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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 6 July 2022 requesting the following information:

**FOI2022/08221**

*What is the average age of a current Royal Air Force serving Trade Group (TG) 1 Avionics service person at the Corporal rank?*

*What is the average age of a current Royal Air Force serving Trade Group (TG) 1 Avionics service person on promotion from Corporal to Sargent rank?*

*What is the average age of a current Royal Air Force serving Trade Group (TG) 1 Mechanical service person at the Corporal rank?*

*What is the average age of a current Royal Air Force serving Trade Group (TG) 1 Mechanical service person on promotion from Corporal to Sargent rank?*

**FOI2022/08222**

*What is the average age of a current Royal Air Force serving Trade Group (TG) 1 Avionics & Mechanical service person at the Corporal rank*

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, and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

Please see table below.

Average age of a Corporal in the TG1 A Tech Avionics trade	33 Years 2 Months
Average age on promotion to Sergeant for personnel in the TG1 A Tech Avionics trade	35 Years 4 Months
Average age of a Corporal in the TG1 A Tech Mechanical trade	34 Years 8 Months
Average age on promotion to Sergeant for personnel in the TG1 A Tech Mechanical trade	36 Years 6 Months
Average age of Corporals in the TG1 A Tech Avionics and Mechanical trades	34 Years 0 Months

Notes:

1. Average ages are calculated by considering Regular personnel only and excludes Full Time Reserves Service personnel, Volunteer Reserves and Mobilised Reservists. The analysis includes Trained personnel only
2. Average age of Corporals is calculated by considering the average age of Corporals that are on strength at 1 Apr 2022
3. Average age on promotion to Sergeant is calculated by considering the average age at which Sergeants on strength at 1 Apr 2022 were promoted into this rank

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Yours sincerely,

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