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Request:

I request that a copy of the following documents [or documents containing the following information] be provided to me electronically via email:

The number of fire brigade call outs to all white goods fires and incidents for the last five years (between January 2011 to present, May 2016) where the cause was a faulty appliance or supply.

Response:

Please see the information below. Please note, following our email to you on 24th May 2016 asking for clarification about the term 'white goods'. You responded:

I would like the term 'white goods' to include kitchen / utility appliances such refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, tumble driers, air conditioning unit, kettles, toasters and microwaves.

The tables below show the total number of white goods fires attended by Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service between 01/01/2011 and 31/05/2016 where the cause was recorded as faulty appliance or supply.

Ignition Source	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Cooking appliance - Cooker incl. oven	3	4	3	2	1	1	14
Cooking appliance - Deep fat fryer	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Cooking appliance - Grill/Toaster	0	3	1	2	0	0	6
Cooking appliance - Microwave oven	1	1	0	3	0	0	5
Cooking appliance - Ring/hot plate (separate appliance)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

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Ignition Source	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Other domestic style appliance - Dishwasher	5	4	6	4	1	2	22
Other domestic style appliance – Electric kettle	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Other domestic style appliance - Fridge/Freezer	1	6	1	1	1	1	11
Other domestic style appliance – Tumble dryer	4	8	5	3	3	0	23
Other domestic style appliance - Washer/Dryer combined	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Other domestic style appliance - Washing machine	11	9	4	4	1	0	29
Total	25	35	23	20	7	5	115

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