

DCMS: a conglomerate within a conglomerate

The Department of Culture, Media and Sport is one of the smaller departments. Yet it is a conglomerate within a conglomerate. In 2022-23, it employed 1,818 staff and had an annual spend of £8.5 billion. It oversaw 43 quangos which employed over 34,000 staff and spent 90% of the Department's budget.¹

It is too diverse for anyone to have the knowledge to manage it effectively.

Non-ministerial department

The Charity Commission
The National Archives

Executive non-departmental public bodies

Arts Council England
British Film Institute
British Library
British Museum
Gambling Commission
Historic England
Horniman Museum & Public Park Trust
Horserace Betting Levy Board
Imperial War Museum
National Gallery
National Heritage Memorial Fund
National Lottery Community Fund
National Museums Liverpool
National Portrait Gallery
Natural History Museum
Royal Armouries Museum
Royal Museums Greenwich
Science Museum Group
Sir John Soane's Museum
Sport England
Sports Grounds Safety Authority
Tate
UK Anti-Doping
UK Sport
Victoria and Albert Museum
VisitBritain
VisitEngland

Wallace Collection

Advisory non-departmental public body

The Advisory Council on National Records and Archives
The Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art & Objects of Cultural Interest
The Theatres Trust
Treasure Valuation Committee

Public corporations

BBC
Channel 4
Historic Royal Palaces
Royal Parks

Other

Churches Conservation Trust
National Citizen Service
Ofcom

¹ National Audit Office, [DCMS Departmental Overview 2023](#) and authors' calculations.

