



Laois Fire & Rescue Service
Statistics Report
01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023

PART 1 - PERSONNEL

Rank	Number
Assistant Chief Fire Officer	0
Assistant Chief Fire Officer Operational	0
Assistant Chief Fire Officer Prevention	0
Assistant Fire Officer	0
Chief Fire Officer	1
District Officer	0
Executive Fire Prevention Officer	0
Graduate Engineer	0
Senior Assistant Chief Fire Officer	2
Senior Assistant Chief Fire Officer Operational	0
Senior Assistant Chief Fire Officer Prevention	0
Senior Executive Fire Prevention Officer	0
Second Officer	0
Third Officer	0
Total	3



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PART 1 - PERSONNEL

Location of Fire Station	Station-Officer (Fulltime)	Station-Officer (Retained)	Sub-Officer (Fulltime)	Sub-Officer (Retained)	Fire Fighter (Fulltime)	Fire Fighter (Retained)	Total (Fulltime)	Total (Retained)
Portlaoise	0	1	0	2	0	10	0	13
Portarlington	0	1	0	1	0	8	0	10
Rathdowney	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	7
Durrow	0	1	0	1	0	7	0	9
Mountmellick	0	1	0	1	0	7	0	9
Mountrath	0	1	0	1	0	6	0	8
Abbeyleix	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	7
Stradbally	0	1	0	1	0	6	0	8
Total	0	8	0	9	0	54	0	71

'Fire Fighter' above refers to both Fire Fighters and Driver Mechanics



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PART 2 - FIRE OPERATIONS - DETAILS OF OPERATIONAL WORK

Fires	Number
Fires in Own Area	229
Fires in Other Area	20
Total	249

Special Services	Number
Entrapment	2
Gas/Chemicals	1
Hazardous substances in transit not involving fire	0
Hazardous Substances non Transit	1
Machinery	0
Miscellaneous	101
Other rescue	153
Rescue/Removal of persons from water	2
Road traffic accident	110
Water pumping/flooding	15
Total	385

False Alarms	Number
Malicious	4
Good Intent	135
Total	139

Total Number of Incidents
773

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PART 2 - FIRE OPERATIONS - FIRE STATIONS AND TURNS

Location of Fire Station	Personnel (fulltime)	Personnel (retained)	Fire Calls Attended	Special Services Attended	Total Calls Attended	False Alarms Received	Total Calls Received
Portlaoise	0	13	126 (33)	162 (42)	288 (75)	52 (0)	340 (75)
Portarlington	0	10	48 (13)	71 (16)	119 (29)	24 (0)	143 (29)
Rathdowney	0	7	19 (1)	50 (8)	69 (9)	6 (0)	75 (9)
Durrow	0	9	20 (12)	57 (34)	77 (46)	13 (1)	90 (47)
Mountmellick	0	9	60 (28)	56 (20)	116 (48)	19 (3)	135 (51)
Mountrath	0	8	36 (9)	59 (18)	95 (27)	5 (0)	100 (27)
Abbeyleix	0	7	23 (10)	63 (22)	86 (32)	11 (0)	97 (32)
Stradbally	0	8	56 (33)	73 (46)	129 (79)	15 (2)	144 (81)
Total	0	71	388 (139)	591 (206)	979 (345)	145 (6)	1124 (351)

The figures on this page refer to both first turnout and assisting reports; assisting report totals are highlighted in brackets



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PART 2 - FIRE OPERATIONS - LOCATIONS OF FIRES

Locations of Fires	Number
Chimney Fire in House	62
Other Fire in House	36
Caravan/Mobile Home	0
Flats (1) Local Authority	0
Flats (2) Privately Owned	0
Bedsit	0
Hospital	0
School	2
Other Institution	0
Factory	2
Chemical Plant	0
Storage Building/Warehouse	2
Shop/Supermarket	0
Office	0
Hotel/Guesthouse/Boarding House etc.	3
Place of Public Entertainment - Dance Hall, Disco, Cinema, Theatre, Bingo Hall	0
Public House (incl singing lounge)	0
Restaurant	0
Petrol Station - Garage	0
Hazardous Substance in transit (only cases where fire was involved)	0
Motor Vehicle	38
Unoccupied Building	0
Agriculture Business	4
Forest/Bog/Grass	29
Ship/Aircraft	0
Miscellaneous	8
Outdoor Storage	12
Outdoor Rubbish	51
Total	249

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PART 2 - FIRE OPERATIONS - CAUSES OF FIRES

Causes of Fires	Number
Chimney/Flue/Soot/Hot Ashes	67
Smoking Material	0
Matches	0
Rubbish Burning	3
Cigarette Lighters	0
Using Fuels to Kindle Fires	0
Cooking And Heating (Electrical)	4
Cooking And Heating (Oil)	0
Cooking And Heating (Gas)	0
Cooking And Heating (Solid Fuel)	1
Unknown Cause	136
Equipment (Electrical)	2
Equipment (Welding/Cutting)	0
Equipment (Other)	0
Electrical Wiring Installation	1
Explosions	0
Spontaneous Combustion	0
Malicious	23
Other Suspected Cause	12
Total	249

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PART 2 - FIRE OPERATIONS - INJURIES AND FATALITIES FROM FIRES ONLY

Date of Injury	Type of Property	Cause of Fire	Age	Smoke Alarms	Removal Type	Condition
26/01/2023	Agriculture Business	Unknown Cause	48	No	Unaided	Injured

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