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Request:

I am conducting research into flame-free alternatives for hot works on roofs. In order to build a case for switching to flame free, instead of gas cylinders and gas torch, I need to provide examples (or case studies) of fires which have started on roofs as a result of hot works. There seems to be very little data available from general searches. Ideally, the last ten years please.

Response:

Please see the table below with the number of hot works where the location of the fire started was 'roof' for the last 10 years.

Count of Call ID	Calendar years										
Location fire started	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Grand Total
Green or living roof								1			1
Roof	15	15	9	13	18	16	21	7	10	16	140
Roof space	8	10	10	9	12	6	5	8	8	9	85
Grand Total	23	25	19	22	30	22	26	16	18	25	226

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