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Thank you for your email dated 30 May 2016 requesting the following information:

*"Thanks for your response. Would it then be possible to just get this information for the last year?"*

Your email dated 18 April 2016, requesting the following information:

*"Over the last three financial years, how many firearms/other ammunition owned by the MoD have gone missing/unaccounted for/reported stolen? I would like these figures broken down by the last three financial years: 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16. Please break down by the type of ammunition/weapon and if possible, next to each item, estimated value, the division in possession of the weapon/ammunition at the time, and whether it was found. Please provide the information by email, in an excel spread sheet."*

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

A search has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MoD) and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held (attached to email). Where possible, information has been attributed against individual Commands; however, where recoveries of ammunition are concerned we are unable to cross reference with those lost, due to the level of detail recorded. The estimated values provided are correct as of 23 June 2016.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, MoD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail: CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that this request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date of this letter.

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 detail of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely

Defence Security & Resilience

## LOSS/ THEFT STATISTICS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2015/ 2016

Lost Ammunition								
	.22 Rimfire	.338mm	5.56mm Live	5.56mm Blank	7.62mm Live	7.62 Blank	9mm Live	.50 Cal Live
Price (each)	£0.06	£4.25	£0.21	£0.15	£0.27	£0.16	£0.09	£1.51
Army			6		196			
RAF			1		181		30	
Navy					263			4
<b>Total</b>			£1.47		£172.80		£2.70	£6.04

Stolen Ammunition								
	.22 Rimfire	.338mm	5.56mm Live	5.56mm Blank	7.62mm Live	7.62 Blank	9mm Live	.50 Cal Live
Army		310	87850		1980			
Royal Marines			30					
Unknown Owner								
<b>Total</b>		£1,317.50	£18,454.80		£534.60			

Recovered Ammunition								
	.22 Rimfire	.338mm	5.56mm Live	5.56mm Blank	7.62mm Live	7.62 Blank	9mm Live	.50 Cal Live
Army			737	2693	274	223	3	
RAF			153	122			3	
Royal Fleet Auxiliary					30			
Royal Marines			3				20	
Unknown Owner	23	265	48	252	16	139	124	
<b>Total</b>	£1.38	£1,126.25	£197.61	£460.05	£86.40	£57.92	£13.50	

Lost Weapons					
	Owner	Lost	Stolen	Recovered	Value (£)
AK47	Army		1	No	Unknown
Replica 'Baker' Rifle	Army		1	No	Unknown
.22 Bialthlon Rifle	Army	1		No	Unknown
L85A2 (SA80)	Army		1	Yes	£588.28