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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 11 May 2018 requesting the following information:

“Statistics to show the percentage chance of a male Sgt RAF Medic with 15 years Service attaining the rank of FS and WO (in respect of average LoS and percentage). In addition, I would like to know that percentage chance of a male Sgt with 15 years LoS in this trade completing his service.”

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

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

As we are not in a position to stipulate at which point personnel have completed a full career we have provided a table showing the percentage chance of reaching a length of service up to, and including, 40 years.

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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Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

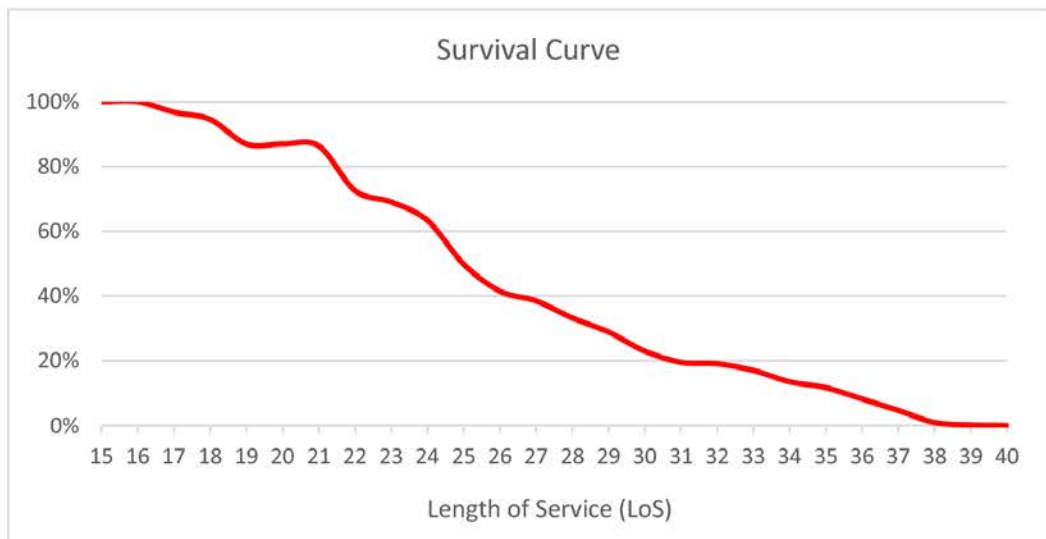
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Would you like to be added to our contact list so we can consult with you if we are thinking about making any changes to the statistics we compile? Please register your interest by e-mailing defstrat-stat-air@mod.uk

Career Projection for a Male Sergeant in the RAF Medic trade with 15 years length of service.

LoS ¹	% chance of reaching LoS
15	100%
16	100%
17	97%
18	95%
19	87%
20	87%
21	86%
22	73%
23	69%
24	63%
25	50%
26	41%
27	38%
28	33%
29	29%
30	23%
31	20%
32	19%
33	17%
34	14%
35	12%
36	8%
37	5%
38	1%
39	0%
40	0%

	% chance of a SGT being promoted in to rank	Average <i>total</i> length of service on promotion in to rank
SGT	100%	
FS	54%	18 years 10 months
WO	37%	24 years 10 months



¹ 'LOS x' means 'LOS greater than or equal to x but less than x+1'. So 'LOS21', for example, is the chance of personnel serving more than or equal to 21 years but less than 22 years.

Notes:

a. These data are based on the seven year span of actual data 2011/12 – 2017/18. By considering a cohort of individuals with the similar characteristics - Male **Sergeants** in the **RAF Medic** trade with **15 years** length of service - 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.