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## Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email of 21<sup>st</sup> September 2016. You made the following requests for information:

Are you able to help me with the numbers for 2015 to 2016 for rule 16.4 Guardian appointments from Cafcass.

Please see below for our response.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>2015</b>	123	130	131	115	114	135	127	134	143	151	143	135	1581
<b>2016</b>	114	136	143	159	165	142	155	108	133				1255

### Notes:

1. The above data relates to the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 and 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
2. Data source: Data taken from the Cafcass national databases (ECMS). ECMS is a live system, continually updated and is subject to change when further updates are made.
3. The unit of measurement is cases types of "16.4 – Appointment" where the order for 16.4 Appointment was made in the years 2015 and 2016.

We hope that you feel your question has been answered effectively. If you are unhappy with the decisions made in relation to your request, you may ask for an internal review to be undertaken. If you are dissatisfied with the way the internal review is handled or with the final decision made at that review about the information released, you are free to contact the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk/>):

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Yours sincerely,

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