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Request:

I was looking to find the number of drug overdoses attended by the London Fire Service between 2020 – 2023.

Response:

We do not have a specific category to record when the LFB have been called to non-fire (special service) incident that involves an overdose.

We have, however, performed a free text search of the stop messages recorded any special service incidents between 2020 and the end of 2022 where the word "overdose" has been mentioned.

The table below shows the number of special service incidents attended where "overdose" was recorded in free text search of the stop message:

| Year | Special Service (non-fire) Incident Type | Number of incidents attended where "overdose" was recorded in free text search of the stop message. |
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| 2020 | Effecting entry/exit - Other action | 1 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - To medical case | 1 |
| | Medical Incident - Other condition | 1 |
| | No action (not false alarm) - Service not required | 2 |
| 2020 Total | | 5 |
| 2021 | Assist other agencies - Other assistance to police/ambulance | 7 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - No persons involved | 3 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - To able bodied person not in distress | 1 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - To medical case | 2 |
| | Medical Incident - No action required | 1 |
| | Medical Incident - Unconscious, fitting or unresponsive | 1 |
| | No action (not false alarm) - Service not required | 4 |
| Suicide/attempts - Threat of/attempted suicide | 2 | |
| 2021 Total | | 21 |
| 2022 | Assist other agencies - Assist ambulance with over weight person | 2 |
| | Assist other agencies - Other assistance to police/ambulance | 9 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - Other action | 1 |
| | Effecting entry/exit - To able bodied person not in distress | 3 |

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| | Effecting entry/exit - To medical case | 3 |
| | No action (not false alarm) - Service not required | 3 |
| 2022 Total | | 21 |
| Total | | 47 |

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](#).