



Ministry of Defence

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 6 June 2014 asking for details of aircraft movements at RAF Northolt. You requested the following information:

"...the number of flights coming into RAF Northolt on a daily basis, perhaps giving May 2014 as a representative example and could this be split by Military Movement/Civilian Movement/Timings"

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). We have now completed a search of our paper and electronic records for the information you requested and I can confirm that information within the scope of your request is held.

Details of aircraft movements in and out of RAF Northolt for the period 1 January – 30 April 2014 broken down between military and civilian aircraft are given at the attached annex. I hope this gives you a suitable representative spread of information, however if this is not sufficient for your needs and you would still like movement details for May 2014 please let me know.

Civilian aircraft are authorised to operate in and out of RAF Northolt between 08:00- 20:00 hours weekdays, between 08:00-15:00 on Saturdays and public holidays falling on a Friday and between 12:00-19:00 on Sundays and public holidays falling on a Monday. Military aircraft can operate outside those hours to meet operational and crew night flying training requirements. Additionally, it is necessary to undertake regular flight checking of the navigational aids at the Station. This can only be done after Heathrow has closed and therefore can be in the early hours of the morning.

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to read the RAF Northolt Defence Aerodrome Manual which is available at the link below:

<http://www.londonvipairport.com/docs/OperatingManual.pdf>

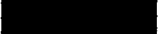
If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please

note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <http://www.ico.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

[Original Signed]


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Air Command

AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS RAF NORTHOLT

| Date | Mil Movements | Total Civilian Movements |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 01-Jan-14 | Airfield closed | Airfield closed |
| 02-Jan-14 | 4 | 11 |
| 03-Jan-14 | 6 | 13 |
| 04-Jan-14 | 5 | 4 |
| 05-Jan-14 | 5 | 22 |
| 06-Jan-14 | 6 | 27 |
| 07-Jan-14 | 7 | 16 |
| 08-Jan-14 | 9 | 24 |
| 09-Jan-14 | 15 | 19 |
| 10-Jan-14 | 5 | 27 |
| 11-Jan-14 | 11 | 12 |
| 12-Jan-14 | 3 | 18 |
| 13-Jan-14 | 10 | 30 |
| 14-Jan-14 | 16 | 29 |
| 15-Jan-14 | 3 | 33 |
| 16-Jan-14 | 6 | 36 |
| 17-Jan-14 | 11 | 30 |
| 18-Jan-14 | 2 | 13 |
| 19-Jan-14 | 27 | 14 |
| 20-Jan-14 | 13 | 25 |
| 21-Jan-14 | 9 | 39 |
| 22-Jan-14 | 19 | 52 |
| 23-Jan-14 | 20 | 33 |
| 24-Jan-14 | 3 | 47 |
| 25-Jan-14 | 4 | 13 |
| 26-Jan-14 | 4 | 30 |
| 27-Jan-14 | 8 | 35 |
| 28-Jan-14 | 13 | 28 |
| 29-Jan-14 | 22 | 42 |
| 30-Jan-14 | 8 | 47 |
| 31-Jan-14 | 10 | 32 |
| 01-Feb-14 | 2 | 32 |
| 02-Feb-14 | 6 | 32 |
| 03-Feb-14 | 19 | 39 |
| 04-Feb-14 | 4 | 31 |
| 05-Feb-14 | 4 | 34 |
| 06-Feb-14 | 9 | 42 |
| 07-Feb-14 | 14 | 44 |
| 08-Feb-14 | 1 | 16 |
| 09-Feb-14 | 6 | 21 |
| 10-Feb-14 | 12 | 43 |
| 11-Feb-14 | 17 | 44 |

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| 12-Feb-14 | 4 | 44 |
| 13-Feb-14 | 13 | 52 |
| 14-Feb-14 | 5 | 37 |
| 15-Feb-14 | 4 | 42 |
| 16-Feb-14 | 7 | 17 |
| 17-Feb-14 | 21 | 31 |
| 18-Feb-14 | 8 | 27 |
| 19-Feb-14 | 4 | 38 |
| 20-Feb-14 | 10 | 36 |
| 21-Feb-14 | 7 | 38 |
| 22-Feb-14 | 3 | 21 |
| 23-Feb-14 | 2 | 36 |
| 24-Feb-14 | 6 | 39 |
| 25-Feb-14 | 6 | 26 |
| 26-Feb-14 | 10 | 44 |
| 27-Feb-14 | 18 | 40 |
| 28-Feb-14 | 5 | 36 |
| 01-Mar-14 | 7 | 17 |
| 02-Mar-14 | 5 | 22 |
| 03-Mar-14 | 3 | 27 |
| 04-Mar-14 | 5 | 35 |
| 05-Mar-14 | 24 | 38 |
| 06-Mar-14 | 14 | 50 |
| 07-Mar-14 | 10 | 46 |
| 08-Mar-14 | 11 | 11 |
| 09-Mar-14 | 7 | 30 |
| 10-Mar-14 | 4 | 31 |
| 11-Mar-14 | 9 | 37 |
| 12-Mar-14 | 14 | 48 |
| 13-Mar-14 | 11 | 43 |
| 14-Mar-14 | 8 | 56 |
| 15-Mar-14 | 7 | 23 |
| 16-Mar-14 | 8 | 22 |
| 17-Mar-14 | 10 | 37 |
| 18-Mar-14 | 11 | 48 |
| 19-Mar-14 | 7 | 44 |
| 20-Mar-14 | 7 | 47 |
| 21-Mar-14 | 6 | 37 |
| 22-Mar-14 | 8 | 19 |
| 23-Mar-14 | 8 | 34 |
| 24-Mar-14 | 7 | 33 |
| 25-Mar-14 | 10 | 28 |
| 26-Mar-14 | 11 | 49 |
| 27-Mar-14 | 14 | 34 |
| 28-Mar-14 | 10 | 40 |
| 29-Mar-14 | 3 | 18 |
| 30-Mar-14 | 8 | 12 |
| 31-Mar-14 | 7 | 41 |
| 01-Apr-14 | 3 | 38 |
| 02-Apr-14 | 20 | 34 |

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| 03-Apr-14 | 7 | 40 |
| 04-Apr-14 | 30 | 45 |
| 05-Apr-14 | 1 | 21 |
| 06-Apr-14 | 2 | 10 |
| 07-Apr-14 | 4 | 28 |
| 08-Apr-14 | 19 | 35 |
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| 19-Apr-14 | 10 | 5 |
| 20-Apr-14 | 5 | 5 |
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| 28-Apr-14 | 5 | 29 |
| 29-Apr-14 | 11 | 44 |
| 30-Apr-14 | 11 | 55 |
| Totals | 1089 | 3694 |