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Thank you for your letter of 11 January 2016 requesting the following information:

"I am doing some research to be able to tell potential brands what our ex-servicemen go into after service. Ideally I need to know what % goes into a trade role."

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 this information. The 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 in the Career Transition Partnership ex-service personnel employment outcomes Official Statistic: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/career-transition-partnership-ex-service-personnel-employment-outcomes-statistics-index

Under Section 16 (Advice and Assistance) you may find it useful to note:

The Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) 2010 has been used to categorise all the jobs for which personnel are employed in within six months of leaving the UK Armed Forces. The Official Statistic presents the percentage breakdown for the major groupings of the SOC 2010 including "Skilled trades occupations". For further details on the SOC 2010 refer to:

http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/classifications/current-standardclassifications/soc2010/index.html

Please note the information held by the MOD on employment outcome is based on a 20% sample of exservice personnel who have used the Career Transition Partnership service. Only those eligible for the Employment Support Programme (ESP) or the Full Resettlement Programme (FRP) are included in the sample. Further information can be found in the Background Quality Report published alongside the Official Statistic.

Would you like to be added to our contact list, so that we can inform you about updates to our statistical publications covering employment of ex Armed Service personnel in the UK and consult you if we are thinking of making changes? You can subscribe to updates by emailing: DefStrat-Stat-Health-PQ-FOI@mod.uk

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.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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