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Request:

How many residential fires there have been in Hackney in the last year and what were the main causes.

Response:

In response to the above request, please see the table below which includes the property type and main cause for residential fires in Hackney in the year 2023:

Count of Incident Number		
Property Class	Main Cause	2023
Dwelling	Accumulation of flammable material	2
	Combustible articles too close to heat source (or fire)	20
	Cooking – chip pan/deep fat fryer	13
	Cooking – other cooking	43
	Fault in equipment or appliance	28
	Faulty fuel supplies – Electricity	19
	Faulty leads to equipment or appliance	3
	Heat source and combustibles brought together deliberately	16
	Natural occurrence	3
	Other intentional burning, going out of control	2
	Overheating, unknown cause	6
	Pending Fire Investigation Team findings	2
	Playing with fire (or heat source)	2
	Unable to determine	2
	Unsafe use of equipment or appliance (heat source)	5
	Unsafe use of heat source - due to knocking over	3
	Unsafe use of heat source - due to sleep or unconsciousness	4
	Unsafe use of heat source - due to unsafe disposal	23
Dwelling Total		196
Other Residential	Cooking – chip pan/deep fat fryer	2
	Cooking – other cooking	1
	Heat source and combustibles brought together deliberately	1
	Overheating, unknown cause	2
Other Residential Total		6
Total		202

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