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NAO WORKFORCE AND SPEND

Thank you for your request of 12th June 2023 for information about the current size of the workforce and spend on the workforce at the National Audit Office.

Your request is being handled under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your specific request is set out in **Annex A** for your reference.

We can confirm that we hold the information requested, this is also detailed in **Annex A** where we have supplied our responses under each question.

Annex B sets out the steps you may wish to take if you are not satisfied with the way we have handled your request for information under the FOIA.

Yours sincerely,

NAO FOI Team



Annex A

Request for information about the NAO workforce and spend

(Your request is in bold)

- 1. Size of Workforce: Please provide the total number of employees currently working in the Office of the UK Auditor General.**

Please refer to Q2 for responses on size of workforce

- 2. List of Departments and Employee Count: I would like to obtain a comprehensive list of departments within the Office of the UK Auditor General, including the number of employees allocated to each department. This will help me better understand the organizational structure and distribution of resources.**

Current size of the workforce as at June 2023:

Group name	Total employees in group
Centre	168
Corporate Services including Private Office	165
Local	168
Infrastructure	159
International	128
Society	192
Total employees	980

- 3. Total Expenditure on Salaries: Please disclose the total amount of expenditure incurred by the Office of the UK Auditor General on salaries for the specified time period (2021-2022) This information will provide transparency regarding the allocation of financial resources.**

Please refer to the National Audit Office website for Annual Report and Accounts for 2021-22 here: [Annual Report and Accounts 2021-22 \(nao.org.uk\)](https://www.nao.org.uk). The information you requested can be found on pages 130 & 170.

Annex B

Statement of Policy

Our policy is to respond to requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as helpfully and promptly as possible, having regard to the principles set out in the Act. I therefore hope you are happy with the way we have handled your request. If you are not, then you should take the following steps.

In the first instance, within 40 working days, write to the National Audit Office Freedom of Information (FOI) Team at FOI.requests@nao.org.uk or by post to:

FOI Team, Green 2, National Audit Office, 157-197 Buckingham Palace Road, London, SW1W 9SP.

The Head of FOI will arrange a review, which will be conducted by a senior member of staff who was not involved in decisions relating to your original request. Once the review has been completed, we will write informing you of the outcome.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The primary way of escalating your concerns to the Information Commissioner is at: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints. Alternatively, you can contact the ICO at [Contact us | ICO](#) or Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF.