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Dear

Thank you for your email dated the 25th August 2014 requesting the following information.

Could you please provide details of the number of service personnel who have gone awol since 2003; the numbers prosecuted for desertion and their sentences. I would like the figures broken down by service and year.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held and can be found below and at annex A.

AWOL referrals to the SPA since 2009

Year	AWOL referrals – Army	AWOL referrals – Navy	AWOL referrals – RAF	AWOL referrals - Total
2009	334	7	1	342
2010	232	5	0	237
2011	194	5	1	200
2012	128	2	0	130
2013	62	2	0	64
2014 (as at 28/08/14)	60	3	0	63

Prosecutions for Desertion carried out by the SPA since 2009

Year	Desertion prosecutions - Army	Desertion prosecutions - Navy	Desertion prosecutions - RAF	Desertion prosecutions - Total
2009	11	0	0	11
2010	40	1	0	41
2011	42	1	0	43
2012	37	1	0	38
2013	36	2	0	38
2014 (as at 28/08/14)	18	0	0	18

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the SPA was formed in 2009. We therefore do not hold statistical information appertaining to cases prior to that date.

It is also important to note that going AWOL is a serious service offence. Personnel go AWOL for a variety of reasons and we try to mitigate this by having in place good Service conditions and welfare support for personnel and their families.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

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Desertion prosecutions - 2009

Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Army	17-Sep-08	Desertion	19-Jan-09	19-Jan-09	Guilty	Guilty	7 months detention and dismissed from HM Service
Army	26-Sep-08	Desertion	22-Jan-09	22-Jan-09	Not Guilty	Guilty	9 months detention
Army	20-Feb-09	AWOL+ Desertion	05-Mar-09	05-Mar-09	Guilty	Guilty	120 days detention
Army	02-Apr-09	1 x AWOL 1 x desertion	30-Apr-09	30-Apr-09	Guilty	Guilty	99 days detention
Army	20-Jan-09	Desertion	01-May-09	01-May-09	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HM Service and 9 months imprisonment
Army	05-May-09	Desertion	28-May-09	28-May-09	Guilty	Guilty	To be dismissed from HM Service and to undergo detention for 6 months
Army	25-Jun-09	Desertion	22-Jul-09	22-Jul-09	Guilty	Guilty	8 months detention
Army	22-Jun-09	1 x Desertion, 1 x Drunkenness & 1 x AWOL	19-Aug-09	21-Aug-09	Not Guilty	Guilty	NG on desertion - Guilty on AWOL
Army	20-Apr-09	Desertion	15-Sep-09	15-Sep-09	Guilty	Guilty	8 months detention
Army	10-Aug-09	Desertion	06-Oct-09	06-Oct-09	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HM Service and 2 years imprisonment
Army	16-Nov-09	Desertion	25-Nov-09	25-Nov-09	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HM Service and 6 months detention

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Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Army	26-Oct-09	1 x desertion 1 x AWOL	18-Jan-10	18-Jan-10	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 8 months detention, charge 2 - 1 months detention to run consecutively - total 9 months detention
Army	02-Nov-09	Desertion	26-Jan-10	26-Jan-10	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from service
Army	27-Jan-10	Desertion	18-Feb-10	18-Feb-10	Guilty	Guilty	15 months detention
Army	08-Dec-09	1 x AWOL 1 x desertion	25-Feb-10	25-Feb-10	Guilty	Guilty	2 months detention on AWOL, 7 months detention on desertion to be run consecutively
Army	18-Jun-09	Desertion	05-Mar-10	05-Mar-10	Guilty	Guilty	9 months detention and reduced to the ranks
Army	26-Oct-09	1 x desertion 1 x AWOL	15-Mar-10	15-Mar-10	Guilty	Guilty	To be imprisoned for 10 months on the first charge and to be imprisoned for 1 month concurrently on the second charge and to be dismissed from HM Service
Army	12-Feb-10	Desertion	17-Mar-10	17-Mar-10	Guilty	Guilty	To be dismissed from HM Service and to undergo detention for 18 months
Army	17-Sep-09	Desertion x 2, 1 AWOL	17-Mar-10	17-Mar-10	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - dismissed from HM Service and to be imprisoned for 15 months, charge 2 - the same as charge 1, charge 3 - to be dismissed and to be imprisoned for 60 days - all charges to run consecutively
Army	12-Feb-10	Desertion x 1, AWOL x 1	14-Apr-10	14-Apr-10	Guilty	Guilty	1 - imprisonment for 15 months concurrent and to be dismissed from HM Service. 2 - imprisonment for 2 months to run concurrent
Army	10-Dec-09	Desertion x 2	11-May-10	19-May-10	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HM Service - Service Community Order for 12 months and a requirement to undertake 275 hours of unpaid work
Army	16-Mar-10	Desertion	11-May-10	11-May-10	Guilty	Guilty	135 days detention
Army	25-Mar-10	Desertion x 3	12-May-10	12-May-10	Guilty	Guilty	1 - 14 days detention, 2 - 76 days detention, 3 - 30 days detention - all to run consecutive
Army	11-Mar-10	1 x desertion 1 x AWOL	24-May-10	24-May-10	Guilty	Guilty	12 months detention and dismissal

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Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Army	23-Apr-10	Desertion	07-Jun-10	07-Jun-10	Guilty	Guilty	Suspended sentence order of 6 months imprisonment suspended for 2 years with an unpaid work requirement of 150 hours and to be dismissed from HMS
Army	30-Oct-09	1 x AWOL 2 x Desertion	10-Jun-10	10-Jun-10	Guilty	Guilty	150 days detention concurrent on each charge
Army	15-Feb-10	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	22-Jun-10	22-Jun-10	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - dismissed from HM Service and to undergo detention for 2 years - charge 2 - 28 days detention to run concurrent
Army	26-May-10	Desertion	06-Jul-10	06-Jul-10	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed. Suspended sentence order of four months imprisonment suspended for 2 years, with a supervision requirement for 2 years and an unpaid work requirement for 100 hours.
Army	04-Jun-10	Desertion x 2	08-Jul-10	08-Jul-10	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 30 days detention, Charge 2 - 120 days detention to run consecutive and to be reduced to the rank of LBdr
Army	04-Jun-10	Desertion	21-Jul-10	21-Jul-10	Guilty	Guilty	7 months detention
Army	07-Jun-10	Desertion	02-Aug-10	02-Aug-10	Not Guilty	Guilty	To undergo detention for 12 months
Army	25-May-10	Desertion	02-Aug-10	02-Aug-10	Guilty	Guilty	To be dismissed from HM Service & undergo detention for 11 months
Army	08-Jun-10	Desertion	19-Aug-10	19-Aug-10	Guilty	Guilty	150 days detention
Army	07-Apr-10	Desertion x 1, AWOL x 1	06-Sep-10	06-Sep-10	Guilty	Guilty	Reduced to the ranks, dismissed and to undergo 12 months detention
Army	16-Jul-10	Desertion	06-Sep-10	06-Sep-10	Guilty	Guilty	110 days detention
Army	12-Jul-10	Desertion	23-Sep-10	23-Sep-10	Not Guilty	Guilty	Found NG of desertion, but guilty of AWOL for the same period
Army	13-Jul-10	Desertion x 3	28-Sep-10	28-Sep-10	Not Guilty	Guilty	Found guilty on 2 charges of desertion and 1 charge of AWOL - pleaded guilty to all 3 dates on charge of AWOL - sentenced to charges 1 & 2 - 21 months detention to run concurrent and charge 3 14 days detention to run concurrent - dismissed from HM

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Navy	18-Jun-10	Desertion	29-Sep-10	29-Sep-10	Guilty	Guilty	6 months detention
Army	23-Aug-10	Desertion	30-Sep-10	30-Sep-10	Guilty	Guilty	Imprisoned for 18 months and to be dismissed from HM Service
Army	21-Jul-10	Desertion x 2	14-Oct-10	14-Oct-10	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 12 months detention, charge 2 - 60 days detention to run concurrent
Army	12-Jul-10	AOABH x 1 Desertion x 1	25-Oct-10	25-Oct-10	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed HM Service - charge 1 120 days detention, charge 2 6 months detention to run consecutive
Army	12-Aug-10	Desertion	11-Nov-10	11-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HM Service. 18 months detention
Army	15-Jun-10	Desertion	15-Nov-10	23-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	6 months detention
Army	20-Jul-10	Desertion	16-Nov-10	16-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	To be dismissed from HM Service to a service community order. To be under the supervision of the Probation Service for 12 months and to perform 240 hrs unpaid work as directed by Probation Officer
Army	18-Oct-10	Desertion	16-Nov-10	16-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	7 months detention
Army	27-Sep-10	Desertion x 2	18-Nov-10	18-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	NG of Desertion - 9 months detention for AWOL
Army	27-Sep-10	Desertion x 2	23-Nov-10	07-Dec-10	Guilty	Guilty	AWOL - 6 months detention, Desertion - 12 months detention to run concurrent
Army	29-Sep-10	Desertion	23-Nov-10	23-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	21 months detention and dismissal
Army	29-Sep-10	Desertion	25-Nov-10	25-Nov-10	Guilty	Guilty	50 days detention
Army	22-Sep-10	Desertion	01-Dec-	01-	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and 18 months detention

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			10	Dec-10			
Army	20-Oct-10	Desertion	10-Dec-10	10-Dec-10	Guilty	Guilty	10 months detention
Army	08-Oct-10	Desertion	16-Dec-10	16-Dec-10	Not Guilty	Guilty	Guilty to AWOL - 7 months detention

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Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Army	14-Dec-07	Desertion x 3 Escaping from custody x 1	07-Feb-11	07-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Desertion x 2 changed to AWOL x 2 - Total 16 months detention
Army	05-Oct-10	Desertion	21-Feb-11	21-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HMS, service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 240 hrs unpaid work
Army	04-Oct-10	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 2	12-Jan-11	12-Jan-11	Guilty	Guilty	1 - Dismissed and 18 months detention, 2 - 150 days detention, 3 - 100 days detention - all to run concurrent
Army	25-Jun-10	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	27-Jan-11	27-Jan-11	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 6 months detention, charge 2 - 14 days detention to run consecutive
Army	04-Aug-10	Desertion	09-May-11	16-May-11	Guilty	Guilty	1st charge 12 months MCTC and dismissal, 2nd charge 3 months MCTC concurrent
Army	21-Oct-10	Desertion	10-Jan-11	10-Jan-11	Guilty	Guilty	20 months detention and dismissal
Army	27-Aug-10	AWOL x 1 Desertion x 1	24-Jan-11	24-Jan-11	Guilty	Guilty	Pleaded guilty to AWOL and NG to desertion. Prosecution accepted plea. Charge 1 - 2 months detention, charge 2 - 6 months detention both charges to be served concurrently
Navy	30-Nov-10	Desertion	28-Feb-11	28-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Pleaded and found NG to Desertion but guilty to AWOL - sentenced to a fine of £900
Army	01-Dec-10	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	14-Feb-11	14-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, fined £2000 payable at £200 per month
Army	16-Mar-11	Desertion	29-Jul-11	29-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	6 months detention less 16 days spent in custody
Army	09-Dec-10	Desertion	18-Feb-11	18-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and 22 months detention
Army	19-Nov-10	Desertion x 2	14-Feb-11	17-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	195 days detention
Army	12-Nov-10	Desertion	07-Mar-11	07-Mar-11	Guilty	Guilty	10 months detention

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			11	11			
Army	11-Jan-11	Desertion	18-Feb-11	18-Feb-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, reduced to the ranks & SCO for 240 hours in the next 12 months
Army	31-Jan-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	15-Jul-11	15-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and reduced, 12 months imprisonment suspended for 24 months and to undergo 240 hours unpaid work in 12 months. Charge 2 - 14 days prison suspended for 24 months to run concurrent
Army	18-Feb-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 2	04-Apr-11	04-Apr-11	Guilty	Guilty	1 - Dismissed from HMS & 2 years detention, 2 - 30 days detention, 3 - 19 days detention - all to run consecutively
Army	25-Feb-11	Desertion	12-Apr-11	12-Apr-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HMS, 20 months detention
Army	09-Mar-11	AWOL, Desertion	20-May-11	20-May-11	Not Guilty	Guilty	Pleaded NG to desertion and G to AWOL - found Guilty of both charges - sentenced to 6 months detention for charge 1 and 12 months detention to run concurrent on charge 2 - dismissed
Army	21-Mar-11	Desertion	05-Jul-11	05-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	To be dismissed from HMS, detention 22 months
Army	23-Mar-11	Desertion	04-Jul-11	04-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	12 months detention
Army	04-Apr-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	05-May-11	05-May-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HMS, service community order for 300 hrs unpaid work. No separate penalty for charge 2
Army	06-Apr-11	Desertion	01-Jul-11	01-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months and 240 hours unpaid work within 12 months
Army	13-Apr-11	AWOL x 2 Desertion x 1	20-Oct-11	20-Oct-11	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 10 days detention, charge 2 - 10 days detention, charge 3 - 100 days detention - total sentence of 120 days detention suspended for 1 year
Army	11-May-11	Desertion	21-Oct-11	21-Oct-11	Guilty	Guilty	120 days detention
Army	11-May-11	Desertion	19-Jul-11	19-Jul-11	Guilty	Guilty	Alternative charge of AWOL x 1 - 7 months and 15 days detention

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Army	21-Jun-11	Desertion	24-Oct-11	25-Oct-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed from HMS, service community order with unpaid work req of 180 hrs within next 12 months
Army	29-Jun-11	Desertion	07-Sep-11	07-Sep-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 240 hours of unpaid work within that period
Army	29-Jun-11	Desertion	23-Sep-11	23-Sep-11	Guilty	Guilty	Reprimand
Army	20-Jun-11	Desertion	07-Sep-11	07-Sep-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and 2 years detention and reduced to the ranks.
Army	06-Jul-11	Desertion	10-Aug-11	10-Aug-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and fined £2000
Army	13-Jul-11	Desertion	13-Oct-11	13-Oct-11	Not Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and to undergo a service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 120 hours to be carried out within 12 months
Army	13-Jul-11	Desertion	14-Nov-11	14-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 100 hours unpaid work
Army	13-Jul-11	Desertion	03-Oct-11	03-Oct-11	Not Guilty	Guilty	To undergo 130 days detention
Army	14-Jul-11	AWOL x 1 Desertion x 1	07-Sep-11	07-Sep-11	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 10 days detention, charge 2 - 9 months detention to run consecutively
Army	12-Aug-11	Desertion x 2 AWOL x 1	10-Nov-11	10-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - dismissal and 1 year and 6 months detention and reduced to the ranks - charge 2 - 90 days detention, charge 3 - 90 days detention - to run concurrent to charge 1
Army	19-Aug-11	Desertion	08-Nov-11	08-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service supervision order for a period of 1 year with the condition that he perform 200 hours of unpaid work. This sentence is on both charges to run concurrently
Army	31-Aug-11	Desertion	05-Oct-11	05-Oct-11	Guilty	Guilty	12 months detention (56 days custody already served to count)
Army	15-Sep-11	Desertion	15-Nov-11	15-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Plead and found NG to desertion, plead guilty to AWOL - 6 months detention

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Army	26-Sep-11	Desertion	16-Dec-11	16-Dec-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	03-Oct-11	Desertion	21-Nov-11	22-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Pleaded NG to desertion but guilty to AWOL - dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a condition that he perform 240 hours unpaid work
Army	06-Oct-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	08-Nov-11	08-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 7 days detention, charge 2 - reduced to the ranks, 24 months detention and dismissal - sentences to run concurrently
Army	18-Oct-11	Desertion	15-Nov-11	15-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 1 year with a requirement to work 120 hours unpaid work within 12 months
Army	09-Nov-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	21-Nov-11	21-Nov-11	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and reduced to the ranks

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Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Navy	01-Sep-11	Desertion	13-Jan-12	13-Jan-12	Not Guilty	Guilty	14 months detention
Army	31-Aug-11	Desertion	16-Jan-12	16-Jan-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 80 hours unpaid work within that period
Army	03-Aug-11	AWOL x 4 Desertion x 2	19-Jan-12	19-Jan-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, service community order for 12 months with a requirement to serve 120 hours unpaid work consecutive on each charge - ie 240 hours in all.
Army	24-Aug-11	Desertion	24-Jan-12	25-Jan-12	Not Guilty	Guilty	Pleaded NG to desertion and guilty to AWOL - found Guilty of both charges - Dismissed and 24 months detention. These sentences to run concurrently to that given on 15 June 2011 of 49 days detention by CO 2 Mercian
Army	23-Nov-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	27-Jan-12	27-Jan-12	Guilty	Guilty	165 days detention
Army	05-Dec-11	Desertion	27-Jan-12	27-Jan-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 140 hours to be completed within the next 12 months
Army	26-Jul-11	Desertion x 2 AWOL x 2	03-Feb-12	03-Feb-12	Guilty	Guilty	1 - 12 months Detention - 2. 19 months Detention 3. 20 days detention 4 25 days detention 5. 7 days detention 6. 5 days detention All to run concurrent
Army	14-Nov-11	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	16-Feb-12	16-Feb-12	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 9 months detention, charge 2 - 60 days detention to run concurrent
Army	08-Sep-11	Desertion	19-Apr-12	19-Apr-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 1 year with a requirement to perform 60 hours unpaid work.
Army	24-Feb-12	Desertion	19-Apr-12	19-Apr-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and to serve a Service Community Order for 1 year with a requirement to perform 200 hours unpaid work during that year
Army	24-Jan-12	Desertion	26-Apr-12	26-Apr-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed
Army	16-Apr-12	Desertion	10-May-12	10-May-12	Guilty	Guilty	6 months detention
Army	06-Feb-12	Desertion	10-May-12	10-May-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and fined £6000 to be paid in full by 31 July 2012

Desertion prosecutions - 2012

Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
Army	23-Mar-12	Desertion	22-May-12	22-May-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 300 hours unpaid work
Army	05-Mar-12	Desertion	23-May-12	23-May-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 120 hours. To be completed within the next 12 months
Army	18-Apr-12	Desertion x 3	31-May-12	31-May-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal, 12 months detention suspended for 12 months on all charges to run concurrently
Army	12-Dec-11	Desertion	07-Jun-12	07-Jun-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and to be made subject to a service community order for 12 months and to perform 240 hrs unpaid work.
Army	21-May-12	Desertion x 2	15-Jun-12	15-Jun-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 140 hours
Army	03-May-12	Desertion	18-Jun-12	18-Jun-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with a 240 hour unpaid work requirement
Army	26-Mar-12	Desertion x 2	19-Jun-12	22-Jun-12	Not Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - to be dismissed from HM Service and to undergo of 15 months to run concurrently, Charge 2 to undergo detention of 6 months to run concurrently
Army	19-Apr-12	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	04-Jul-12	04-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 100 hours unpaid work
Army	10-May-12	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 2	12-Jul-12	12-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 120 hours unpaid work
Army	17-May-12	Desertion	23-Jul-12	23-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed
Army	20-Jun-12	Desertion	24-Jul-12	24-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	08-May-12	Desertion	24-Jul-12	24-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 120 hours unpaid work
Army	12-Jul-12	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 2	24-Jul-12	24-Jul-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 300 hours unpaid work
Army	28-May-12	Desertion	06-Aug-12	06-Aug-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed

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Service	Date Received	Charge(s) directed	Trial start date	Trial end date	Plea	Finding	Sentence
			12	12			
Army	27-Jan-12	Desertion x 2 Escaping from custody x 1	13-Aug-12	13-Aug-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and to undergo the following periods of detention to run concurrently - 30 days, 6 months, 13 months, 4 months & 2 months - a total of 13 months detention
Army	31-Jul-12	Desertion	22-Aug-12	22-Aug-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 300 hours unpaid work
Army	02-Jul-12	Desertion	11-Sep-12	11-Sep-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and to undergo 100 hours unpaid work as directed by the responsible officer over a 6 month period
Army	29-Aug-12	Desertion	18-Sep-12	18-Sep-12	Guilty	Guilty	8 months detention
Army	28-Aug-12	AWOL x 2 Desertion x 1	19-Sep-12	19-Sep-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 240 hours to be carried out within the next 12 months
Army	02-Jul-12	Desertion	25-Sep-12	25-Sep-12	Guilty	Guilty	3 days detention - the defendant having already served 3 days custody is to be released forthwith
Army	30-May-12	Desertion	11-Oct-12	11-Oct-12	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 100 days detention, charge 2 - 40 days detention - sentences to run concurrently
Army	20-Aug-12	Desertion	25-Oct-12	25-Oct-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and 1 year 4 months detention
Army	03-Oct-12	Desertion	29-Nov-12	29-Nov-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months withan unpaid work requirement of 180 hours
Army	02-Nov-11	AWOL x 1 Desertion x 3	12-Dec-12	12-Dec-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and 15 months detention in all
Army	03-Aug-12	Desertion	13-Dec-12	13-Dec-12	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal

Desertion prosecutions - 2013

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Army	12-Nov-12	Desertion x 2	11-Jan-13	11-Jan-13	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 dismissed from HM Service and to serve detention for 2 years to run concurrently. Charge 2 to serve detention for 6 months to run concurrently
Army	24-Oct-12	Desertion x 2	11-Jan-13	11-Jan-13	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 to be dismissed from HM service to serve 12 months detention to run concurrently. Charge 2 to be dismissed from HM Service to serve 12 months detention to run concurrently
Navy	06-Nov-12	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 2	14-Jan-13	14-Jan-13	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 14 Months detention charge 2 & 3 no separate penalty
Army	24-Oct-12	Desertion	15-Feb-13	15-Feb-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order with unpaid work requirement of 80 hours
Army	19-Nov-12	Desertion	19-Feb-13	19-Feb-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 180 hours to be completed within 12 months
Army	23-Nov-12	Desertion	19-Feb-13	19-Feb-13	Guilty	Guilty	150 days detention
Army	06-Nov-12	Robbery x 1 Wounding with intent x 1 Desertion x 1	19-Feb-13	19-Feb-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, total of 21 months detention and compensation of £1200
Army	27-Nov-12	Desertion	21-Feb-13	21-Feb-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 120 hours
Army	15-Nov-12	Desertion	18-Mar-13	18-Mar-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	16-Jul-12	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	18-Mar-13	19-Mar-13	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Applicable
Army	13-Dec-12	Desertion x 2	18-Mar-13	18-Mar-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed
Army	19-Oct-12	Desertion	08-Apr-13	08-Apr-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a supervision requirement and a requirement to perform 180 hours unpaid work.

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Army	15-Mar-13	Desertion x 3	11-Apr-13	11-Apr-13	Guilty	Guilty	10 months detention on each charge to run concurrently
Army	07-Mar-13	Desertion	11-Apr-13	11-Apr-13	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 60 days detention, charge 2 - 6 months detention to run concurrently
Army	21-Jan-13	Desertion	15-Apr-13	15-Apr-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and 8 months detention
Army	08-Oct-12	Desertion	16-Apr-13	16-Apr-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and 1 year 8 months detention
Army	06-Feb-13	Desertion	01-May-13	01-May-13	Guilty	Guilty	9 months detention suspended for 12 months
Army	07-Feb-13	Desertion	07-May-13	07-May-13	Not Guilty	Not Guilty	Not Applicable - Verdict directed, no evidence having been offered
Navy	09-Jan-13	Desertion	10-May-13	10-May-13	Guilty	Guilty	90 days detention suspended for 1 year
Army	05-Mar-13	Desertion	10-Jun-13	10-Jun-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and 12 months detention
Army	07-Mar-13	Desertion	10-Jun-13	10-Jun-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with a condition to perform 240 hours unpaid work.
Army	14-Feb-13	Desertion	11-Jun-13	11-Jun-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	13-May-13	Desertion	02-Jul-13	02-Jul-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	18-Mar-13	Desertion	03-Jul-13	03-Jul-13	Guilty	Guilty	150 days detention
Army	03-Apr-13	Desertion	08-Jul-13	08-Jul-13	Not Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 1 year with an unpaid work requirement of 300 hours
Army	05-Mar-13	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	09-Jul-13	09-Jul-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with an

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Army	11-Apr-13	Desertion	18-Jul-13	18-Jul-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed
Army	07-May-13	Desertion	13-Aug-13	13-Aug-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order with supervision for 12 months and 200 hours unpaid work
Army	24-Jun-13	Desertion	21-Aug-13	21-Aug-13	Guilty	Guilty	Service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 240 hours unpaid work and dismissed
Army	30-May-13	Desertion	06-Sep-13	06-Sep-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, service community order 150hrs
Army	05-Apr-13	Desertion	09-Sep-13	09-Sep-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with 240 hrs unpaid work
Army	23-May-13	Desertion x 2	12-Sep-13	12-Sep-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and subject to a service community order for 12 months with a requirement to perform 200 hours unpaid work.
Army	30-May-13	Desertion	14-Oct-13	14-Oct-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and 2 years imprisonment
Army	23-Jul-13	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	14-Oct-13	14-Oct-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order with an unpaid work requirement of 240 hours
Army	24-May-13	Desertion	16-Oct-13	16-Oct-13	Guilty	Guilty	150 days detention
Army	16-Sep-13	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	25-Nov-13	25-Nov-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 50 hours
Army	21-Aug-13	Desertion	25-Nov-13	25-Nov-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 180 hours
Army	13-Sep-13	Desertion	03-Dec-13	03-Dec-13	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with unpaid work requirement of 180 hours

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Army	09-Jul-13	Desertion	08-Jan-14	08-Jan-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed, reduced to the ranks and 1 year and 6 months detention
Army	04-Sep-13	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	14-Jan-14	14-Jan-14	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 8 months detention and dismissal, charge 2 - 2 months detention and dismissal - sentences to be served concurrently
Army	25-Sep-13	Desertion	14-Jan-14	14-Jan-14	Guilty	Guilty	2 years imprisonment suspended for 2 years, dismissal and 280 hours unpaid work
Army	08-Oct-13	Desertion	15-Jan-14	15-Jan-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with unpaid work requirement of 150 hours
Army	22-Oct-13	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	11-Feb-14	11-Feb-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and 12 months detention in total
Army	04-Oct-13	Desertion	10-Mar-14	10-Mar-14	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 2 years detention charges 2,3 & 4 - 3 months detention concurrent on each and concurrent to the 2 years detention on charge 1 - dismissed
Army	24-Mar-14	Desertion	11-Apr-14	11-Apr-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	13-Jan-14	Desertion	02-May-14	02-May-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 200 hours
Army	18-Dec-13	Desertion	07-May-14	07-May-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	03-Dec-13	Desertion x 2	12-May-14	12-May-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 240 hours concurrent on each charge
Army	30-Jan-14	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	12-May-14	12-May-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work requirement of 120 hours
Army	18-Jun-14	Desertion x 1 AWOL x 1	01-Jul-14	01-Jul-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 12 months with unpaid work requirement of 100 hours. No separate penalty on charge of AWOL
Army	21-May-14	Desertion	14-Jul-14	14-Jul-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal
Army	21-May-14	Desertion x 2	22-Jul-14	22-Jul-14	Guilty	Guilty	Charge 1 - 6 months detention, charge 2 - 8 months detention to run consecutively amking a total of 14 months detention
Army	30-Apr-14	Desertion	22-Jul-14	22-Jul-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissal and service community order for 12 months with an unpaid work

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Army	06-Jan-14	Desertion	24-Jul-14	24-Jul-14	Guilty	Guilty	Plead guilty to AWOL - sentenced to dismissal and 120 days detention
Army	23-May-14	AWOL x 2 Desertion x 2	12-Aug-14	12-Aug-14	Guilty	Guilty	Dismissed and service community order for 1 year with unpaid work requirement of 80 hours
Army	24-Apr-14	Desertion	12-Aug-14	12-Aug-14	Guilty	Guilty	6 months detention suspended for 1 year