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Dear M Esslemont

**Freedom of Information Request reference: 64090**

Thank you for your e-mail of 8 May 2021. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Please see **Annex A** for a copy of your request in full.

I can confirm that the Home Office holds the information that you have requested. The information you have requested is outlined in **Annex B**.

Every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete. However, it should be noted that human error may be responsible for minor variances in the data. Care is taken to ensure data collection processes and their inevitable limitations are taken into account. The statistics have been taken from a live operational database and were correct at the time of being commissioned but may change as information on the system is updated.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to [foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk), quoting reference **64090**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request would be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you were to remain dissatisfied after an internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the FOIA.

Yours sincerely,

**The Single Competent Authority**

## **Annex A**

### **FOI 64090**

Please provide the number of National Referral Mechanism (NRM) reconsiderations between 1 January 2020 and present, broken down by:

- NRM stage (eg. 'reasonable' or 'conclusive grounds')
- Reconsideration outcome
- Year of reconsideration

## Annex B

Conclusive Grounds (CG) reconsiderations made by year and outcome:

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Negative conclusive grounds	34	<10
Positive conclusive grounds	103	21

Reasonable Grounds (RG) reconsiderations made by year and outcome:

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Negative reasonable grounds	36	10
Positive reasonable grounds	152	58

Notes:

1. This data is for reconsiderations made in the period 01/01/20 - 14/05/21
2. Figures less than 10 have been withheld to protect the identity of individuals.