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Thank you for your email of 11 April 2017 requesting the following information:

"During the most recent financial year for which these data are available, could you please tell me the number of pensioners in payment within the public sector pension scheme you administer who were receiving a pension that was greater than the following amounts:

- a) £24,000 per year
- b) £50,000 per year
- c) £100,000 per year"

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.

There are currently 19,968 members of the Armed Forces Pension Scheme being paid between £24,000 and £49,999 per year, 868 members at between £50,000 and £99,999 and 9 members at £100,000. The term "member" includes pensioners, survivors and dependent children.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that there are a number of factors which based on the individual schemes will dictate the calculation of pension. These can include rank, length of service, final salary and career average salary. Further information can be found at the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/armed-forces-and-reserve-forces-pension-schemes-guidance-booklets>

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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

A thick black horizontal bar redacting the signature of the sender.

Defence Business Services (Secretariat)