THE TOTAL BENEFIT / COST RATIO OF NEW REGULATIONS 2008-09

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Section 1. Introduction by Ian Lucas



Creating the right conditions for businesses to start up, grow and invest requires many elements including a strong and responsive regulatory framework. With the best business environment in Europe, and fifth best in the world, according to the World Bank, the UK already has an effective regulatory system which helps strengthen our society and our economy.

But the Government is committed to, and is delivering, an ambitious

programme of improving the way it regulates. We know the costs of regulation are a very real concern to businesses, especially in a challenging economic climate, so when we introduce new rules we need to make sure we maximise the benefits to businesses, the economy and society, and ensure the costs are minimised or reduced where possible.

The benefit/cost ratio is an important step in this agenda, increasing transparency and inviting greater scrutiny that will help improve the credibility and understanding of our regulatory framework further. This publication, showing that benefits are nearly double the costs of regulation, sets an important benchmark for improving the way that Government regulates.

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Section 2. Summary

The benefit/cost ratio (BCR), produced as part of the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills Public Service Agreement 6,¹ shows the ratio of the benefits and costs of new regulation right across Government.

The publication of the ratio demonstrates the Government's continued commitment to increasing levels of transparency and accountability around the impact of regulation, which are fundamental principles of the better regulation agenda, and to strengthening the management of regulation. It makes public, for the first time, the total equivalent annual benefits and costs of regulation that will result from legislation enacted in the last financial year.

Government departments and regulators are required to publish an Impact Assessment (IA) for every regulation they introduce.² The IA shows the impacts of the regulation, including the average annually recurring benefits and costs and the transitional costs of implementing the regulation. While these impacts should be quantified and monetised as far as possible, it should be noted that not all impacts, in particular the beneficial impacts, are monetised in all cases.

The BCR derived from the quantified and monetised impacts in published IAs for new legislation that received Royal Assent or was made by Parliament in the financial year 2008-09 is 1.85 as summarised in the table below.

	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits	Quantified Equivalent Annual Costs	Ratio of Quantified Benefits to Costs (rounded)
	£ bn	£ bn	
The Pensions Act 2008	9.95	9.95	1.00
Primary Legislation	3.13	1.11	2.82
Secondary Legislation	11.20	2.01	5.57
Total	24.28	13.07	1.85

Note: Figures are independently rounded

Some benefits and costs are described qualitatively in Impact Assessments and are not quantified or are quantified but not monetised. However, because more benefits than costs are not quantified, the ratio potentially under-represents the value of benefits as compared

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¹ <u>http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/pbr_csr07_psaindex.htm</u>

² http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/bre/policy/scrutinising-new-regulations/preparing-impact-

with costs. 2008-09 is the first year for which these BCRs have been calculated. In future the ratios will be published annually.

This year's ratio is derived from the 196 IAs that relate to legislation enacted in the 2008-09 financial year. It produced an overall ratio of 1.85; this means that Government regulation is expected to deliver at least £1.85 in yearly benefits for every £1 of cost.

But the overall ratio does not tell the whole story. One piece of legislation, the Pensions Act 2008, has a significant effect on the ratio contributing the largest annually recurring costs and benefits, calculated at £9.95 billion each. Such a large figure, with a ratio of 1, has considerable impact on the overall BCR. If this one piece of legislation is removed from the ratio, the overall ratio increases to 4 across Government.

The BCR is calculated as the ratio of the total Equivalent Annual Benefits (EABs) and Equivalent Annual Costs (EACs) of new regulation enacted. The EABs and EACs of each regulation have been calculated from the Present Values (PVs) of benefits and costs for each regulation (see methodology section for detail). This is a standard method used in finance to express the benefits and costs of projects appraised over different time periods on an equivalent annual basis.

The 2008-09 BCR includes both primary and secondary legislation. Some of the secondary legislation that is included relates to primary legislation that has been enacted in previous parliamentary sessions. In subsequent years, the inclusion in the ratio of both primary and secondary legislation for the same regulations will lead to double counting of the benefits and costs of regulation unless some adjustments are made. This is because Impact Assessments for primary legislation contain indicative estimates of the benefits and costs of the secondary legislation that is likely to be enacted through the primary legislation. Therefore, in future years, the Better Regulation Executive will further develop the BCR methodology to avoid any such double counting.

In addition to the benefits and costs reported in the table, the Climate Change Act 2008 put a new greenhouse gas reduction target on a statutory basis. The Impact Assessment for the Climate Change Act 2008 estimates that this target will lead to quantifiable EABs in the range of £20.2 to £45.1bn and quantifiable EACs in the range of £14.3bn to £17.9bn. This is excluded from the above table because the Act provides a framework within which future legislation and other measures will be brought forward, rather than itself creating legal obligations on organisations and individuals. When further legislation is developed to deliver against the target, it will be included in future ratios. Individual Impact Assessments can be found on the online IA library (<u>http://www.ialibrary.berr.gov.uk/</u>).

In April this year the Business Secretary, Lord Mandelson, announced that the Government would publish a forward regulatory programme and establish an independent external scrutiny body (the Regulatory Policy Committee),³ both of which are part of the Government's work to strengthen the management of regulation. On the 15th October 2009 the Government published its first Forward Programme⁴ of planned regulation, announcing £3.5 billion in deferred costs and set an ambitious new target to cut the costs of existing regulation. The BCR complements these measures and further increases the transparency and accountability in the way the Government plans and monitors the impact of regulation.

 ³ Information regarding the Regulatory Policy Committee can be found at: <u>http://www.berr.gov.uk/whatwedo/bre/policy/committee/index.html#</u>
 ⁴ The forward programme is available at: http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file53203.pdf

The Total Benefit / Cost Ratio of New Regulations

Request for Comments

The Government is committed to, and is delivering, an ambitious programme of improving the way Government regulates. We know the costs of regulation are a very real concern to many, in particular businesses, especially in a challenging economic climate, so when we introduce new rules we need to make sure we maximise the benefits to businesses, the economy and society, and ensure the costs are minimised or reduced where possible.

The total BCR of new regulations is intended to provide greater transparency and invite greater scrutiny that will help improve the credibility and understanding of the UK's regulatory framework further.

We invite suggestions and comments on how this BCR might be developed to increase its usefulness. Comments should be sent to:

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Section 3: New regulations in 2008 – 09

- Benefits and costs in this section were provided by Government Departments and relate to published IAs
- *The EAC / EAB figures presented are calculated from the present values published in the relevant IAs
- The figures presented are independently rounded

			Benefits and co benefit - (osts used in the cost ratio		Link to Impact			
Impact Assessment	Department	ent Description of Policy	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits(2007 Prices) (£m)	Quantified Equivalent Annual Cost (2007 Prices) (£m)	One off Transitional Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	One Off Transitional Costs Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Cost Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Assessment Library
Employment Bill (Impact Assessments)	BIS	To make provision about the procedure for the resolution of employment disputes; to provide for compensation for financial loss in cases of unlawful underpayment or non-payment; to make provision about the enforcement of minimum wages legislation and the application of the national minimum wage to Cadet Force Adult Volunters and voluntary workers; to make provision about the enforcement of offences under the Employment Agencies Act 1973; to make provision about the right of trade unions to expel or exclude members on the grounds of membership of a political party; and for connected purposes.	131.10	11.23		6.00	200.10	12.5-15.5	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=9d4e20dddc30447 eb828b471616aa1dc_
Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Bill Part 3	BIS	To provide a framework of administrative sanctions that will allow regulators to tackle non-compliance in ways that are transparent, flexible and proportionate to the offence.	104.12	33.85			153.60	50.00	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3b805913969d4c4f 9de5adc1f549aae7
Implementing the Recommendations of Imelda Walsh's Independent Review and Amending and Extending the Right to Request Flexible Working to Parents of Older Children	BIS	Following the introduction of the right to request flexible working for parents of children under six and of disabled children under 18 in 2003 and the extension of the policy to cover carers of sick and disabled adults in 2007, the Government has extended the scope of the law to parents of children aged 16 and under.	94.95	88.84			91.75	85.89	http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=13f7fbc619604e71 808bd82b0f67745f
The Legislative Reform (Consumer Credit) Order 2008 (statements and payments)	BIS	To exempt buy-to-let lending from regulation under the Consumer Credit Act 1974 following the removal of the £25,000 financial limit (above which credit agreements were previously unregulated) in April 2008. This will maintain the existing regulatory position and ensure consistency with government policy on mortgages.	54.74		25.90		48.80		http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=60a15fc1a5094b1b 99cb176d924ecb60
Statutory Instruments Implementing the Primary Authority Scheme	BIS	Allows businesses, charities or other organisations that operate across more than one site, to enter into a partnership with a local authority for it to become a Primary Authority.	47.16	18.52	1.6 - 2.6	3.6 - 5.8	28.8 - 79.9	15.2 - 26.4	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=31048b816f9f409f a7eb2c97c48cc13d
Amendment to the National Minimum Wage regulations 2008	BIS	To provide clarity on the giving of statements for fixed-sum credit agreements and the definitions of "payments" for the purpose of issuing arrears notices. This will resolve the current ambiguities that exist in both cases and avoid unintended regulatory compliance costs.	32.09	32.09			0-62	0-62	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c389e15c457b4b7 aa179ac4017041c6a
The Companies (Company Records) Regulations 2008	BIS	Ensuring that the statutory rights of the public to inspect company records does not impose unacceptable costs on companies while ensuring companies cannot place obstacles in the way of those wishing to exercise their statutory rights	28.80				28.80		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=28ae95a7abd4401 79688d11b180e5c18
Changes to the Insolvency Rules 1986 to provide a better targeted regime for the advertising insolvency events	BIS	All reference to the newspaper advertising of insolvency events within the Insolvency Act or the Insolvency Rule is streamlined in order to reduce the cost of burden of advertising in a number of insolvency procedures.	17.48	16.13			15.60	14.40	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=79814fc2f1e74e78 b0dccaa54d137da2

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Impact Assessment	Department	rtment Description of Policy	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits(2007 Prices) (£m)	Quantified Equivalent Annual Cost (2007 Prices) (£m)	One off Transitional Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	One Off Transitional Costs Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Cost Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Link to Impact Assessment Library
The Legislative Reform (Consumer Credit) Order 2008 (exempt buy-to- let lending)	BIS	To exempt buy-to-let lending from regulation under the 1974 Act following the removal of the £25,000 financial limit (above which credit agreements were previously unregulated) in April 2008. This will maintain the existing regulatory position and ensure consistency with government policy on mortgages. To provide clarity on the giving of statements for fixed-sum credit agreements and the definitions of "payments" for the purpose of issuing arrears notices. This will resolve the current ambiguities that exist in both cases and avoid unintended regulatory compliance costs.	17.37		102.89				http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=7071f8fdeddb4e24 b41854fad74c1bdd
'Cancellation of Contracts Made in a Consumer's Home or Place of Work e.t.c. Regulations 2008'	BIS	Under current Doorstep Selling Regulations a consumer has cancellation rights for a contract made as a result of an unsolicited visit by a trader but no cancellation rights where a contract is a result of a solicited visit by a trader. Government action is necessary to remove opportunities for unscrupulous traders to exploit the distinction between unsolicited and solicited sales, and to simplify consumer rights by making the Regulations easier for consumers, business and enforcement officers to understand.	14.37	5.75			13.88	5.56	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 21AID=4aaed40d098b4b2 39579981729197166
Consumer Credit (Information Requirements & Duration of Licences and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations	BIS	Providing clarity on information set out in annual statements for credit agreements	12.40		46.60		4.60		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=56ae4a270fd44d9 ea8a0de564c3c15ac
Application of the accounts and audit provisions of the Companies Act 2006 to Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs)	BIS	Ensuring that Limited Liability Partnerships comply with Companies Act 2006 (not the Companies Act 1985).	7.04				4.5 - 8.8	0.2 - 0.5	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=4a19788b615c4cfa b072ec89358441ab
Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008	BIS	To transpose the new European Machinery Directive to protect and promote the 'internal' market' in machinery, and to provide the appropriate level of health and safety protection for those using, or coming into contact with, machinery, so that only machinery which meets relevant essential health and safety requirements is placed on the EU market.	6.11	1.62		3.90	2.0 - 11.0		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=67dd77358bee45e fb3852f954f3953fd
Estate agents (Redress scheme) Order 2008 and Estate Agents (Redress Scheme) (Penalty Charge) Regulations 2008	BIS	Ensuring consumers have access to independent redress from estate agents and estate agents are fined for non-membership of redress schemes					3.40		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c648f008b4964588 849689218a776e5f
Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions Bill Part 4 Regulatory Burdens	BIS	Placing a duty on specified regulators to review the burdens they impose reduce any that are unnecessary and unjustifiable and report on their progress annually.	2.35				0 - 5.2		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5427f66cc5404bb1 b6d6698ef48df2f1
Application of the remaining (non- accounts and audit) provisions of the Companies Act 2006 to Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs)	BIS	To ensure that: 1. Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs) are entitled to the same benefits and savings as companies; remain an attractive corporate vehicle for businesses and retain their distinctive characteristics from companies and other types of partnership and 2. simplify LLP regulations for the LLP users of and their professional advisers, and reduce the need for them to consult a number of different legislative sources.	1.06				1.06		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=0bf1080eca35484f b92bb39c86e45614

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Companies (Disclosure of Addresses) Regulations	BIS	A provision of the Companies Act 2006 Act which ensures that no director's home address will be placed on public record.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9cc3bf4116214285 b2d13993a2a61bcf	
Proposed closure of the Wool Textile Export Promotion Levy	BIS	Simplification of outdated legislation imposing costs on wool industry.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=4c1f54ade6b74d80 8dacbfdbf6ae51ce	
Implementation of Internal Market Provisions of Batteries and Accumulators Directive (2006/66/EC)	BIS	Harmonise requirements concerning the heavy metal content and labelling of batteries and accumulators so as to ensure the smooth functioning of the European Internal Market		7.28				7.81	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=15984acfc7644294 8b155c341fbe8734	
Amendments to maternity and parental leave regulations and Paternity and Adoption leave regulations 2008	BIS	Amendments to the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 to remove the exception which allows an employer to discriminate against women on additional maternity leave.		6.49		6.18		5.77	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c3cfcfc24c2d4f1a8 148539fdf44c251	
Extension of redress schemes to the gas, electricity and postal services sectors	BIS	To provide consumers with an effective mechanism for resolving complaints in the gas, electricity, and postal services sectors. To create a body which has the power to enforce resolution of consumer complaints to provide compensation or redress. To place a greater emphasis on regulated service providers themselves resolving complaints to the satisfaction of the consumer.		2.61				3.29	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d6f763bfb8154dcb 9c60bc3d7722e5e8	
Review of Export Control Legislation (2007) (also named as Trade in Goods [Categories of Controlled Goods] Order 2008)	BIS	Effectiveness of export controls to prevent illegal arms trading							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f27786d6df714ce5 b8a726b8a0aa28b2	
Export Control Act 2002 - Review of Export Control Legislation (2007)	BIS	Maintain an effective system of controls to ensure that UK involvement in strategic exports does not contribute to internal repression, regional instability, external aggression and serious undermining of the development of poor nations							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=425f25f3a0024ab1 b52a5e66a86bcaed	
The Export Control Order 2008 - Review of Export Control Legislation (2007) changes not assessed in July 2008	BIS	Maintaining a strategic export control regime with additional controls on transhipment of Category B goods and cluster munitions.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e250661555de4e4 eabfb54062c52c027	
The Magnetic Toys (Safety) Regulations 2008	BIS	implementing the European Commission Decision on warnings for toys containing magnets							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=093ca38f77244ffda cbc8eb5faf459c8	
The Companies Act 1985 (Annual Return) & Companies (Principal Business Activities) Amendment Regs 2008	BIS	The objective is that the safeguards for the names and addresses of companies' members provided by the Companies Act 2006 should not be undermined from 1 October 2008. The intended effect is that no company be required to file both the names and addresses of all its members as part of its annual return made up to a date between 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2009.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b8451d591f854d8 ead5d068edb5801a8	

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The Enterprise Act 2002 (Specification of Additional Section 58 Consideration) Order 2008	BIS	Implementation of Order to help maintain the stability of the UK financial system as a public interest consideration under Section 58 of the Enterprise Act 2002 ("the Act") enabling the Secretary of State to intervene on this basis in a relevant merger as defined in Section 23 of the Enterprise Act 2002.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=35ce043b6a4c4a3 1b30ad80a12af94a2
Companies (Trading Disclosures) (Amendment) Regulations 2009	BIS	To balance the need to ensure that the identity of a company occupying premises is public knowledge with (a) the practical problems that arise following the appointment of a liquidator, administrator, or administrative receiver; and (b) the risks to those working at the premises of companies whose activities them at risk of violence or intimidation.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5c3bb94679c040d 79f056e8290cf29d9
The Companies (Reduction of Share Capital) Order 2008	BIS	To provide a simplified and non-court mechanism by which a private company can reduce its share capital, which is cheaper and has a lighter legislative touch. To clarify the treatment of reserves arising from a reduction of share capital in all circumstances (including where the new solvency statement has been used).							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f4f7a5c93dfe4445a b6cbe1141ebe3c0
The Companies (Authorised Minimum) Regulations 2008	BIS	Regulations require public companies being able to satisfy the authorised minimum requirement i. (on formation or conversion from a private company) in shares denominated in Euros, as an alternative to satisfying the requirement in sterling shares; and thereafter, ii. by means of share capital denominated in multiple currencies.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9e99227ac0934bb 18924ac222751ded3
The Cosmetic Products (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	BIS	to allow the continued use of the substances which are currently used widely in hair dyes, while they are being examined as to whether they are safe, and not inappropriately restrict their use.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=577b399dcb01454 7bd536ea2ae35ea5a
Amendments to Regulations 5 and 8 of the Electronic Communications Code Regulation 2003 No. 2553	BIS	Implement technical changes which will provide greater clarity for code operators in the application of the Electronic Communications Code.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=027b97309276430 48415e69ae008eed9
3400 – 3800 MHz Frequency Band (Management) Regulations 2008	BIS	Implementing the Commission Decision to harmonise the conditions for the availability and efficient use of the 3400-3800 MHz band for terrestrial systems capable of providing electronic communications services.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a52400b5bb3f43af afc41ea5904c21e1
The Companies (Reduction of Capital) (Creditor Protection) Regulations 2008	BIS	Implement a requirement introduced by Directive 2006/68/EC that the creditors of a public company can only object to a reduction in the company's share capital if they can credibly demonstrate that their claims are at stake as a result of the proposed reduction.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f2b5861f1cf34b7cb d8989a75af7ce88
Better Billing: Provision of Historic Consumption Data on Energy Bills	BIS	By providing better access to historic energy consumption information, this measure aims to improve energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions.		22.06		9.96	13.67		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5242ba96f89e4b5 d8206eb6b9b16e4f2
Legislative Reform Order to amend the Weights and Measures Act 1985	BIS	Deregulates to allow a range of organisations to re verify a range of weighing and measuring equipment rather than just LA Inspectors							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a1a962203f8a473 4b158764d9edb536d

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The Non-automatic Weighing Instruments (Amendment) Regulations	BIS	Deregulates to allow a range of organisations to re verify non-automatic weighing equipment rather than just LA Inspectors							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e5c75e50da444b5 c90e88bff0e2497ac
Trade Marks Rules 2008	BIS	Consolidates the Trade Marks Rules, makes them more accessible and removes unnecessary duplication, optimises the Rules to fit with business practices							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b52d97099016445 386c415b7660c893f
Planning Bill proposals for nationally significant infrastructure	CLG	There are four main elements to the proposals: a single consent regime for all nationally significant infrastructure projects (NIPs); national policy set by the Government; better project development by promoters; examination of applications, and decisions, by an independent infrastructure planning commission (IPC).	296.69	13.19		5.00	300.00	11.00	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=35da38254fd042d 3b3cfd4a05d91136d
Homes & Communities Agency (previously known as New Homes Agency & Communities England	CLG	To create a modern, streamlined delivery chain that makes the best use of private investment, public subsidy, land assets and skills, whilst achieving increased output for the same amount of investment.	219.20	4.15		20.00	193.70	17.00	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=6305fa71fec149b0 af6632efb44f1f73
Mandatory rating against the code	CLG	To ensure that information is available on all new homes to allow purchasers to make more informed choices.	65.82	26.92			50.54	20.67	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=2387c638339e484 ab8bfd75dfbf830e4
Enabling Electronic Communication of Building Control Documents	CLG	To amend the Building Act 1984 (The Building Act), Building Regulations 2000 (as amended) (The Building Regulations) and the Building (Approved Inspectors etc) Regulations 2000 (as amended) (The AI Regulations) to enable electronic communication of building control documents.	31.84				40.25		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=70bf5c8a85aa4396 b71883ad077ab9b7
Tenant Led Stock Options	CLG	Local Authority tenants to be given greater say over how their homes are managed, including who their landlord should be.	22.77	1.55			22.00	1.50	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=8870867f8efa4b1c 9a57139dd2f37ff8
Changes to the plan making system [Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008]	CLG	To remove bureaucratic barriers to aid preparation of Local Development Frameworks	5.26				5.27		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=dc54f800bbda43ab 9077ed2f6e199f43
Schedule of Payments Policy	CLG	To help with the cash flow impact of backdated rates liability by allowing businesses more time to pay, thereby helping businesses which may not have the financial reserves to pay unexpected backdated liabilities up front; and to ensure that local authorities that collect backdated liability in accordance with a schedule of payments need not take account of sums outstanding that will be collected in a future year under the schedule in calculating their annual gross contribution to the central non-domestic rating pool.	4.64	4.64			3.48	3.48	http://www.ialibrarv.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=570c6b2ec2af48f2 b29536851cac3f0f

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Exempting some Local Authorities from the HRA Subsidy System	CLG	To investigate the potential benefits of self-financing, working with a small group of high performing LAs and ALMOs and other experts from the housing sector.	4.53				8.85		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b5d3fa6e1e5348d eb596e857d293c6a3	
Changes to fire safety legislation on sub-surface railway stations	CLG	To provide operators and enforcing authorities with a simple, clear regulatory framework within which to operate and address fire safety issues on sub-surface railway stations.	3.14				2.90		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e5809f70dcf046b3 b1bf2eef06bd46ef	
Improving Consumer Content of HIPs and addressing transitional measures	CLG	To improve the quality and flow of information in the home buying and selling process, by making the HIP more consumer friendly and 'fit for purpose' and to create greater certainty about operation of HIPs by finalising implementation and taking final decisions on transitional arrangements	2.71	2.50	7.55	8.65	1.83	1.50	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=14c6722c28ba413 eac799bd216895001	
Introducing the new Planning Policy Statement 12	CLG	Introduce changes to Local Development Frameworks to ensure a more streamlined and tailored process with more flexibility about the number and type of plans, how they are produced, and a more meaningful level of community involvement.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=82bd57e602ac4ef3 b2aa78e677884b5d	
Improvement to security of tenure on local authority Gypsy and Traveller site	CLG	To provide the same procedural safeguards, and other rights and responsibilities, to Gypsies and travellers on LA sites as Gypsies and Travellers on private sites, and occupants of other types of residential caravan sites, such as park home sites.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=556d911d57c2481 587abae441425a880	
Tolerated Trespasser Provisions in Housing and Regeneration Act	CLG	To remove the problems which the tolerated trespasser doctrine has caused for landlords and tenants by ensuring that tolerated trespassers are not created in future and by restoring tenancy status to existing tolerated trespassers.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=bb3c550dbdad4c5 a85aa04d7758d063d	
Minor changes to clarify the Right to Buy (RTB) rules	CLG	To clarify ambiguities relating to tenants facing repossession proceedings and tenants denied the RTB because their homes are suitable for the elderly and to widen landlords' powers to help leaseholders facing high major works bills, enable district valuers to improve their service to tenants and landlords, reduce the regulatory burden on lenders, improve the demolition notice procedure introduced by the Housing Act 2004, and correct a typographical error in the Housing Act 2004 as printed.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=ac2a35afa5964005 9aafd5c9d885795b	
Implementation of Cave Review of Social Housing Regulation	CLG	To improve the regulation of social housing (social rented and low cost home ownership) in England, to empower and protect tenants, giving them greater role, and a stronger emphasis on what matters to them - core housing services.		2.06				3.20	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b26a730c8d96448 5a360d92ac0f549b6	
Regulations to progress stalled reviews of mineral planning permissions	CLG	To provide a 'level playing field' for the minerals industry through the application of EIA to all relevant mineral permission reviews.		2.02		0.9 - 2.9			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=19b9233c19f342b9 8f3ba344da401557	
Amendment to Homelessness Legislation to Remedy an Incompatibility with ECHR	CLG	To remedy the incompatibility while ensuring that a person who requires leave to enter or remain in the UK but does not have it, or has leave to enter or remain on condition of 'no recourse to public funds', cannot convey priority for, or entitlement to, social housing on another person.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5aed14c0d17d475 e90c8f4b21f07c9b9	

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Draft Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England) (Amendment) Regulations	CLG	Amending the regulations to remedy the breach identified by the European Court of Justice to provide Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out for a proposed project at reserved matter stage, where either EIA was not carried out at the earlier stage of outline planning permission, or additional significant environmental effects came to light after outline planning permission was granted.	··						http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=0904c85a537f423b 93a4e17f09180b1c
Exempting some New Supply from the HRA Subsidy System	CLG	To incentivise the release of more local authority land for development as affordable housing.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=fa70aad9c1a040ec abacef20b2119bcd
Proposal to provide "exemption" tenancies for the purposes of delivering Family Intervention Projects	CLG	To provide landlords with leverage to help persuade families engage with Family Intervention Projects (FIPs) for the duration of the programme. Create a tenancy that meshes with existing social tenancy law. Removal of security during FIP as a temporary measure.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e7031609c17a45f2 8733549278180a7a
Restricting some types of permitted development on World Heritage Sites	CLG	To prevent inappropriate development on World Heritage Sites to preserve the value of World Heritage Sites to the public and prevent any damage to their attraction to tourists.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=fccdee01456f4250 a78205b91d9f0a2b
A suite of measures to widen access to energy performance certificate registers	CLG	To encourage householders and businesses to use energy more efficiently through improvements to the accessibility of EPCs, so as to facilitate the most energy inefficient properties to be targeted with tailored advice by the Energy Savings Trust and Carbon Trust and facilitate the retrieval of EPCs from the register; increasing the extent to which the choices of prospective owners of commercial buildings are informed by the asset ratings and availability of EPCs of properties made available for let and purchase.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d7e157fb161c4f30 b952e9f7eee65059
Mandatory Tenant Ballots prior to Stock Transfer	CLG	To achieve a fairer and more transparent process, which gives tenants greater comfort.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3a26319a1c2b4dd 79c758ba0603dd34e
Longer Time Limits for the Prosecution of Breaches of Building Regulations	CLG	To provide a more effective deterrent to non-compliance in relation to provisions relating to the conservation of fuel and power and reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases; and ensure that the deterrent applies equally to non- compliance with the prov							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=8600d16ca970433 e8c5db905eaec02f5
Merger of Regulation 17 and EPC CO2 emission calculation schemes	CLG	To simplify CO2 emission calculation arrangements to eliminate the duplication of calculations and schemes as far as possible.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=90e793d74aab42b ca5c02f355e273948
Residential Leasehold Reform - Service Charges to be held in designated account	CLG	To provide service charge tax payers with improved transparency and safeguards in respect of the service charges that they pay by making amendments to section 42 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 as amended by section 156 of the Commonhold and Leasehold Reform Act 2002							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9a44a829d9b84d0 5bc200c361e806a1c

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Local Connection Provisions for Housing & Regeneration Bill 2007	CLG	To ensure that members of the armed forces (and those who have recently left the forces) are treated fairly and put on an equal footing with civilians when they apply to a local authority for social housing or for assistance because they are homeless.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=347c297904de4f03 aa57a2f61dda2d18
Changes to Current Leasehold Enfranchisement Rules	CLG	To allow all providers the opportunity to offer shared ownership leases for houses without the additional risk of a shared owner enfranchising early in order to avoid purchasing additional shares through their shared ownership lease. Allow staircasing to be restricted without the risk of early enfranchisement.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=44cb11b9310d420f b109d2f74b7d8bbd
Residential Leasehold Reform - Providing service charge payers with Regular Statements of Account	CLG	To provide service charge payers with improved transparency and safeguards in respect of the service charges that they pay by making amendments to section 21 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985 as amended by section 152 of the Commonhold and Leasehold Reform Act 2002							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=151f360a0c174510 b0d09189f5189d9b
Homeowners Support Package	CLG	To prevent repossessions the Government introduced a package of measures designed to protect a significant number of households who would not be eligible for Government assistance through the Mortgage Rescue Scheme or Support for Mortgage Interest (SMI).*	8.2*	6.19		2.42			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3a4260e15253490 5bcdbd1ce64c4e71d
Gambling Commission Fees from August 2008	DCMS	The objective of the fee structure is to enable the Commission to recover its operating costs in full (and no more) while ensuring fairness and value for money in regulating the gambling industry.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=4d0d65941bbd4b3 093e1134daf788815
Education and Skills Act	DCSF	To increase participation in learning for young people and adults to meet the ambition set out in the Leitch Review of achieving world class skills by 2020, bringing key benefits to young people, employers, the UK economy and wider society; and to improve standards in independent schools; improve information for parents and pupils; and reduce the regulatory burden on independent schools.	1,698.77	664.33			1,641.30	641.90	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=902ba2a93b6c47b 4b1353ec8899305f5
Children and Young People's Act 2008	DCSF	The Act reforms the statutory framework around the care system to implement proposals in the White Paper <i>Care Matters</i> . The purpose is to - enable children and young people to receive high quality care and support and give children a far more positive and supportive experience of care; - drive improvements in the delivery of services focused on the needs and wishes of the child; - increase positive outcomes for children in and leaving care.	34.87	24.59		2.80	32.57	22.06	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=aad9464ad0114f6 6b2ee37cfc4ad4a1a
Amendments to the Education (Independent Schools Standards) (England) Regulations	DCSF	To ensure parents and independent schools are aware of the guidance and legislation that impacts on independent schools. Further, the amendments form part of the Government's commitment to reduce the administrative burden on schools following the Hampton Report in 2005.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e4a83b75f37d45ca bc9083d7d08494fa
Climate Change Act- Powers to pilot local authority incentives for household waste minimisation and recycling	DECC	This policy aims to give additional powers to local authorities so that these can pilot incentive schemes to encourage waste reduction and recycling in private households.	137.98	75.72		65 - 135	80 - 200	50 - 60	http://www.decc.gov.uk/en /content/cms/legislation/c c_act_08/cc_act_08.aspx

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Increasing renewables deployment in the UK and Banding of the Renewables Obligation (RO)	DECC	This measure introduces banding into the Renewable Obligation, in order to drive greater and more rapid deployment of energy from renewable sources in the UK. Through the banding, different amounts of Renewable Obligation Credits are awarded per MWh of energy, depending on the underlying generation technology, thereby increasing efficiency and ensuring maximum value for money.	47.23	188.92			26.00	105-110	http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Improving regulatory framework for offshore natural gas storage and offshore LNG unloading consents	DECC	The objective of the policy is to facilitate investment in offshore gas storage and liquified natural gas unloading facilities, in order to increase certainty for developers and attract investment to the UK.	36.63				40.00		http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Third Party Access to upstream petroleum infrastructure	DECC	This measure foresees the extension of powers of the Secretary of State to those areas of upstream petroleum infrastructure that are currently not covered. This is to ensure that under the current framework owners of upstream petroleum infrastructure can not abuse their monopoly to overcharge third parties.	12.37				5.0 - 20		http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Climate Change Act- Powers to require charges for single use carrier bags.	DECC	Under this regulation Government looks to introduce an obligation for retailers to charge for single use plastic bags.	8.81	1.30		22.00	10.00		http://www.decc.gov.uk/en /content/cms/legislation/c c act 08/cc act 08.aspx	
Oil and Gas Licensing Proposals	DECC	The proposed changes enable the Department to partially revoke an interest in a petroleum licence, ensures that abandoned wells are not indefinitely left temporarily capped and addresses the un-consented transfer of licence interests.							http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Offshore Oil and Gas Decommissioning	DECC	Under this regulation high-risk operators of offshore oil and gas installations and pipelines are required to provide additional security to finance the decommissioning in case of the company going into administration.		2.83				2.69	http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Nuclear Waste and Decommissioning financing clauses of the Energy Bill	DECC	This measure ensures that operators of nuclear power stations make sufficient provisions for meeting the full costs of decommissioning and waste management, even in the case of insolvency.		1.51		1.50		1.50	http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	
Climate Change Act- RTFO Provisions	DECC	This measure enables the appointment of a new Administrator of the RTFO scheme to replace the Renewable Fuels Agency.							http://www.decc.gov.uk/en /content/cms/legislation/c c act 08/cc act 08.aspx	
Climate Change Act- Adaption measures	DECC	The objective of this proposal is to provide a clear legislative framework for the UK to drive action on adapting to climate change,							http://www.decc.gov.uk/en /content/cms/legislation/c c_act_08/cc_act_08.aspx	
Draft licence modification for provision of advanced metering for larger business sites	DECC	Provision of Smart Meters for Business	70.06	10.93			46.08	6.46	http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file47192.pdf	
Proposed Changes to Offshore Renewable Energy Decommissioning Under the Energy Act 2004	DECC	This measure ensures that operators of offshore renewable energy installations make sufficient provisions for meeting the costs of decommissioning in the case of insolvency.							http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf	

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Recovery of Offshore Electricity Licensing Regime Tender Costs and Transfer of Property Rights and Liabilities Scheme	DECC	This measure introduces a licensing scheme for offshore power transmission rights via a tendering process, in order to connect offshore power generation to the onshore grid.	74.18	14.35			47.1 - 96.7	5.3 - 22.3	http://www.berr.gov.uk/file s/file46023.pdf
EuP Implementing Measures for Standby and Off-Mode Losses	DEFRA	To implementing restrictions on power consumption of electrical and electronic products whilst in off-mode and standby states in order to reduce the amount of energy used in the UK and to reduce carbon emissions as a result of the lower requirement for electricity generation.	233.13	48.79			230 - 289	52.22	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9637a597b17a446 b840aa7a63a85289a
EuP Implementing Measures for non-directional household lamps	DEFRA	To implemente restrictions for non-directional household lamps in order to contribute to realising CO2 savings required to achieve the EU ETS cap in the most cost-effective way, by mitigating for the effects resulting from barriers to behaviour change.	175.71	39.96			140 - 233	29-59	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a8adb0acf49a44c5 a6936c688cc5f761
Proposals to revise the Nitrates Action Programme and extend the Nitrate Vulnerable Zones (NVZs)	DEFRA	To revise NVZ designations and Action Programme measures, to secure greater protection of the water environment against nitrogen pollution from agricultural activities in England, in order to meet specific objectives of the Nitrates Directive and the wider, long term environmental objectives of the Water Framework Directive.	8.67	37.75			(-1.6) - 18.3	44.3 - 65.2	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=2936af84c8834d53 8c0b11f5cd6a4cbf
Environmental Damage Regulations (England) and the Environmental Damage Regulations (Wales) 2008	DEFRA	The Regulations transpose the EU Directive on Environmental Liability (ELD). The objectives of this policy are to create incentives to minimise the number and severity of cases of environmental damage.	15.41	11.97		4.34	20.13	15.89	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=175a60a3594d498 b927fcfbce14ae23c
Implementing the EU Mining Waste Directive in England and Wales	DEFRA	The UK is required to transpose into national law EU Directive 2006/21/EC on		10.68		27.58		7.70	http://www.communities.g ov.uk/archived/publication s/planningandbuilding/wa stemanagement
EuP Implementing Measures for Simple Set Top Boxes	DEFRA	the management of waste from extractive industries – known as the Mining	57.69	10.67			68.32	12.59	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c8cbf905d9194a55 8059200a8f93d7e9
Reduction in Fishing Capacity for the Inshore (under 10m) Fishing Fleet	DEFRA	Waste Directive – by 1 May 2008.		6.96		5.15			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=16b34df61d3548ff 953a99854658dffb
European Fisheries Fund (EFF) UK Operational Programme (2007- 2013)	DEFRA	A fisheries industry that is sustainable, profitable and supports strong local communities, managed effectively as an integral part of coherent policies for the marine environment.		6.28				6.08	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e22d46f50a85489 bacffc73dbd3970a1
EU proposals for an EU School Fruit Scheme	DEFRA	The aim is to reverse the decline in consumption of fruit and vegetables; help tackle obesity and related health issues; and to encourage good eating habits in young people.	6.07	6.07			5.80	5.80	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3e918209c0714a6 29c743fcbf2e90c90

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EuP Implementing Measure for External Power Supplies	DEFRA	The objective of implementing restrictions for power supply units is to contribute to realising the CO2 savings required to achieve the EU ETS cap in the most cost-effective way, by breaking down barriers to behaviour change.	8.34	5.59			9.86	5.9 - 7.7	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a3e04950462a4d1 8a122ed3cdaa0308e
Uplands Entry Level Stewardship	DEFRA	The strategic objective for Uplands ELS is to maintain and improve the biodiversity, natural resources, landscape and historical values of England's uplands, and to contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, by supporting the land management practices which deliver these benefits.	29.55	6.06		10.83	30.84	4.34	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=0b81f8acaaf24288 b2234a4cb07640ff
Submitting Bolton Fell Moss as a candidate Special Area of Conservation under the Habitats Directive	DEFRA	 To complete the UKs list of terrestrial SACs as required under the EC Habitats Directive. Degraded raised bog still capable of natural regeneration is a habitat type listed under the Directive as requiring protection, and Bolton Fell Moss is one of the largest of these habitats in England. To remove the threat of referral of the case to the ECJ, and possible infractions fines. To secure the future protection of the biodiversity interests of the site (by buying-out the extant peat extraction rights and securing long term interests). 	··	2.90		9.76			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/impactAssessment/ ?IAID=ffec20977a1f4779 82c98b288a5f3511
Measures to protect marine biodiversity in Lyme Bay	DEFRA	To implement fisheries management measures that best protect the biodiversity of Lyme Bay.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=96e386c03e6841f9 99f5c3316408e196
Modernising the aquatic animal health regime	DEFRA	The aim of the new Directive is to act as a framework, within which, standards in aquaculture can be raised across the Community. Specifically, this means tighter supervision of aquaculture producers and a flexible approach to disease surveillance and control.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=ed26e49e5311417 2bfe913262fc08137
The Charges For Residues Surveillance (Amendment) Regulations 2008	DEFRA	By amending the charges, it would allow the VMD to come very close to covering all of the costs of the surveillance. If they were not amended, a substantial deficit would result in this, which would increase if nothing was done.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=485a685618e3469 d8a6b2ea5f0305171
A framework for implementing geological disposal for higher-level radioactive wastes.	DEFRA	To provide for safe long-term management of the United Kingdom's higher- activity radioactive waste in a sustainable and cost-effective manner.						(-2.7) - 6.3, best estimate 1.6	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3a2e381d4f3849a 1886d87affba53089
EU Proposal for a Regulation of the EP and Council on spirit drinks above 15% alcohol	DEFRA	A new EC European Parliament and Council regulation covering the definition, description, presentation, labelling and protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks above 15% alcohol produced in the EU was introduced into EC law on 20 February 2008 and came into force on 20 May 2008. The							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9ffdeccc9f664264b 5327b57bd8b08a0
Amending the Mutilations (Permitted Procedures) (England) Regulations 2007	DEFRA	to permit:- i) the wing-tagging and web-tagging of non-farmed birds for conservation puposes and for research ii) the wing and web-tagging of farmed birds for breed improvement programmes and for for testing for disease iii) the neck-tagging and web-notching of farmed ducks for breed improvement programmes		1.96			1.7 - 2.2		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=61be472684f748cd a1ca8343d4bab208

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Government's response to the Pitt Review: Being Rescued and Cared for in an Emergency (and Rec 6)	DEFRA	The aim of the joint centre is to improve the UK's ability to respond to flooding events by providing a national forecasting and alert service to Category 1/Category 2 responders and over time and with improved capabilities to the public.	8.7*						http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a446f854ddd7424 7a5b7b0beb0e22295
Amendments to the special administration regime for the water industry	DEFRA	The main policy objective is to improve the special administration regime for water by increasing the options open to the special administrator to bring about a better result for creditors, shareholders or members and, ultimately, customers.							www.defra.gov.uk/environ ment/flooding//ia-admin- waterind.pdf
The beef and veal labelling regulations 2008	DEFRA	To provide clear descriptions for bovine meat aged 12 months or less and in particular to clarify the distinction between meat in the above two age categories for business and consumers. To allow UK industry to adapt its business with minimum change and consumers to make an informed choice.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d038d4d98503405 988e67c4c8106f6a2
The REACH Enforcement Regulations 2008	DEFRA	The policy objective is to ensure that firms comply with REACH and that potentially harmful impacts of hazardous substances are avoided. An effective regime will ensure greater compliance with the regulation and consequently improve protection for human health and the environment.	2.34				3.90		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=69b50db1c24b476 1886fcff2ec089000
The Transfrontier Shipment of Radioactive Waste and Spent Fuel Regulations 2008	DEFRA	The new Directive updates and expands existing arrangements for the control and supervision of shipments of radioactive waste and spent fuel. It removes from regulation shipments of NORM waste. This will provide consistency and clarity or regulatory requirements across the EU.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=7c053d1186e1497 290549a2bc6e359f0
The Joint Waste Authorities (Proposals) Regulations 2009	DEFRA	Implementing measures that allow local waste authorities that wish to work together to discharge their waste functions to do so.							http://www.communities.g ov.uk/documents/localgov ernment/pdf/769458.pdf
The Control of Salmonella in Broiler Flocks Order 2009	DEFRA	To bring protection for human and animal health into line with EU requirements the NCP sets out monitoring and controls primary producers must follow to reduce or maintain the prevalence of Salmonellas of public health significance in flocks of domestic fowl (Gallus gallus) on UK holdings producing chickens for meat for human consumption at least to the target levels set out in Regulation 646/2007.	15.41	11.97		4.34	20.13	15.89	http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=7ed98379ba59487 5aef9f409aec2571b
The Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulations 2009	DEFRA	The principal objective of the EC Regulation is to contain, prevent and thereby reduce emissions of F gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol. This Regulation will make a significant contribution towards the European Community's Kyoto Protocol targets in helping to keep a track of F-Gas usage in different sectors, in order to help reduce its emissions.	158.09	115.48		96.8 - 165.3	118 - 218	71.3 - 155.1	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g oy.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=bad087e599844f6 0bd1b9430c28590eb
The Control of Trade in Endangered Species (Fees) Regulations 2009	DEFRA	Implementing measures that allow local waste authorities that wish to work together to discharge their waste functions to do so.							http://www.defra.gov.uk/wi ldlife-pets/wildlife/trade- crime/cites/action- uk.htm#amendcotes

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The Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2005	DEFRA	To reduce the number of hazardous waste producing premises required to notify the Environment Agency by increasing the qualifying limitation for qualifying for this exemption from 200kg to 500kg.	1.85				1.75		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=576d319343b84a6 18c77e9a5cb978abb	
The Organic Products Regulations 2009	DEFRA	 To enable the new EU Regulations to be effectively enforced and to streamline the approval process for the organic control bodies. 							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3191aeeee358424 4bb831fd3bb6d492f	
The producer responsibility obligations (packaging waste) (amendment) regulations 2008	DEFRA	To facilitate the achievement of the recycling targets for 2008 and subsequent years for waste metal packaging	16.47	19.60			47.30	56.40	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=7e8890602b864cb 6b9b69c9f7b7d0af3	
Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (England) Regulations 2008	DEFRA	 to keep the cost of compliance for metals packaging producers to a manageable level; 	2.07	-			2.00		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=82b2569c102d4da e84eba68c35999885	
Euro 5 and 6 Light Duty Vehicle Emission Standards	DFT	 to safeguard the environmental standards enshrined in Article 6(2) of the Packaging Directive. 	929.24	1,057.94			798 - 1158	364 - 1849	http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=6218a47c60264f96 90e4a619fca70b5f	
The Local Transport Act	DFT	The Act seeks to empower local authorities by giving them strengthened powers to deliver a local transport system that is best suited to local needs.	130.20	40.40		20.00	111.0 - 149.0	12.0 - 65.0	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b39881ae50474fb 68be645521b730f76	
Street Works (Charges for Unreasonably Prolonged Occupation of the Highway) (England) Regulations 2009	DFT	Designed to reduce the number of occasions when works in the highway by undertakers take longer than the agreed duration and so help to reduce the inconvenience and disruption caused.	58.06	5.85			56.10	4.35	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f22b594ebb47437 08717467737ecfbd3	
Regulation of Registration Plate Suppliers – Extension to Scotland and Northern Ireland	DFT	The objective is to apply the same controls over the supply of number plates, currently in force in England and Wales across the whole of the UK. This will remove the opportunity for people in England and Wales to circumvent the current regulations by simply obtaining a plate from a Scottish or Northern Irish supplier.	27.37	6.64			26.35	6.31	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=b9d340c9c0b2498 1b352a02d2e065161	
Changes to statutory fees for VOSA services in 2008	DFT	The policy objective is to ensure that the income from statutory fees for services provided by VOSA fully covers the costs of providing the services.	25.26	5.96			12.0 - 39.0	5.76	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5ea795741ad34ec bab96705305d3d0e1	
Graduated Penalty and Fixed Deposit Schemes including Immobilisation	DFT	To commence and implement the relevant provisions in the Road Safety Act 2006 which are intended to address the current problems. The new provisions are all surrounding the application of Fixed Penalties for offending.	20.20	2.20		3.54	20.20	2.10	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=8e28dd01b878447 382f996a6f56ffc17	

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Retrofitting of Mirrors to Increase the Field of indirect Vision (Blind Spot) of Goods Vehicles	DFT	The aim is to reduce the number of casualties which result from the limitations of current large vehicle mirror systems. By requiring all large goods vehicles registered since 1 st January 2000 to be equipped with improved mirror systems on the passenger side, the safety benefits that would be gradually achieved by Directives 2003/97/EC and 2005/27/EC can be realised much more quickly.	12.94	7.67		66.74	10.49		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d90e854e08c74c2 39159f7c8ac83575c	
Changes to Sale of Marks regulations.	DFT	These new regulations will build on the Government's commitment to introduce electronic services and reduce the administration burden on business by allowing some post-sale transactions to be conducted on-line and over the telephone.	3.77				1.69		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=aecd291e843142e ba00bd85b0f77b10a	
The removal and disposal of vehicles by Traffic Officers and the Secretary of State	DFT	The aim of these Regulations is to provide Traffic Officers with powers to remove broken down and abandoned vehicles and the Secretary of State for Transport the power to store and dispose of abandoned vehicles.	1.32			1.37	1.17		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=7dd4521a4ac64c6 d90659a1b05082771	
The Economic Regulation of Airports (Designation) Order (Amendment) 2008	DFT	the policy objective is to ensure that appropriate regulation is in place to protect airport users whole ensuring that the airport can develop its operations appropriately. De-designation of Manchester airport will help reduce the administration cost faced by users, facilitate extra responsiveness and flexibility in the airport's activities, and may foster better investment outcomes in the future.	1.06						http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=f0077d01d8e2434 3bbb0c0ea8727f374	
Regulation of Number Plate Supply in the UK – Show Plates	DFT	By introducing this legislation the aim is to reduce the number of illegal plates being used on the road thereby making it easier to track traffic related offences such as avoiding congestion charges and vehicles used in criminal activity. Option to impose a complete ban was chosen.	7.49	1.04			7.03		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=61bae3a5749d467 1a00516849f8ed11a	
Amendments to The Vehicle Drivers (Certificates of Professional Competence) Regulations 2007	DFT	To enhance testing and training arrangements related to the introduction of the driver Certificate of Professional Competence. These implement the higher standards for professional lorry and bus drivers in a cost effective manner, making it easier for customers to comply with the legislation and to avoid obstructing the supply of new drivers into the industries				2.09	1.44		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5f7a504aeba24c19 a081c98c24cb505c	
Amendments to regulations relating to the transfer, retention and assignment of registration marks.	DFT	Three proposed easements will reduce the admin burden of the cherished transfer process. These 3 amendments are: - allowing a 3rd party to be assigned as Grantee of a mark; - allowing an option for an extended retention period of up to 3 years; - allowing a grantee to change a nominee without the need to apply for an amended V778.s							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=0e7d335bb4f04b0 aa8174c19026f4742	
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage and Garbage from Ships) Regulations 2008	DFT	The introduction of this new legislation should result in a reduction in pollution from sewage and garbage from ships leading to associated environmental, social and economic benefits.		1.17		8.0 - 10.0			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=6c84c48b44ba4bb acc19c0a46ee7e78	
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) Regulations 2008	DFT	The regulations will apply a series of internationally agreed technical standards to UK flagged vessels and aim to reduce air pollution from shipping		30.02				29.00	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=92cd538e81ab4cd c871baa51da7add44	

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Amending The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions to improve signing of safety cameras	DFT	To further assist drivers to recognise and comply with the speed limit in force to further reduce the number of road traffic collisions, injuries and deaths in which excessive speed is a contributory factor.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=01e36455105d441 4b833114eecf9a5e4
Amendments to the Speed Limiter Regulations (36A and 36B) of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986	DFT	Speed limiters are required by European legislation. The intended effect of the amendment to the regulations is to bring GB legislation fully in line with a European directive. However the proposed changes would also grant an exemption from the requirements for vehicles used by HM prison service. This would be similar to the exemption that already exists for police, ambulance and fire service vehicles when responding to emergencies.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=fe48753e0e1f4c03 955fc028034964bf
The Merchant Shipping (Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Reporting Requirements) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	DFT	To improve safety at sea for fishing vessels and traditional ships of 45 metres and over in length and reduce pollution in the marine environment from avoidable accidents.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=82c529c2dbb14c9 0bbc8c17b672f7212
The Harbour Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2008	DFT	The aim of the new regulations is to make the necessary changes to current regulations, so as to properly transpose the EC directive with the intention that Environmental Statements produced to accompany applications for Harbour orders are appropriately advertised and any additional environmental information produced is made available to the public on the same terms as that originally provided.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=161fef6b1d50496d 8a4efd9dc7d96617
Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) (Amendment) Regulations	DFT	Bringing additional requirements into UK law which will mean that vessels are required to deliver sewage to UK ports. This is to address any polluting effect which ship-generated sewage may have on seas and coasts by making sure that port waste reception facilities for sewage are available, easy to use and cost- effective without causing undue delay to ships.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=190ae5ead00d43ff a23427bb334168db
Introducing Crossrail Fees for Relevant Planning Applications by Statutory Instrument	DFT	The powers in the bill give us authority to introduce a charging regime that allows local planning authorities to charge for planning applications for works submitted by the crossrail project nominated undertakers. The intended objectives are to provide local planning authorities with an income to enable them to meet the costs of processing relevant planning applications and to have a clear and fair basis for charging.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=0002299ea3854e0 0b6ce9635dccd050e
MOT test fee maxima - Increases for 2008	DFT	To ensure that the maximum fee levels set strike the right balance between costs to industry, burdens on customers and the desire to maintain high standards of road safety and vehicle road worthiness.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=759eb77ad3e6486 4941ca0b8e0046e90
Transposition of Directive on working conditions for cross-border train crews	DFT	This policy aims to protect the health and safety of mobile workers assigned to interoperable cross-border services by setting minimum requirements for certain aspects of the working conditions. This directive implements in European law a social Partners' Agreement (SPA) concluded on 27 Jan 2004 between the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) and the Community of European Railways (CER).							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=5712f5b437bf48b5 aba0d1fbb7fc1315

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Mutual recognition of seafarers' certificates issued by the Member States and amending Directive 2005/45/EC	DFT	The provisions in the Directive are intended to foster the professional mobility of seafarers within the EU by facilitating the mutual recognition of certificates of competency, to ensure effective communication by specifying language requirements and to combat fraudulent practices associated with certificates of competency by requiring Member States to take and enforce measures to prevent and penalise such practices.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=ff7fa343a9834639 a268af2e56c02f12
Channel Tunnel Rail Link (Supplementary Provisions) Bill	DFT	The main objective of the restructuring is to identify and implement a future structure that is affordable and that optimises value for the taxpayer and there will be no overall net change to either public sector costs or benefits as a direct result of this Bill. The legislation aims to allow the restructuring to be implemented effectively. The effect of the new provisions will be to assure investors that the funding stream under which subsidies are currently paid to the infrastructure manager and the train operating companies using the line can continue.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=454b74d3442e4a9 bbd7da558a1bb772b
Pensions Act 2008	DWP	Introduces measures aimed at encouraging greater private pension saving	9,948.12	9,948.12		300.00	10000 - 15000	10000 - 15000	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=6817a6a7312046c 0bdb41968b15db2aa
The Fixed-term Employees (Prevention of Less Favourable Treatment) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	DWP	Provides agency workers with access to Statutory Sick Pay in line with all other workers.	13.63	13.31			13.66	13.27	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=73a8b8688ae9421 0bb7dc8488d0aa3ac
The Child Support Information Regulations 2008	DWP	Adds energy companies to the bodies required to provide the Child Support Agency with specific information about a non-resident parent							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=fdb4369466bf4a43 b70796f24513d651
The Occupational Pension Schemes (Transfers Values) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	DWP	Changes the way pension transfer values are calculated		1.17		6.75 - 12.75			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3d03f34bc2d74e18 ada53de5b79b99b9
The Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	DWP	Removes the requirement to retain employers' liability compulsory insurance certificates for 40 years, and allows electronic display of certificate							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e4d74caa345141d 3a4085d4f68c684a2
Statutory Sick Pay (General) Amendment Regulations 2008	DWP	Simplifies and reduces the complexities of information employers must provide on Statutory Sick Pay.	4.14				4.00		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e35513491ca349b 7b109d8e4cd0ffb35
Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act	DWP	Reforms the child maintenance system	218.90	18.80			215.70	18.20	_ http://www.dwp.gov.uk/do cs/cm-bill-ria1.pdf

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The Occupational, Personal, and Stakeholder Pension (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2009	DWP	Permits occupational pension schemes to override scheme rules to reduced costs.	194.54	194.54			250.00	250.00	http://www.dwp.gov.uk/do cs/pen-misc-amdt-regs- 2009-ia.pdf_	
Revision of Food Standards Agency Guidance on the Use of Marketing Terms	FOODSA	To revise the Food Standards Agency Guidance on marketing terms to encourage industry to provide consumers with clear, meaningful labelling and reduce the risk of consumers being misled. The Guidance also sets out legislative requirements relevant to misleading labelling. By encouraging industry to adopt consistent use of marketing terms and by continually updating the terms to meet current trends, consumers' expectations of clear labelling can be met with confidence.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f3a35419abd54cdd 854f7a0bf930039a	
Food Labelling (Declaration of Allergens) (England) Regulations 2008	FOODSA	To recognise that some ingredients lose their allergenic properties when they are processed. In order to prevent unecessary labelling requirements Directive 2007/68/EC sets out a list of permanent exemptions for certain ingredients derived from a specified list of allergenic ingredients that have been processed and are therefore no longer allergenic. The objective of the policy is to ensure that consumers have clear information about allergens in food so that they can make fully informed choices.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=6348313dabb4499 0a0ed22082c8ca61e	
The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (England) Regulations 2008	FOODSA	To implement significant amendments to the main European Commission Directive on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food. The objectives are to reduce the long term health risks to consumers arising from ingesting chemicals used in the manufacture of plastic food contact materials and articles that migrate into the food and to provide EU harmonised regulations that provide businesses with clear provisions that lead to safe products and increase consumer confidence.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=069b505502a246b 68c77b2fc37b8d040	
The Specified Products from China (Restriction on First Placing on the Market) (England) Regulations 2008		To require an analytical report demonstrating that products do not contain or consist of, or have not been produced from, Bt63 to accompany relevant consignments. The objective is to prevent food or feed products containing the unauthorised genetically modified rice Bt63 from feed being placed on the market in England.	·			··			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=216990b3883e4a4 0809c0ad1f6831f91	
The Meat Products (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2008	FOODSA	To bring labelling requirements for added starchand protein in certain meat products into line with European labelling requirements and to issue new related guidance.	:						http://www.food.gov.uk/m ultimedia/pdfs/meatprodre gia.pdf	
The Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSE) Regulations 2008	FOODSA	EU rules for the prevention, control and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) are enforced under domestic law by the TSE Regulations (No 2) 2006 (as amended) (the domestic Regulations). The proposals will maintain proportionate consumer protection from BSE related risk without adding to industry or enforcement costs. The proposal on vertebral column SRM would see the age limit at which bovine vertebral column is classified as Specified Risk Material (SRM) increase from 24 to 30 months. Proposals on revocation of the Beef Bones Regulations 1997 and on rules on EU trade will keep UK rules in line with Community law.	2.00	-			2.00		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=82b2569c102d4da e84eba68c35999885	

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The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (England) Regulations 2009	FOODSA	To intervene through the implementation of significant amendments to the main European Commission Directive on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food in order toreduce the risks to health and also to provide greater clarity in enforcement. The objectives are to reduce the long term risks to consumers in England arising from ingesting chemicals used in the manufacture of plastic food contact materials and articles that can migrate into food and also to provide EU harmonised Regulations that provide businesses with clear provisions that lead to safe products and increase consumer confidence.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=da7ed6ebd645447 cb5c4c43c7c741d94
Implementation of payment services directive on business	НМТ	The Payment Services Directive (PSD) is an EU directive that aims to enhance competition, efficiency and innovation in the European payments market. It will harmonise the conduct of business requirements of all payment service providers to ensure sufficient consumer protection. The PSD should also provide the necessary legal underpinning for the EU payments industry to build the infrastructure for a Single Euro Payments Area.	8,453.38	30.45	1,089.00	44.10	8,167.50	29.40	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=4ad1bd04514a408 0b89c452cad0a28fa
Proposals for a UK Regulated Covered Bonds legislative framework	НМТ	EU legislation for investment funds (i.e., the UCITS Directive) is that covered bonds regimes must be subject to special supervision designed to protect bondholders. Government intervention is required to enable supervision and for UK covered bonds to be compliant with the UCITS Directive.	4.08			2.00	3.64		http://www.hm- treasury.gov.uk/d/consult _bonds140208.pdf
The extension of the sunset clauses in the FSMA Market Abuse regime for a limited period	НМТ	Sunset clauses in the UK's market abuse legislation are due to expire on 30 June 2008 unless new legislation is adopted which allows them to remain in force. These clauses contain provisions that are 'super equivalent' to the EU's Market Abuse Directive. The Government has reviewed this area and thinks that the sunset clauses should be extended until 31 December 2009.	3.15	6.96	4.69	10.35			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ 2IAID=828c175c9669442 68e06e34483d8692e
Consultation on Lloyd's accounting regulations	НМТ	To give effect in UK law and implement Directives 2006/43/EC and 2006/46/EC in relation to Lloyd's syndicate and aggregate accounts, and to make necessary amendments, following the enactment of the Companies Act 2006. This will help to ensure minimum levels of investor protection, and reduce the risk of future financial scandals and an adverse impact on investor confidence.	1.23				1.10		http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a75609781a5c4b4 b8856f52bf40493ae
Deregulating retail freight forwarding and storage insurance:	НМТ	This measure removes from the scope of FSA regulation the practice of freight forwarders and storage firms extending 'open cover' insurance policies to retail customers. It is now apparent that the practice of extending all risk 'open cover' insurance policies to include the goods of customers in exchange for a premium does not come under the scope of the EU's Insurance Mediation Directive.	··			1.51			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f19579f46f12446c8 46ab984d744bc8f
Banking Bill	НМТ	Events in the financial sector since mid-2007 have highlighted a number of areas for improvement to the UK regime for financial stability and protecting depositors. As a result, the Banking Bill introduces various provisions to improve the protections for depositors.				1.5 - 3			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=34e802ffe1864bfc8 fc4a4f18c4cf9d3

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The Legislative Reform (Lloyd's) Order 2008	HMT	The governance arrangements at Lloyd's - which is one of the world's largest markets for wholesale insurance - are currently set out in Lloyd's Act 1982. Aspects of the Act are now outdated and contain restrictions that create barriers to further development of the Lloyd's market. Reform of the rules is necessary to remove these obstacles to improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the governance and market frameworks at Lloyd's.							http://www.hm_ treasury.gov.uk/d/consult lloydsactexplanatory170 708.pdf
Amendments relating to Part 7 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA")	НМТ	Regulation aims to aid the effective operation of the transfer provisions in Part 7 of the Companies Act. Concern has been expressed by practitioners that the extent of the powers of the court to order the transfer of property under Part 7 of FSMA, in connection with insurance business transfer schemes, needs clarification. This regulation provides that clarification.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=f9d6131869194c1d 8554de19e3379688
Financial Instrument Order 2008	НМТ	This regulation ensures that the UK continues to give full effect to its obligations under the Market Abuse Directive		3.74		5.8 - 16.8		1.5 - 3.1	http://www.ialibrary.berr.q ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=3412d3571b38425 48326b748ad39089c
The implementation of Directive 2006/43/EU - Statutory Audit Directive	НМТ	This regulation establishes minimum levels of investor protection across the EU by strengthening audit regulation. This will enhance the level of confidence in EU capital markets and whilst these measures may not guarantee the prevention of financial scandals, they will mitigate the risks of corporate malpractice occurring.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e199ab51c7774da 18c6418c24ab54452
Building Societies (Funding) and Mutual Societies (Transfers) Act 2007	HMT	Under law it is straightforward for a mutual to transfer its engagements to another mutual of the same kind. However, it is more onerous for a mutual to transfer its engagements to a company, even if the company is owned by another mutual. This regulation makes it easier for a mutual society to transfer its business to a subsidiary of another UK mutual society or of an EEA mutual by implementing sections 3 and 4 of the Act	··	-					http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=89fa0d08cb034380 a3f7c821aa763786
Proposals for a Legislative Reform Order to amend Industrial & Provident Society legislation	НМТ	The legislative framework for cooperatives (Industrial & Provident Societies Act 1965) is out of date and imposes burdens on cooperative enterprise, requires updating to reflect the commercial realities and to enable cooperatives to better serve their members. Many of the identified burdens are contained in the legislation and it is not possible to achieve the policy by non-legislative means. This regulation updates legislation to bring cooperative legislation in line with international comparators, enable them to compete on a level playing field with other legal forms, improve their efficiency, productivity and better serve their members.							http://www.hm- treasury.gov.uk/d/consult lro_summary.pdf
The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2008	HMT	The purpose of the Statutory Instrument (SI) is to remove the scope for dual regulation of lending agreements under the Consumer Credit Act 1974 (CCA 1974) and the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (FSMA). This will make it easier for people who have regulated mortgage contract (RMC).	33.07		0 - 550				http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=519928309b9d4fbc 83865b76b710756a

				Benefits and costs used in the benefit - cost ratio		Benefits and Costs Breakdown				
Impact Assessment	Department	Description of Policy	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits(2007 Prices) (£m)	Quantified Equivalent Annual Cost (2007 Prices) (£m)	One off Transitional Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	One Off Transitional Costs Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Cost Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Link to Impact Assessment Library	
The Landsbanki Freezing Order 2008	НМТ	The purpose of the regulation is to prohibit the movement of funds of the lcelandic bank 'Landsbanki', from its UK branch, known as 'lcesave'. The purpose of this is to ensure that Landsbanki assets are not transferred from the UK until the position of UK creditors becomes clearer.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=ce9d7ccc20ff442c aadff1723002ae78	
Transfer of Kaupthing deposit book of Edge accounts to ING Direct NV	НМТ	The regulation protects the public interest and maintains stability of the UK financial system in circumstances where the Financial Services Authority has determined that a deposit taker is no longer meeting its threshold conditions for authorisation.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=4261e464af26448 0ab278f71be4f270f	
The Bradford & Bingley Compensation Scheme Order 2008	НМТ	The Treasury is required by section 5 of the Act to make an order providing for the determination of the amount of any compensation payable to holders of securities transferred, and to those whose subscription rights are extinguished by an order under the Act. The regulation allows for an independent valuer to decide the procedure for conducting the valuation and publish his or her decision as part of an assessment notice.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=228d4f47f2a8440a 8112898b2178e593	
The Heritable Bank Plc Transfer Certain Rights and Liabilities Order 2008	НМТ	This regulation protects the public interest and maintains stability of the UK financial system in circumstances where the Financial Services Authority has determined that a deposit taker is no longer meeting its threshold conditions for authorisation.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d8dff4869c1d4d49 a4fc46bedbe02b3b	
Tier 5 of the Points Based System for Immigration	НО	Immigration policy. It addresses the implementation of Tier 5 of the Points Based System for Immigration which caters for temporary workers and youth mobility.	111.73	51.52		1.56	109.32	49.78	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9e6351f094b340fd 8f65643b2730b536	
Tier 2 of the Points Based System	НО	Immigration policy. It addresses the implementation of Tier 2 of the Points Based System which caters for skilled migrants with a job offer intending to work in the UK	31.57	3.76		9.27	30.26	2.64	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=126f3a9ceae04502 a124745a17ce6f72	
Changes to the UK's visa regimes following Stage Three of the Visa Waiver Test; and Jamaica DATV imposition	НО	Immigration policy. Visa requirements to strengthen the UK Border	23.01	49.39	2.42	26.77	19.81	19.81	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=dd280757ae7a4af 484b3c4b6eb8964c8	
Marriage Visas reform proposals - raising the age of sponsorship from 18 to 21	НО	Immigration policy. Marriage visa reform to prevent forced marriage.	5.19	5.19			4.69	4.69	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=e37c95c368e24f5e b421dfa96b2c3c6c	
Identity Cards for Foreign Nationals PBS Tier 4 (Student), Marriage Categories and others	-HO	Immigration policy. To Issue a high quality secure document to those legally here, easily recognisable by employers and others.	4.86	6.41		6.44	4.00	4.69	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=56ed3a46c100438 8befb691f17d9ca7d	
Changes to Tiers 1 and 2 for the Points Based System Immigration	НО	Immigration policy. This addresses changes to Tiers 1 and 2 of the Points Based System. These tiers cater for highly skilled and skilled migrants intending to fill gaps in the UK labour market.	4.00	9.10	3.87	8.79			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=96bde9ac27254bc a847daa0831239dcf	

		Department Description of Policy		osts used in the cost ratio			Link to Impact		
Impact Assessment	Department	Description of Policy	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits(2007 Prices) (£m)	Quantified Equivalent Annual Cost (2007 Prices) (£m)	One off Transitional Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	One Off Transitional Costs Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	al Average Assessn	Link to Impact Assessment Library
Fees for Tier 5 of the Points Based System for Immigration	НО	Immigration policy. It addresses the costs and benefits of the different charging options for the Tier 5 migrant tier.	3.93	8.19			3.81	7.91	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c984422737d847a 9b64d28ee6f66c1e0
Ratification of the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings		Immigration policy. To ratify Convention to protect victims and punish those involved in their exploitation.	1.25	4.76			1.17	4.44	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=da0f3cecd6214381 bef9e9514cb46afd
Reclassification of Cannabis to Class B under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971	НО	Drugs policy. This covers the legal classification of cannabis, cannabis resin, cannabinol and its derivatives.		7.98				6.93	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=0ad96ee3123c413 5bce8e284d92c49e1
Fees for Tier 2 of the Points Based System	НО	Immigration policy. It addresses the costs and benefits of the different charging options for the Tier 2 migrant tier.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=bb1664452fd549c0 b64cf4ac69fde07d
Revised statutory charges for the removal, storage and disposal of vehicles by the police	но	Crime policy. Setting charges for the removal of vehicles (to prevent obstruction, opportunities for crime, anti-social behaviour etc) by the police.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=00e04128fac7419b 8d0fa0812559943f
Land Registry The Land Registration (Electronic Conveyance) Rules 2008	МОЈ	The proposals looked to reduce where possible admin burdens on customers. In particular to improve statutory forms in line with NAO guidance. We also sought to reduce the risk of fraud and to improve operational efficiency by reducing customer errors.		-					http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c91adf6e0f924d62 81b770af14848a9d
Local Involvement Networks (LINks) Regulations and Directions	DH	Ensure LINks related activities are carried out by each Local Authority (LA) with full regard of provisions set out in the Local Government and Patient Involvement in Health Act.	9.04	30.28			8.78	29.44	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=9630211447da4be cb311aae8e21911ae
The Medicines (Products for Human Use – Fees) Regulations 2009		Change existing legislation to allow an increase in fees paid by the pharmaceutical industry, NHS and other bodies in relation to the regulation of medicine. This increase will ensure the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) can recover its cost for this work, and continue its role in protecting public health.	3.00	2.28			2.90	2.20	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d55f55816878452 69234e9581f869cc4
The Medical Act 1983 (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Amendments Order 2008	DH	Transfer statutory functions relating to medical education from the General Medical Council (GMC) Education Committee to the council itself. This will consolidate responsibility for all GMC'S statutory functions allowing it to act more strategically and cohesively.		4.14		4.00			http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=a251162d3bfa4f44 8c1714c3f1dfb30d
Directive 2007/47/EC,Council Directive 90/385/EEC,Council Directive 93/42/EEC,Directive 98/8/EC	DH	Implement regulatory changes to the current framework for medical devices to strengthen the regime and improve communication amongst Member States. Amendments to the directive will better specify the obligations of manufacturers, notified bodies and authorities with particular respect to the key issues of conformity assessment, clinical evaluation and post market surveillance, in order to continue to ensure the highest level of safety, and to ensure access to the market.		1.44					http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=979c3cc8edc2460 e994c92cff6251c0e

Impact Assessment			Benefits and costs used in the benefit - cost ratio			Link to Impact			
	Department	Description of Policy	Quantified Equivalent Annual Benefits(2007 Prices) (£m)	Quantified Equivalent Annual Cost (2007 Prices) (£m)	One off Transitional Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	One Off Transitional Costs Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Benefits Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Average Annual Cost Range (£m) (2007 Prices)	Link to Impact Assessment Library
Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act	DH	Ensure legitimate medical and scientific applications of human reproductive technologies continue to flourish, to maintain public confidence in the development and use of human reproductive technologies through efficient regulatory controls, and to secure that regulatory controls accord with the principles of better regulation.							http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod _consum_dh/groups/dh_d igitalassets/@dh/@en/do cuments/digitalasset/dh_0 80207.pdf
Health Care and Associated Professions (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order	DH	Update and reform the system of regulation in order to maintain and improve public confidence, implement changes to the governing structures of healthcare professions regulators to ensure they are seen to be independent and impartial in their actions.						0 - 1	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=858aa2091f6740d 98721c5318432a80a
The Blood Safety and Quality (Fees Amendment) Regulations 2009		Change existing legislation governing levels of fees paid by blood banks and other establishments for the purpose of regulation. The increased fees will ensure the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) can recover its costs and continue in its role of protecting public health.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c1e792991c394c5 782d537220b807614
The Medical Devices (Fees) Regulations 2009	DH	Monitor and review fees charged by MHRA for routine regulatory activities, with the purpose of ensuring the fee reflects the cost of the work undertaken.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=d6503af916324b2 ba44169be9e9d099d
Nursing and Midwifery (Amendment) Order 2008	DH	To improve public confidence in the nursing and midwifery professions it is necessary to make changes to the governing structure of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC). Changes will include a move to fully appointed council which will make it more accountable to Parliament.		-					http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=c713533aba064df0 ba9e4a8160cf8747
The Mental Capacity Act 2005 deprivation of liberty safeguards to accompany the Code of Practice and regulations	DH	Provide safeguards for people who are cared for in hospitals and care homes in circumstances which deprieve them of their liberty but are unable to consent to this action being taken. Safeguards will ensure people are only deprived of their liberty when there is no lesser restrictive way of providing them with the treatment or care that is needed.		7.94		5.84		4.3 - 13.9 (declining over time)	http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=68c7f9632f00402e 94437e78645a2bfa
The mental capacity (Depravation c liberty: Monitoring and Reporting; and Assessments - Amendment) Regulations 2009	f DH	Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (MCA DOLS) provides regulations for authorisation of the deprivation of liberty for people who lack the capacity to consent to arrangements made for their care or treatment, but who need to be deprived of liberty in their best interest, to protect them from harm. Safeguards will ensure operation of MCA DOLS is adequately monitored by an independent body to ensure the liberty of vulnerable people in hospitals and care homes is protected.							http://www.ialibrary.berr.g ov.uk/ImpactAssessment/ ?IAID=10cc3ae591e049a ebfe7d2ac76ae3745

The Total Benefit / Cost Ratio of New Regulations 2008-09 based on the data above provided by government departments is 1.85

Section 4. Methodology for Calculating the BCR (2008-2009)

Government departments are required to publish an Impact Assessment with every regulation. These IAs include the Present Values of the benefits and costs of each regulation.

The ratio is derived from the Equivalent Annual Benefits and Costs of each regulation. These are calculated from the PVs of benefits and costs for each regulation. This is a standard method in finance for expressing the benefits and costs of projects appraised over different time periods on an equivalent annual basis. They are calculated as follows:

Equivalent Annual Cost:

$$PVC \times r \div \left[1 - \frac{1}{\left(1 + r\right)^t}\right]$$

Equivalent Annual Benefit:

$$PVB \times r \div \left[1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^t}\right]$$

Where,

r = the discount rate (which follows HMT Green Book Guidance)

t= time period (the number of years the PV is calculated over)

PVC = Present value of all monetised costs and

PVB = Present value of all monetised benefits

The BCR is calculated as the ratio of the total EABs to the total EACs of new regulation enacted. This ratio will be published on an annual basis for legislation enacted in the previous financial year. The Public Service Agreement (PSA) that sets out the requirement to report the BCR, lays out an expectation that 'quantifiable benefits should exceed quantifiable costs' i.e. the ratio should exceed 1.0 each year.⁵

⁵ It is available at <u>http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/d/pbr_csr07_psa6.pdf</u> on page 9.

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The BCR includes all IAs that correspond to legislation enacted in the 2008-09 financial year. Regulation stemming from both primary and secondary legislation has been included in the BCR, in order to ensure that the benefits and costs of all new regulation introduced are included. The enactment date for each type of legislation has been defined as:

- The date of Royal Assent for primary legislation, and
- The date that the relevant statutory instrument is made for secondary legislation.

Under the UK legislative framework, secondary legislation flows from primary legislation. As such, IAs for primary legislation must include the benefits and costs that are expected to accrue from future secondary legislation that the primary legislation enables. If this was not the case IAs for primary legislation would not give any indication of the likely benefits and costs that will fall on the economy; information which is essential to the decision-making process. However, including both primary and secondary legislation relating to the same regulation would mean the benefits and costs would be double counted in the BCR over time. To avoid double counting of the benefits and costs brought in by the two types of legislation in the BCR, the benefits and costs of regulation must be allocated appropriately between the two legislative instruments.

Broadly speaking there are five areas of regulatory benefits and costs that must be accounted for in the BCR, and allocated between the IAs for primary and secondary legislation. The way in which these have been treated in the BCR this year (reporting period April 2008 - March 2009) is set out below. These simplifying assumptions have been made in order to deliver the BCR in a timely manner, in line with the parameters set out in the PSA.

- The impacts from parts of primary legislation that are implemented when it receives Royal Assent have been included if the primary legislation received Royal Assent in the reporting year.
- 2. Those impacts from the parts of legislation that **require** government to lay further secondary legislation in order to bring in the provisions set out in the primary legislation are included at the enactment date of the primary legislation.

Example: The Education and Skills Act 2008 is included in this year's BCR as it received Royal Assent during the reporting period. A large proportion of the monetised benefits and costs attributed to this Act result from the Government's intention to increase the minimum age that a young person can leave education or

training to 18. However, raising the school leaving age must be done through secondary legislation, which will be enacted at a later date, so these benefits and costs will not occur with certainty until this statutory instrument is laid. Yet under the specification of the PSA these benefits and costs must be included now in the BCR as they are included in the final published IA for the Education and Skills Act 2008.

3. There are also pieces of legislation that give the Government the **option** to lay further secondary legislation in order to implement policies included in a previously enacted piece of primary legislation. The benefits and costs of such policies have also been included in the BCR under the primary legislation for this first year. This part of the methodology will need to be clarified and potentially modified in future reporting periods to avoid double counting.

Example: The Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change has the option of bringing in to force a microgeneration feed-in tariff via a statutory instrument at some future date. However, until the Secretary of State chooses to do so, the benefits and costs of the tariff will never be incurred.

At present not all IAs for primary legislation specify what proportion of the benefits and costs in the IA are due to primary legislation and what proportion are due to the secondary legislation. Therefore, we have opted to adopt the methodology above in this, the first reporting year, in order for the ratio to be as transparent as possible about the regulation brought forward. This area of the methodology needs to be refined further as part of our ongoing work on the composition and use of impact assessment across Government, and is an area where our methodology should improve for next year's reporting.

4. The ratio includes secondary legislation that has been enacted in this reporting period which stems from primary legislation enacted prior to April 1st 2008.

Example: The Companies Act 2006 received Royal Assent in 2006. However, secondary legislation is still being enacted by Government via the powers set out in this Act. A number of pieces of secondary legislation stemming from this Act have been enacted in the 2008-09 financial year, one example of which is the application of the remaining (non-accounts and audit) provisions of the Companies Act to limited liability partnerships. As such these pieces of secondary legislation must be included in the BCR; otherwise we would not capture all new regulations and their respective benefits and costs.

5. Those parts of legislation that install statutory targets in to law have been excluded from the ratio. While final published IAs for these may exist, they do not reflect the true benefits and cost of these targets, as they do not make clear what policies will be brought forward to meet these targets. As such including the expected benefits and costs set out in the IAs for such targets would not be meaningful. We have opted not to include such targets and instead we will include all the benefits and costs of the future legislation enacted to meet these targets in future BCR's.

Example: In the 2008-09 financial year Government enacted in to law a statutory target that committed it to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050. However, the IA for this target does not set out all the policies that will be used to meet this target. Instead it includes an estimate of the potential benefits and costs of meeting the target based on economic modelling. It is not possible for us to include these benefits and costs and then the subsequent benefits and costs of the policies introduced to meet the target, as this would clearly be double counting. Therefore we have opted to exclude the target itself and instead include the benefits and costs of the policies that will be enacted to meet the target in future years.

Technical detail:

All information is shown in 2007 prices and values. Where IAs included in the ratio that do not report a price base year we have assumed that their price base year is 2007. In some cases, where the price base used in the IA has been different, we have re-based those values into 2007 values. Re-basing has been undertaken using the GDP deflator.⁶ This process does not change the significance of the costs and benefits that were provided in the IAs, but simply expresses these in different terms.

The example below (**Figure 1**) shows how the costs reported for one measure have been converted from 2006 values (the basis upon which the information was originally provided in the Impact Assessment) into 2007 values, so to be consistent with other measures in the BCR.

⁶ Source: HM Treasury (GDP Deflator, 19/10/09 http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/data_gdp_index.htm) and BIS estimates

Figure 1: Re-basing costs into 2007 values (£m)

Measure	Average Annual Costs (£m) Range as reported in the Impact Assessment	Price base year reported in the Impact Assessment	GDP Deflator ⁽ⁱ⁾ (from 2006 to 2007)	Average Annual Costs (in 2007 prices) (£m)
Climate Change Act- Powers to pilot local authority incentives for household waste minimisation and recycling	50 - 60	2006	1.029	51.45 – 61.73

The values presented by the total BCR reflect the full economic costs and benefits (which were quantified) arising from a measure. The full economic costs include impacts which accrue to businesses and also to others in society at large.

All costs and benefits presented in the BCR are rounded to an approximate figure. Figure 2 summarises the convention used.

Figure 2: Ranges used to describe costs and benefits (£ millions)

Ranges	Description	
"" 	Equal or greater than zero and less than £1m (with the exception of the Department for Transport who do not differentiate between those measures resulting in costs or benefits of less than £1 million, or those that are yet to be confirmed - "TBC")	
Costs or benefits over £1m	Figures are rounded to the nearest £100,000	
*	The EAC / EAB figures presented here were calculated from the present values published in the relevant Impact Assessments	

Note: Presentation of the figures in the BCR is based on the mid-point of the range, where a range was shown in the Impact Assessment.

Where IAs have included transitional and annually recurring benefit or cost figures but not the PVs of these benefits and costs, the Better Regulation Executive has calculated the PVs using the 10-year appraisal period as set out in HM Treasury's Green Book⁷.

Where IAs have included the PVs of benefits and costs, but not the time period over which the PVs have been calculated, the appropriate time period for the EAB/EAC calculation has been inferred from the available data.

Where IAs include a range of values for their PVs of benefits and costs, the midpoint of these values has been used to calculate the EAB or EAC, unless a best estimate has been given.

This year, only those simplifications that required legislation are included in the BCR, where simplifications are defined as those measures brought in to meet the Government's 2010 Simplification Target.⁸ The savings from simplification measures are deducted from total costs in the BCR, i.e. they are deducted from the denominator in the BCR.

All tax measures, including tax simplifications, are excluded from the BCR.

Summary:

The estimation of the BCR uses information available in Impact Assessments published in 2008-09. By necessity, the methodology used for the BCR includes a number of assumptions and adjustments to the data presented in the IAs. These are set out above to ensure our approach is transparent and understandable.

We will continue to improve and refine this methodology in the coming year. We are currently reviewing the IA template and processes, which will improve the information available for future reporting of the BCR, in line with the legislative process. Central to this will be putting mechanisms in place to ensure that benefits and costs included in previously reported ratios under primary legislation are not counted again when the required secondary legislation is itself enacted.

All IAs included in the BCR are available from the Impact Assessment library, which is available at <u>http://www.ialibrary.berr.gov.uk/</u>

⁷ <u>http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/data_greenbook_index.htm</u>

⁸ http://www.berr.gov.uk/files/file14293.pdf

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