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Fire Statistics Monitor Quarter 4 2005

The statistics in this quarterly monitor are compiled by the National Assembly for Wales from reports submitted by all Fire and Rescue Services in Wales to the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG). It covers all fires attended in the 12-month period up to 31st December 2005.

All figures for 2005 are provisional.

Summary

Fires:

- The Welsh Fire and Rescue Services attended around 42,800 fires and false alarms (total attendances) in the year ending 31st December 2005, a decrease of around 6 per cent on the same period in the previous year.
- Primary fires in Wales decreased by 10 per cent over the same period in the previous year.

Casualties:

- There were 34 fatal casualties from fires in Wales, up from 26 in the previous year.
- Over the same period, there were 740 non-fatal casualties from fires recorded compared with 830 in the same period as the previous year.

False Alarms:

- In year ending 31st December 2005, there were around 18,800 false fire alarms in Wales, an increase of 6 per cent from 17,800 in the previous year.
- However, the number of malicious false fire alarms decreased by 11 per cent to 1,700 compared with the same period in the previous year.

Fires

The Welsh Fire and Rescue Services attended around 42,800 fires and false alarms (total attendances) in the year ending 31st December 2005, a decrease of around 6 per cent on the same period in the previous year.

Fires by Type

In the year ending 31st December 2005, there were 9,100 primary fires in Wales, a decrease of 10 per cent on the same period in the previous year (Annex 1). Each Fire and Rescue Service (FRS) within Wales showed a decrease;

Table 1 Primary Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	1,955	1,774	-9
Mid & West Wales	2,940	2,634	-10
South Wales	5,266	4,689	-11

The number of secondary fires in Wales decreased by 17 per cent from 17,100 to 14,300 (Annex 1). All FRS' within Wales showed a decrease;

Table 2 Secondary Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	2,494	2,103	-16
Mid & West Wales	4,366	3,386	-22
South Wales	10,243	8,767	-14

Chimney fires decreased by 4 per cent from 650 to 630 (Annex 1). All FRS' within Wales showed a decrease;

Table 3 Chimney Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	300	265	-12
Mid & West Wales	241	254	5
South Wales	108	106	-2

Primary fires by location

The number of primary fires in dwellings decreased by 4 per cent compared to the same period in the previous year (Annex 2). Changes varied across FRS' in Wales as shown below:

Table 4 Primary Fires in Dwellings by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	575	590	3
Mid & West Wales	884	815	-8
South Wales	1,168	1,120	-4

Primary fires in road vehicles, other buildings and other outdoor locations at an all Wales level decreased in the year up to 31st December 2005 (Annex 2). In Wales as a whole, these decreases were by 13 per cent, 12 per cent and 11 per cent respectively. The largest single type of primary fire was road vehicle fire, which represented 46 per cent of all primary fires. The number of such fires decreased over the last year in each FRS in Wales, as shown below:

Table 5 Primary Fires in Road Vehicles by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	672	583	-13
Mid & West Wales	1,235	1,108	-10
South Wales	2,962	2,531	-15

Primary fires in other buildings, represented 19 per cent of primary fires (Annex 2). All FRS' in Wales showed a decrease in these types of fires compared to the same period in the previous year.

Table 6 Primary Fires in Other Buildings by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	442	413	-7
Mid & West Wales	636	517	-19
South Wales	903	811	-10

Other outdoor fires fell in total from 680 to 610, a decrease of 11 per cent compared to the previous year (Annex 2). Changes varied across the FRS' in Wales as shown below:

Table 7 Other Outdoor Primary Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	266	188	-29
Mid & West Wales	185	194	5
South Wales	233	227	-3

Primary fires by motive

The number of accidental primary fires decreased by 1 per cent from 4,600 to 4,500 (Annex 3). Changes varied across the FRS' in Wales as shown below:

Table 8 Accidental Primary Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	1,098	1,112	1
Mid & West Wales	1,659	1,552	-6
South Wales	1,809	1,851	2

There were 2,200 accidental primary fires in dwellings in the 12-month period up 31st December 2005, a slight decrease of less than 1 per cent compared to the same period the previous year (Annex 3). Changes varied across the FRS' in Wales as shown below:

Table 9 Accidental Primary Fires in Dwellings by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	491	517	5
Mid & West Wales	786	728	-7
South Wales	884	912	3

There were 4,600 deliberate primary fires in the 12 month period up ending 31st December 2005. This represents a decrease of 18 per cent on the previous year (Annex 3). All FRS' within Wales showed a decrease:

Table 10 Deliberate Primary Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	857	662	-23
Mid & West Wales	1,281	1,082	-16
South Wales	3,457	2,838	-18

Casualties

Fatal Casualties

There were 34 fatal casualties in all primary fires in Wales in the 12 months period up to 31st December 2005, compared with 26 in the same period in the previous year (Annex 4).

There were 26 fatal casualties in accidental fires in Wales in the 12 month period up to 31st December 2005, compared with 21 in the same period in the previous year (Annex 4). Changes varied across the FRS' within Wales as shown below:

Table 11 Fatal Casualties in Accidental Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	5	8	60
Mid & West Wales	6	8	33
South Wales	10	10	0

Non-Fatal Casualties

There were 740 non-fatal casualties in all fires in Wales over the period, compared with 830 in the previous year (Annex 5). Of these, 81 per cent (600) occurred in accidental fires, a 4 percentile point decrease on the previous year. This is due to non-fatal casualties in accidental fires accounting for a smaller proportion of all non-fatal casualties than the previous year. Each FRS within Wales also showed a decrease:

Table 12 Non-Fatal Casualties in Accidental Fires by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	183	168	-8
Mid & West Wales	230	184	-20
South Wales	291	245	-16

Non-fatal casualties in accidental fires in dwellings decreased by 15 per cent in Wales (Annex 5). Each FRS within Wales showed a decrease:

Table 13 Non-Fatal Casualties in Accidental Fires in Dwellings by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	154	137	-11
Mid & West Wales	175	147	-16
South Wales	256	213	-17

False alarms

There were 18,800 false fire alarms attended in Wales in the 12 month period up to the 31st December 2005, an increase of 6 per cent from 17,800 in the previous year (Annex 6). All FRS' in Wales showed an increase as shown below:

Table 14 Total False Alarms by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	4,140	4,286	4
Mid & West Wales	4,514	4,926	9
South Wales	9,120	9,610	5

Malicious False Alarms

Malicious false alarms in Wales decreased by 11 per cent in the 12 month period up to the 31st December 2005 (Annex 6). Each FRS within Wales showed a decrease:

Table 15 Malicious False Alarms by Fire and Rescue Service

	Q1 2004 - Q4 2004	Q1 2005 -Q4 2005	Percentage Change
North Wales	301	256	-15
Mid & West Wales	585	509	-13
South Wales	992	899	-9

Malicious false alarms accounted for 9 per cent of all false alarms, a decrease of 2 percentage points on the previous year.

Other False Alarms

False alarms by good intent in Wales increased by 3 per cent on the 12 month period up to the 31st December 2005 (Annex 6) to 5,200, while those due to apparatus rose by 10 per cent to 11,900.

Glossary

Buildings are defined as all buildings including those under construction, but excluding derelict buildings, or those under demolition. Prior to 1994 'buildings' were referred to as 'occupied buildings'.

Chimney fires are any fires in occupied buildings where the fire was confined within the chimney structure (and did not involve casualties or rescues or attendance by five or more appliances).

Dwellings are defined as buildings occupied by households, excluding hotels, hostels and residential institutions. From 1988, mobile homes have been specifically included in the dwelling count. In 2000, the definition of a dwelling was widened to include any non-permanent structures used solely as a dwelling, such as houseboats. All analyses from 1994 to 1998 relating to dwellings were retrospectively revised to include the new categories of dwellings.

False Alarms Due to Apparatus are calls initiated by fire alarm and fire-fighting equipment operating (including accidental initiation of alarm apparatus by persons).

Fatal Casualty is a person whose death is attributed to a fire even if the death occurred weeks or months later. However it is not always the case that fire was the cause of death and the figures for fatalities are thus subject to revision, as information supplied by the fire and rescue service needs to be cross-checked against the cause of death that appears on the death certificate. The main area of uncertainty is whether fire was the cause of death in road accident fatalities. All figures in this publication are the finalised death figures for all years.

Good Intent False Alarms are calls made in good faith in the belief that the fire and rescue service really would attend a fire.

Heat or smoke damage only incidents are reportable fires where there is not fire damage. The damage reported may be due to any combination of heat, smoke and other which will include any water damage.

Late fire call is a fire known to be extinguished when the call was made (or to which no call was made, e.g. a fire which comes to the attention of the fire and rescue service) and which the service attended.

Location is the type of premises, property or countryside in which the fire started. This is not necessarily the type of premises in which most casualties or damage occurred as a result of the fire.

Malicious False Alarms are calls made with the intention of getting the fire and rescue service to attend a non-existent fire-related event, including deliberate and suspected malicious intentions.

Non-fatal casualty is a person requiring medical treatment beyond first aid given at the scene of the fire and those sent to hospital or advised to see a doctor for a check-up or observation (whether or not they actually do). People sent to hospital or advised to see a doctor as a precaution, having no obvious injury, are recorded as precautionary check-ups.

Primary fires include all fires in buildings, vehicles and outdoor structures or any fire involving casualties, rescues, or fires attended by five or more appliances.

Reportable fire is an event of uncontrolled burning involving flames, heat or smoke and which the fire and rescue service attended.

Secondary fires are the majority of outdoor fires including grassland and refuse fires unless they involve casualties or rescues, property loss or five or more appliances attend. They include fires in single derelict buildings.

Selection of sample of primary fires

Databases for 1994 to 2004 contain all fires with casualties, but only a sample of other fires with approximate sampling fractions of: 1994-10%, 1995-40%, 1996 to 2004-20%. The data have all been weighted to agreed fire and rescue totals. The detailed analysis of the data other than for casualties, or fires involving casualties is based on the sampled data grossed to fires and rescue service totals.

Quality information

For ease of interpretation by the reader, some of the commentary figures that accompany the tables within this bulletin have been rounded following the below criteria:

Number	Rounding adjustment
Less than 100	Keep figure
100 –999	Round to nearest 10
1000+	Round to nearest 100

Percentages have been rounded to the nearest percentage point, however calculations have been done using unrounded figures.

Example

- 17.65 per cent would be rounded to 18 per cent in the commentary whilst 16.45 would be rounded to 16.
- The percentage points difference between 17.65 and 16.45 would be 1.2 and would be rounded to 1 in the commentary.

Tables displayed within this bulletin contain actual unrounded figures, based on data received from The Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG), formerly known as The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM).

Annex 1 Fires by type and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

Type of Fire	Area	2000	2001	2002 [*]	2003 [*]	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005- Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)
Primary	Wales	12,402	12,981	11,957	12,046	10,161	10,161	9,097	-10%
	North	2,429	2,456	2,176	2,156	1,955	1,955	1,774	-9%
	Mid & West	3,931	4,043	3,654	3,590	2,940	2,940	2,634	-10%
	South	6,042	6,482	6,127	6,300	5,266	5,266	4,689	-11%
Secondary	Wales	17,500	21,659	18,397	26,854	17,103	17,103	14,256	-17%
	North	2,642	2,961	2,682	3,931	2,494	2,494	2,103	-16%
	Mid & West	4,309	4,783	4,276	6,297	4,366	4,366	3,386	-22%
	South	10,549	13,915	11,439	16,626	10,243	10,243	8,767	-14%
Chimney	Wales	1,003	1,051	721	743	649	649	625	-4%
	North	464	494	366	302	300	300	265	-12%
	Mid & West	383	364	235	308	241	241	254	5%
	South	156	193	120	133	108	108	106	-2%
False Alarms	Wales	18,963	20,005	18,746	19,665	17,774	17,774	18,822	6%
	North	5,153	5,380	5,285	4,941	4,140	4,140	4,286	4%
	Mid & West	4,917	4,924	4,188	4,825	4,514	4,514	4,926	9%
	South	8,893	9,701	9,273	9,899	9,120	9,120	9,610	5%

(a) Fire figures are based on sample data weighted to individual FRS totals.

(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

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*Excludes incidents not recorded during periods of industrial action in 2002 and 2003

Annex 2 Primary Fires by location and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

Location	Area	2000	2001	2002 *	2003 *	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005- Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)
Total Primary Fires	Wales	12,402	12,981	11,957	12,046	10,161	10,161	9,097	-10%
	North	2,429	2,456	2,176	2,156	1,955	1,955	1,774	-9%
	Mid & West	3,931	4,043	3,654	3,590	2,940	2,940	2,634	-10%
	South	6,042	6,482	6,127	6,300	5,266	5,266	4,689	-11%
Dwellings	Wales	3,230	3,294	2,944	2,752	2,627	2,627	2,525	-4%
	North	777	739	678	657	575	575	590	3%
	Mid & West	984	1,027	890	861	884	884	815	-8%
	South	1,469	1,528	1,376	1,234	1,168	1,168	1,120	-4%
Other Buildings	Wales	2,238	2,448	2,160	2,202	1,981	1,981	1,741	-12%
	North	490	505	436	436	442	442	413	-7%
	Mid & West	771	782	736	747	636	636	517	-19%
	South	977	1,161	988	1,019	903	903	811	-10%
Road Vehicles	Wales	6,163	6,340	6,090	6,165	4,869	4,869	4,222	-13%
	North	927	994	834	796	672	672	583	-13%
	Mid & West	1,934	1,920	1,821	1,682	1,235	1,235	1,108	-10%
	South	3,302	3,426	3,435	3,687	2,962	2,962	2,531	-15%
Other Outdoors	Wales	771	899	763	927	684	684	609	-11%
	North	235	218	228	267	266	266	188	-29%
	Mid & West	242	314	207	300	185	185	194	5%
	South	294	367	328	360	233	233	227	-3%

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(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

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Annex 3 Primary Fires by location, motive and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

Location	Area	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005- Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)
Accidental Fires									
Total Accidental Fires	Wales	5,564	5,564	5,036	4,867	4,566	4,566	4,515	-1%
	North	1,371	1,305	1,180	1,134	1,098	1,098	1,112	1%
	Mid & West	1,972	1,956	1,756	1,768	1,659	1,659	1,552	-6%
	South	2,221	2,303	2,100	1,965	1,809	1,809	1,851	2%
Dwellings	Wales	2,654	2,646	2,403	2,233	2,161	2,161	2,157	0%
	North	675	632	569	534	491	491	517	5%
	Mid & West	866	860	771	753	786	786	728	-7%
	South	1,113	1,154	1,063	946	884	884	912	3%
Other Buildings	Wales	1,326	1,349	1,197	1,245	1,169	1,169	1,100	-6%
	North	304	309	262	271	315	315	281	-11%
	Mid & West	562	527	504	514	450	450	389	-14%
	South	460	513	431	460	404	404	430	6%
Road Vehicles	Wales	1,318	1,293	1,185	1,037	1,010	1,010	1,031	2%
	North	295	306	275	220	194	194	244	26%
	Mid & West	414	404	382	355	330	330	332	1%
	South	609	582	529	462	487	487	455	-7%
Other Outdoors	Wales	266	276	251	352	226	226	227	0%
	North	97	58	74	109	98	98	70	-29%
	Mid & West	130	165	99	146	93	93	103	11%
	South	39	54	77	97	34	34	54	59%
Deliberate Fires									
Total Deliberate Fires	Wales	6,838	7,417	6,921	7,179	5,595	5,595	4,582	-18%
	North	1,058	1,151	996	1,022	857	857	662	-23%
	Mid & West	1,959	2,087	1,898	1,822	1,281	1,281	1,082	-16%
	South	3,821	4,179	4,027	4,335	3,457	3,457	2,838	-18%
Dwellings	Wales	576	648	541	519	466	466	368	-21%
	North	102	107	109	123	84	84	73	-13%
	Mid & West	118	167	119	108	98	98	87	-11%
	South	356	374	313	288	284	284	208	-27%
Other Buildings	Wales	912	1,099	963	957	812	812	641	-21%
	North	186	196	174	165	127	127	132	4%
	Mid & West	209	255	232	233	186	186	128	-31%
	South	517	648	557	559	499	499	381	-24%
Road Vehicles	Wales	4,845	5,047	4,904	5,128	3,858	3,858	3,191	-17%
	North	632	688	559	577	478	478	339	-29%
	Mid & West	1,520	1,516	1,440	1,327	905	905	776	-14%
	South	2,693	2,844	2,906	3,225	2,475	2,475	2,076	-16%
Other Outdoors	Wales	505	623	513	575	459	459	382	-17%
	North	138	161	154	157	168	168	118	-30%
	Mid & West	112	149	107	154	92	92	91	-1%
	South	255	313	251	263	199	199	173	-13%

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(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

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Annex 4 Fatal Casualties by location, motive and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

Location	Area	2000	2001	2002 *	2003 *	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005- Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)(c)
Accidental Fires									
Total Fatal Casualties	Wales	28	30	24	28	21	21	26	24%
	North	5	9	9	7	5	5	8	60%
	Mid & West	14	14	7	9	6	6	8	33%
	South	9	7	8	12	10	10	10	0%
Dwellings	Wales	23	21	21	27	15	15	20	33%
	North	3	6	9	7	3	3	4	33%
	Mid & West	12	9	5	8	4	4	6	50%
	South	8	6	7	12	8	8	10	25%
Other Buildings	Wales	1	6	0	0	3	3	2	-33%
	North	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	..
	Mid & West	0	4	0	0	2	2	0	-100%
	South	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	-100%
Road Vehicles	Wales	1	2	3	1	3	3	4	33%
	North	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	0%
	Mid & West	1	1	2	1	0	0	2	..
	South	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	-100%
Other Outdoors	Wales	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	..
	North	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Mid & West	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
	South	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	..
Deliberate Fires									
Total Fatal Casualties	Wales	6	5	4	2	5	5	8	60%
	North	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	..
	Mid & West	4	0	1	1	4	4	3	-25%
	South	2	1	2	1	1	1	4	300%
Dwellings	Wales	1	3	4	0	3	3	2	-33%
	North	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	..
	Mid & West	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	-100%
	South	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	..
Other Buildings	Wales	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	-100%
	North	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Mid & West	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
	South	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	-100%
Road Vehicles	Wales	3	0	0	2	0	0	6	..
	North	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	..
	Mid & West	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	..
	South	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	..
Other Outdoors	Wales	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	-100%
	North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Mid & West	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	-100%
	South	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	..

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(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

(c) Where shown percentage change is not available(..) as either the numerator, denominator or both are equal to 0

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Annex 5 Non- fatal Casualties by location, motive and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

Location	Area	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005 - Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)(c)
Accidental Fires									
Total Non-fatal Casualties	Wales	853	811	750	660	704	704	597	-15%
	North	172	173	166	141	183	183	168	-8%
	Mid & West	311	271	249	226	230	230	184	-20%
	South	370	367	335	293	291	291	245	-16%
Dwellings	Wales	687	686	615	572	585	585	497	-15%
	North	144	138	129	123	154	154	137	-11%
	Mid & West	228	216	184	195	175	175	147	-16%
	South	315	332	302	254	256	256	213	-17%
Other Buildings	Wales	81	63	79	48	71	71	63	-11%
	North	10	20	16	7	16	16	22	38%
	Mid & West	38	26	47	17	39	39	23	-41%
	South	33	17	16	24	16	16	18	13%
Road Vehicles	Wales	34	37	31	18	26	26	24	-8%
	North	11	11	11	3	5	5	3	-40%
	Mid & West	7	19	12	5	7	7	7	0%
	South	16	7	8	10	14	14	14	0%
Other Outdoors	Wales	51	25	25	22	22	22	13	-41%
	North	7	4	10	8	8	8	6	-25%
	Mid & West	38	10	6	9	9	9	7	-22%
	South	6	11	9	5	5	5	0	-100%
Deliberate Fires									
Total Non-fatal Casualties	Wales	121	136	133	138	126	126	141	12%
	North	22	28	36	27	17	17	28	65%
	Mid & West	39	28	32	36	42	42	26	-38%
	South	60	80	65	75	67	67	87	30%
Dwellings	Wales	92	96	85	99	92	92	102	11%
	North	15	17	20	16	15	15	25	67%
	Mid & West	33	19	20	24	30	30	17	-43%
	South	44	60	45	59	47	47	60	28%
Other Buildings	Wales	10	22	27	14	22	22	18	-18%
	North	2	8	10	1	0	0	1	..
	Mid & West	2	5	2	4	5	5	5	0%
	South	6	9	15	9	17	17	12	-29%
Road Vehicles	Wales	8	5	9	6	2	2	13	550%
	North	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	..
	Mid & West	2	1	5	3	0	0	3	..
	South	3	3	2	2	2	2	10	400%
Other Outdoors	Wales	11	13	12	19	10	10	8	-20%
	North	2	2	4	9	2	2	2	0%
	Mid & West	2	3	5	5	7	7	1	-86%
	South	7	8	3	5	1	1	5	400%

(a) Fire figures are based on sample data weighted to individual FRS totals.

(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

(c) Where shown percentage change is not available(..) as either the numerator, denominator or both are equal to 0

(p) Provisional

*Excludes incidents not recorded during periods of industrial action in 2002 and 2003

Annex 6 False Alarms by type and Fire and Rescue Service (a)

		2000	2001	2002 *	2003 *	2004	Q1 2004- Q4 2004	Q1 2005- Q4 2005(p)	Percentage Change (b)
Location	Area								
Total False Alarms	Wales	18,963	20,005	18,746	19,665	17,774	17,774	18,822	6%
	North	5,153	5,380	5,285	4,941	4,140	4,140	4,286	4%
	Mid & West	4,917	4,924	4,188	4,825	4,514	4,514	4,926	9%
	South	8,893	9,701	9,273	9,899	9,120	9,120	9,610	5%
Malicious	Wales	3,760	3,723	2,918	2,334	1,878	1,878	1,664	-11%
	North	1,146	1,212	1,101	537	301	301	256	-15%
	Mid & West	1,264	1,070	658	726	585	585	509	-13%
	South	1,350	1,441	1,159	1,071	992	992	899	-9%
Good Intent	Wales	4,845	5,507	5,282	6,638	5,056	5,056	5,231	3%
	North	1,026	1,142	1,167	1,350	899	899	1,005	12%
	Mid & West	1,174	1,266	1,231	1,493	1,203	1,203	1,259	5%
	South	2,645	3,099	2,884	3,795	2,954	2,954	2,967	0%
Due to Apparatus	Wales	10,358	10,775	10,546	10,693	10,840	10,840	11,927	10%
	North	2,981	3,026	3,017	3,054	2,940	2,940	3,025	3%
	Mid & West	2,479	2,588	2,299	2,606	2,726	2,726	3,158	16%
	South	4,898	5,161	5,230	5,033	5,174	5,174	5,744	11%

(a) Fire figures are based on sample data weighted to individual FRS totals.

(b) Relates to change between Q1-Q4 2004 and Q1-Q4 2005

(p) Provisional

*Excludes incidents not recorded during periods of industrial action in 2002 and 2003