



Freedom of Information request reference number: 6734.1

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Request:

There has recently been quite a large social media campaign by yourselves to get disposable BBQ's banned from stores across London / UK. I am looking to seek how many fires between 2021 - 2022 have been attended by yourselves that have been deemed to have been started by disposable BBQ's.

Response:

Attached is a spreadsheet with data relating to all bbq fires between 2021 and 2022 as we do not have an option in our Incident Management System for 'disposable bbqs'. We have included the breakdown by motive, month, property type, borough and location fire started. This is in addition to you request and may be of use.

A free text field search was also conducted and specified the terms 'disposable bbq' and 'disposable barbeque' in the free text sections and found 2 incidents relating to disposable bbqs between 2021 and 2022 also attached.

Please note that free text search is not always 100% accurate and some other may been recorded differently.

I hope you find this information of use. Should you have any further questions please do let me know.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website

Motive	2021	2022 Gr	and Total
Motive: Accidental	55	48	103
Motive: Not known	1	1	2
Motive: Deliberate - own property		1	1
Grand Total	56	50	106

Month	2021	2022
Jan	1	2
Feb	2	
Mar	5	4
Apr	10	9
May	7	4
Jun	10	15
Jul	7	15
Aug	2	1
Sep	8	
Oct	1	
Dec	3	
Grand Total	56	50

PropertyType	2021	2022 Gr	and Tota
House - single occupancy	12	13	25
Private Garden Shed	12	8	20
Purpose Built Flats/Maisonettes - 4 to 9 storeys	4	7	11
Takeaway, fast food	5	1	6
Purpose Built Flats/Maisonettes - Up to 3 storeys	2	3	5
Converted Flat/Maisonettes - 3 or more storeys	3	1	4
Restaurant/cafe	1	3	4
Other outdoor structures	2	2	4
Garden equipment	1	2	3
Private Summer house	3		3
Outdoor storage	1	2	3
Woodland/forest - conifers/softwood	2		2
Woodland/forest - broadleaf/hardwood		2	2
Private garage	1	1	2
Purpose Built Flats/Maisonettes - 10 or more storeys	2		2
Underground car park	1		1
Other outdoor equipment/machinery	1		1
Kiosk	1		1
Pub/wine bar/bar	1		1
Department Store		1	1
Other tent/marquee		1	1
Converted Flat/Maisonette - Up to 2 storeys	1		1
Licensed House in Multiple Occupation - 3 or more storeys		1	1
Leisure Centre		1	1
Lorry/HGV		1	1
Grand Total	56	50	106

Borough	2021	2022 Gra	ınd Total
BARKING AND DAGENHAM	3	1	4
BARNET	2	2	4
BEXLEY		1	1
BRENT		2	2
BROMLEY	1	4	5
CAMDEN	2		2
CROYDON	1	2	3
EALING	4	3	7
ENFIELD	5	1	6
GREENWICH	1	4	5
HACKNEY	2		2
HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAN	1		1
HARINGEY	2	1	3
HARROW	2		2
HAVERING	4	2	6
HILLINGDON		2	2
HOUNSLOW	2	5	7
ISLINGTON	1		1
KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA	1	3	4
KINGSTON UPON THAMES	1		1
LAMBETH	3	1	4
LEWISHAM		1	1
MERTON	2	3	5
NEWHAM	2	1	3
REDBRIDGE	1		1
RICHMOND UPON THAMES		1	1
SOUTHWARK	2	1	3
SUTTON		3	3
TOWER HAMLETS	5	2	7
WALTHAM FOREST	3	2	5
WANDSWORTH	3	1	4
WESTMINSTER		1	1
Grand Total	56	50	106

Location Fire Started	2021	2022 Gr	and Total
Other	19	14	33
External structures	11	12	23
Private balcony	7	4	11
Kitchen	5	6	11
Roof	1	4	5
Open plan area	1	2	3
Refuse store/Bin room	1	2	3
In open area next to housing	3		3
External fittings	1	1	2
Garage	1	1	2
On or near tracks or paths		2	2
Roof space	1		1
Canteen/Restaurant	1		1
Reception area		1	1
Communal balcony/Elevated walkwa	1		1
Chimney	1		1
Parking garage	1		1
Corridor/Hall		1	1
Living room	11		1
Grand Total	56	50	106

disposa	ble disposable	Incident	Date Time Of Call	Date Of Call	Time Of Ca	all Fin Year	Fin Quarter	Month	Inc Type	Motive	Firetype	Ward Name	Borough	Num Fire	Num Fire	Num All	Num All	Main Cause	Main Cause	Main Cause	Ignition Source	Ignition Source	Parent Ign	Ignition Source Group	Item First Ignited	Property Type
barbequ	e bbq	Number								Description			Name	Deaths NI49	Injuries NI49	Deaths	Injuries		Other	Group		(Other)	Source			
	0	1 086116-	6/15/2022 7:53:36 AM	15 Jun 2022	07:53:36	2022/23	Q1		6 F	Accidental	Primary Fire	STRATFORD	NEWHAM			0	0	0 Combustible		Human	Barbecue		Cooking	Cooker	Plastic - raw material	Purpose Built
		15062022																articles too		Element			appliance		only	Flats/Maisonett
																		close to heat								es - 4 to 9
																		source (or fire)	١							storevs
	0	1 101323-	7/8/2022 9:32:36 PM	08 Jul 2022	21:32:35	2022/23	Q2		7 F	Accidental	Primary Fire	MORTLAKE &	RICHMOND		ו	0	0	0 Unsafe use of		Human	Other	Disposable BBQ		Other ignition source	Other wooden item	Train station -
		08072022										BARNES	UPON					heat source -		Element						platform (at
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