

**FOI Release**  
***Information released under the Freedom of Information Act***

**Title:** Subsidies to J. Sainsbury plc

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**Information request**

I would like to request information on whether J. Sainsbury plc receive any subsidies from the government and if J. Sainsbury plc does receive any subsidies from the government, I would please like to receive information on what subsidy schemes they are part of and total amounts awarded. I would please like this information to include each of the past five financial years separated, including the current financial year if possible.

**Information released**

We are only able to advise you on the information held by this department, which includes records transferred to BIS from the Regional Development Agencies (RDAs).

The information held by this department show that the North West Regional Development Agency offered grant support of £1,100,000 to Sainsbury's Supermarkets Limited to establish a Human Resource Technical Centre at Arndale Tower, Manchester.

The award was paid in 3 instalments:

1st £300,000 - 12/01/09  
2nd £500,000 - 02/04/09  
3rd £300,000 - 05/07/10