



Freedom of Information Request FOI 18 58

Cooking fires and fatalities

Query and response:

1. How many fires did DWFRS attend in the home last year?

DWFRS attended 836 fires in the home last year**. This figure includes accidental and deliberate.

2. Out of these, how many were started by cooking?

246 of these fires were started by cooking.

3. What percentage of fatalities in the home are people aged 80+ in the last year?

In the last year**, 50% of fatalities in accidental dwelling fires were of people aged 80+.

4. Have the incidents of fatalities reduced over a period of time?

The number of fatalities in accidental dwelling fires has stayed the same over the last 5 years** (at 4 per year).

5. If so, is this as a result of householders having more smoke alarms?

Not applicable

****Please note that all the data supplied is by financial year so, for example, the information supplied in response to question 1 relates to the time period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.**