

BURDENS BAROMETER 2009

The Burdens Barometer has been updated from last year and the total cost of the major regulations to business approved since 1998 is now

£76.81bn

The figures in the table are compiled from the Impact Assessments (IAs) produced by government departments and downloaded into the British Chambers of Commerce IA Database.

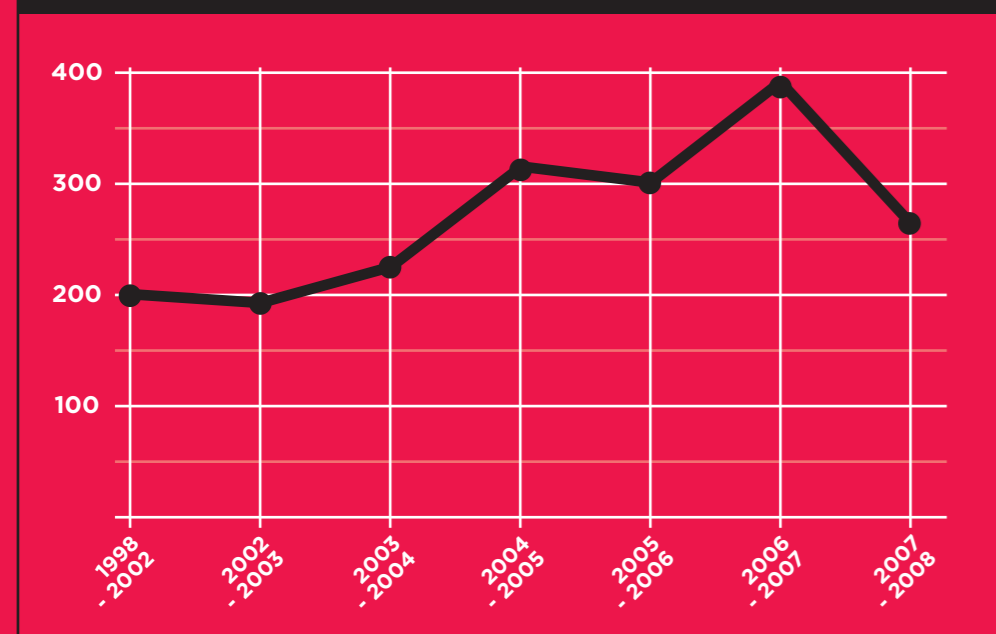
All government departments are required to complete IAs that evaluate the risks, costs and benefits of any new regulatory proposal that has an impact on business.

The figures show the government's own estimates of the compliance costs of a series of regulations affecting business up to 1st July 2009. Half of all IAs claim that new regulations provide benefits to businesses, consumers or the environment.

However, historically these benefits are only quantified in the minority of cases. As a result it is difficult to calculate the total value of the benefits that it is claimed justify the costs.

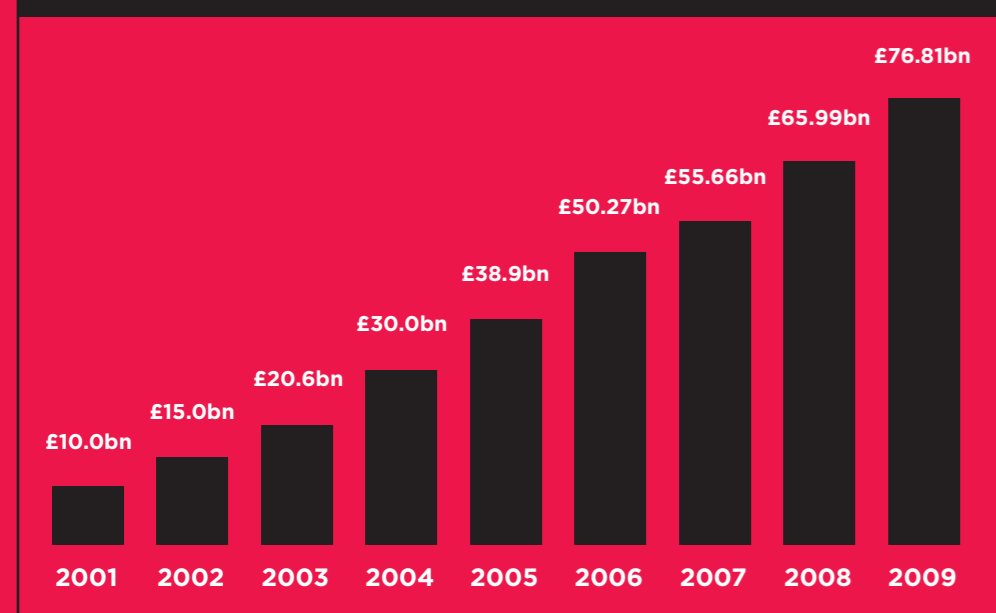
Burdens Barometer

Number of IAs produced by Year



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Cumulative costs of regulation since 1998



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The British Chambers of Commerce has launched an online database for businesses to submit examples of burdensome regulations. The BCC will submit these case studies to the government. The government is committed to looking at every submission and how the costs can be reduced.

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Technical Notes

The total figure excludes the costs to business of the National Minimum Wage Regulations 1999 and subsequent amendments to the rate.

Some of the references are to RIAs (Regulatory Impact Assessments), the name of IAs prior to 2008.

Where IAs have given a range of costs the Barometer has taken the mid-point figure. In those cases where certain provisions come into force later than the regulation itself, the reduction in compliance costs has been ignored.

The costs to business identified in the IAs above are net of the benefits that accrue to business.

The Barometer is compiled each year from the data in the IAs produced by government departments up to the end of the previous June, with the net costs extended to include the year in which the report appears, i.e. 30 June 2009 in this case.

We include only those regulations with significant burdens net of benefits to business. The criteria for inclusion have not changed. Thus the Barometer is purely a matter of arithmetic, totalling the major business costs created by departments and agencies, and we offer no judgements on government.

IAs that reported a net impact on the cost to businesses by July 2009 of above £15M or below £-15M were included. New regulations that modify the net impact of existing regulations by less than £15M are included in the existing regulation, with a note added to it. New regulations that modify the net impact of existing regulations by more than £15M are added as new entries in the Barometer. New regulations that supersede existing regulations are added as new entries in the Barometer, for example item 94. The recurring cost of the previous regulation (item 59) is changed to £0 with effect from the date of the new regulation, and a note is added linking to the new regulation.

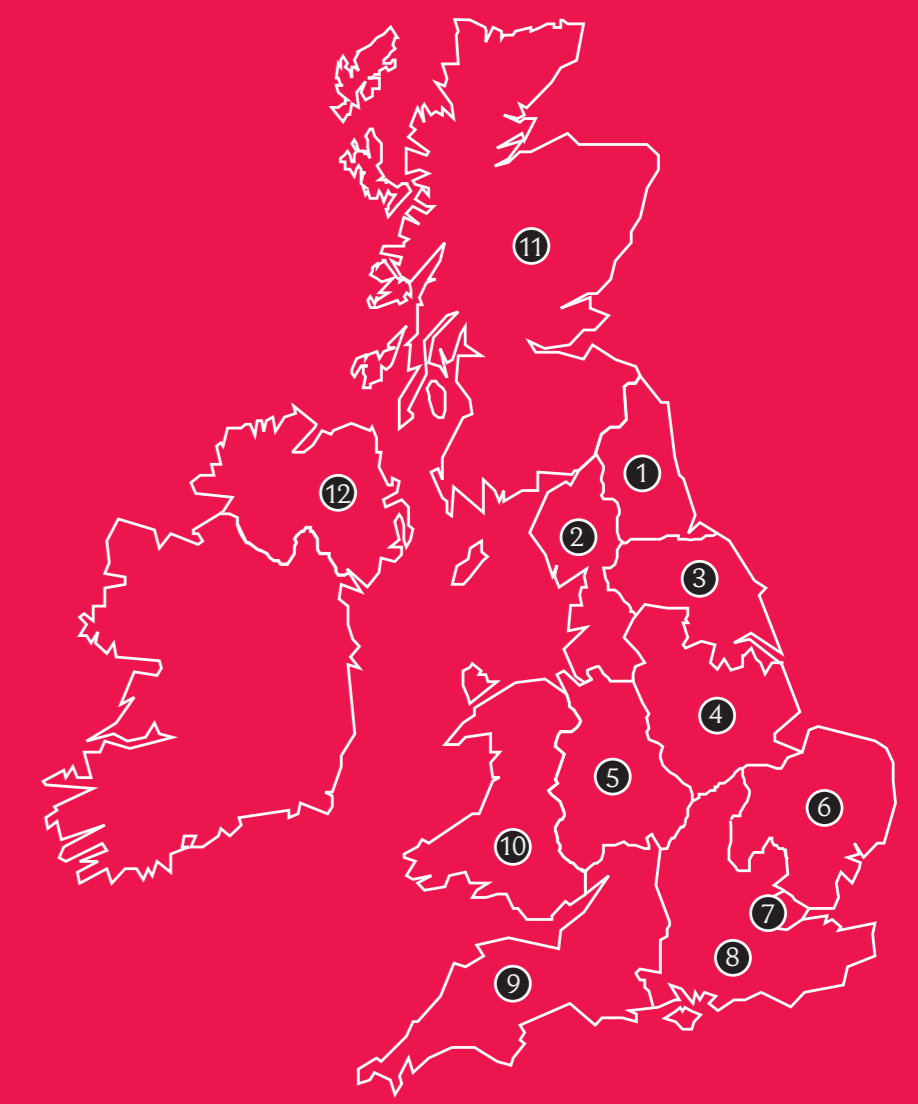
IAs are sorted by publication date.

Two Legislative Reform Orders, in respect of the Consumer Credit Order 2006, that jointly offer one-off savings of £126m and recurring savings of £50m, have been excluded from the Barometer. The reason for exclusion is that both of these Orders amend regulations that came into force in 2008, but the impact Assessment did not anticipate the costs now claimed as saved.

Regulation	Department	RIA Date	Regulation Introduction	One-off cost £m	Recurring cost £m	Total by July 2009 £m	Year
EU 1 The Data Protection Bill (Implementing the Data Protection Directive)	DTI	Nov-98	Dec-98	956	667	8015	1998
EU 2 The Groundwater Regulations 1998	DEFRA	Nov-98	Dec-98	76	11	192	1998
EU 3 Employment Relations Bill	DTI	Feb-99	Jan-00	2	60	570	1999
EU 4 The Working Time Regulations 1999	DTI	Jul-99	Aug-99	0	1795	17800	1999
EU 5 The Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 1999	HO	Jul-99	Aug-99	0	15	150	1999
UK 6 National Insurance: Service Provision through Intermediaries (IR 35)	IR	Oct-99	Apr-00	17	6	73	1999
UK 7 The Tax Credits Act 1999 and Accompanying Regulations (Working Families Tax Credit)	IR	Dec-99	Apr-00	40	100	965	1999
EU 8 The Transnational Information and Consultation of Employees Regulation 1999 (European Works Councils)	DTI	Dec-99	Jan-00	7	15	149	2000
UK 9 The Education (Student Loans) (Repayment) Regulations 2000	DFES	Mar-00	Apr-00	64	17	221	2000
EU 10 The Part-time Workers (Prevention of Less Favourable Treatment) Regulations 2000	DTI	May-00	Jun-00	0	27	245	2000
UK 11 The Stakeholder Pension Schemes Regulations 2000 and 2005	DWP	May-00	Apr-01	107	78	738	2000
UK 12 The Wireless Telegraphy (License Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2000	DTI	Jun-00	Jul-00	0	75	675	2000
EU 13 The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Bill: Parts 1 and 3	HO	Jul-00	Aug-00	0	20	178	2000
EU 14 The Vehicle Excise Duty (Reduced Pollution) (Amendment) Regulations 2000 (EU Pollution Directive 98/69/EC)	DIT	Dec-00	Jan-01	0	1225	10412	2000
EU 15 The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2000	DEFRA	Dec-00	Jan-01	490	22	677	2000
UK 16 The Criminal Justice and Police Bill - Police Powers to close Disorderly Licensed Premises	HO	Jan-01	Jun-01	0	31	251	2001
EU 17 The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2000	DEFRA	Mar-01	Dec-00	0	18	107	2001
EU 18 The Biocidal Products Regulations 2001	HSE	Mar-01	Apr-01	107	8	172	2001
EU 19 The Processed Animal Proteins (England) Regulations 2001	DEFRA	Jul-01	Aug-01	20	34	289	2001
UK 20 The Disability Discrimination (Providers of Services) (Adjustments of Premises) Regulations 2001	DWP	Sep-01	Oct-99	203	189	1910	2001
UK 21 Proceeds of Crime Bill	HO	Oct-01	Aug-02	0	54	382	2001
EU 22 The Maternity and Parental Leave (Amendment) Regulations 2001	DTI	Oct-01	Nov-01	5	5	100	2001
UK 23 The Building (Amendment) Regulations 2001 and the Building (Approved Inspectors etc) (Amendment) Regulations 2001	ODPM	Oct-01	Nov-01	62	32	308	2001
UK 24 The Electricity and Gas (Energy Efficiency Obligations) Order 2001	DEFRA	Nov-01	Apr-02	0	0	486	2001
UK 25 The Undertakings on Supermarket / Supplier Relations (Code of Practice)	DTI	Dec-01	Jan-02	7	22	173	2002
UK 26 The Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness, Equipment, Use and Certification) (Amendment) Regulations 2002	DIT	Feb-02	Mar-02	760	124	1669	2002
UK 27 The Occupational Pension Schemes (Minimum Funding Requirement and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002	DWP	Feb-02	Apr-02	0	50	362	2002
UK 28 The Industrial Training Levy (Construction Board) Order 2002	DFES	Feb-02	Apr-02	74	0	74	2002
UK 29 The Aggregates Levy (General) Regulations 2002	HMCE	Mar-02	Apr-02	0	63	456	2002
UK 30 Employment Act 2002	DTI	Jul-02	Aug-02	115	219	1521	2002
EU 31 Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002	HSE	Nov-02	Dec-02	1359	13	1443	2002
UK 32 The Flexible Working (Procedural Requirements) Regulations 2002	DTI	Nov-02	Apr-03	34	296	1884	2002
EU 33 Dangerous Substances and Explosives Atmospheres Regulations 2002	HSE	Dec-02	Dec-02	200	15	299	2002
EU 34 The Sale and Supply of Goods to Consumers Regulations 2002	DTI	Dec-02	Apr-03	0	285	1781	2002
EU 35 The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2003	HSE	Mar-03	May-03	137	17	239	2002
EU 36 The Animal By-Products Regulations 2003	DEFRA	Jun-03	Jul-03	40	100	640	2002
UK 37 Regulating Insurance Mediation	HMT	Jun-03	Jan-05	60	90	465	2002
UK 38 Regulating Mortgages	HMT	Jun-03	Jan-05	145	120	685	2002
EU 39 The Additives for Use in Animal Nutrition (England) Regulations 2003	FSA	Oct-03	Sep-04	0	76	367	2002
UK 40 The Building (Amendment) Regulations 2003	ODPM	Oct-03	Dec-03	0	167	932	2003
EU 41 The End-of-Life Vehicles Regulations 2003	DTI	Oct-03	Nov-03	0	101	572	2003
UK 42 The Money Laundering Regulations 2003	HMT	Oct-03	Mar-04	13	106	578	2003
UK 43 Child Trust Fund Bill	IR	Nov-03	May-04	165	0	165	2003
EU 44 The Water Environment (Water Framework Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations 2003	DEFRA	Dec-03	Jan-04	0	47	255	2003
EU 45 Fuel Quality Directive - Maximum Sulphur content/Review of volatility	DIT	Dec-03	Dec-03	0	117	653	2003
UK 46 The Occupational Pension Schemes (Winding Up and Deficiency on Winding Up etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2004	DWP	Feb-04	Apr-04	0	70	368	2004
EU 47 The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2004	DIT	Apr-04	May-04	44	35	225	2004
UK 48 Energy Bill	DTI	May-04	Jul-04	38	19	133	2004
UK 49 The Consumer Credit Regulations 2004	DTI	Jun-04	May-05	343	102	783	2004
UK 50 The Building (Amendment No 2) Regulations 2004	ODPM	Jul-04	Jul-04	0	44	220	2004
EU 51 The Non-Road Mobile Machinery (Emission of Gaseous and Particulate Pollutants) (Amendment) Regulations 2004	DIT	Aug-04	Jul-04	0	134	670	2004
EU 52 The Genetically Modified Organisms (Traceability and Labelling) (England) Regulations 2004	DEFRA	Sep-04	Apr-04	0	97	509	2004
EU 53 Employment Relations Act - October 2004	DTI	Oct-04	Oct-04	39	33	196	2004
UK 54 Proposal to Amend The Air Navigation Order 2000	DfT	Nov-04	Jan-05	18	0	18	2004
EU 55 Directive to establish a general framework for informing and consulting employees in the UK	DTI	Nov-04	Apr-05	39	33	178	2004
EU 56 Food Labelling (Amendment) (England) (No 2)	FSA	Nov-04	Nov-05	75	0	75	2004
UK 57 Disability Discrimination Bill 2004 and 2005	DWP	Nov-04	Nov-04	49	123	612	2004
UK 58 The Electricity and Gas (Energy Efficiency Obligations) Order 2004	DEFRA	Dec-04	Apr-05	0	0	1401	2004
UK 59 Occupation Exposure Limit - Framework Revision	HSE	Dec-04	Jan-05	43	0	43	2004
UK 60 The Occupational Pension Schemes (Winding Up and Deficiency on Winding Up etc.) (Amendment) Regulations 2005	DWP	Jan-05	Apr-05	0	20	85	2005
EU 61 Operating and Financial Review (OFR) and Directors' Report Regulations	DTI	Jan-05	Apr-05	0	96	408	2005
UK 62 Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2005 SI 2005/843	DCLG	Jan-05	Apr-05	0	68	289	2005
UK 63 Private Security Industry Act 2001: Door Supervisors & Wheel Clampers	HO	Feb-05	Feb-05	0	78	345	2005
EU 64 The End of Life Vehicles (Producer Responsibility) Regulations 2005	DTI	Feb-05	Feb-05	0	75	331	2005
EU 65 Directive 2002/15/EC on the working time of persons performing mobile and road transport activities	DIT	Mar-05	Mar-05	0	423	1833	2005
EU 66 Work at Height Regulations	HSE	Mar-05	Apr-05	0	45	191	2005
EU 67 Control of Vibration at Work Regulations	HSE	Apr-05	Apr-05	0	230	978	2005
EU 68 Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005	HSE	Jun-05	Apr-06	160	67	378	2005
EU 69 The Food Hygiene (England) Regulations 2005	FSA	Jul-05	Jan-06	36	-63	11	2005
EU 70 The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and the Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment (Amendment) Regulations 2005	DIT	Jul-05	Jul-05	39	14	95	2005
EU 71 The Detergents Regulations 2005 SI 2005/2459	DEFRA	Sep-05	Oct-05	44	0	44	2005
EU 72 The Restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment in the UK	DTI	Sep-05	Jul-06	0	150	450	2005
UK 73 Work and Families Bill: Choice and Flexibility 2005	DTI	Oct-05	Apr-07	21	53	140	2005
UK 74 The Disability Discrimination (Transport Vehicles) Regulations 2005	DfT	Nov-05	Dec-06	39	107	315	2005
UK 75 Amendment to The Building and Approved Inspectors (Amendment) Regulations 2006 New edition of Approved Document F	DCLG	Mar-06	Apr-06	10	1203	3920	2006
UK 76 Simplifying the Taxation of Pensions - Update	HMRC	Mar-06	Apr-06	200	-90	-92	2006
UK 77 Fire Regulatory Reform Order	DCLG	Jun-06	Oct-06	77	-82	-149	2006
UK 78 The electricity safety, quality & Continuity (Amendment) Regulation 2006	DTI	Jun-06	Oct-06	0	16	45	2006
UK 79 Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Bill	HO	Aug-06	Jul-07	0	18	36	2006
EU 80 Emission standards for new heavy-duty vehicles	DIT	Sep-06	Nov-06	0	16	43	2006
EU 81 The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006 (WEEE)	DTI	Dec-06	Jan-07	0	203	407	2006
UK 82 Tax Law Rewrite: the Income Tax Bill	HMRC	Dec-06	Apr-07	0	-45	-101	2006
UK 83 Companies Act 2006	BERR	Jan-07	Oct-07	0	-238	-416	2006
UK 84 The Smoke-free Regulations 2007	DH	Mar-07	Jul-07	3	-112	-221	2006
UK 85 Managed Service Companies	HMRC	Mar-07	Jan-08	9	11	26	2006
UK 86 The Street Works (Registers, Notices, Directions and Designations) (England) Regulations 2007	DIT	Jul-07	Apr-08	81	41	132	2006
UK 87 The Street Works (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2007	DIT	Jul-07	Apr-08	0	36	45	2006
EU 88 Food Standards Agency Guidance Notes on Articles 14, 16, 18, 19 of the General Food Law Regulation (EC 178/2002)	FSA	Jul-07	Jul-07	4	-16	-28	2007
UK 89 The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2000 (Amendment) Regulations 2007, SI 2007/2734	DEFRA	Sep-07	Jan-08	0	-16	-24	2007
UK 90 The Renewable Transport Fuel Obligations Order 2007	DIT	Oct-07	Apr-08	252	382	714	2007
UK 91 Energy Performance of Buildings (Amendment No.2)	DCLG	Oct-07	Oct-08	-26	0	-26	2007
UK 92 The Civil Aviation (Contributions to the Air Travel Trust) Regulations 2007	DIT	Oct-07	Apr-08	0	-29	-37	2007
UK 93 Provision of passenger, service and crew data by carriers to the UK border agencies	HO	Nov-07	Jan-08	0	23	34	2007
UK 94 The Electricity and Gas (Energy Efficiency Obligations) Order 2008	DEFRA	Nov-07	Apr-08	0	938	1172	2007
EU 95 The Small Companies and Groups (Accounts + Directors Report) Regulations 2008	BERR	Dec-07	Apr-08	0	-33	-41	2007
EU 96 The Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulations 2008, SI 2008/41	DEFRA	Jan-08	Jul-08	0	32	32	2007
UK 97 Reduction of Administrative Burden of Stamp Duty Land Tax	HMRC	Jan-08	Mar-08	0	-18	-23	2007
EU 98 The Merchant Shipping (Liner Conferences) Act 1982 (Repeal) Regulations 2008	DIT	Jan-08	Oct-08	0	-17	-12	2007
UK 99 Employment Bill 2008	BERR	Feb-08	Apr-09	0	-177	-44	2008
UK 100 Reduction of Administrative Burden of Stamp Duty	HMRC	Feb-08	Mar-08	0	-16	-20	2008
UK 101 The Planning (Amendment) Regulations 2008 Standard Application Form	DCLG	Feb-08	Apr-08	0	-59	-73	2008
UK 102 Amendment to the Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995 (GDPO) etc. New Validation Procedures	DCLG	Feb-08	Apr-08	0	-27	-33	2008
UK 103 Capital allowances changes announced in Budget 2007	HMRC	Mar-08	Apr-08	0	-16	-20	2008
UK 104 Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Bill Parts 1,2,3 and 4	BERR	May-08	Dec-08	0	-58	-33	2008

Regulations origin	£	%
UK IAs	23,493	30.6
EU IAs	53,319	69.4
Total	76,812	100

Burden by Region



1. North East	£2.2bn
2. North West	£7.3bn
3. Yorkshire and the Humber	£5.7bn
4. East Midlands	£5.4bn
5. West Midlands	£6.2bn
6. East of England	£8.4bn
7. London	£12.4bn
8. South East	£12.2bn
9. South West	£6.9bn
10. Wales	£3.2bn
11. Scotland	