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Dear

Thank you for your email of 8 November 2017 requesting the following information:

'For the trades of Caterer (unqualified), Chef (unqualified) and Logistician (Supplier) I would be grateful for the following data:

1. The average Length of Service in each trade.
2. The percentage chance of promotion to each rank and the average Length of Service on promotion to these ranks.

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

Following correspondence between yourself and the team the information provided refers to the trades as a whole as we are not in a position to distinguish between civilian qualified/unqualified personnel.

The information you have requested can be found in the Adobe (.pdf) file attached to the email.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely,

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Would you like to be added to our contact list so we can consult with you if we are thinking about making any changes to the statistics we compile? Please register your interest by e-mailing defstrat-stat-air@mod.uk

Career Projections for a New Entrant into the Logistics (Caterer), Logistics (Chef) & Logistics (Supplier) trades

TG19 LOG(CAT)

| | % chance of a New Entrant being promoted to subsequent ranks | % chance of promotion having already achieved the preceding rank | Average <i>total</i> length of service on promotion |
|-----|--|--|---|
| SAC | 81% | 81% | 1 year 2 months |
| CPL | 32% | 39% | 8 years 9 months |
| SGT | 12% | 37% | 16 years 4 months |
| FS | 5% | 41% | 21 years 8 months |
| WO | 2% | 44% | 29 years 1 month |

Average return of service¹:

14 years 6 months

TG19 LOG(CHEF)

| | % chance of a New Entrant being promoted to subsequent ranks | % chance of promotion having already achieved the preceding rank | Average <i>total</i> length of service on promotion |
|-----|--|--|---|
| SAC | 88% | 88% | 1 year 3 months |
| CPL | 31% | 35% | 9 years 2 months |
| SGT | 10% | 33% | 16 years 7 months |
| FS | 3% | 30% | 23 years 7 months |
| WO | 1% | 36% | 31 years 5 months |

Average return of service¹:

15 years 6 months

TG18 LOG(SUP)

| | % chance of a New Entrant being promoted to subsequent ranks | % chance of promotion having already achieved the preceding rank | Average <i>total</i> length of service on promotion |
|-----|--|--|---|
| SAC | 90% | 90% | 1 year 0 months |
| CPL | 38% | 42% | 9 years 3 months |
| SGT | 17% | 45% | 16 years 4 months |
| FS | 4% | 26% | 24 years 10 months |
| WO | 2% | 45% | 28 years 11 months |

Average return of service¹:

17 years 5 months

¹ Average Return of Service is the average length of service on exit. It considers all trained and untrained personnel within the trade and is not specific to rank or LoS.

Notes:

- a. These data are based on the seven year span of actual data 2010/11 – 2016/17. By considering a cohort of individuals with the similar characteristics - **New Entrants** into the specified trade - average career projections have been calculated.
- b. Defence Statistics' career forecasts are not based on the actual experience of any one individual, but rather are based on the historical behaviour of individuals with similar characteristics.