

Freedom of Information Request FOI 20 27

Wildfires

Query:

I would like to know how many wildfires have occurred in 2018, 2017 and 2016. I would also like to know the cause of these wildfires if this information is available.

Response:

Please see below the number of wildfire incidents reported to us between 2016 and 2018, split by calendar year and cause (accidental or deliberate):

| | Number |
|------------|-----------|
| | of |
| | incidents |
| 2016 total | 231 |
| Accidental | 111 |
| Deliberate | 120 |
| 2017 total | 253 |
| Accidental | 118 |
| Deliberate | 135 |
| 2018 total | 530 |
| Accidental | 286 |
| Deliberate | 244 |

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