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Changes by Section

Official Statistics in Development

(previously 'Experimental Statistics')

The following tables are no longer classed as Official Statistics in Development:

- Alarms Installed in Home Fire Safety Visits by Deprivation of Area (table code: HV_DEPALS1)
- Home Fire Safety Visits with Alarms Installed by Deprivation of Area - Percentage of Occupied Dwellings (table code: HV_DEPALR1)
- Percentage of Home Fire Safety Visits with Alarms Installed by Deprivation of Area (table code: HV_DEPALPER1)
- Percentage of Home Fire Safety Visits with Alarms Installed in Owner Occupied Properties by Deprivation of Area (table code: HV_DEPALOOCP1)
- New Entrants by Age Range (table code: WF_NEARS1)
- New Entrants by Sex (table code: WF_NEGS1)
- New Entrants by Ethnicity (table code: WF_NEETP1)
- New Entrants by Disability (table code: WF_NEDIPI)

National Records of Scotland Population Data

In 2022-23, the mid-year population estimates for 2021 were used as this was the most recent publication from the National Records of Scotland at the time of publication. This has been updated this year to include the 2022 population figures for 2022-23.

Within the current publication, for 2023-24, the population figures for 2022 was used as this was the most recent publication at the time.

This affects the following tables and charts:

- Residents of Households Visited in Home Fire Safety Visits by Age Range - Percentage of Population (table code: HV_RESARP1)
- Rate of Home Fire Safety Visits by Age Group of Residents (chart code: C_HV_RESP1)

Stations and Capabilities

Corrections

- There were two stations included in last year's figures as having '1 pump' under the water pumping capability section. It was discovered that these stations do not have any water pumping capabilities and so, should be removed. These have now been removed from last year's figures. This also affects the total number of water pumping capabilities in the table titled 'Fire Station Capabilities' (table code: FS_CAP1).
- There was one station included in last year's figures as having '3 pumps' under the water pumping capability section in the table titled 'Fire Station Capabilities' (table code: FS_CAP1). It was discovered that this should have been recorded under '2 pumps'. This change has now been made. This also affects the total number of water pumping capabilities.
- There was one station included in last year's figures as having 'Detection, Identification and Monitoring Unit' in the table titled 'Fire Station Capabilities' (table code: FS_CAP1). This should not have been included and has now been removed, leading the total figure for 2022-23 to be changed from 5 to 4.
- There was one station missing from last year's figures of Environmental Protection Units in the table titled 'Fire Station Capabilities' (table code: FS_CAP1). This figure has been revised from 4 to 5 for 2022-23.

Fire and Rescue Vehicles

There were no corrections or changes for this section.

Workforce

Changes

- This publication previously reported 'Gender' statistics, which have now been renamed to 'Sex'. Data collection, quality assurance and the information being reported has not changed. Figures are comparable to previous years.

Corrections

- Within the Duty System LA table (table code: WF_STDSLAI1), a correction has been made for 2021-22 and 2022-23 where Operational Crews were not reported correctly. This affected two positions in 2021-22 and one position in 2022-23.
- In the New Entrants by Ethnicity table (table code: WF_NEETP1), values were previously all 0.0. This was an error due to how the pivot table was linked up. This has now been corrected and will not affect future publications.
- The 'Staff Type by Department – Full Time Equivalent' table (table code: WF_STDEF1) previously showed some incorrect figures due to an issue with double counting. This has now been corrected and will not affect future publications.

Attacks on Fire and Rescue Personnel

There were no corrections or changes for this section.

Home Fire Safety Visits

Corrections

- Smoke alarm figures for 2021-22 and 2022-23 have been corrected. Previous figures included fire retardant bedding and carbon monoxide alarms. This issue will not affect future publications. This issued affected the following tables:
 - Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV) by Outcome and Alarms Installed (table code HV_OS1)
 - Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV) by Outcome and Alarms Installed - Percentage and Rate (table code: HV_OR1)
 - Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV) Percentage of Scottish Households (table code: HV_HR1)
- On the Outcome LA sheet (table code: HV_OLAP1) previously showed incorrect percentages for Percentage of 'HFSV – advice only' for all years. This has now been corrected and will not affect future years.
- Rurality tables were incorrectly not published in the past two years (HV_RURS1 and HV_RURP1). Alarm information was not broken down in 2021-22 and 2022-23 but this should not have affected this table. These tables have now been published with data for 2021-22 and data for 2022-23 included.

Non-Domestic Fire Safety Visits

There were no corrections or changes for this section.

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