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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your e-mail of the 7 June 2019 requesting the following information;

*Number of Flt Lt GD(P) offered PAS, number accepted.*  
*Number of Sqn Ldr GD (P) offered PAS, number accepted*

In your further e-mail of the 5 July 2019, in response to our refinement advice, you requested the following information:

*Are there any readily available statistics that may be helpful,*

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 as of the 6 June 2019, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

Squadron Leader

Year	PAS Offers made	PAS Offers accepted
2017	26	17
2018	24	13
2019	25	7

Flight Lieutenants

Year	PAS offers made	PAS Offers accepted
2016	93	83
2017	154	81
2018	111	20
2019	80	10

Professional Aviator Spine (PAS)

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Yours sincerely

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