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Dear ,

## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Dog import statistics

Thank you for your request for information of 1st June about Dog import statistics. APHA have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

This follows a response provided by APHA to request reference number FOI2023/09684 (not held) on the number of Beagles imported, into the UK from other Countries from the 1st of January 2022 to the 1st of May 2022, Unfortunately our records do not distinguish between breeds only species.

Your current request is as follows:

"If you only keep records by species, can you send me the numbers of Dogs then please?"

### Commercial EU dog data:

January 2022 - 4983

February 2022 - 4999

March 2022 - 5236

April 2022 - 3304

May 2022 - 2336

### Commercial Rest of World dog data:

January 2022 - 262

February 2022 - 347

March 2022 - 322

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April 2022 - 354

May 2022 – 302

# Non-commercial dogs data:

January 2022 – 18847

February 2022 – 13482

March 2022 - 10373

April 2022 - 24319

May 2022 - 27038

The EU data may include animals that have originated from a non-EU country but have travelled through an EU Border Control Post (BCP). The database records the EU BCP Country as the Country of Origin for these imports. The Rest of the World data will not include any animals that have arrived through an EU BCP.

The information that we have provided is a true reflection of the information that we have access to. We can't guarantee the accuracy of this data, as we can only rely on the information that has been input into the Import of Products, Animals, Food and Feed System (IPAFF) system by a third party.

Information disclosed in response to this FOI request is releasable to the public. In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOIA and the government's Transparency Agenda, this letter and the information disclosed to you may be placed on 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.

An Annex is attached which explains 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 or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

#### Access to Information Team

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#### Annex

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