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Dear Mr Machenzie

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your email of 13 November, in which you ask for information on passports. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your information request and Her Majesty's Passport Office reply is set out on the attached annex.

In keeping with the Freedom of Information Act, we assume that all information can be released to the public unless it is exempt. In line with normal practice we are therefore releasing the information which you requested via the www.gov.uk website.

I hope that this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you that we have provided you with all relevant information that Her Majesty's Passport Office holds.

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 the address below, quoting reference FOICR 29643/13. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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

Yours sincerely

H Reid
Parliamentary and Diplomatic Correspondence Team

Freedom of Information request from Alistair Machenzie (reference FOICR 29643/13)

Information requested

I understand there are 6 types of British nationals (but not necessarily with the right of abode in the UK). They are British citizenship; British overseas citizenship; British overseas territories citizenship; British national (overseas); British protected person; British subject (These are listed in <http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/britishcitizenship/aboutcitizenship/>).

For each of these 6 kinds of citizenship, please specify how many passports mentioning that citizenship were issued every year since 2004 (i.e. Year 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012).

Response

The table below provides information below for the 2007- 2012 period only. Unfortunately information for the earlier period is not held in a format that is readily available.

British Citizenship	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
British Citizen (BC)	5,827,373	5,279,822	5,093,201	5,355,192	5,269,113	5,298,879
British Subject (BS)	5,575	4,324	3,565	3,386	3,417	3,232
British Overseas Citizen (BOC)	840	739	611	581	564	510
British National (Overseas) (BNO)	713	337	325	337	385	463
British Overseas Territories Citizen (BOTC)	97	99	103	132	127	126
British Protected Person (BPP)	105	106	86	76	90	76
Grand Total	5,834,703	5,285,427	5,097,891	5,359,704	5,273,696	5,303,286

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