

Research and Development Credit Studies

For Construction and Real Estate Companies

- Maximize the credit allowed to your business.
- Offset your tax liability dollar for dollar using credits.
- Take advantage of revised rules that may allow more activities to claim the credit.
- Apply our experience from other studies to assist in identifying opportunities.



Is your business getting the full tax benefit for its research and development activities?

The design, analysis, and project management services you perform as a regular part of business may qualify for the research and development (R&D) tax credit. Wipfli's tax experts will help you assess the R&D credit available to your company.

Can your property benefit from the R&D credit?

To determine if a company can benefit from the R&D credit, Wipfli utilizes a feasibility study to ascertain an approximate value of the credit. Within a two-day on-site visit, we interview the appropriate employees to broadly identify company activities that qualify for the credit. This information is used to develop an estimate of the value of the R&D credit available to your company.

Our service:

- Provides the necessary documentation to support the credit.
- Includes the current year and the open tax years.
- Assists in the development of record keeping for future credits.



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Looking for new opportunities?

The R&D credit was established more than 30 years ago as an incentive offered to businesses to invest in qualified activities within the United States. IRS regulations were modified, which allows the R&D credit to be available to more taxpayers. The new regulation requires that the technology or process be new to the taxpayer.

The R&D credit has applicability to the architecture and construction fields in the following areas:

- Design Engineering: Feasibility studies and project design work
- Component Enhancement: Using different materials to enhance a building component from a cost, quality, or regulatory standpoint
- Certain Environmental and Regulatory Activities: Activities to determine how to deal with existing environmental problems or how to make business components or building processes comply with existing or new regulatory requirements

The R&D credit is a maximum credit of 20% of the costs over a base amount. The base amount is unique for each company and will be determined during Wipfli's analysis of the base period.

Take advantage of the R&D credit if you:

- Implement green initiatives to improve energy efficiency
- Utilize new materials unproven to the construction industry
- Improve construction efficiency with processes yet to be proven
- Create unique design features

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