

Freedom of Information request: Reference number FOI2025/00678

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Request:

I have asked for the number of fire incidents recorded in the last 12 months that have been officially attributed to discarded cigarette butts

Response:

The Data team have provided the table below which shows the number of Cigarette fires from 01/01/2024 – 06/07/2025. Which is Broken down by calendar year and month.

| Count of Incident Number | Calendar Year | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Ignition Source | Month | 2024 | 2025 | Grand Total |
| Cigarette | Jan | 48 | 34 | 82 |
| | Feb | 26 | 53 | 79 |
| | Mar | 37 | 59 | 96 |
| | Apr | 58 | 94 | 152 |
| | May | 59 | 105 | 164 |
| | Jun | 77 | 77 | 154 |
| | Jul | 58 | 16 | 74 |
| | Aug | 65 | | 65 |
| | Sep | 36 | | 36 |
| | Oct | 25 | | 25 |
| | Nov | 30 | | 30 |
| | Dec | 42 | | 42 |
| Cigarette Total | | 561 | 438 | 999 |
| Grand Total | | 561 | 438 | 999 |

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For more information about this process please see the guidance we publish about making a request on our website:
<https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/request-information-from-us/>