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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 26th August 2016 requesting the following information:

"1 The number of personnel trained each year to drive category C, C+E and D and obtain their licence in these categories. I am solely interested in the number of licences awarded to service personnel from all three services (regular not reserve) between 2010 and 2015.

2 The number of personnel that leave the service holding one or more of the following driving licence categories, C, C+E, D & D+E from 2010 to 2015.

3 The number of skilled logisticians that leave the service each year by trade category. I would define "logistical trained" personnel as any person of any rank that has successfully completed an All Arms basic storeman course, RQMS/SQMS course, QM course, Transport managers course or similar service courses and any RLC specific courses such as the logistic specialist, Postal courier, port op, Air dispatch, driver trade and tank transporter course; and any similar courses provided by the RAF and RN."

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 all the information in scope of your request is held. The answers are provided in the order in which they have been asked:

1 The number of personnel trained each year to drive category C, C+E and D and obtain their licence in these categories between 2010 and 2015 can be found in the table at Annex A.

2 The number of personnel recorded to have left service holding one or more of the requested categories can be found in table below. The data was sourced from the Joint Personnel Administration system; however, it is not mandatory for service personnel to record this information on the system. In addition, there may be instances of service personnel who have been double counted as they left the service then re-joined and subsequently left again.

Year	Driving licence categories, C, C+E, D & D+E
2010	1740
2011	2260
2012	3380
2013	3520
2014	2750
2015	2460

*Figures in this publication have been rounded to the nearest 10, though numbers ending in a "5" have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent the systematic bias caused by always rounding numbers upwards.

3 The number of skilled logisticians that leave the service each year by trade category can be found in the tables at Annex B.

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, 2nd 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.org.uk>

Yours sincerely,



Acting Head of DBS Secretariat

	2010			2011			2012			2013			2014			2015		
	C	CE	D	C	CE	D	C	CE	D	C	CE	D	C	CE	D	C	CE	D
ARMY	5530	3320	180	5340	2920	240	4620	2880	350	4090	3080	240	3640	2630	220	3290	2440	310
RAF	670	280	60	510	230	0	500	170	20	350	180	70	420	240	130	410	190	100
NAVY	620	520	30	530	470	50	460	410	40	540	480	30	660	580	40	610	560	20

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Royal Navy: Trained Regular Outflow for Skilled logisticians Other Ranks

Financial Year	RN Logistics General Service	RN Logistics Submariners
2010-2011	40	~
2011-2012	80	20
2012-2013	60	10
2013-2014	60	10
2014-2015	40	10
2015-2016	40	10

Source: Defence Statistics (Navy)

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* Please note skilled logistician refers to all those that specialise in Supply Chain within the Logistics branch.

The table above comprises of:

Outflow UK Regulars

All personnel leaving the Armed Forces.

Full-time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, but excluding Full Time

Reserve Service personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost

Guard Service, Locally Engaged Personnel and Non Regular Permanent Staff.

RAF: Trained Regular Outflow for logisticians

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
<u>Officers</u>					
Logistics	30	50	50	50	30
<u>Ranks</u>					
TG18 Logistics (Movers)	50	60	60	60	70
TG18 Logistics (Supplier)	180	180	190	140	120
TG6 Logistics Driver	120	110	120	100	90

Source: Defence Statistics (Air)

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The table above comprises of:

Outflow UK Regulars

All personnel leaving the Armed Forces.

Full-time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, but excluding Full Time Reserve

Service personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost Guard Service, Locally

Engaged Personnel and Non Regular Permanent Staff.

Army: Outflow of Trained Regular Royal Logistics Corps

The number of Logisticians has been determined, with consultation with the Royal Logistics Corps (RLC), to include all personnel within the Trained RLC population; as each of these will have been on a Logistics course. However, this will not capture those personnel that transferred out of the RLC before leaving Regular service.

The figures provided are for trained Regulars only and therefore exclude Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve Service, Mobilised Reserves, Army Reserve and all other Reserves but includes Gurkhas that have transferred into Regular service.

Financial Year	Soldiers	Officers
2010 / 2011	1,170	100
2011 / 2012	1,490	130
2012 / 2013	1,900	130
2013 / 2014	1,770	140
2014 / 2015	1,540	120
2015 / 2016	1,060	110

Source: Defence Statistics (Army)

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The table above comprises of:

Outflow UK Regulars

All personnel leaving the Armed Forces.

Full-time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, but excluding Full Time Reserve Service personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost Guard Service, Locally Engaged Personnel and Non Regular Permanent Staff.