



## Staff Report

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**Report To:** Council Meeting  
**From:** Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief  
**Date:** 2025-07-17  
**Report:** 2025-08  
**Subject:** Incident Summary for 2024

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### **Recommendation:**

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief, for information purposes.

### **Purpose:**

To provide Council a summary of the Emergency Incidents/Fire Calls that the Fire Department responded to in 2024.

### **Background:**

2024 provided another active year of incident response for the West Elgin Fire Department, which highlights the ongoing dedication and commitment of our complement of on call firefighters.

Included in this report is the Totals by Type reporting that shows the type of incidents and % each incident types represent of all calls. A summary of more frequent incident types by percentage is below.

Incident Type	% of Total
Fire	6
Alarms Sounding	12
Medical	36
MVC/Rescue	16
Public Hazard	8
Other	22

The average number of responding personnel reflects the firefighters who responded to the scene in an apparatus. While not reflected in this specific report, we are fortunate to often have several additional firefighters respond to the hall(s) and are ready to respond to other emergencies or complete tasks at the station while there.

**Year-by-Year Comparison of Total Incidents:**

Year	Total Incidents
2024	142
2023	132
2022	104
2021	122
2020	101

**Incidents outside of West Elgin:**

Dutton Dunwich	4	Mutual Aid
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**Fire Loss/Saved:**

Estimated Loss	\$736,500
Estimated Property Saved	\$613,000

**Comment:**

The West Elgin Fire Department once again demonstrated their dedication to the residents and visitors to the municipality. Firefighters responded to a wide variety of emergency incidents in 2024 with professionalism, while committed to conserving property and protecting lives.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff McArthur, Fire Chief

**Report Approval Details**

Document Title:	Incident Summary for 2024 - 2025-08-Fire.docx
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Robin Greenall