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Thank you for your email of 5 August 2014 where you requested information about the actual strength level of the trained Reserve Army personnel between 2008-2013 as well as the levels that were required for these years.

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

I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence holds the information requested from April 2012 onwards. This information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), because it is reasonably accessible to you by other means. It is already in the public domain and may be accessed at the following link:

(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/314795/uk_re_serve_force_cadets_2014.pdf). Please see page 5, Table A.

The MOD holds combined trained and untrained figures for Army Reserve populations covering 2010 to 2014 at the above link (page 12, Table 3). The corresponding figures for 2008 to 2010 may be accessed at

(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/280389/2010-revised.pdf) (page 5 Table 3).

Prior to the requirement for 30,000 trained Reservists by April 2019 set under Army 2020, there was no requirement figure specifically for trained personnel. However there was a total requirement (trained and untrained) of 36,500 for the Army Reserve (Territorial Army).

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.

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Yours sincerely.

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