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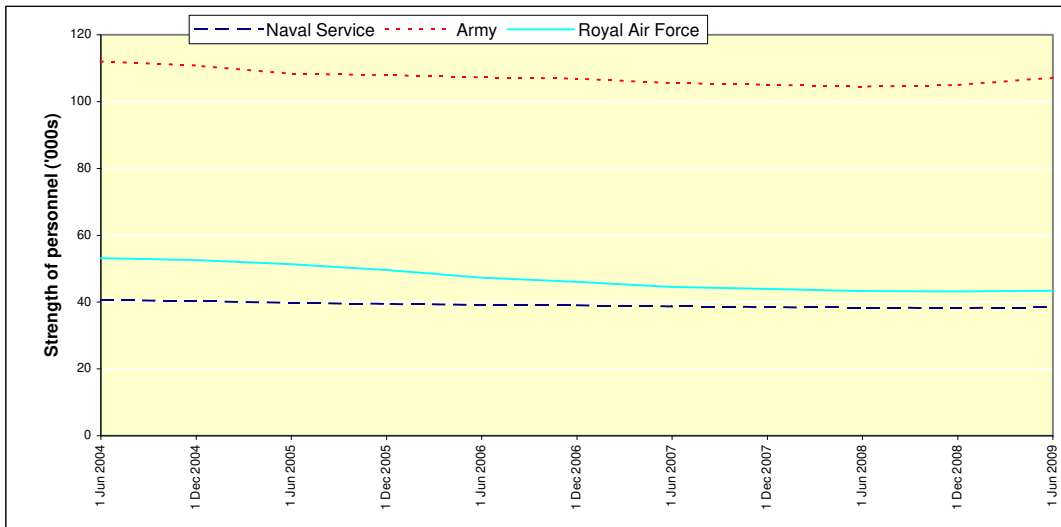
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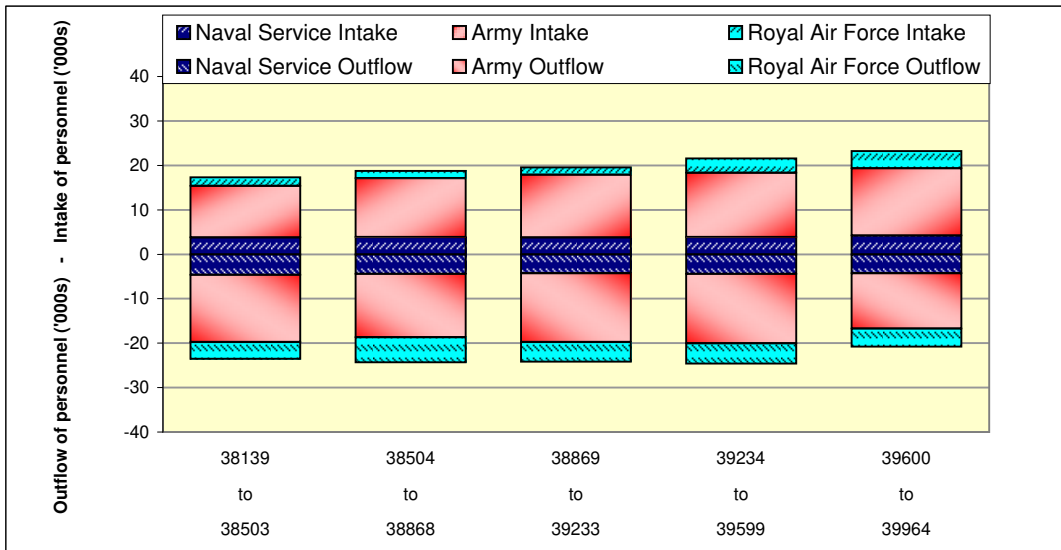
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Graph 1 - Strength of UK Regular Forces^{1,2}



Graph 2 - Annual Intake to, and Outflow from, UK Regular Forces^{1,2}



1. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.

2. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, all Naval Service flow statistics from period ending 31 October 2006, and Naval Service strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review. All Army flow statistics from period ending 31 March 2007 and strength statistics from 1 April 2007 are provisional and subject to review. All RAF flow statistics from period ending 30 April 2007 and strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review.

Table 1 - Total Strength of UK Regular Forces¹ - by gender

Number

	Total	Officers			Other Ranks		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Services²							
1 April 2005	201,100	33,000	29,410	3,600	168,090	153,530	14,560
1 April 2006	195,850	32,700	29,020	3,680	163,150	148,960	14,190
1 April 2007	190,400 ^P	32,100 ^P	28,380 ^P	3,720 ^P	158,290 ^P	144,380 ^P	13,920 ^P
1 April 2008	187,060 ^P	31,710 ^P	27,950 ^P	3,760 ^P	155,340 ^P	141,480 ^P	13,860 ^P
1 April 2009	188,370 ^P	31,690 ^P	27,860 ^P	3,830 ^P	156,680 ^P	142,660 ^P	14,020 ^P
1 June 2009	188,900 ^P	31,830 ^P	27,980 ^P	3,850 ^P	157,080 ^P	143,020 ^P	14,050 ^P
Naval Service²							
1 April 2005	39,940	7,730	7,070	660	32,210	29,180	3,030
1 April 2006	39,390	7,660	6,980	680	31,730	28,740	3,000
1 April 2007	38,860	7,580	6,900	680	31,280	28,310	2,970
1 April 2008	38,570 ^P	7,480 ^P	6,780 ^P	700 ^P	31,090 ^P	28,110 ^P	2,980 ^P
1 April 2009	38,340 ^P	7,410 ^P	6,700 ^P	720 ^P	30,930 ^P	27,980 ^P	2,950 ^P
1 June 2009	38,380 ^P	7,420 ^P	6,700 ^P	720 ^P	30,960 ^P	28,010 ^P	2,950 ^P
Army²							
1 April 2005	109,290	14,660	13,110	1,550	94,630	87,970	6,660
1 April 2006	107,730	14,730	13,140	1,590	93,000	86,410	6,590
1 April 2007	106,170 ^P	14,630 ^P	13,000 ^P	1,630 ^P	91,540 ^P	84,980 ^P	6,550 ^P
1 April 2008	105,090 ^P	14,560 ^P	12,920 ^P	1,640 ^P	90,530 ^P	83,940 ^P	6,600 ^P
1 April 2009	106,460 ^P	14,510 ^P	12,880 ^P	1,620 ^P	91,950 ^P	85,260 ^P	6,700 ^P
1 June 2009	107,160 ^P	14,720 ^P	13,070 ^P	1,640 ^P	92,450 ^P	85,740 ^P	6,710 ^P
Royal Air Force²							
1 April 2005	51,870	10,620	9,230	1,390	41,250	36,380	4,870
1 April 2006	48,730	10,310	8,900	1,410	38,420	33,810	4,600
1 April 2007	45,370	9,890	8,480	1,410	35,480	31,080	4,400
1 April 2008	43,390 ^P	9,670 ^P	8,250 ^P	1,420 ^P	33,720 ^P	29,430 ^P	4,290 ^P
1 April 2009	43,570 ^P	9,770 ^P	8,280 ^P	1,490 ^P	33,800 ^P	29,420 ^P	4,380 ^P
1 June 2009	43,360 ^P	9,690 ^P	8,210 ^P	1,480 ^P	33,670 ^P	29,280 ^P	4,390 ^P

Source: DASA (Quad-Service)

1. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.

At 1 June 2009 these number:

	All Gurkhas	FTRS	Naval Activated Reservists	Mobilised Reservists	
				Army	RAF
Total	3,830 ^P	2,200 ^P	220 ^P	1,260 ^P	180 ^P
Officers	140 ^P	850 ^P	60 ^P	210 ^P	30 ^P
Other Ranks	3,680 ^P	1,350 ^P	160 ^P	1,060 ^P	160 ^P
		Of which are Regular Reserves	-	40 ^P	-
		Officers	-	- ^P	-
		Ranks	-	30 ^P	-

2. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, Army strength statistics from 1 April 2007, and Naval Service and RAF strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review.

Due to the rounding methods used, totals may not always equal the sum of the parts. When rounding to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

- denotes zero or rounded to zero.

^P denotes provisional.

Table 2 - Total Strength of UK Regular Forces¹ - by trained and untrained

Number

	Total	Officers			Other Ranks		
		Total	Trained	Untrained	Total	Trained	Untrained
All Services²							
1 April 2005	201,100	33,000	29,920	3,090	168,090	152,930	15,160
1 April 2006	195,850	32,700	29,660	3,040	163,150	148,640	14,510
1 April 2007	190,400 ^p	32,100 ^p	29,330 ^p	2,770 ^p	158,290 ^p	143,580 ^p	14,720 ^p
1 April 2008	187,060 ^p	31,710 ^p	28,760 ^p	2,960 ^p	155,340 ^p	139,860 ^p	15,480 ^p
1 April 2009	188,370 ^p	31,690 ^p	28,620 ^p	3,070 ^p	156,680 ^p	139,620 ^p	17,050 ^p
1 June 2009	188,900 ^p	31,830 ^p	28,720 ^p	3,100 ^p	157,080 ^p	140,280 ^p	16,800 ^p
Naval Service²							
1 April 2005	39,940	7,730	6,700	1,040	32,210	28,810	3,400
1 April 2006	39,390	7,660	6,630	1,020	31,730	28,260	3,470
1 April 2007	38,860	7,580	6,660	920	31,280	27,680	3,600
1 April 2008	38,570 ^p	7,480 ^p	6,490 ^p	990 ^p	31,090 ^p	28,050 ^p	3,040 ^p
1 April 2009	38,340 ^p	7,410 ^p	6,510 ^p	900 ^p	30,930 ^p	27,880 ^p	3,040 ^p
1 June 2009	38,380 ^p	7,420 ^p	6,480 ^p	940 ^p	30,960 ^p	27,880 ^p	3,080 ^p
Army²							
1 April 2005	109,290	14,660	13,630	1,020	94,630	84,860	9,780
1 April 2006	107,730	14,730	13,750	980	93,000	83,040	9,960
1 April 2007	106,170 ^p	14,630 ^p	13,800 ^p	840 ^p	91,540 ^p	81,560 ^p	9,970 ^p
1 April 2008	105,090 ^p	14,560 ^p	13,680 ^p	880 ^p	90,530 ^p	80,150 ^p	10,380 ^p
1 April 2009	106,460 ^p	14,510 ^p	13,630 ^p	870 ^p	91,950 ^p	80,960 ^p	11,000 ^p
1 June 2009	107,160 ^p	14,720 ^p	13,830 ^p	880 ^p	92,450 ^p	81,660 ^p	10,790 ^p
Royal Air Force²							
1 April 2005	51,870	10,620	9,590	1,030	41,250	39,260	1,990
1 April 2006	48,730	10,310	9,280	1,030	38,420	37,340	1,080
1 April 2007	45,370	9,890	8,880	1,020	35,480	34,330	1,140
1 April 2008	43,390 ^p	9,670 ^p	8,590 ^p	1,080 ^p	33,720 ^p	31,660 ^p	2,060 ^p
1 April 2009	43,570 ^p	9,770 ^p	8,470 ^p	1,300 ^p	33,800 ^p	30,780 ^p	3,010 ^p
1 June 2009	43,360 ^p	9,690 ^p	8,410 ^p	1,280 ^p	33,670 ^p	30,740 ^p	2,930 ^p

Source: DASA (Quad-Service)

1. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.

At 1 June 2009 these number:

	Trained Gurkhas	FTRS	Naval Activated Reservists	Mobilised Reservists	
				Army	RAF
Total	3,550 ^p	2,200 ^p	220 ^p	1,260 ^p	180 ^p
Officers	140 ^p	850 ^p	60 ^p	210 ^p	30 ^p
Other Ranks	3,410 ^p	1,350 ^p	160 ^p	1,060 ^p	160 ^p
		Of which are Regular Reserves	-	40 ^p	-
		Officers	-	- ^p	-
		Ranks	-	30 ^p	-

2. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, Army strength statistics from 1 April 2007, and Naval Service and RAF strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review.

Due to the rounding methods used, totals may not always equal the sum of the parts. When rounding to the nearest 10, numbers ending in 5 have been rounded to the nearest multiple of 20 to prevent systematic bias.

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Table 3 - Intake¹ from civilian life to UK Regular Forces² by gender

Intake in the 12 months up to:	Number						
	Total	Officers			Other Ranks		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Services³							
1 April 2005	17,590	1,450	1,150	300	16,140	14,540	1,600
1 April 2006	18,150	1,520	1,230	290	16,630	15,180	1,450
1 April 2007	19,790 ^p	1,580 ^p	1,280 ^p	310 ^p	18,210 ^p	16,560 ^p	1,650 ^p
1 April 2008	21,330 ^p	1,740 ^p	1,440 ^p	300 ^p	19,590 ^p	17,790 ^p	1,800 ^p
1 April 2009	22,770 ^p	1,500 ^p	1,250 ^p	250 ^p	21,260 ^p	19,440 ^p	1,830 ^p
1 June 2009	23,240 ^p	1,470 ^p	1,230 ^p	240 ^p	21,770 ^p	19,890 ^p	1,880 ^p
Naval Service³							
1 April 2005	3,690	370	300	60	3,320	2,930	390
1 April 2006	3,940	370	320	50	3,570	3,160	410
1 April 2007	3,770 ^p	320 ^p	280 ^p	50 ^p	3,450 ^p	3,030 ^p	420 ^p
1 April 2008	3,860 ^p	290 ^p	240 ^p	50 ^p	3,580 ^p	3,160 ^p	420 ^p
1 April 2009	4,000 ^p	210 ^p	180 ^p	30 ^p	3,800 ^p	3,420 ^p	380 ^p
1 June 2009	4,190 ^p	270 ^p	230 ^p	40 ^p	3,920 ^p	3,540 ^p	380 ^p
Army³							
1 April 2005	11,720	790	640	140	10,940	10,160	770
1 April 2006	12,730	820	680	140	11,910	11,060	850
1 April 2007	14,300 ^p	900 ^p	720 ^p	170 ^p	13,400 ^p	12,440 ^p	970 ^p
1 April 2008	14,540 ^p	1,060 ^p	890 ^p	170 ^p	13,480 ^p	12,500 ^p	980 ^p
1 April 2009	14,510 ^p	890 ^p	760 ^p	130 ^p	13,620 ^p	12,740 ^p	880 ^p
1 June 2009	15,120 ^p	840 ^p	720 ^p	120 ^p	14,280 ^p	13,330 ^p	950 ^p
Royal Air Force³							
1 April 2005	2,180	290	200	100	1,880	1,440	440
1 April 2006	1,480	330	230	100	1,150	960	190
1 April 2007	1,720	370	280	90	1,360	1,090	270
1 April 2008	2,930 ^p	390 ^p	300 ^p	80 ^p	2,540 ^p	2,140 ^p	400 ^p
1 April 2009	4,260 ^p	410 ^p	320 ^p	90 ^p	3,840 ^p	3,280 ^p	560 ^p
1 June 2009	3,930 ^p	360 ^p	280 ^p	90 ^p	3,570 ^p	3,020 ^p	540 ^p

Source: DASA (Quad-Service)

1. Figures show all intake to UK Regular Forces including re-enlistments and rejoined reservists. They exclude inter-Service transferees, and officer recruitment from the ranks.

2. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.

3. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, all Naval Service flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 October 2006 onwards, all Army flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 March 2007 onwards and all RAF flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 30 April 2007 onwards are provisional and subject to review.

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Table 4 - Outflow¹ to civilian life from UK Regular Forces² by gender

Number

Outflow in the 12 months up to:	Total	Officers			Other Ranks		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Services³							
1 April 2005	23,430	2,310	2,050	250	21,120	19,280	1,840
1 April 2006	23,260	2,290	2,050	240	20,980	19,240	1,730
1 April 2007	25,160 ^p	2,680 ^p	2,380 ^p	300 ^p	22,480 ^p	20,610 ^p	1,870 ^p
1 April 2008	24,690 ^p	2,820 ^p	2,480 ^p	350 ^p	21,860 ^p	20,040 ^p	1,830 ^p
1 April 2009	21,880 ^p	2,440 ^p	2,140 ^p	300 ^p	19,450 ^p	17,810 ^p	1,640 ^p
1 June 2009	20,820 ^p	2,340 ^p	2,060 ^p	280 ^p	18,480 ^p	16,910 ^p	1,570 ^p
Naval Service³							
1 April 2005	4,630	510	460	50	4,130	3,690	440
1 April 2006	4,490	520	480	40	3,960	3,520	440
1 April 2007	4,320 ^p	500 ^p	450 ^p	50 ^p	3,820 ^p	3,380 ^p	440 ^p
1 April 2008	4,340 ^p	580 ^p	530 ^p	50 ^p	3,760 ^p	3,340 ^p	420 ^p
1 April 2009	4,430 ^p	520 ^p	470 ^p	50 ^p	3,910 ^p	3,500 ^p	410 ^p
1 June 2009	4,290 ^p	520 ^p	460 ^p	60 ^p	3,770 ^p	3,380 ^p	400 ^p
Army³							
1 April 2005	15,070	1,100	970	130	13,970	13,020	960
1 April 2006	14,190	1,070	960	110	13,120	12,280	840
1 April 2007	15,770 ^p	1,330 ^p	1,180 ^p	140 ^p	14,440 ^p	13,480 ^p	960 ^p
1 April 2008	15,330 ^p	1,490 ^p	1,300 ^p	190 ^p	13,830 ^p	12,930 ^p	900 ^p
1 April 2009	13,140 ^p	1,270 ^p	1,120 ^p	160 ^p	11,870 ^p	11,090 ^p	770 ^p
1 June 2009	12,420 ^p	1,200 ^p	1,060 ^p	140 ^p	11,220 ^p	10,490 ^p	740 ^p
Royal Air Force³							
1 April 2005	3,730	700	620	80	3,020	2,570	450
1 April 2006	4,590	700	610	90	3,890	3,440	450
1 April 2007	5,070	850	750	100	4,220	3,760	460
1 April 2008	5,020 ^p	760 ^p	650 ^p	100 ^p	4,270 ^p	3,760 ^p	500 ^p
1 April 2009	4,320 ^p	640 ^p	550 ^p	90 ^p	3,670 ^p	3,220 ^p	460 ^p
1 June 2009	4,100 ^p	620 ^p	540 ^p	80 ^p	3,480 ^p	3,040 ^p	440 ^p

Source: DASA (Quad-Service)

1. Figures show all outflow from UK Regular Forces including recalled reservists on release and outflow to the Home Service battalions of the Royal Irish Regiment. The Royal Irish Regiment disbanded on 31 March 2008.

2. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.

3. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, all Naval Service flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 October 2006 onwards, all Army flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 March 2007 onwards and all RAF flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 30 April 2007 onwards are provisional and subject to review.

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**Table 5 - UK Regular Forces¹ Service Manpower Account
for May 2009 intake and outflow for financial year to date**

	Number						
	Strength at 1 May 2009	Intake during May 2009	Outflow during May 2009	Adjust- ments ²	Strength at 1 Jun 2009	Intake 1 Apr 2009 to 31 May 2009	Outflow 1 Apr 2009 to 31 May 2009
All Services³	188,280^P	2,140^P	1,510^P	-^P	188,900^P	3,650^P	3,110^P
Officers	31,710 ^P	200 ^P	160 ^P	80 ^P	31,830 ^P	330 ^P	390 ^P
Males	27,880 ^P	170 ^P	150 ^P	70 ^P	27,980 ^P	280 ^P	350 ^P
Females	3,830 ^P	30 ^P	20 ^P	10 ^P	3,850 ^P	50 ^P	40 ^P
Other Ranks	156,570 ^P	1,940 ^P	1,350 ^P	-80 ^P	157,080 ^P	3,320 ^P	2,720 ^P
Males	142,510 ^P	1,820 ^P	1,230 ^P	-70 ^P	143,020 ^P	3,040 ^P	2,500 ^P
Females	14,060 ^P	120 ^P	120 ^P	-10 ^P	14,050 ^P	270 ^P	220 ^P
Naval Service³	38,300^P	440^P	360^P	-^P	38,380^P	740^P	700^P
Officers	7,470 ^P	- ^P	50 ^P	- ^P	7,420 ^P	110 ^P	110 ^P
Males	6,740 ^P	- ^P	50 ^P	- ^P	6,700 ^P	100 ^P	90 ^P
Females	720 ^P	- ^P	10 ^P	- ^P	720 ^P	20 ^P	20 ^P
Other Ranks	30,830 ^P	440 ^P	300 ^P	- ^P	30,960 ^P	630 ^P	600 ^P
Males	27,890 ^P	400 ^P	280 ^P	- ^P	28,010 ^P	570 ^P	540 ^P
Females	2,940 ^P	40 ^P	30 ^P	- ^P	2,950 ^P	60 ^P	50 ^P
Army³	106,560^P	1,490^P	870^P	-10^P	107,160^P	2,480^P	1,780^P
Officers	14,550 ^P	200 ^P	80 ^P	50 ^P	14,720 ^P	200 ^P	180 ^P
Males	12,930 ^P	170 ^P	80 ^P	50 ^P	13,070 ^P	180 ^P	170 ^P
Females	1,620 ^P	20 ^P	10 ^P	- ^P	1,640 ^P	30 ^P	10 ^P
Other Ranks	92,000 ^P	1,290 ^P	790 ^P	-60 ^P	92,450 ^P	2,280 ^P	1,600 ^P
Males	85,270 ^P	1,250 ^P	740 ^P	-50 ^P	85,740 ^P	2,150 ^P	1,500 ^P
Females	6,730 ^P	40 ^P	50 ^P	-10 ^P	6,710 ^P	130 ^P	100 ^P
Royal Air Force³	43,420^P	220^P	280^P	-^P	43,360^P	420^P	630^P
Officers	9,690 ^P	10 ^P	30 ^P	30 ^P	9,690 ^P	20 ^P	100 ^P
Males	8,210 ^P	- ^P	30 ^P	30 ^P	8,210 ^P	10 ^P	90 ^P
Females	1,480 ^P	- ^P	- ^P	- ^P	1,480 ^P	10 ^P	10 ^P
Other Ranks	33,740 ^P	210 ^P	250 ^P	-30 ^P	33,670 ^P	400 ^P	530 ^P
Males	29,350 ^P	170 ^P	220 ^P	-20 ^P	29,280 ^P	320 ^P	460 ^P
Females	4,390 ^P	40 ^P	30 ^P	- ^P	4,390 ^P	90 ^P	70 ^P

Source: DASA (Quad-Service)

1. UK Regular Forces includes all trained and untrained personnel. Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve personnel, and mobilised reservists are excluded.
2. Adjustments are necessary due to movements within the Services.
3. Due to ongoing validation of data from the Joint Personnel Administration System, all Naval Service flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 October 2006 onwards, and Naval Service strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review. All Army flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 31 March 2007 onwards and strength statistics from 1 April 2007 are provisional and subject to review. All RAF flow statistics for 12 month periods ending 30 April 2007 onwards and strength statistics from 1 May 2007 are provisional and subject to review.

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