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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry Of Defence on 04/05/2018 requesting the following information:

“number of all personnel leaving the Services between 1982 to date”

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

We have now completed a search for the information you requested and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held. Please find the information you have requested are by financial year on the following page.

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

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Yours sincerely,

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	Royal			
	All Services	Navy/Royal Marines	Army	RAF
1981/82	29 451	6 489	17 094	5 868
1982/83	28 657	5 242	17 178	6 237
1983/84	31 926	5 796	19 959	6 171
1984/85	37 554	9 485	21 448	6 621
1985/86	36 521	8 003	21 301	7 217
1986/87	36 961	7 987	21 761	7 213
1987/88	36 938	7 231	22 749	6 958
1988/89	39 280	7 067	24 056	8 157
1989/90	42 567	8 034	25 061	9 472
1990/91	39 079	8 108	22 824	8 147
1991/92	32 805	6 767	19 451	6 587
1992/93	33 655	5 110	22 329	6 216
1993/94	32 128	5 106	20 921	6 101
1994/95	34 040	6 185	21 885	5 970
1995/96	28 864	4 945	15 443	8 476
1996/97	33 000	7 131	15 354	10 515
1997/98	24 258	5 271	14 378	4 609
1998/99	27 435	5 531	17 015	4 889
1990/00	26 506	5 796	16 090	4 620
2000/01	24 950	5 040	15 230	4 680
2001/02	24 710	5 800	14 380	4 530
2002/03	24 100	5 290	14 560	4 250
2003/04	23 410	4 770	14 600	4 040
2004/05	23 430	4 630	15 070	3 730
2005/06	23 270	4 490	14 190	4 590
2006/07	25 160	4 320	15 770	5 070
2007/08	24 758	4 331	15 278	5 149
2008/09	21 649	4 440	13 085	4 124
2009/10	18 274	3 725	11 557	2 992
2010/11	18 136	3 628	11 498	3 010
2011/12	21 371	4 319	13 202	3 850
2012/13	23 522	4 348	14 891	4 283
2013/14	22 997	3 786	15 735	3 476
2014/15	18 912	3 519	12 209	3 184
2015/16	16 545	3 240	10 626	2 679
2016/17	15 047	3 003	9 775	2 269
2017/18	15 173	3 089	9 650	2 434

Notes:

Figures include UK Regulars only. UK Regulars are full time Service personnel, including Nursing Services, excluding FTRS personnel, Gurkhas, mobilised Reservists, Military Provost Guarding Service (MPGS), Locally Engaged Personnel (LEP), and Non-Regular Permanent Service (NRPS).

Figures show outflow from UK Regular Forces, both trained and untrained, including personnel leaving the Services, deaths and recalled reservists on release. They do not include promotion from Ranks to Officers or flows between Services.

Figures from 2000/01 to 2007/08 figures have been rounded.