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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 15th March 2017. Please accept our apologies for the late response. You requested the following information:

Previous FOI reference: FOI2014/01421. Please could you provide the same datasets for the period 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2016, and to include Late Entry Officers.

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 information you have requested can be found attached. Please read the notes and caveats carefully; data quality issues with length of service may cause anomalies in the statistics.

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, 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,

Head of Branch
Defence Statistics (Army)

Trained Regular Army Personnel (including Late Entry Officers) leaving at 12 years' and 22 years' Length of Service² from 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2016

Question: For Army personnel leaving at 12 and 22 year points

- Total numbers leaving at 12 and 22 years' service
- Breakdown of the numbers leaving by rank (E.g. How many Ptes, LCpls, Cpls, Sgts, SSgts, WO2s, WO1s, Capts, Majs).
- Percentage of total by rank breakdown (if available)
- Data to be averaged over the last 9 years (if possible)

Trained Regulars who Left at 12 years' Length of Service (from 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2016)

Arm/Service	Paid Rank											
	Total	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	Lt	WO1	WO2	SSgt	Sgt	Cpl	LCpl	Pte
Total	3,110	10	160	30	-	-	20	80	580	1,220	610	400
as % of Total	100%	0.4%	5.2%	1.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%	2.7%	18.5%	39.2%	19.7%	12.8%
Financial year average over period**	350	-	20	-	-	-	-	10	60	140	70	40
HCAV/RAC	160	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	100	30	-
RA	200	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	40	90	50	10
RE	290	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	30	110	90	30
R Signals	290	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	80	120	50	10
Infantry	820	-	30	10	-	-	-	10	100	270	140	260
AAC	50	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	10	20	10	-
RACHD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RLC	500	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	40	200	160	70
RAMC	70	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	20	20	10	-
REME	350	-	20	-	-	-	-	10	110	160	40	10
AGC(PRO)	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	30	-	-
AGC(PS)	120	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	50	40	10	-
AGC(ETS)	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AGC(ALS)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RAVC	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RADC	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-
Int Corps	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	20	10	-	-
RAPTC	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
QARANC	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	30	-	-
CAMus	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Defence Statistics (Army)

Trained Regulars who Left at 22 years' Length of Service (from 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2016)

Arm/Service	Paid Rank											
	Total	Col	Lt Col	Maj	Capt	WO1	WO2	SSgt	Sgt	Cpl	LCpl	Pte
Total	6,100	20	70	40	40	560	1,460	1,400	1,600	770	100	40
as % of Total	100%	0.3%	1.2%	0.7%	0.7%	9.2%	23.9%	23.0%	26.3%	12.7%	1.6%	0.6%
Financial year average over period**	680	-	10	-	-	60	160	160	180	90	10	-
Staff	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HCAV/RAC	370	-	10	-	-	30	100	70	90	50	-	-
RA	620	-	-	-	-	40	190	150	170	60	10	-
RE	310	-	-	-	-	20	80	80	40	50	20	-
R Signals	430	-	10	-	10	40	90	120	120	40	-	-
Infantry	1,000	-	10	10	-	20	200	190	300	220	20	20
AAC	90	-	-	-	-	10	40	20	10	-	-	-
RACHD	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RLC	1,070	-	10	10	10	110	230	210	230	220	40	10
RAMC	200	-	10	-	-	30	70	60	20	10	-	-
REME	1,160	-	10	-	10	160	180	280	480	60	-	-
AGC(PRO)	160	-	-	-	-	20	40	50	40	10	-	-
AGC(PS)	340	-	-	-	-	30	120	90	70	20	-	-
AGC(ETS)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RAVC	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SASC	10	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-
RADC	30	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	10	-	-	-
Int Corps	120	-	-	-	-	20	70	20	-	-	-	-
RAPTC	50	-	-	-	-	10	20	10	-	-	-	-
QARANC	50	-	-	-	-	-	10	20	10	10	-	-
CAMus	60	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	20	10	-	-
LSL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Notes/Caveats:

**Financial Year Average over period' shows the average financial year figure for the financial years 2007/2008 to 2015/2016. These averages have been calculated using unrounded figures and the result rounded to 10.

Length of service (LoS) has been calculated using entry date. There are known problems with the entry date information extracted from JPA which is supposed to reflect their 'current entry date' but if personnel have transferred to the Army from another Service, served under an alternative assignment type (e.g. reserve forces), are re-entrants or have transferred from Other Ranks to Officers, their entry date may correspond to any of these events. The resulting LoS may reflect their current period of service, include previous service, or it may be the time that has elapsed since they first joined the Armed Forces, irrespective of any break in service.

The figures are for Trained Regular Army only and therefore exclude Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve Service, Mobilised Reserves, Army Reserve and all other Reserves, but includes those personnel that have transferred from Gurkha to Regular.

Late Entry Officers have been included in Officer figures. The LoS of Late Entry Officers is of particularly poor quality and may give rise to anomalies in the data.

Any Ranks or Arm/Service not shown have had no outflow of personnel with either 12 or 22 years of service for the period 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2016.

All Officers of Paid Rank Colonel and above are included in Staff regardless of late Arm/Service.

Figures have been rounded to 10; numbers ending in "5" have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias. Totals and sub-totals have been rounded separately and so may not appear to be the sum of their parts.

Percentages have been calculated using unrounded figures. The resulting figure has then been rounded to the nearest whole number.

"-" denotes zero or rounded to zero