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Dear		

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Number of health certificates issued in July 2022 and July 2023

Thank you for your request for information of 2nd August about Number of health certificates issued in July 2022 and July 2023. APHA have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your information request and our response are set out below.

The data you have requested can be found below:

"Would you kindly provide the numbers of Export Health Certificates issued for exports to EU countries by commodity group for July 2022 and July 2023?"

Jul-22 GB to EU Commodity Total Equine 2,355 Fish and Fish 3,532 Products 34 Germplasm Live Animals 156 35 Livestock Meat & Dairy 8,103 Products Miscellaneous 5,234 Products 1 Pets Poultry 159 Total 19,609

Jul-23		
GB to EU		
Commodity	Total	
Equine	2,566	
Fish and Fish Products	3,268	
Germplasm	39	
Live Animals	122	
Livestock	42	
Meat & Dairy Products	7,009	
Miscellaneous Products	4,670	
Pets	0	
Poultry	124	
Total	17,840	

APHA is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and also works on behalf of the Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Food Standards Agency to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

(Data attached excludes Export Health Certificates issued GB to Northern Ireland).

Note, certificates issued does not equate to consignments sent. A certifier might choose not to certify an EHC issued to them by APHA.

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 EHC's by a third party.

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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

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Annex

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