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Request details:	'Since the introduction of the MATES program in 2004, I require the number of veterans who have requested to opt out of this program. I require this for each and every year since 2004. For the year 2023 I require the information on a monthly basis'
Date of decision:	18 December 2023

## Received requests for opt out of Veterans' MATES (current 30 November 2023)

Date	Number of opt out requests
2004	0
2005	1
2006	20
2007	41
2008	33
2009	71
2010	11
2011	41
2012	32
2013	45
2014	30
2015	76
2016	0
2017	106
2018	71
2019	39
2020	35
2012	37
2022	37
2023	457 (to Nov 2023)
Jan 2023	0
Feb 2023	0

Mar 2023	0
Apr 2023	0
May 2023	0
June 2023	6
July 2023	13
Aug 2023	156
Sept 2023	85
Oct 2023	122
Nov 2023	75