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Thank you for your email of 20<sup>th</sup> April requesting the following information:

"To get the in-year spends for each of the programmes listed in the Excel spreadsheet issued as the MoD's annual Equipment Plan report 202-30 for the year 2020-21. The tab is entitled "PPST2020), and runs from "Ajax (Specialist Vehicles)" down to "New Style of IT (Deployed)".

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

The information you have requested can be found at annex A. Some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the qualified exemption provided for at section 22(1) (Information Intended for Future Publication) of the FOIA and has been withheld.

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Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the in-year spend for Dreadnought will be available in The United Kingdom's future nuclear deterrent: annual update to Parliament. The next update will be published in December 2021. The figure will also appear in the Ministry of Defence's Annual Reports and Accounts published in Autumn 2021, available at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/mod-annual-reports">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/mod-annual-reports</a>

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MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <u>http://www.ico.org.uk.</u>

Yours sincerely,

**Defence Resources Secretariat** 

Please find below the 20/21 in-year spends for each of the programmes listed in the Project Performance Summary Table (PPST) of the Equipment Plan 2020. These figures have not yet been audited and may change until the MOD Annual Reports and Accounts is published in Autumn 2021.

Project	Description	In-year spend- 2020- 21 (£'M)
AJAX (Specialist Vehicles)	Armoured Fighting Vehicle	577
Apache Capability Sustainment Programme	Sustainment of Attack Helicopter	265
E7 Wedgetail	Airborne Early Warning and Control Aircraft	376
Brimstone Capability Sustainment Programme	Sustainment Programme of Air to Ground Missile	50
Brimstone 3B	Sustainment Programme of Air to Ground Missile	28
Spear Capability 3	Fighter Air to Ground Missile	84
ASRAAM Sustainment (MG1)	Sustainment Programme of Air to Air Missile	44
Lightning II (SDD)	Fighter / Attack Aircraft	-1
Lightning II (PSFD)	Fighter / Attack Aircraft	430
Marshall	Air Traffic Control System	49
Mechanised Infantry Vehicle (MIV)		126
P-8A Poseidon	Maritime Patrol Aircraft	614
Protector	Unmanned Aircraft	159
Queen Elizabeth Class Carriers	Aircraft Carrier	1
Sky Sabre (FI Phase 1)	Ground Based Air Defence System	6
Sky Sabre (FI Phase 2)	Ground Based Air Defence System	30
Type 26 Frigates	Global Combat Ship	572
Type 31 Frigates		199
Warrior Capability Sustainment Programme	Infantry Fighting Vehicle	67
Astute Boats 4-7	Attack Submarine	456
Core Production Capability	Core Manufacturing Facility	134
Dreadnought	Ballistic Submarine	Withheld
New Style of IT (Deployed)	Information Capability to the Frontline	122