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Fire and rescue authority performance: April 2023 to March 2024

Information on fires attended, casualties due to fires, false alarms, Special Service Incidents and contained dwelling fires for April 2023 to March 2024.

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Introduction

These statistics relate to fire and rescue service incidents between April 2023 and end March 2024.

An annual update presenting information on fires attended, casualties due to fires, false alarms, Special Service Incidents and contained dwelling fires.

The Welsh Government's Performance Management Framework for measuring Fire and Rescue Authority (FRA) performance was introduced in 2007. **Data**, including FRS level data, are published on StatsWales in the table Fire service performance indicators.

FRAs publish their performance data on their own websites, available in the below links.

North Wales FRA

Mid and West Wales FRA

South Wales FRA

Further information on the data collection and quality can be found in our **Fire** statistics quality report.

The performance indicators are grouped under two themes: 'risk reduction and community safety' and 'effective response'.

Risk reduction and community safety

First indicator (FRS/RRC/S/001)

- Total fires attended per 10,000 population.
- Total false alarms attended per 10,000 population.
- Total Road Traffic Collisions (RTCs) attended per 10,000 population.
- Total other incidents attended per 10,000 population.
- deaths and injuries arising from all fires per 100,000 population.

Second indicator (FRS/RRC/S/002)

Total number of:

- deaths and injuries arising from all fires per 100,000 population
- deaths and injuries arising from accidental fires per 100,000 population

Effective response

Third indicator (FRS/EFR/S/003)

The percentage of dwelling fires which were contained in the room in which they originated.

Main results for 2023-24

• There were 9,700 fires attended by the FRAs in Wales, equating to 31 fires per 10,000 population. This is a decrease of 12% compared with 2022-23.

- Since responsibility for fire and rescue services was devolved to Wales in 2004-05 the number and rate have more than halved.
- There were 18,298 false alarms attended in 2023-24, equating to 58 per 10,000 population and an increase of 10% compared with 2022-23.
- The FRAs in Wales attended 1,907 road traffic collisions in 2023-24, this is 6 per 10,000 population and a rise of 3% compared with 2022-23.
- The FRAs in Wales attended 8,149 SSIs which weren't road traffic collisions in 2023-24, this is 26 per 10,000 population and a rise of 3% compared with 2022-23.
- There were 119 deaths and injuries due to fires in Wales (4 per 100,000 population). This is a decrease of 11% in the number of casualties compared with 2022-23.
- There were 100 deaths and injuries due to fires in Wales (3 per 100,000 population). This is a decrease of 12% in the number of casualties compared with 2022-23. These casualties are those sent to hospital and do not include those receiving first aid or sent for precautionary checks.
- 85% of dwelling fires in Wales were contained within the room where the fire started.

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