

The top political donors

Donations made by individuals or their companies in 2008

1	Lord Sainsbury	£2,511,808	Labour
2	Lord Ashcroft	£1,600,893	Conservative
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4	Dave Whelan	£750,000	Conservative
5	Michael Spencer	£421,865	Conservative
6	Sir David Garrard	£352,278	Labour
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8	Nigel Doughty	£309,000	Labour
9	Sir Gulam Noon	£307,576	Labour
10=	Jon Aisbitt	£250,000	Labour
10=	Sir Ronnie Cohen	£250,000	Labour
12	Terence Cole	£245,732	Conservative
13	John Cook	£236,307	Conservative
14	Marcus Evans	£232,660	Liberal Democrats
15	Sir Anthony Bamford	£207,554	Conservative
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18	Hans Rausing	£148,000	Conservative
19	Andrew Cook	£126,622	Conservative
20	Richard Sharp	£109,500	Conservative
21	Lady Annabel Goldsmith	£102,370	Conservative
22	Hugh Sloane	£101,500	Conservative
23	Mike Clare	£100,000	Conservative
24	Stanley Fink	£91,001	Conservative
25	William Ives	£84,400	Conservative
26	Hugh Osmond	£84,000	Conservative
27	John Nike	£82,500	Conservative
28	Peter Buckley (deceased, Cayzer family)	£70,500	Conservative
29	Jim Mellon	£65,000	Conservative
30	Lord Steinberg	£59,000	Conservative
31	Sir Anwar Pervez	£58,000	Conservative
32	Lord Alliance	£56,000	Liberal Democrats
33	Bob Edmiston	£55,377	Conservative
34	John Guthrie	£55,000	Conservative
35	Sir Peter Vardy	£53,500	Conservative
36	Julian and David Schild	£53,098	Conservative
37	Rosemary Said	£52,700	Conservative
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39=	David Allen	£50,000	Conservative
39=	Sir Martyn Arbib	£50,000	Conservative
39=	Robert de Crespigny	£50,000	Conservative
39=	Richard Harpin	£50,000	Conservative
39=	Simon Robertson	£50,000	Conservative
39=	George Robinson	£50,000	Conservative

Source: Electoral Commission