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Dear ,

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry of Defence on 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 requesting the following information:

"Could I please request the current number (not percentage) of female officers of the rank of 1 star and above split by Army, Navy and RAF."

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

We have now completed a search for the information you requested, and I can confirm that all information in scope of your request is held.

Section 21 (information accessible by other means), a breakdown of female Officers of 1 star rank (OF-6) and above, can be found in table 1 within our Diversity and Inclusion publication. This provides a breakdown by NATO Rank, Service and by Gender as at 1 April 2024.

## UK armed forces biannual diversity statistics April 2024.xlsx

An updated version of the report is due to be released on 23rd January 2025.

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

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Yours sincerely,

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