

## FOI DOF/2025-0058

**Request**

I would be grateful if you could provide me with the religious and gender breakdown of DAERA staff in 2024.

**DoF Response**

I can confirm the Department holds the information requested.

1. A breakdown of DAERA staff by Community Background is shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: DAERA staff by Community Background

<b>Community Background</b>	<b>Number of Staff</b>
Protestant	1531
Catholic	1705
Not Determined	204
<b>Total</b>	<b>3440</b>

2. A breakdown of DAERA staff by sex is shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2: DAERA staff by sex

<b>Sex</b>	<b>Number of Staff</b>
Male	1827
Female	1613
<b>Total</b>	<b>3440</b>

Notes:

- Analysis is based on NICS data held on HRConnect as at 1 January 2024.
- Agency staff, staff on career breaks or on secondment outside the NICS are excluded.