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Dear Mr Ewing-Jarvie

I refer to your request of 4 October 2019, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) to the Minister of Defence, for the following:

I request the following information regarding personnel numbers in the Reserve Force of the New Zealand Defence Force:

- The number of Reserve Force personnel that have left the Ready Reserve since January 2017 divided by Service, Rank and whether they have been transferred to the Standby Reserve or left the NZDF.*

The requested information is provided in the following table:

RANK E	RNZN		NZ ARMY		RNZAF	
	Transfer to Standby	Left NZDF	Transfer to Standby	Left NZDF	Transfer to Standby	Left NZDF
PTE (E)		9	150	459		2
LCPL (E)		8	88	161		11
CPL (E)	1	4	58	106	4	13
SGT (E)	3	1	30	42	2	12
SSGT (E)	3	3	39	35		2
WO2 (E)			14	13		
WO1 (E)	3	3	26	8	2	4
OFFCDT (E)	1	1	1	2		1
2LT (E)			9	14		
LT (E)		2	23	37		
CAPT (E)	3	6	46	58	6	10
MAJ (E)	3	6	40	32	11	19
LTCOL (E)			24	13		3
COL (E)+ ¹			14	4		2
Grand Total	17	43	562	984	25	79

- The number of Army Reserve officers that have graduated from the Territorial Force Commissioning Course since January 2017.*

Thirteen Army Reserve officers have graduated from the Territorial Force Commissioning Course since January 2017.

¹ Note: COL (E)+ includes the ranks of COL (E) and BRIG (E).

3. The number of Reserve Force soldiers that have completed Basic Training since January 2017.

222 in total: 61 in 2017, 72 in 2018 and 89 in 2019.

4. The number of former Regular Force personnel, by Service and Rank, that have joined the Reserve Forces, divided into Ready and Standby Reserve, since January 2017.

The requested information is provided in the following table:

RANK E	RNZN			NZ ARMY			RNZAF			Grand Total
	Ready Reserve	Standby Reserve	Total	Ready Reserve	Standby Reserve	Total	Ready Reserve	Standby Reserve	Total	
PTE (E)	2	3	5	58	64	122				127
LCPL (E)		52	52	24	61	85	4	14	18	155
CPL (E)		69	69	26	43	69	9	21	30	168
SGT (E)	1	46	47	11	21	32	7	12	19	98
SSGT (E)		15	15	5	14	19	1	11	12	46
WO2 (E)				2	9	11				11
WO1 (E)	1	5	6		4	4	3	3	6	16
OFFCDT (E)	1		1	1		1				2
2LT (E)					2	2				2
LT (E)				5	9	14		2	2	16
CAPT (E)		24	24	8	19	27	2	12	14	65
MAJ (E)		21	21	5	17	22	3	23	26	69
LTCOL (E)		9	9	2	14	16	3	3	6	31
COL (E)+ ²		5	5		5	5	1	1	2	12
Grand Total	5	249	254	147	282	429	33	102	135	818

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to ask an Ombudsman to review this response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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² Note, COL (E)+ includes the ranks of COL (E), BRIG (E) and MAJGEN (E).