A couple of important caveats:

1) The counts are not exclusive - i.e., the same records may (and in many cases, probably did) get counted as both USCs and records with SSNs.

2) The counts are based on the dates of record creation and do not include deleted records - which means that, for example, a record created in 2011 and deleted in 2013 does not show up in the 2011/2012 counts. Pulling the data in a way that would count those records was prohibitively difficult at this time.

3) This information is classified as S//NF per the TIDE Classification Guide.
Ma'am,

We've conducted a review of the attached redactions and because the caveats do not provide any meaningful information without the numbers in the document, we feel that the FOIA response should instead inform the requestor that the information is classified.

However, we identified no additional material that requires protection and agree with the recommended redactions.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Very Respectfully,

DTI/SOC Action Officer

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 12:35 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]

Subject: FOR ACTION: FOIA Review for DF-2015-00270 - DUE AUG 13

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Good Afternoon

DTI, over to you to answer the request below. Note: This FOIA request is NCTC # 2015-0691. Please be sure to Cc: ExecSec on your response.

Thank you.

Deputy Executive Secretary
National Counterterrorism Center

From:          
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2015 9:24 AM
To:            
Cc: Sally A. Nicholson-DNI-
Subject: FOR ACTION: FOIA Review for DF-2015-00270 - DUE AUG 13

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Good morning,

The CIO/IMD/FOIA Branch received a FOIA request (ODNI case DF-2015-00270) from Martin Peck for the number of identities in the Terrorist Identifies Datamart Environment (TIDE) database with social security numbers and who are US citizens. The request is attached for your reference.

NCTC/DTI provided the attached responsive document in response to a search tasking for this case. I conducted a preliminary review and recommend releasing the document in part, see attached document for details. Please review and identify any additional material that warrants protection.

Due date for this review is COB on Aug 13, 2015. Please contact me with any questions.

FOIA/PA Branch
ODNI/CIO/IMD

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Good Afternoon,

I reached out to NCTC’s DTI office and they provided the following:

Ma’am,

The following criteria was used to determine who had an SSN:

• TPNs with a related document where Type = SSN, COI = US or blank, ID Number is not blank

This search was conducted in TIDE.

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Good Afternoon,

NCTC would like to thank you for the opportunity to review, we have placed our responsive documents in the DNI FOIA shared folder titled DF-2015-00270(PECK (NCTC RESPONSE)). I thank you for your time regarding this matter.

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Executive Secretariat
National Counterterrorism Center
Good afternoon,

The IMD/FOIA Branch received a FOIA request (ODNI case DF-2015-00270) from Martin Peck for the number of identities in the Terrorist Identifies Datamart Environment (TIDE) database with social security numbers and who are US citizens. The request is attached and provided at the end of this email for your reference.

Please notify us as soon as possible if you feel this request is too burdensome or voluminous for your component to process. Provide us with information that supports how burdensome the request is, and any recommendations your office may have that would help narrow the request (as well as information that we can and cannot say to the requester i.e. sources and methods, etc.) so that we can try negotiating with the requester up front.

We are NOT asking for everyone in your component to search, just those who would reasonably be the subject matter experts for the information requested.

Remember, all documents potentially related to the request must be provided to the FOIA office. We will then review the documents for responsiveness and apply the appropriate exemptions. Upon completion of our review, the FOIA office will provide our proposed release for review/concurrence. If the components do not concur with our proposed release, they will need to identify the information of concern and provide a statement explaining the harm in the release. The FOIA office will then work with your office to identify the appropriate exemptions for the information.

Due to a significant increase in the number of litigations we require all responses, with or without record findings, to include “what” and “where” you searched for the requested information. For example, “IMD searched for materials including memos and studies relating to commercial imagery resolution (the what) searching through all AIN and CWE emails as well as the IMD share drive (the where).”

Please send any responsive documents along with your search strategy (mentioned in the example above) to DNI-FOIA by COB on July 29, 2015.
To Whom It May Concern:
This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:
The number of identities in the Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment (TIDE) database with social security number. Also the number of identities in the Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment (TIDE) database who are US citizens. Include the numbers for this year 2015, and any prior year back to any prior year where available. Please include processing notes for this request, even if request is denied in part. Thank you!

Martin Peck
Case manager please note tasker and responses will all be responsive records in this case, per Sally.
Received NCTC search terms. Ready for a case manager.
Received responsive from NCTC on 7/29; currently waiting for NCTC to provide search terms.
Tasked NCTC. Due date is July 29, 2015.
Case Comment created by [REDACTED] on 07-13-2015 09:31

Checked and verified case has not been opened or processed.