

18.34 Fire losses by cause of fire, 1982-84 (concluded)

Reported cause of fire	Fires reported	Property loss \$'000	Injuries					Deaths			
			Fire-fighter	Men	Women	Children	Un-classified	Fire-fighter	Men	Women	Children
Misuse of material ignited	3,349	47,935.8	70	219	89	26	2	—	23	9	4
Mechanical, electrical failure, malfunction	19,853	221,616.2	212	253	61	24	4	—	36	24	15
Construction, design or installation deficiency	2,784	33,450.4	40	17	10	3	—	—	17	8	8
Misuse of equipment	769	8,566.8	4	10	4	1	2	—	2	1	—
Human failing											
Undetermined	85	1,600.5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Asleep	333	2,705.5	5	24	6	1	1	—	4	2	1
Suspected impairment by alcohol, drugs, medication	183	1,961.9	2	25	7	—	2	—	12	7	4
Miscellaneous	3,372	22,906.0	21	116	69	15	11	—	34	17	12
Vehicle accident	281	2,850.3	1	7	—	—	—	—	8	5	2
Miscellaneous	8,857	176,398.1	116	124	29	13	—	—	47	21	16
Undetermined	10,506	156,324.7	219	169	72	12	4	—	37	14	18
Total	76,199	998,888.9	1,285	1,586	644	228	34	—	358	185	132
1983											
Arson or other set fires	9,177	146,197.6	293	102	53	10	12	—	25	7	7
Misuse of source of ignition											
Undetermined	243	3,057.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Smoker's material	1,529	11,672.8	17	69	32	7	4	—	36	22	3
Child playing with matches	1,342	9,973.0	46	27	21	51	—	—	3	1	16
Miscellaneous	9,546	78,031.3	150	344	78	44	—	—	73	28	20
Misuse of material ignited	4,779	36,276.2	85	280	138	26	4	—	33	12	10
Mechanical, electrical failure, malfunction	18,980	171,104.8	171	188	57	24	4	1	17	15	12
Construction, design or installation deficiency	2,859	27,886.0	46	36	12	6	—	—	4	1	1
Misuse of equipment	1,548	9,762.4	24	39	16	5	1	—	1	3	9
Human failing											
Undetermined	134	2,359.6	3	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	2
Asleep	151	982.2	1	9	1	—	1	—	5	3	3
Suspected impairment by alcohol, drugs, medication	86	773.7	1	12	7	7	11	—	9	5	3
Miscellaneous	3,524	32,515.6	46	116	41	17	—	—	27	11	7
Vehicle accident	513	3,932.8	2	19	4	—	—	—	2	—	—
Miscellaneous	8,157	122,079.0	163	161	55	16	1	1	20	6	10
Undetermined	8,385	159,362.2	197	345	108	39	2	—	32	18	13
Total	70,953	815,967.0	1,245	1,748	723	252	40	2	288	133	116
1984											
Arson or other set fires	9,411	129,617.0	286	119	60	9	—	1	23	16	5
Misuse of source of ignition											
Undetermined	390	14,389.9	4	13	—	1	3	—	1	—	—
Smoker's material	1,566	11,800.7	22	55	20	10	5	—	16	17	6
Child playing with matches	1,290	8,761.7	41	24	27	33	—	—	5	3	12
Miscellaneous	8,634	67,254.3	186	291	150	26	1	—	35	26	16
Misuse of material ignited	5,428	35,608.8	91	347	153	47	2	—	19	2	7
Mechanical, electrical failure, malfunction	18,575	237,550.1	182	240	104	16	13	1	24	13	18
Construction, design or installation deficiency	2,541	28,475.0	46	27	3	1	—	—	—	2	1
Misuse of equipment	1,502	10,466.0	19	45	11	1	—	—	3	1	3
Human failing											
Asleep	148	722.4	—	10	5	—	1	—	5	—	—
Suspected impairment by alcohol, drugs, medication	154	1,653.3	2	24	7	—	1	—	18	3	—
Miscellaneous	4,553	68,402.4	119	162	61	22	15	1	86	37	22
Vehicle accident	504	6,158.3	19	28	4	—	1	—	3	—	1
Miscellaneous	16,034	308,619.4	336	384	115	51	2	6	61	37	42
Total	70,730	929,479.3	1,353	1,769	720	217	44	9	299	157	133