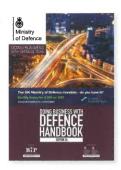
Introduction



he MOD buys a wide variety of products and services, ranging from clothing and food to satellite communication systems; from construction of buildings to provision of staff; and from musical instruments to medical-related products and services. We are British industry's single largest customer, spending in the region of £19.4 billion a year. This amounts to 40-45% of total Government spend with third parties.

The information provided by the Doing Business with Defence Outreach Team (previously the Defence Suppliers Service) in this edition of the Doing Business with Defence Handbook presents an overview of how we do business. Current and potential suppliers will also find a number of links to where they can discover further information about commercial opportunities with the MOD/Defence.

If you have not previously done business with the MOD/Defence and would like to do so in the future, please take some time to familiarise yourself with the information in this brochure. This information is continually being updated in the soft copy version which can be accessed online: www.contracts.mod.uk/ doing business with the mod.

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