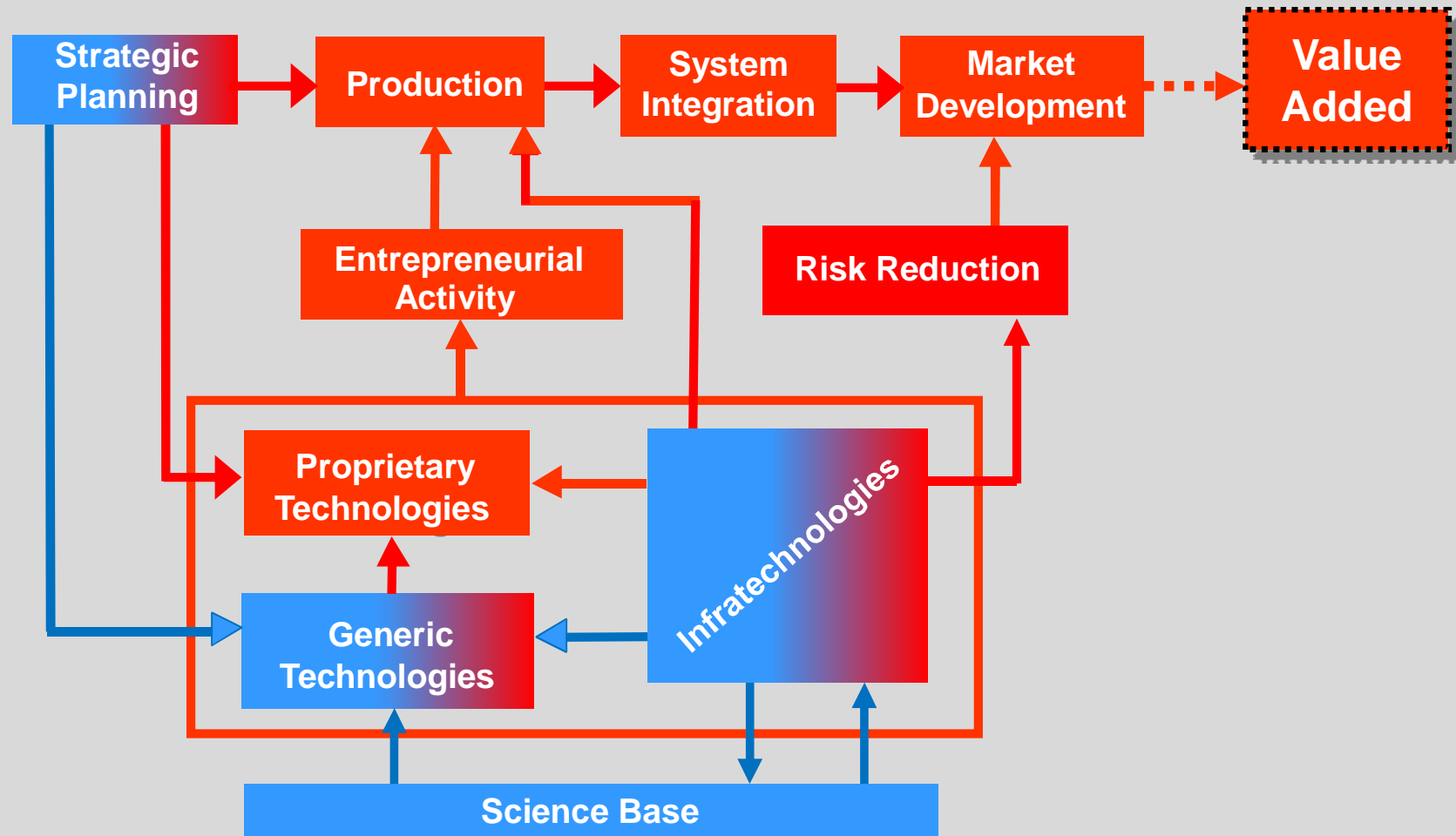
Stephen Ezell and Robert Atkinson (2011), *International Benchmarking of Countries' Policies and Programs Supporting SME Manufacturers*. Washington: DC: Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, September. Data from OECD, "Industry and Services STAN Database: "Value-added shares relative to manufacturing," <http://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?r=228903>

Identifying Underinvestment – Technology-Element Growth Model

“Black Box” Model of a Technology-Based Industry



Economic Model of a Technology-Based Industry



Identifying Underinvestment – Technology-Element Growth Model

Application of the Technology-Element Model: Biotechnology

<u>Science Base</u>	<u>Infratechnologies</u>	<u>Generic Technologies</u>		<u>Commercial Products</u>
		<u>Product</u>	<u>Process</u>	
§ genomics	§ bioinformatics	§ antiangiogenesis	§ cell encapsulation	§ coagulation
§ immunology	§ bioimaging	§ antisense	§ cell culture	inhibitors
§ microbiology/ virology	§ biomarkers	§ apoptosis	§ microarrays	§ DNA probes
§ molecular and cellular biology	§ combinatorial chemistry	§ bioelectronics	§ fermentation	§ inflammation inhibitors
§ nanoscience	§ DNA sequencing and profiling	§ biomaterials	§ gene transfer	§ hormone restorations
§ neuroscience	§ electrophoresis	§ biosensors	§ immunoassays	§ nanodevices
§ pharmacology	§ fluorescence	§ functional genomics	§ implantable delivery systems	§ neuroactive steroids
§ physiology	§ gene expression analysis	§ gene delivery systems	§ nucleic acid amplification	§ neuro-transmitter inhibitors
§ proteomics	§ gene expression analysis	§ gene testing	§ recombinant DNA/genetic engineering	§ protease inhibitors
	§ magnetic resonance spectrometry	§ gene therapy	§ separation technologies	§ vaccines
	§ mass spectrometry	§ gene expression systems	§ transgenic animals	
	§ nucleic acid diagnostics	§ monoclonal antibodies		
	§ protein structure modeling & analysis techniques	§ pharmacogenomics		
		§ stem-cell		
		§ tissue engineering		

Public Technology
Goods

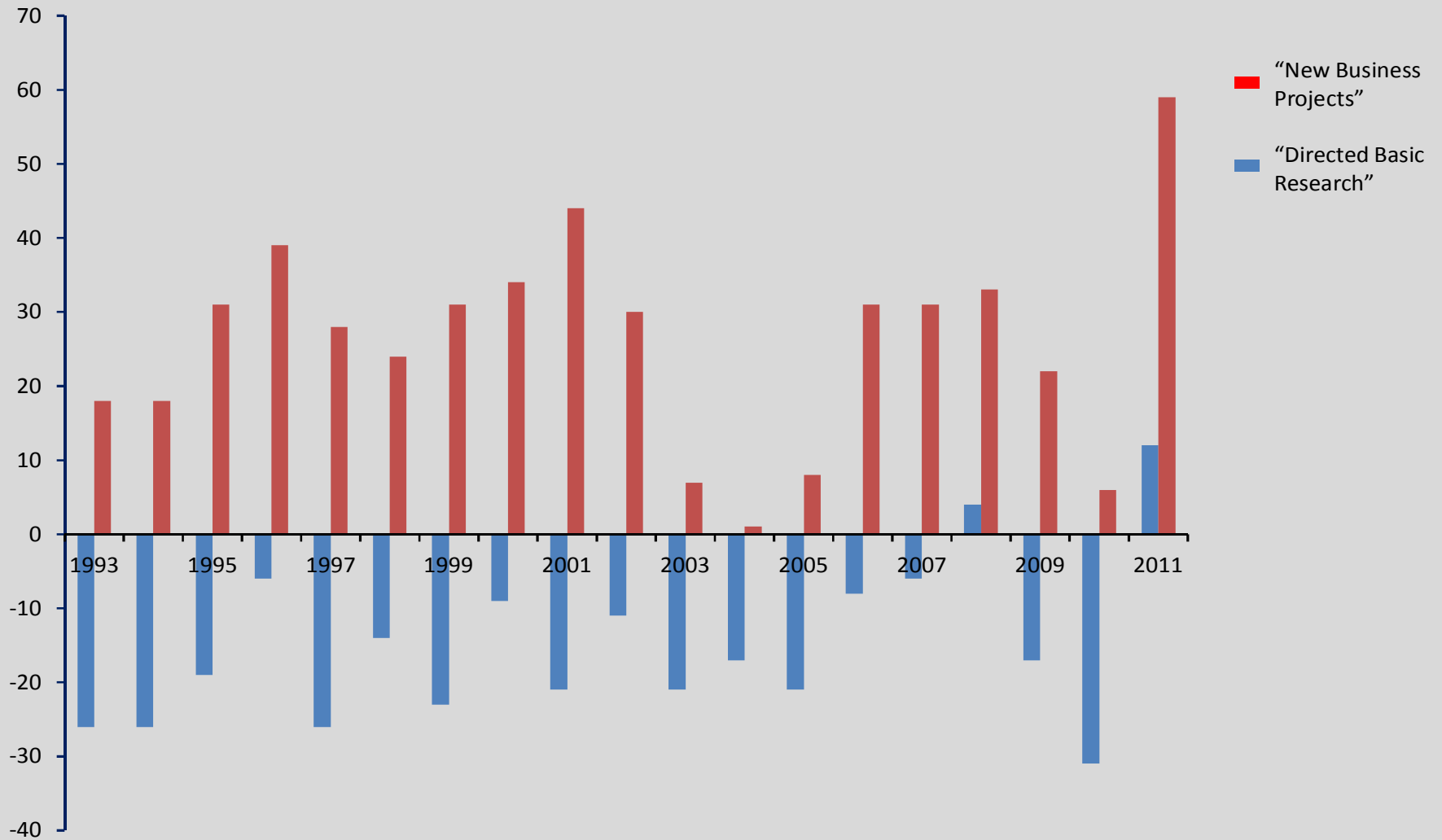
Mixed Technology Goods

Private Technology
Goods

Causes of Underinvestment – Composition of R&D

The “Valley of Death” is Getting Wider Trends in Short-Term vs. Long-Term US Industry R&D, 1993-2011

“Sea Change” Index



Source: Gregory Tassey, “Beyond the Business Cycle: The Need for a Technology-Based Growth Strategy” (forthcoming);
Compiled from the Industrial Research Institute’s annual surveys of member companies.

Causes of Underinvestment – Composition of R&D

Federal R&D Portfolio is not Optimized for Economic Growth

§ Historical **focus** has and continues to be on “**mission**” R&D programs (national objectives such as defense, health, energy, space, environmental)—**90 percent of federal R&D**

Ø National defense and health account for **81 percent** of the federal R&D budget

Ø Using NAICS codes to track federally funded R&D **performed by industry**,

✓ **75 percent of federal R&D allocated to the manufacturing sector** goes to two NAICS 4-digit industries: **aerospace** and **instruments**

✓ These two industries account for **15 percent of company-funded R&D** and about **10 percent of high-tech value added**

Policy Implication: While economic activity is stimulated by this skewed funding strategy, the federal portfolio is **not close to being optimized for economic growth**

Ø Example: federally funded “**generic**” (proof-of-concept) technology research

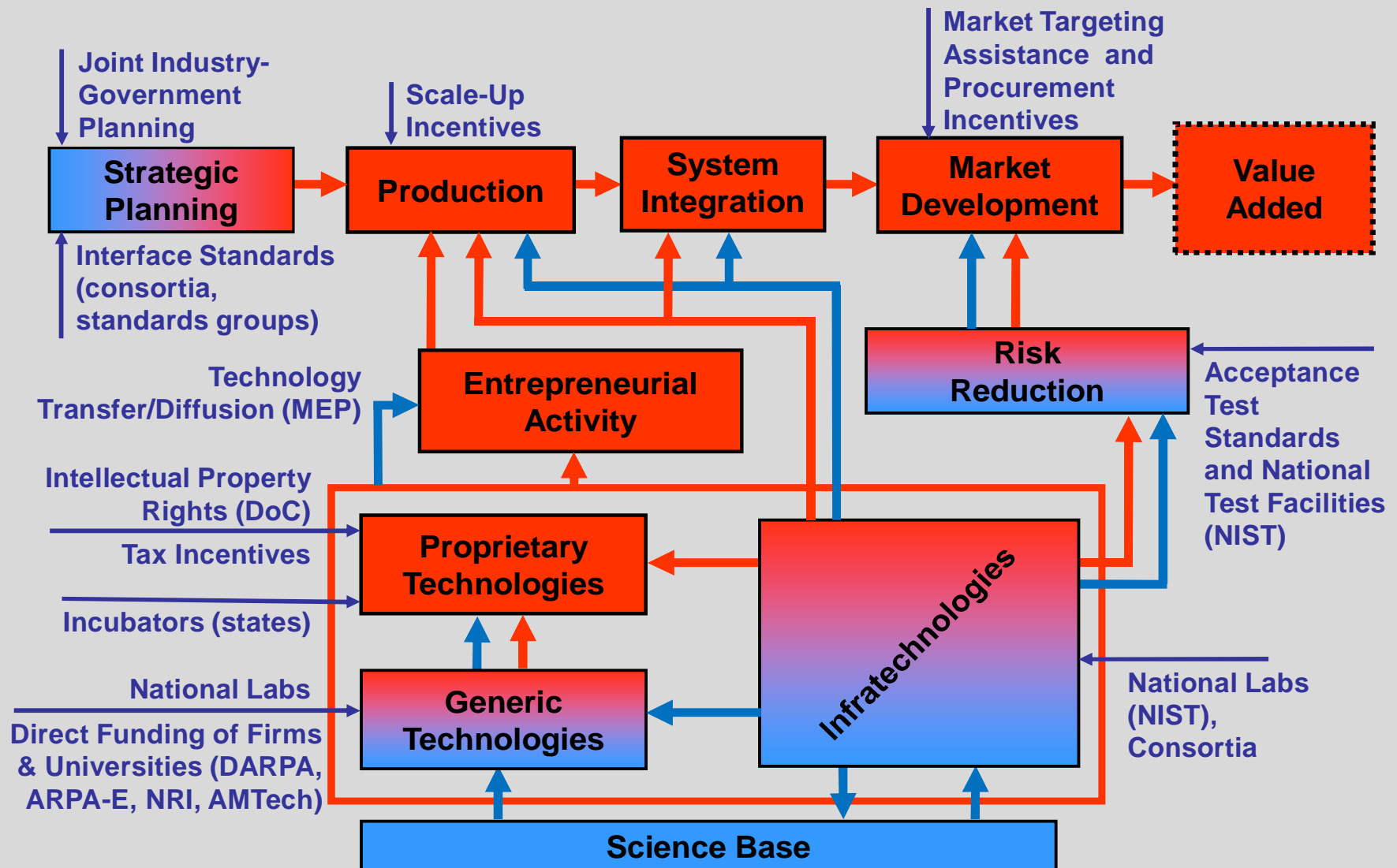
✓ Defense (DARPA): \$3.1 billion

✓ Energy (ARPA-e): \$400 million

✓ General economic growth (NIST’s ATP/TIP): \$60 million

Policy Response

Managing the Entire Technology Life Cycle: Science, Technology, Innovation, Diffusion (STID) Policy Roles



Three Targets of Manufacturing R&D Policy

Amount of R&D

- Ø Create financial incentives for private companies to increase investments in R&D and increase the R&D intensity of the manufacturing sector
- Ø Increase Federal investment in research aimed at broad sector growth objectives in addition to those related to agency missions

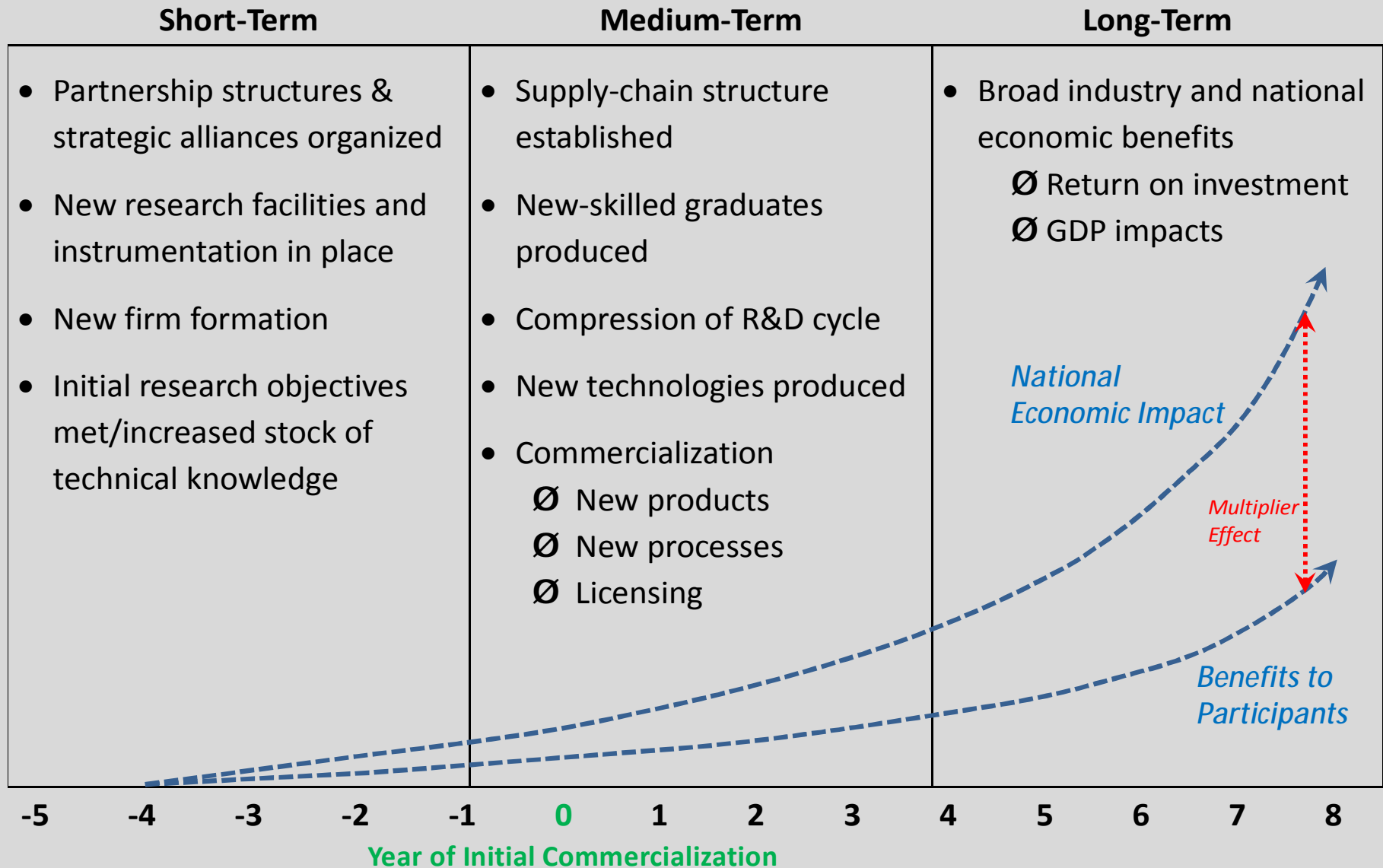
Composition of R&D

- Ø Create incentives for private-sector investment in early phases of R&D cycle
- Ø Create public-private partnerships to meet industry's long-term research needs and IP management requirements through support for technology clusters
- Ø Fund research aimed at manufacturability to overcome scaling issues
- Ø Target the “other” 90% of manufacturing value added (outside NAICS 3345 and 3364)
- Ø Eliminate barriers to private investment in new firms (high technical risk, appropriability, skilled labor acquisition, and process-capability barriers)

Efficiency of R&D

- Ø Improve timing and content of R&D through road mapping and portfolio management techniques
- Ø Increase rates of return and shorten the R&D cycle through technology clusters
- Ø Build in technology transfer through cluster design and co-located supply chain

Impact Metrics for Regional Technology Cluster Model



**“Sooner or later, we sit down to
a banquet of consequences”**

– Robert Louis Stevenson