



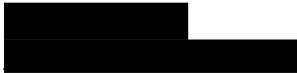
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Dear ,

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

*"The percentage chance of promotion for a new recruit (male), up to and including WO, in the trade of RAF Medic [and] the percentage chance of a new recruit 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.

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Yours sincerely,

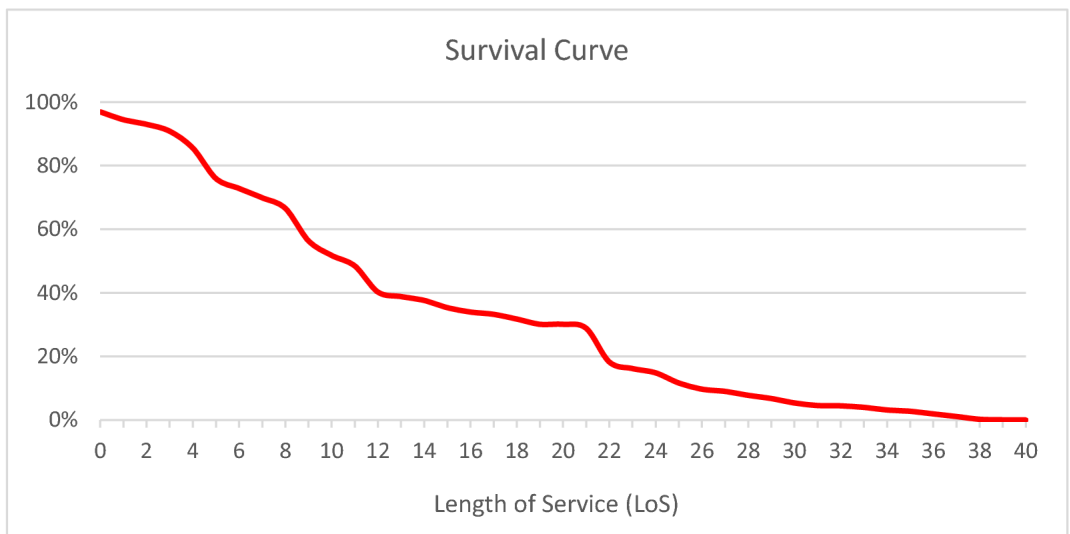
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Would you like to be added to our contact list so we can consult with you if we are thinking about making any changes to the statistics we compile? Please register your interest by e-mailing [defstrat-stat-air@mod.uk](mailto:defstrat-stat-air@mod.uk)

# Career Projection for a male New Entrant into the RAF Medic trade

LoS <sup>1</sup>	% chance of reaching LoS
0	97%
1	94%
2	93%
3	91%
4	86%
5	76%
6	73%
7	70%
8	67%
9	56%
10	52%
11	48%
12	40%
13	39%
14	38%
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26	10%
27	9%
28	8%
29	7%
30	5%
31	5%
32	4%
33	4%
34	3%
35	3%
36	2%
37	1%
38	0%
39	0%
40	0%

	% chance of a New Entrant being promoted to subsequent ranks	Average <i>total</i> length of service on promotion
SAC	94%	1 year 4 months
CPL	53%	7 years 4 months
SGT	27%	13 years 1 month
FS	13%	18 years 7 months
WO	9%	24 years 6 months



<sup>1</sup> '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:

- 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 New Entrants** into the **RAF Medic** trade - average career projections have been calculated.
- 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.