

**UNITED STATES ARCTIC RESEARCH
COMMISSION (USARC)**

**\$1,390,000
-\$60,000 / -4.1%**

USARC Funding
(Dollars in Millions)

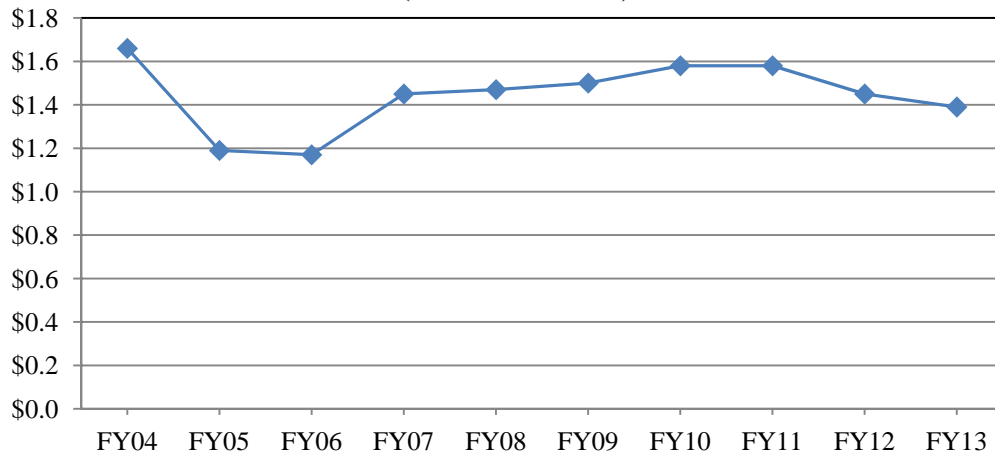
	FY 2011 Actual	FY 2012 Estimate	FY 2013 Request	Change Over FY 2012 Estimate	
				Amount	Percent
Total, USARC	\$1.58	\$1.45	\$1.39	-\$0.06	-4.1%

About USARC

USARC was created by the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984, (as amended, P. L. 101-609), to establish the national policy, priorities, and goals necessary to construct a federal program plan for basic and applied scientific research with respect to the Arctic, including natural resources and materials, physical, biological and health sciences, and social and behavioral sciences. This request provides funds to promote Arctic research, to recommend Arctic research policy, and to communicate research and policy recommendations to the rest of the Administration and the Congress, as well as supporting close collaboration with the National Science Foundation (NSF) as the lead agency responsible for implementing Arctic research policy and supporting cooperation and collaboration throughout the federal government. In addition, USARC gives guidance to the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee (IARPC) to develop national Arctic research projects and a five-year plan to implement those projects. USARC also supports interaction with Arctic residents, international Arctic research programs and organizations, and local institutions, including regional governments, in order to obtain the broadest possible view of Arctic research needs. USARC is an independent federal agency, funded through NSF's appropriations, specifically as an activity in the Research and Related Activities account.

The USARC is requesting \$1.39 million, a decrease of \$60,000 below the FY 2012 Estimate. Currently, there are three FTE funded at the USARC, with two additional IPAs. A total of seven compensated personnel are authorized in P.L. 101-609.

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Note: Funding in FY 2004 reflects a one-time recovery of \$370,000.

