



Ministry  
of Defence

**Defence Statistics (Tri-Service)  
Ministry Of Defence  
Main Building  
Whitehall  
London SW1A 2HB  
United Kingdom**

Telephone [MOD]: +44 (0)20 7807 8896  
Facsimile [MOD]: +44 (0)20 7218 0969  
E-mail: DefStrat-Stat-Tri-Enquiries@mod.uk

Reference: **FOI2015/10071**

14<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry Of Defence on 13/11/2015 requesting the following information:

1. **How many dentist members are there in the Defence Dental Service?**
2. **What is the gender make-up of the DDS**

We are 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 information you have requested can be found below:

**UK Regular Forces<sup>1</sup> Dental Service Personnel as at 1 October 2015**

<b>Total</b>	<b>470</b>
Female	320
Male	150

Source: Defence Statistics (Tri-Service)

1. UK Regulars Full time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, but excluding Full Time Reserve Service (FTRS) personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost Guard Service (MPGS), Locally Engaged Personnel (LEP), Non Regular Permanent Staff (NRPS), High Readiness Reserve (HRR) and Expeditionary Forces Institute (EFI) personnel. Unless otherwise stated, includes trained and untrained personnel.
2. All figures are rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to avoid systematic bias. Totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and may not equal the sum of their rounded parts.

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, <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Would you like to be added to our contact list, so that we can inform you about updates to our statistical publications covering **Military Personnel** and consult you if we are thinking of making changes? You can subscribe to updates by emailing [DefStrat-Stat-Tri-Enquiries@mod.uk](mailto:DefStrat-Stat-Tri-Enquiries@mod.uk)

Yours sincerely,

Defence Statistics (Tri-Service)