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Fire and Rescue Incident Statistics 2024-25

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Corrections

There have been no corrections within this year's publication.

Notable Revisions

There were no revisions in the headline incident timeseries of more than 0.5%.

Official Statistics in Development

The following tables were introduced in 2023-24 as Official Statistics in Development, and will remain Official Statistics in Development in 2024-25:

- Preventable Fire Fatalities (table code: ICF_FFP1)
- Fatal Fire Casualties by Month (table code: ICF_FFM1)
- Fatal Fire Casualties by Day (table code: ICF_FFD1)
- Contributory Factors in Fatal Fire Casualties (table code: ICF_FFCF1)
- Origins of Cause in Fatal Fire Casualties (table code: ICF_FFOC1)
- Accidental Dwelling Fires by Use of Room Where Fire Started (table code: ADF_ROO1)
- Material or Item First Ignited in Dwelling Fires (table code: MFI_DF1)
- Material or Item First Ignited in Other Building Fires (table code: MFI_OB1)
- Material Mainly Responsible for the Development of Fire in Dwelling Fires (table code: MRD_DF1)
- Material Mainly Responsible for the Development of Fire in Other Building Fires (table code: MRD_OB1)
- Fatal and Non-fatal Casualties in Dwelling Fires by Material or Item First Ignited (table code: ICF_MFID1)
- Fatal and Non-fatal Casualties in Other Building Fires by Material or Item First Ignited (table code: ICF_MFIOB1)
- Fatal and Non-Fatal Casualties by Material Mainly Responsible for the Development of Fire in Dwelling Fires (table code: ICF_MMRDD1)
- Fatal and Non-Fatal Casualties by Material Mainly Responsible for the Development of Fire in Other Buildings (table code: ICF_MMRDOB1)
- Road Vehicle Fires by Motive and Type of Vehicle (table code: IFR_RVMT1)
- Daily Rate of Fire Incidents by Month, Location and Year (table code: IFR_DR1)

Scotland Population Data

The latest publication by National Records of Scotland for Small Area Population Estimates reflects mid-2022 data. To give a best estimate, mid-2022 data has been used for 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25. This will be updated in future publications when new Small Area Population Estimates are published. This affects the following tables:

- Incidents Attended by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation Quintile - Rate per Million Population (Table Code: IAC_ISIMDRP1)
- Casualties in Fires by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation Quintile - Rate per Million Population (Table Code: IAC_CSIMDRP1)
- Incidents Attended by Urban Rural Index - Rate per Million Population (Table Code: IAC_IURRP1)
- Casualties in Fires by Urban Rural Index - Rate per Million Population (Table Code: IAC_CURRP1)

Please note also that Urban Rural data zones have been published by Scottish Government using the 2022 census data, but these cannot be matched to the 2022 mid-year population data zones. We have therefore not used the new Urban Rural Classifications within this publication. We will

update this in future publications whenever it is possible to do so. The Scottish Government Urban Rural Classification 2022 data can be found here:

[Supporting documents - Scottish Government Urban Rural Classification 2022.](#)

Furthermore, the 10-year fatal fire casualty average within the “Casualties in Fires by Age (Non-SFRS Personnel) - Rate per Million Population” within the Tables and Charts workbook does not match the 10-year average for fatal fire casualties within the “Casualties in Fires by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation Quintile – Rate per Million Population” table or the “Casualties in Fires by Urban Rural Index - Rate per Million Population” table within the Tables and Charts workbook. This is due to the Small Area Population Estimates not being updated for this year. The “Casualties in Fires by Age (Non-SFRS Personnel) - Rate per Million Population” table uses the Mid-Year Population Estimates (published by National Records of Scotland) which is up to date for 2024-25, whereas the other tables have had to use mid-2022 data for the past three years of data. The Deprivation and Urban tables are therefore using different total population figures for 2023-24 and 2024-25 than what is used within the Age tables.

For this reason, the “Casualties in Fires by Age (Non-SFRS Personnel) - Rate per Million Population” average should be considered more up to date and accurate.

England and Wales Population Data

Welsh population data was not available at the time of this publication for 2024-25. Incidents in comparison to population figures were not reported for this nation this year. For this reason, comparable statistics per million population have not been published Wales. If possible, these will be updated and backdated in the next publication. This affects the following tables:

- Incidents Attended by Nation - Rate per million Population (table code: IGB_I1)
- Casualties from Fires by Nation - Rate per million Population (table code: IGB_C2)
- Fire Incidents Attended by Nation - Rate per million Population (table code: IGB_F1)

Change to “Casualties in Dwelling Fires by Time of Call - Number and Rate per 1,000 Fires” (Table Code: ICF_DTIM1)

This table previously showed an ‘All Year Average’. This has been changed to a ‘10-year average’ as this is believed to be more valuable for users.

Official Statistics

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