



Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service

Please ask for: Service Information Team Leader

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Our Ref:

Your Ref: N/A

Date: 01 September 2020

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Re: Request for information (our ref: NFRS2020-210-239)

I am writing in response to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received 04 August 2020. Our response is provided below:

Q1 What is the total number of house fires caused by faulty white goods (washing machines, tumble dryers, fridge freezers, fridges, cookers etc.) in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (to end of July) and what % each figure is of total house fires in that year. If possible could this data be broken down by month? And broken down by which particular faulty white goods caused the fires?

We do not have a recording category for 'white goods', these would be included in the Home Office reporting category 'domestic appliances'. This information is publicly available within the [Home Office fire statistics incident level datasets](#) > Domestic appliance fires dataset. Published data goes up to the 2019-20 financial year period with data for April – July 2020 intended for future publication and therefore we are exempting this under Section 22 of the Act.

We do not record the % of each incident against the total number of house fires. The total can be accessed from the [Fire Statistics Data Table FIRE 0102](#), enable editing and change authority to 'Northamptonshire' which shows all dwelling fires.

If this would take long then perhaps I could have:

Q2 What is the total number of house fires caused by faulty white goods (washing machines, tumble dryers, fridge freezers, fridges, cookers etc.) in each month during 2020 (Jan to July)?

Please refer to the answer provided for Q1.

Q3 What is the total number of house fires caused by faulty white goods (washing machines, tumble dryers, fridge freezers, fridges, cookers etc.) in each month during 2019 (Jan to December)?

Please refer to the answer provided for Q1.

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If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me quoting reference NFRS2020-210-239.

Yours sincerely

Service Information Team Leader

If you are unhappy with the response, you can ask the Service to review it. To do this, please email enquiries@northantsfire.gov.uk or alternatively write to the address below:

Service Information Manager
Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service
Moulton Logistics Centre
Moulton Way
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Information Commissioner
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