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Mr Pete Stratton
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Email: by email

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Dear Mr Stratton

Thank you for your email of 25 January 2018 requesting the following information:

“Please supply the total numbers of RAF Brize Norton passenger carrying transport aircraft movements during each of 2015, 2016 and 2017, and the total numbers of RAF Brize Norton aircraft movements during each of 2015, 2016 and 2017.”

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 Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

For the first part of your request on total numbers of passenger carrying aircraft, no information is held by the department, as the statistics are not recorded in this way. You may be aware that many of the based aircraft fleets operate in dual roles, either carrying passengers or carrying freight or operating Air-to-Air refuelling (AAR). The nature of the held statistics on movements just breaks out flights by broad aircraft type, and not whether they were passenger carrying or operating solely freight or AAR flights (see below).

We do hold full statistics for the second part of your request on total numbers of movements for the requested years, and can break this down for those broad categories for which we hold statistics. These statistics are as follows:

2015

FIXED WING						ROTARY				TOTAL
RAF/ARMY	USAF	RN	MOD PE	OTHER MIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	MIL	RN	MOD PE	
15,922	75	6	84	384	2,921	86	1,150	80	4	20,712

2016

FIXED WING						ROTARY				TOTAL
RAF/ARMY	USAF	RN	MOD PE	OTHER MIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	MIL	RN	MOD PE	
16,342	102	7	22	302	3,886	64	1,220	80	4	22,029

2017

FIXED WING						ROTARY				TOTAL
RAF/ARMY	USAF	RN	MOD PE	OTHER MIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	MIL	RN	MOD PE	
14,629	126	7	45	230	4,059	60	994	36	4	20,190

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Yours sincerely

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