

Ref: FOI2022/05289

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 27 April 2022 to the Ministry of Defence (MOD), requesting:

*I wish to make a Freedom of Information Request about serving military personnel that have over 1000 days LSA, Longer Separation Allowance, in each service of the Armed Forces. Would it be possible to provide such an answer as a percent of serving personnel and the total number of personnel per service?*

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 within the MOD and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held.

Please see the table below:

Service	Current Regular Service Personnel with over 1000 days LSA		1000 days and under	Grand Total
	% of Strength	Count	Count	
ARMY	21%	18060	66570	84620
NAVY	29%	9760	23910	33670
RAF	10%	3480	29690	33170
Grand Total	21%	31300	120170	151470

This information was extracted from the Joint Personnel Administration Management Information System on 10 May 22. Figures are rounded to the nearest 10, numbers ending in five have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to avoid systematic bias. Totals have been rounded independently and may not equal the sum of their rounded parts.

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

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Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, 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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