

FOI4585 Data

Wildfires attended by ECFRS - by year	
Year	Number of fires
2018	1,136
2019	1,079
2020	992
2021	550
2022	1,801
Total	5,558

Causes of wildfires attended by ECFRS - 2018 to 2022	
Listed cause of fire	Number of fires
Accidental	1,857
Accidental or Deliberate are both possibilities	1,700
Deliberate - others property	705
Deliberate - own property	172
Deliberate - unknown owner	1,030
Undetermined	94
Total	5,558

Wildfires attended by ECFRS by locations - 2018 to 2022	
District	Number of fires
Thurrock	678
Colchester	523
Not Stated	472
Basildon	470
Tendring	460
Epping Forest	459
Harlow	424
Chelmsford	373
Braintree	303
Castle Point	281
Brentwood	244
Rochford	233
Southend-On-Sea	231
Uttlesford	210
Maldon	180
Unknown	17
Total	5,558

Size of the wildfires attended by ECFRS - 2018 to 2022	
Rapid fire growth? *	Number of fires
No rapid fire growth	5,479
Other	15
Yes, petrol/oil products	4
Yes, strong wind	60
Total	5,558

*An appropriate data field that indicates the size of a fire is the Rapid-fire growth field. We can assume that those fires experiencing rapid fire growth were major big fires while those recorded as 'no rapid fire growth' are small minor fires. It is not known whether those recorded as 'Other' are major or minor fires