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Request:

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Hello, I have previously contacted you about the number of 999 hoax calls since the beginning of 2022 until now. I am now enquiring about the numbers for the past 5 years because I wish to compare them. Thank you.

Response:

Please see the below stats for malicious false alarms/hoax calls to London Fire Brigade between 2018 & 2022.

This table shows all incidents where crew attended an incident and then reported it as a suspected hoax/malicious call within the IRS.

Year	Total
2018	1212
2019	1163
2020	971
2021	991
2022	1012

This table shows all incidents where LFB Control did not mobilise to an incident due to it being a suspected hoax/malicious call. Please note this is based on Control using the free text terms "hoax" and "malicious" within the initial description of the incident.

Year	Total
2018	596
2019	746
2020	491
2021	425
2022	365

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 <u>on our website</u>.