



# Freedom of Information: a drop in the ocean

In 2014/15, central government  
spent £568 billion\*

In 2014, freedom of information  
requests cost central government  
£5.7 million or £0.0057 billion\*\*

\* According to the government's own Public Expenditure  
Statistical Analyses 2015

\*\* Based on average cost of £184 given in 2012  
government research x number of requests received in  
2014 according to government FOI statistics