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Date: 09 August 2022  
Reference: F0005757

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request of 14 July 2022, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). For reference your original enquiry was as follows:

Original request

*Freedom of Information request - Failed Class 1 & Class 2 Medicals for each year 2018 to 2022*

*Could you please provide the following information -*

*1.) The number of failed Class 1 Medicals for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date).*

*2.) The number of failed Class 2 Medicals for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date).*

*3.) The number of commercial pilots holding a valid license for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date)*

Your request has been considered in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I can confirm that the CAA holds information within scope of your original request; if I may therefore I shall address each of your points in turn:

**1.) The number of failed Class 1 Medicals for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date).**

**2.) The number of failed Class 2 Medicals for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date).**

2018:

Class 1	1397
Class 2	2549

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2019:

Class 1	1967
Class 2	3437

2020:

Class 1	827
Class 2	622

2021:

Class 1	1094
Class 2	429

2022:

Class 1	1041
Class 2	337

### 3.) The number of commercial pilots holding a valid license for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date)

As of 31/12/2018 – 18.7k valid commercial licences (16.7k individuals)

As of 31/12/2019 – 18.9k valid commercial licences (15.9k individuals)

As of 31/12/2020 – 17.2k valid commercial licences (14.1k individuals)

As of 31/12/2021 – 17.3k valid commercial licences (13.2k individuals)

As of 01/08/2022 – 18.5k valid commercial licences (15.2k individuals)

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

██████████@caa.co.uk

The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set out in the attachment. A request for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of this letter.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner's Office  
 FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution  
 Wycliffe House  
 Water Lane  
 Wilmslow  
 SK9 5AF  
<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at <http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24>.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Team  
 Information Rights Specialist

**CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE**

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.