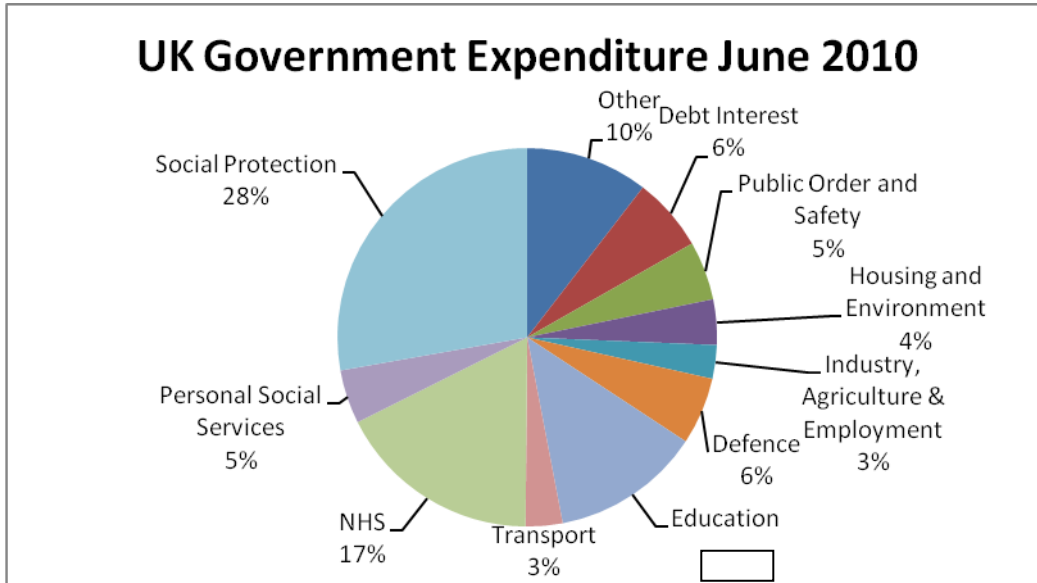


# Government Spending Balancing the Budget



Look at the pie chart. On what does the Government spend most of its budget?

- What percentage of the budget is spent on Education? How did you work this out?
- What fraction of the budget is spent, in total, on the four areas: 'Housing and Environment', 'Industry, Agriculture and Employment', 'NHS' and 'Social Protection'? Reduce these fractions to their lowest terms.
- What do you think the Government means by 'Social Protection'?
- The total budget spent was £698 billion pounds. Calculate how much was spent on each area and complete the table below.

Area of Spending	Amount Spent in Billion Pounds
Debt Interest	
Defence	
Education	
Housing & Environment	
Industry, Agriculture & Employment	
NHS	
Other	
Personal Social Services	
Public Order and Safety	
Social Protection	
Transport	

TOTAL £698