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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry Of Defence on [REDACTED] requesting the following information:

*“What proportion of regulars in the British armed forces are currently married (or in a civil partnership - I'm assuming the statistics will be amalgamated)”*

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

I am writing to confirm that MOD holds the information on the subject you have requested. Please find below, the information you requested:

**UK Regular Forces<sup>1</sup> declaring Married or in a Registered Civil Partnership at 1 November 2014**

	Number	Percentage <sup>2</sup>
<b>UK Regular Forces<sup>1</sup> Total</b>	<b>156 250</b>	
<i>Of Which</i>		
Married or in a Registered Civil Partnership	68 210	43.7%

Source: Defence Statistics (Tri-Service)

**Notes**

1. UK Regulars are Full-time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, but excluding FTRS personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost Guarding Service (MPGS), Locally Engaged Personnel (LEP), and Non Regular Permanent Service (NRPS). Unless otherwise stated, includes trained and untrained personnel.
2. Percentages are calculated from unrounded data.

**Rounding**

All figures are rounded to the nearest 10; figures ending in 5 are rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to avoid systematic bias.

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 Head of Corporate

Information, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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.

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Yours sincerely,

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