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## Freedom of Information Request - F0007550 - Fixed Speed Cameras

I am writing to confirm that the Department has now completed its search for the information which you requested on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2011. You asked:

***“Please advise when Gatso cameras (fixed speed cameras) were first used on British roads. How many had been installed by the end of 1995?”***

I can confirm that Gatso fixed speed cameras were first used in England and Wales (excluding Scotland) in 1992. Although Gatso were the first manufacturer of fixed speed cameras they are not the only manufacturer and other makes have since been installed.

With regard to your second question, unfortunately we do not keep records by manufacturer of the number of cameras installed each year.

However, in case you find it useful I enclose a table below which sets out by year the number of fixed speed camera sites established in England and Wales as submitted to the National Safety Camera Programme. The programme did not cover Scotland. As mentioned above these fixed speed camera sites include those of manufacturers other than Gatso. I have included data held to the end of the programme (31<sup>st</sup> March 2007).

Established in year		
Year	Fixed	Cumulative
1992	48	48
1993	38	86
1994	97	183
1995	184	367
1996	198	565
1997	169	734
1998	181	915
1999	159	1074
2000	152	1226
2001	172	1398
2002	250	1648
2003	301	1949
2004	271	2220
2005	160	2380
2006	66	2446
2007	16	2462

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. A copy of this response and the

information provided may now be published on our website together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the Department's Information Rights Unit at:

Zone D/04  
Ashdown House  
Sedlescombe Road North  
Hastings  
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E-mail: [FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk)

Please see attached details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be re-considered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

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 Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
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