

RT HON DR ANDREW MURRISON MP
PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE AND MINISTER
FOR DEFENCE PEOPLE AND FAMILIES

Our Ref: UIN 13888

5 March 2024

Dear John,

Thank you for your Written Parliamentary Question (UIN 13888) of 16 February 2024, requesting the following information:

- To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many combined cadet forces (a) began and (b) ceased operating in (i) state and (ii) independent schools in each year since 2010. 13888

You will recall that I responded on 26 February 2024 to advise that it would take time to collate the requested information. I have now received advice from my officials to address your questions and the information is shown below.

The information requested is only available from 2012.

a) The number of Combined Cadet Forces (CCFs) that **began** operating in (i) state and (ii) independent schools each year since 2012:

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Indep	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	5	0	2	3	0	1
State	3	5	14	21	12	39	29	57	4	6	13	12	8

Notes: The figures include 34 state schools' CCFs that began to operate over this period but have since ceased to operate. Of the nine units stood-up in 2024, eight are preparing to parade.

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b) The number of CCFs that **ceased** operating in (i) state and (ii) independent schools each year since 2012:

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Indep	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	1
State	0	0	0	0	2	1	6	6	3	8	6	6	3

Notes: The figures include six independent and seven state school CCFs that began operating prior to 2012 but during this period have ceased to operate.

A copy of this letter has been placed in the Library of the House.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrew Murrison". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial 'M'.

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