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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Pheasant and Partridge statistics

Thank you for your request for information of 8th March about Pheasant and Partridge statistics. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

“The numbers of pheasants and partridges kept in each husbandry system and farm management system detailed on the Compulsory Poultry Registration Form - Keeper of 50 or More Birds (IRA81), broken down by UK country and the purpose for which they are kept. If possible, please provide this for each stocking month.”

The information you have requested can be found in Appendix 1.

It is only compulsory to register flocks of poultry of over 50 birds with APHA. Owners/Keepers can voluntarily register flocks of less than 50 birds. To find out more about the registration of birds visit the GOV.UK website for information here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/poultry-including-game-birds-registration-rules-and-forms>

The information provided are the livestock numbers provided by the keeper upon registration. As part of the registration process, APHA ask the keeper what their usual stock numbers are, and this is recorded in the APHA database. It is the responsibility of the owner/keeper to keep APHA informed of any number changes. The information on monthly figures is not held by APHA.

Any blank entries are because the information was not recorded at the time of registration and APHA have not been informed since of any changes by the owner/keeper.

The information provided is for poultry including game birds in England, Scotland and Wales. For Information about poultry registered in Northern Ireland please contact DAERA at:

[Access to information | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs \(daera-ni.gov.uk\)](http://Access to information | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (daera-ni.gov.uk))

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Agenda, this letter and the information disclosed to you may be placed on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk), together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. No information identifying you will be placed on the GOV.UK website.

We attach an Annex explaining the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below.

Yours sincerely

Access to Information Team

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Annex

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Please click [here](#) for further contact details.