

National Headquarters

Fire and Emergency New Zealand
National Headquarters
Spark Central, Level 7
42-52 Willis Street
Wellington Central
Wellington 6011

Phone +64 4 496 3600

17 July 2025 Ref: 18377



Tēnā koe

Thank you for your email of 18 June 2025, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

...regarding staffing levels at New Zealand fire stations.

For the period 2005 to 2025, I would like to know the total number of firefighters there were at its peak number each year.

Please break this information down by region and whether they were career or volunteer firefighters.

For the same period, please provide the number of call outs for each region per year.

Thank you for agreeing to refine your request on 1 July 2025, to reflect the data we hold from the inception of Fire and Emergency on 1 July 2017.

Please find attached, as **Appendix One** to this response, a table showing the total number of firefighters at its peak number each year, broken down by region and firefighter type since 1 July 2017.

Please find attached, as **Appendix Two** to this response, a total count of callouts Fire and Emergency has attended each year, and by region. For this aspect of your request, we are able to provide a breakdown since 1 January 2005.

We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz

Please note that because of the identified public interest in the information that you have requested, we intend to publish this response (with your personal details removed) on our website.

Nāku noa, nā

Aidan Saunders

Manager, Information Requests

