

# ALEXANDRIA

## FIRE DISTRICT



## Annual Report

2009

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## **Board of Trustees:**

Steve Minshall	Chairman
Mike Berkemeyer	Vice- Chairman
Betty Rauch	Secretary/Treasurer
Doug Carmack	Trustee
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Jim Korpik	Trustee
Doug Neyman	Trustee

## **Command Staff:**

Jeffrey H. Pohlman	Fire/EMS Chief
Charles Rauch	Deputy Fire Chief
Mark Rauch	Assistant Fire Chief
Val "Bud" Lederer	Major/EMT
Paul Ampfer	Captain
Tim Ford	Captain/Paramedic
Dennis Rauch	Captain
Dan Hildebrand	Chief Engineer
Keith Hammann	Lieutenant/EMT
Matt Reed	Lieutenant
John Seitz	Lieutenant/EMT

## **Introduction:**

The Alexandria Fire District is a special fire-taxing district (KRS Chapter 75) that encompasses a twenty-five square mile area, including the City of Alexandria and bordering county area. A seven-member board as prescribed by KRS Chapter 75 governs the Fire District. The population served by the Fire District is approximately 15,000 citizens. Services provided by the Fire District include Fire/ Rescue services and Emergency Medical Services. The Fire District also provides a tiered Advanced Life Support service utilizing a paramedic chase car system. The Alexandria Unit provides ALS service for Alexandria Fire District, Campbell County Fire District #1, and Campbell County Fire District #6. The Wilder Unit provides ALS service for Wilder FD and Southgate FD. Due to the state of the economy there are little construction projects at this time. However, as the economy recovers, Alexandria is sure to see its' share of construction projects. Two recent completed projects include a United Dairy Farmers and Tractor Supply. As these projects start to become reality, the Alexandria Fire District has the task of keeping up with the emergency services needs with equipment and personnel. The Fire District continues their part with the Northern Kentucky Technical Rescue Team, which coincides with the arrival of the new Heavy Rescue Truck that was delivered In February of 2009. The following is an end of year summary for calendar year 2009, reporting fire and EMS responses, training, personal responses, accomplishments by the Fire District, and a look into the future.

<b>Population Served:</b>	Approximate 10,000 City of Alexandria Approximate 5,000 to 7,000 County Area
<b>Square Miles:</b>	25 Square Miles (Both city and county)
<b>Fire Dept Created:</b>	1937
<b>Fire District Created:</b>	1976 (Campbell County Fire District #5)
<b>First Career Staff:</b>	1997
<b>First Career Chief:</b>	1997
<b>ISO Rating:</b>	Class 3 (City of Alexandria) Class 4-9 (Outside city limits)
<b>Responses 2009:</b>	Total Responses: 2046 Fire 319 EMS 887 ALS 840
<b>Budget:</b>	\$1.79 Million
<b>Tax Rate:</b>	\$1.50 per \$1,000 dollar of assessed value

**Staffing:** 16 Career  
33 Volunteer (Fire and EMS)  
18 Explorers

**Equipment:** 2002 Sutphen Pumper 1500 GPM (E-102)  
1993 Sutphen Pumper 1500 GPM (E-101)  
1994 Sutphen 75' Aerial Ladder Truck 1500 GPM (T-110)  
2009 Spartan Heavy Rescue Truck (R-120)  
2005 Horton Ambulance (S-172)  
1994 Road Rescue Ambulance (S-171)  
2006 Command Vehicle (Chief) (C-150)  
1997 Command Vehicle (Deputy Chief) (C-151)  
2009 Ford Explorer Medic Unit (Medic 191)  
2008 Utility Pick-Up (U-135)  
2008 Polaris off-road vehicle (U-131)  
Foam Trailer with 75/5-gallon foam buckets (U-136)  
Small Rescue Boat

**Board Members:** Steve Minshall – Chairman (Fire Member Elect)  
Mike Berkemeyer – Vice Chairman (Fire Member Elect)  
Betty Rauch – Secretary/Treasurer (Property Owner Elect)  
Doug Carmack – Trustee (Judge Executive Appointee)  
Mic Cooney – Trustee (Judge Executive Appointee)  
Jim Korpik – Trustee (Judge Executive Appointee)  
Doug Neyman – Trustee (Property Owner Elect)

**Fire Hydrants** 565 Hydrants

**Insurance Service Office (ISO Rating):**

The Insurance Service Office (ISO) collects and evaluates data from cities and communities across the United States. Utilizing a rating schedule, the ISO assigns a Public Protection Classification number to the community. Early in 2009, ISO visited the AFD and collected data concerning the fire alarm and communication system, a review of the apparatus, equipment, training, and personnel of the fire district, and water supply system to include hydrants. After collecting and evaluating the data, the AFD received a Class 3 rating for the City of Alexandria area and a Class 4/9 for the county area of the Fire District.

**New Rescue Truck 120:**

The new 2009 Spartan Heavy Rescue Truck arrived on Saturday February 7<sup>th</sup> with many Fire District members on hand. Chairman Steve Minshall, Sect/Treasurer Betty Rauch, Chief Pohlman, and the rescue truck committee presented Joe Messmer of Summit Fire Apparatus with a check for payment. After approximately a month of training, the rescue truck was placed into service. In April, the rescue truck traveled to Indianapolis for the Fire Department Instructor Conference (FDIC) to be placed on

display for fire and EMS people from all around the United States to see. A few of the amenities with this apparatus include an ultimate hydraulic system that allows for six hydraulic rescue tools to be operated at one time, an array of hydraulic rescue tools, a telescopic camera to monitor and film the scene, a foam system for suppression, a telescoping light tower, a command center in the crew section of the apparatus, and other various high tech rescue equipment. Many thanks to the hard work and dedication of the rescue committee composed of Assistant Chief Mark Rauch (Chair), assisted by Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch Major Bud Lederer, Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand, Captain Paul Ampfer, Lieutenants Matt Reed and John Seitz and Firefighter Frank Santee. This piece of apparatus was well designed and will serve the citizens of the Fire District for many years to come.

### **Old Rescue Truck 120:**

The old Ford Ranger Heavy Rescue Truck was purchased by the Grayson Fire Department in the summer. Although this Fire District had outgrown this particular piece of apparatus, the Grayson Fire Department should receive plenty of use from this rescue truck for their needs.

### **Technical Rescue Team:**

In 2009, the Alexandria Fire District continued their part in the Northern Kentucky Technical Rescue Team. The team originated with the Erlanger, Point Pleasant, and Florence Fire Departments in 1995 and was joined by the Sanitation District #1 in 2000, Hebron Fire Department in 2004 and recently the Covington Fire Department. The Alexandria Fire District became the first department in Campbell County to commit resources to the team (personnel and rescue truck) and has committed to the Confined Space, Trench Rescue, Large Animal Rescue, and Heavy Rescue/Extrication division while assisting with the other divisions. Command Staff include Chief Giordano of Point Pleasant FPD, Chief Martin of Hebron FPD, Rod Bell of the Sanitation District #1, Chief Pohlman of the Alexandria FD, Chief Morgan of Union FPD, Chief Allen of Erlanger FD, Kirk Reinhart of Kenton County OEM and Ron Schneider of Campbell County OEM. In 2009, the Alexandria Fire District personnel took part in numerous training classes to increase their knowledge base in these technical rescue areas to include confined space rescue (operation and technician level), structural collapse of buildings, and high angle rescue. The AFD TRT members also took part in a joint training exercise in the summer with all TRT team members. The AFD TRT members assisted with technical call-outs, to include a horse rescue from a pond that was featured on Animal Planet's, "Untamed and Uncut".

### **Fire Hydrants:**

During the year, all fire hydrants were painted yellow. A special thanks to Campbell County Jailer Greg Buckler for allowing inmates to paint the hydrants. After all the hydrants were painted, Fire District personnel color coded the hydrants with either a blue, green, orange, or red piece of reflective tape. The color code follows NFPA Standard 291 that denotes the gallons per minute of water the fire hydrant flows. This allows a quick reference for fire personnel responding to know what kind of water is available during a fire emergency. Color coding is as follows:

Blue – 1500 GPM or greater  
Green – 1000 to 1499 GPM  
Orange – 500 to 999 GPM  
Red – Less than 500 GPM

### **Explorer Post 100:**

In February of 2007, the Alexandria Fire District Explorer Post was established. The program follows the “Learning for Life” through the Boy Scouts of America. The purpose of this program is to get young kids involved in the fire service and when these Explorers attain the age of 18, they can become regular volunteer members of the Fire District. The Explorers train on Wednesday evenings and are permitted to train with the regular members on Monday evening. They do have limitations to what they are permitted to do training wise and are well supervised by the Fire District Advisor. The Advisor from the Fire District is Lt. Seitz. In 2009 the Explorers participated in multiple fire firefighter competitions to include the Kentucky FF Association Regional and State Olympics. At the NKFA regional competition, Team 1 finished in first place and Team 2 finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In August Team 1 attended the State Firefighter Convention to defend their State Olympic Explorer Title. Unfortunately, Team 1 finished 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Team 2 finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the competition. We are still very proud of our Explorers and look forward to them competing for many years to come.

Current Explorer members are Captain Danny Hildebrand, Lt. Travis Rauch, Lt. Brittany Wagner, Lt. D.J. Rogers, Safety Officer Justin Britton, Kurt, Bach, Josh Cummins, Eric Fleckinger, Matt Glenn, Elijah Meyer, Shaquana McGovern, Chris Pratt, Megan Rauch, Chris Schack, Josh Seitz, Kourtney Smith, and Courtney Turrene. The Explorers continue to have a monthly “Youth Dance” held at the Community Center and Fire Station. They continue their fund raising event with the address signs and assisted with the Santa on the Fire Truck and needy families at Christmas time. The Explorer program has been a great success and remains a very active part of the Fire District.

### **Campbell County Firefighter Educational Association:**

Chief Pohlman and Deputy Chief Rauch regularly attend these meetings.

### **Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association:**

In January of 2010, Major Lederer will be sworn in (again) as Treasurer of the Association. This is a position that he has held for many years. The Fire District received a “Perfect Attendance” award for attending all meetings and “Best Attendance Award” for having the most members at the meetings. These meetings are attended regularly by Chief Pohlman, Deputy Chief Rauch, and of course, Treasurer Lederer. Deputy Chief Rauch retired from his duties as coordinator for the NKFA awards banquet held in January of each year.

### **Kentucky Firefighters Association:**

In July of 2009, the KFA conference was held in Lexington and was hosted by the Pike County Firefighters Association and President Randy Courtney. Attending from the Fire District was Chief Pohlman, Deputy Chief Rauch, Board Member/Fire Commission Member Betty Rauch, and Major Lederer. Major Lederer is also the

Northern Kentucky Regional Director for the KFA and Chief Pohlman is on the KRS Chapter 75 Committee.

**Kentucky Fire Chiefs Association:**

In 2009, Chief Pohlman attended meetings throughout Kentucky for this organization. Chief Pohlman is on the Legislative Committee for this Association and attends meetings in Frankfort during the Legislative session.

**Kentucky Fire Commission:**

Board Member Betty Rauch serves on the Kentucky Fire Commission and is the only Northern Kentucky Representative on the Fire Commission. She serves as the representative for the Trustees of Fire Protection Districts and is very active in this organization.

**Northern Kentucky Fire Officer School:**

In January of 2009, the fourth Fire Officer's class commenced at the Kenton County Drill Field in Covington. This class is adapted from the IFSAC Fire Officer manual and prepares officers or junior officers in the everyday functions of being an officer. Various senior fire officers from throughout the Northern Kentucky Fire Service instruct these classes. Chief Pohlman is part of the school committee and instructs the budgeting class. James Pape and Phil Tarvin attended this class and graduated in May of 2009. This composes 11 members from the Fire District that has completed this course.

**EMT Class:**

The Alexandria Fire District and Fire District #1 co-sponsored a joint EMT class held at Campbell County Fire District #1 Camp Springs Fire Station. Currently, AFD members Josh Combs and Eric Wind are enrolled in this class.

**Advanced Life Support:**

July 1 of 2009, the Fire District commenced Advanced Life Support operations. The Fire District contracts ALS services to Campbell County Fire District #1 (Silver Grove, Eastern Campbell, Camp Springs) Campbell County Fire District #6 (Melbourne), Southgate and Wilder Fire Departments. Six paramedics (Kerri Pettit, Eric Siemer, Dan Schmidt, Steve Laskey, Danielle Walston, Trent Hanson) were hired in June to train and get acquainted with the operations of the Fire District. One paramedic chase car operates out of the Alexandria Fire Station and one paramedic chase car operates out of the Wilder Fire Station. From July 1 to December 31, 2009, the paramedics have responded to 840 calls for service. FF Scott Ifcic has completed paramedic school and FF Phil Tarvin is currently enrolled in paramedic class.

**Notepads for the EMS Units:**

In late 2009, the Fire District purchased four computer notepads for EMS reporting to be placed in the life squads and paramedic chase cars. By July 2010, the State is mandating that all EMS reporting be completed electronically. This allows the EMS personnel to complete the reports and send to the reporting agency in a more

efficient manner.

### **CPR Classes:**

In 2009, members from the Alexandria Fire District instructed numerous CPR classes certifying 62 citizens here at the fire station. Captain Ford, assisted by Jim Ciccarella, Keith Hammann, Chris Wuertz, Matt Julian, Mike Sheanshang, Dan Schmidt, and Larry Record instructed these classes and has been very instrumental to the community.

### **Public Fire Education:**

During the entire year of 2009 and especially the fire prevention month of October, members from our Fire District visit the local schools and various daycares to speak about different fire safety programs. Many children are instructed on fire prevention and safety measures for the home. The Fire District also has many children from local schools and daycares visit the fire station to learn fire safety and look at the Fire/EMS apparatus and equipment. In 2009, 967 members of the public were exposed to over 2007 hours of instruction and demonstrations from Fire District personnel. Sandy Decker heads this program and is assisted by many of the members, including the Explorers. The Fire District members visited Campbell Ridge Elementary, St. Mary's elementary school, Campbell County Middle School, Basic Trust, Kinder Academy, and Little Red School House.

### **Special Details:**

**Parades** – During the year, Fire District members participate in the Memorial Day Parade, Alexandria Fair Parade and Campbell County High School Homecoming Parade.

**Demo Derby** – In May and September of 2009, the Alexandria Fire District members provided fire and EMS coverage for the demolition derbies held at the Alexandria Fair Grounds.

**911 Service** - In October of 2009, Fire District members participated in the 911 Memorial Service held at the Campbell County Middle School Football field.

**State Fire Fighter Memorial Service** – In October, Chief Pohlman and Board/Fire Commission Member Betty Rauch attended the Kentucky State Fire Fighter Memorial Service held at the FF memorial in Frankfort.

**Funeral Details** – Alexandria Fire District personnel assisted with two funeral details during 2009. First attended was retired Falmouth Fire Chief Pettit (daughter Kerri is a Paramedic at AFD) and finally for retired Southern Campbell Fire District Chief Bill Hofstetter. AFD personnel assisted with aerial ladder detail with T-110.

**EMS Details** - During 2009, EMS members provided EMS coverage for the Alexandria Fair, the Northern Kentucky Band Festival at Campbell County Middle School, Demo Derby's, St. Mary's Festival, Campbell County High School varsity football games, and Horse Show at the Fair Grounds.

**Turkey Raffle** – On November 7th, the annual Turkey Raffle was held at the fire station with a great crowd on hand.

**Santa on Fire truck** – In December of 2009, 23 members participated in the



annual "Santa on the Fire truck". Santa went around the city passing out approximately 1000 candy canes to the boys and girls of the Fire District.

**Needy Family** - In December of 2009, members assisted Santa with giving gifts to a couple of needy families. Donations from the various organizations of the Fire District and community organizations assist in making this a reality for these families.

**Special Awards:**

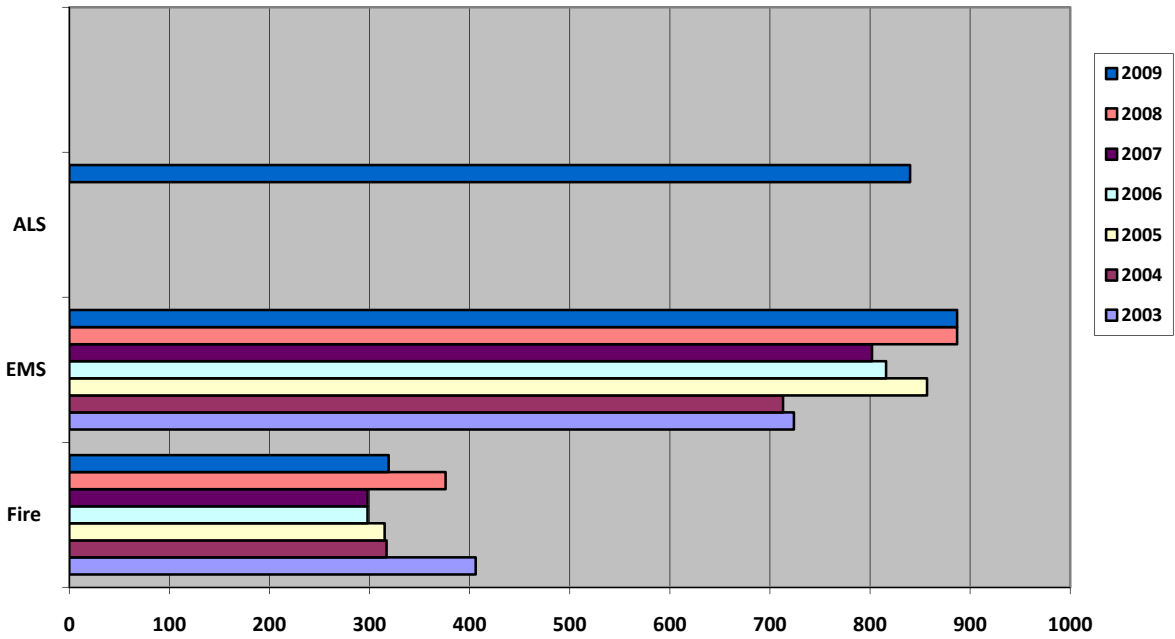
In October of 2009, Lt. Matt Reed received a "Firefighter of the Year" award from the Alexandria Lions.

**Retirements:**

Jim Ciccera retired as a Ready Reserve Firefighter. Jim served the AFD for over 30 years and attained the rank of EMS Captain during his tenure.

**Fire/EMS Responses:  
7 Year History**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fire Responses</u>	<u>EMS Responses</u>	<u>ALS Responses</u>
2003	406	724	
2004	317	713	
2005	315	857	
2006	298	816	
2007	298	802	
2008	376	887	
2009	319	887	840 (Since July)

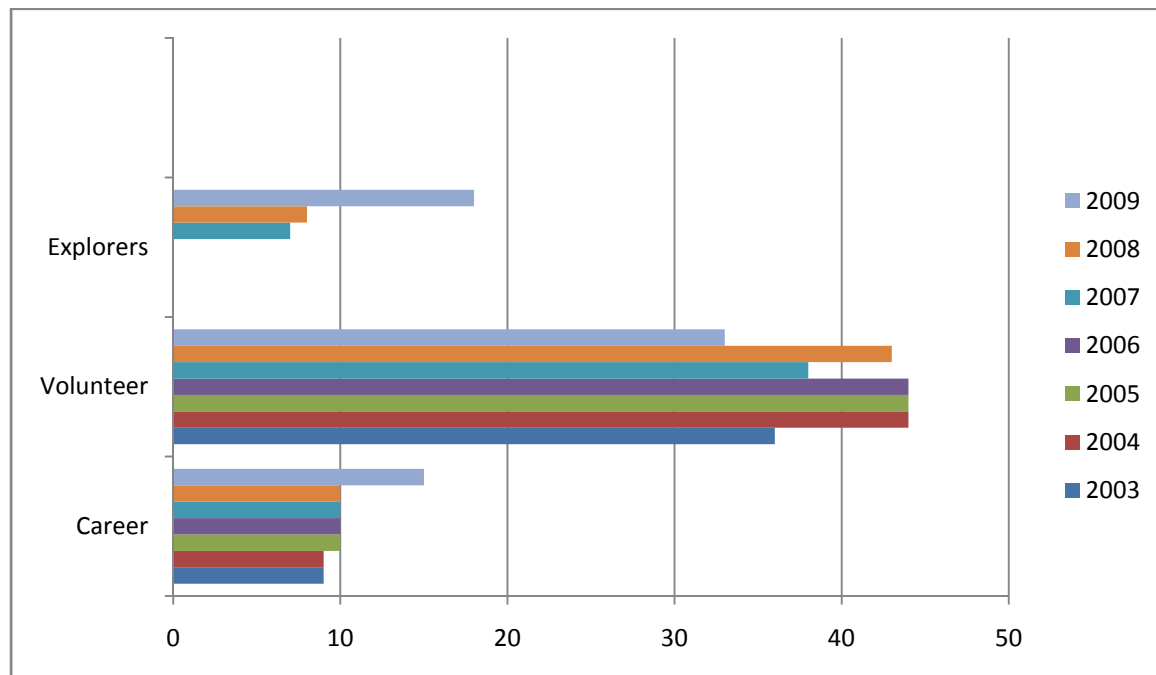


## Personnel:

The Fire District currently has 16 career staff and 33 volunteer Fire and EMS personnel. There are 3 shifts of 4 personnel apiece working 24/48 hour shifts. The Fire Chief, Captain, and a Lieutenant work week days as does the Administrative Assistant who is also cross trained as an EMT. There is 1 Fire Chief, 1 Deputy Chief, 1 Assistant Chief, 1 Major Safety Officer, 3 Captains, 1 Chief Engineer, 3 Lieutenants, 6 Engineers, 22 firefighters, 6 paramedics only and 4 EMT only personnel. 18 firefighters are cross-trained as EMTs and 3 firefighters are cross trained as paramedics. There are eighteen Explorers.

## Member 7 year History

<u>Year</u>	<u>Career</u>	<u>Volunteer</u>	<u>Explorers</u>
2003	9	36	0
2004	9	44	0
2005	10	44	0
2006	10	44	0
2007	10	38	7
2008	10	43	8
2009	16	33	18



**Command Staff:**  
**(Years of Service in Parenthesis)**

Chief Jeff Pohlman* (38 yrs)
Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch (45.5 yrs)
Assistant Chief Mark Rauch (30 yrs)

**Operations Staff:**

**Officers:**

Major Bud Lederer* (52 yrs)	Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand (27 yrs)
Captain Paul Ampfer (30 yrs)	Lt. Keith Hammann* (24.5 yrs)
Captain Dennis Rauch (31 yrs)	Lt. Matt Reed (26.5 yrs)
Captain Tim Ford** (19 yrs)	Lt. John Seitz* (23 yrs)

**Engineers:**

Steve Bohrer* (11.5 yrs)	James Pape* (10 yrs)
George Hundemer* (24 yrs)	Larry Record* (19 yrs)
Steve Minshall (38 yrs)	Mel Sands* (10 yrs)

**Firefighters:**

Jason Baker (.25 yrs)	Nick O'Day (1 yr)
Sean Bartlett* (2 yrs)	Brad Oeffler (6.5 yrs)
Joe Britton (3 yrs)	Travis Rauch (3 yrs)
Justin Britton (3 yrs)	Frank Santee* (5.5 yrs)
Josh Combs (.25 yrs)	Mike Sheanshang* (4 yrs)
Amy Gray* (4 yrs)	Bill Steffen (15 yrs)
Jimmy Hauenstein* (2.5 yrs)	Phillip Tarvin* (5 yrs)
Danny Hildebrand* (3 yrs)	Brittany Wagner* (2 yrs)
Scott Ifcic ** (2 yrs)	Eric Wind (1 yr)
Josh Ilg (2 yrs)	Chris Wuertz** (2 yrs)
Matt Julian* (2 yr)	
Robert Newman (1.25 yrs)	

\* Denotes EMT \*\* Denotes Paramedic

**Paramedics:**

Steve Laskey (.5 yrs)	Eric Siemer (.5 yrs)
Kerri Pettit (.5 yrs)	Danielle Walston (.5 yrs)
Dan Schmidt (.5 yrs)	

**Emergency Medical Technicians:**

Jessica Carson (5 yrs)	Jessica Racke (1 yr)
Sandy Decker (13.5 yrs)	Tammy Seitz (21 yrs)

**Explorers:**

Danny Hildebrand - Captain	Nick O'Day
Travis Rauch - Lieutenant	Chris Pratt
Brittany Wagner - Lieutenant	Megan Rauch
Kurt Bach	D.J. Rogers
Justin Britton	Christopher Schack
Josh Cummins	Josh Seitz
Eric Fleckinger	Kourtney Smith
Matthew Glenn	Courtney Turenne
Shaqwana McGovern	
Elijah Meyer	



## **Fire Responses 2009**

### **Fire Related Responses**

	Number	% of Incidents
Fire, Other	1	0.31
Building Fire	3	0.94
Building Fire, Out Upon Arrival	4	1.25
Chimney Fire	1	0.31
Fire in Mobile Home	1	0.31
Passenger Vehicle Fire	12	3.76
Passenger Vehicle Fire, Out Upon Arrival	2	0.62
Off Road Vehicle	2	0.62
Brush Fire	3	0.94
Grass Fire	5	1.56
Outside Rubbish, Trash	1	0.31
Mulch Fire	2	0.62
Outside Equipment Fire	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>11.91</b>

### **Overpressure/Overheat**

Excessive Heat	2	0.62
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.62</b>

### **Rescue and EMS Incidents**

Rescue, EMS Incidents, Other	3	0.94
Medical Assist/Assist EMS Crew	51	15.98
EMS Call, Excluding Vehicle Accidents	25	7.83
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Injuries	12	3.76
Motor Vehicle Accidents with No Injuries	6	1.88
Search for Lost Person	2	0.62
Search for Lost Person on Land	2	0.62
Extrication, Rescue, Large Animal	1	0.31
Extrication of Victims From Vehicle	2	0.62
High Angle Rescue	2	0.62
Extrication of Victims From Machinery	1	0.31
Swift Water Rescue	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>33.85</b>

### **Hazardous Condition (No Fire)**

Hazardous Conditions, Other	2	0.62
Combustible/Flammable Gas/Liquid	1	0.31
Gas Leak (Natural Gas or LP)	2	0.62

### **Fire Responses Con't**

Oil or other Combustible Liquid Spill	4	1.25
Carbon Monoxide Incident	5	1.56
Electrical Wiring/Equipment Problem	2	0.62
Overheated Motor	1	0.31
Breakdown of Light Ballast	1	0.31
Power Line Down	5	1.56
Lines Down (Other than Electric)	2	0.62
Arcing/Shorted Electrical Equipment	2	0.62
Accident, potential accident, other	1	0.31
Vehicle Accident/General Cleanup	6	1.88
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10.65</b>

**Service Call**

Service Call, Other	1	0.31
Water Problem, Other	1	0.31
Water Evacuation	1	0.31
Water or Steam Leak	2	0.62
Smoke or Odor Removal	4	1.25
Odor of Natural Gas	1	0.31
Animal Problem	1	0.31
Animal Rescue	2	0.62
Unauthorized Burn	3	0.94
Cover Assignment/Stand-By	6	1.88
Cover Assignment, RIT	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7.21</b>

**Good Intent**

Good Intent Call, Other	6	1.88
Good Intent Call, Mistaken Alarm	2	0.62
Good Intent Call, Gas Odor	6	1.88
Dispatched and Cancelled Enroute	22	6.89
Dispatched and No Unit Responded	14	4.38
No Incident Found Upon Arrival	3	0.94
Authorized Controlled Burning	4	1.25
Smoke Scare, Odor of Smoke	3	0.94
Steam, Vapor Scare	1	0.31
Smoke from BBQ	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>19.43</b>

**False Alarm and False Call**

False Alarm or False Call. Other	4	1.25
False Call, Nothing Found	7	2.19
Smoke Detector Activation,	3	0.94
Alarm System Sounded, Malfunction	1	0.31
Carbon Monoxide Detector Activation/Malfunct	6	1.88
Smoke Detector Activation, No Fire	2	0.62
Detector Activation, No Fire	1	0.31
Alarm System Sounded, No Fire	8	2.50
Carbon Monoxide Detector Activation/No CO	5	1.56
<b>Totals</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>11.59</b>

**Severe Weather and Natural Disaster**

Severe Weather Other	3	0.94
Thunderstorm, Tree Down	7	2.19
Lightning Strike, No Fire	3	0.94
Severe Weather Standby	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4.38</b>

**Special Incident Type**

Special Incident Type, Other	1	0.31
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.31</b>

### Fire Loss:

There were 9 fires in structures that totaled in value \$174,538.00. Total losses for these fires were \$152,318.00 (87%) and total saved was \$22,220.00 (13%).

There were 16 vehicle fires with a \$ 59,150.00 value with a loss of \$ 31,930.00.

### Fire Loss (7 Year History):

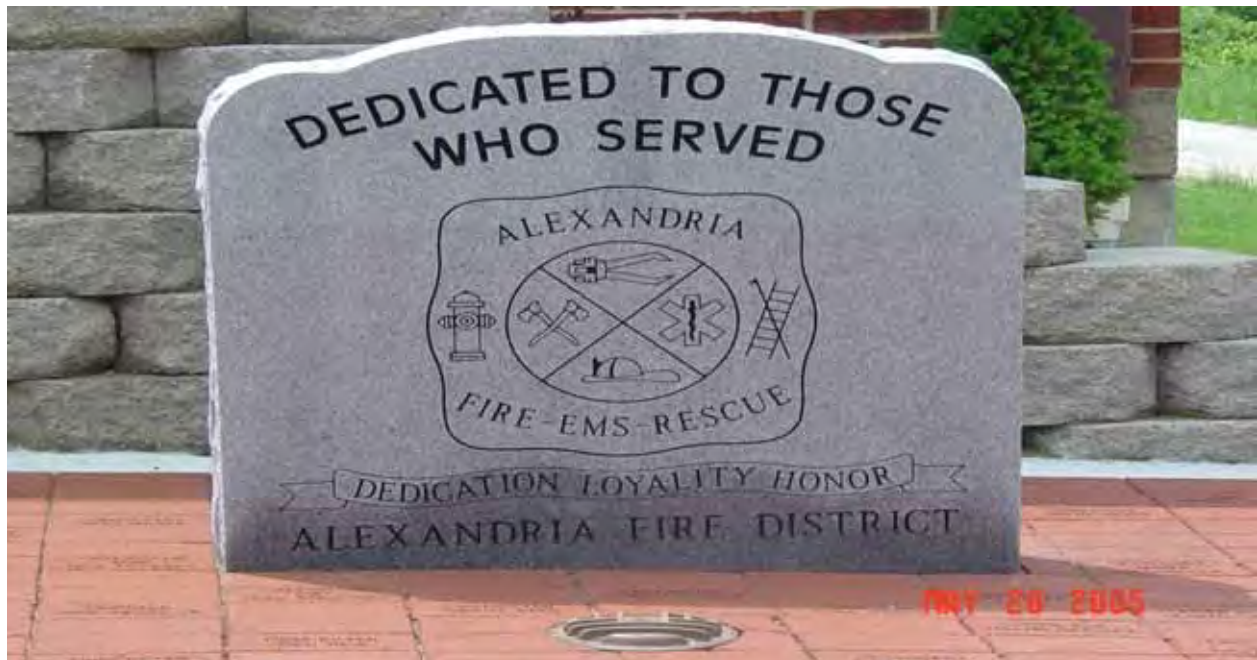
Year	Number of Fires	Total Value	Total Saved	Total Loss
2003	8	\$ 291,000.00	\$ 153,870.00	\$ 137,130.00
2004	15	\$ 440,300.00	\$ 195,700.00	\$ 244,600.00
2005	24	\$1,864,400.00	\$1,057,450.00	\$ 806,950.00
2006	19	\$ 789,842.00	\$ 409,034.00	\$ 380,808.00
2007	6	\$ 394,800.00	\$ 59,000.00	\$ 335,800.00
2008	12	\$ 869,000.00	\$ 596,000.00	\$ 273,000.00
2009	9	\$ 174,538.00	\$ 22,220.00	\$ 152,318.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>\$4,823,880.00</b>	<b>\$2,471,054.00</b>	<b>\$2,330,606.00</b>





## Fire Incidents by District:

<u>District</u>	<u>Number of Responses</u>
Not Reported	117
Residential Structures	110
Commercial Structures	45
Highway/Roadway	15
Campbell County Fire District #1	10
Southern Campbell Fire District	9
Educational Structures	9
Other	2
Central Campbell Fire District	1
Technical Rescue Team Callouts	1



## Fire Response by Fire Personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Jeff Pohlman	Fire Chief	77
Charlie Rauch	Deputy Fire Chief	153
Mark Rauch	Assistant Fire Chief	98
Val Bud Lederer	Major/Safety Officer	93
Dennis Rauch	Captain	19
Paul Ampfer	Captain	46
Tim Ford	Captain/Paramedic	72
Dan Hildebrand	Chief Engineer	77
John Seitz	Lieutenant/EMT	88
Matt Reed	Lieutenant	87
Keith Hammann	Lieutenant/EMT	70
Steve Minshall	Engineer	1
Steve Bohrer	Engineer/EMT	49
George Hundemer	Engineer/EMT	3
James Pape	Engineer/EMT	91
Larry Record	Engineer/EMT	56
Mel Sands	Engineer/EMT	48
Jayson Baker	Probationary Firefighter	1
Sean Bartlett	Firefighter/EMT	24
Joe Britton	Firefighter	59
Justin Britton	Firefighter	29
Josh Combs	Probationary Firefighter	1
Eric Fleckinger	Firefighter	12
Amy Gray	Firefighter/EMT	5
Scott Ifcic	Firefighter/Paramedic	58
Josh Ilg	Probationary Firefighter	1
James Hauenstein	Firefighter/EMT	73
Danny Hildebrand	Firefighter/EMT	98
Matt Julian	Firefighter/EMT	56
Robert Newman	Special Firefighter	8
Nick O'Day	Probationary Firefighter	5
Brad Oeffler	Firefighter	115
Travis Rauch	Firefighter	41
D. J. Rogers	Probationary Firefighter	2
Frank Santee	Firefighter/EMT	106
Mike Sheanshang	Firefighter/EMT	140
Bill Steffen	Firefighter	27
Phil Tarvin	Firefighter/EMT	82
Brittany Wagner	Firefighter/EMT	9
Eric Wind	Firefighter	115
Chris Wuertz	Firefighter/Paramedic	81

## Fire Response by Explorers:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Kurt Bach	Explorer	1
Josh Cummins	Explorer	13
Elijah Meyer	Explorer	6
Chris Pratt	Explorer	7
Chris Schack	Explorer	1
Josh Seitz	Explorer	9
Courtney Turenne	Explorer	5

## Fire Response by EMS Personnel

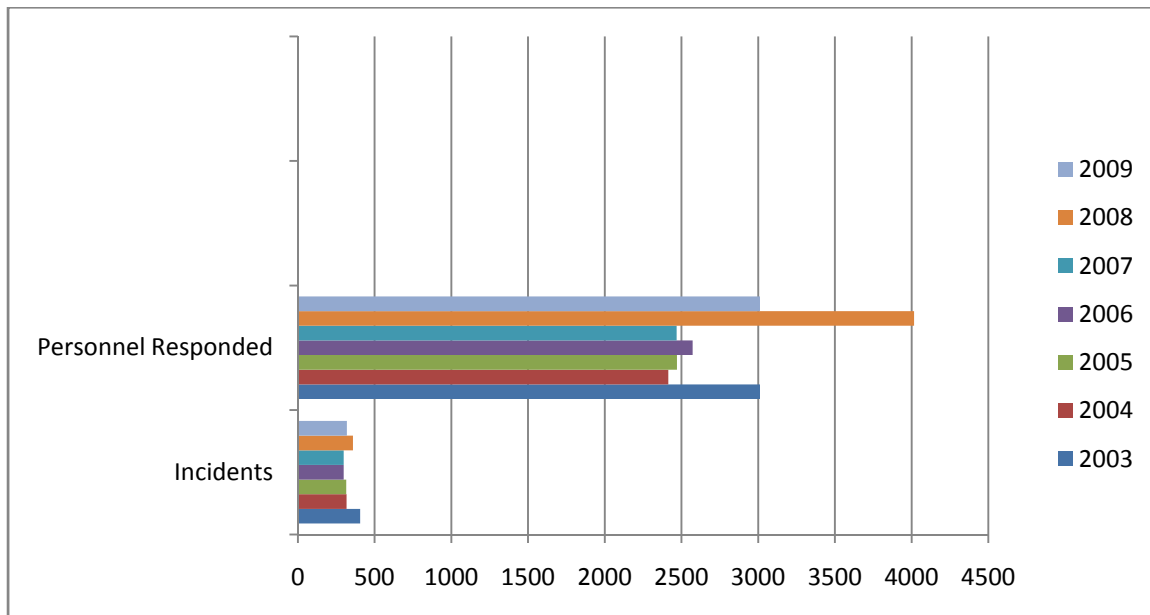
<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Responses</u>
Nikki Carson Brown	EMT	6
Sandy Decker	EMT	30
Jessica Racke	EMT	0
Tammy Seitz	EMT	3
Trent Hanson	Paramedic	2
Steve Laskey	Paramedic	1
Kerri Pettit	Paramedic	3
Dan Schmidt	Paramedic	1
Eric Siemer	Paramedic	1
Danielle Walston	Paramedic	0



## Staffing for Fire Incidents:

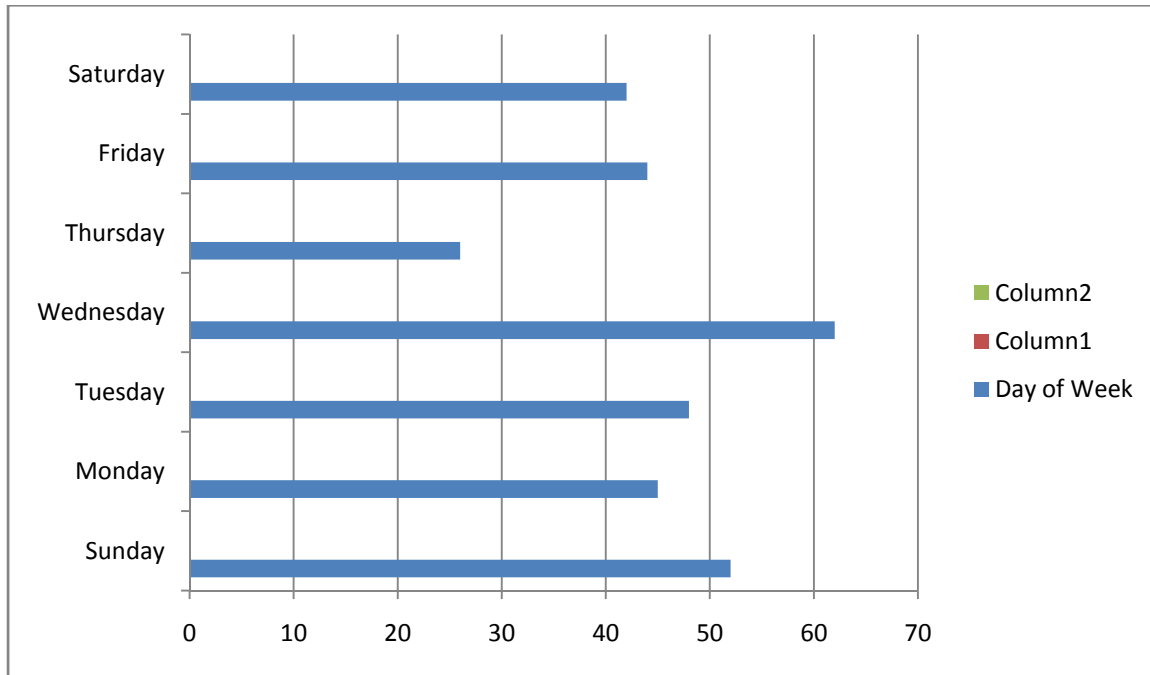
There were 319 fire incidents in 2009. For those 319 responses, 3012 personnel responded with an average response of 10 personnel per incident.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Incidents</u>	<u>Personnel Responded</u>	<u>Average per Incident</u>
2003	406	3012	8
2004	317	2414	8
2005	315	2471	9
2006	298	2573	9
2007	298	2469	9
2008	359	4016	12
2009	319	3012	10



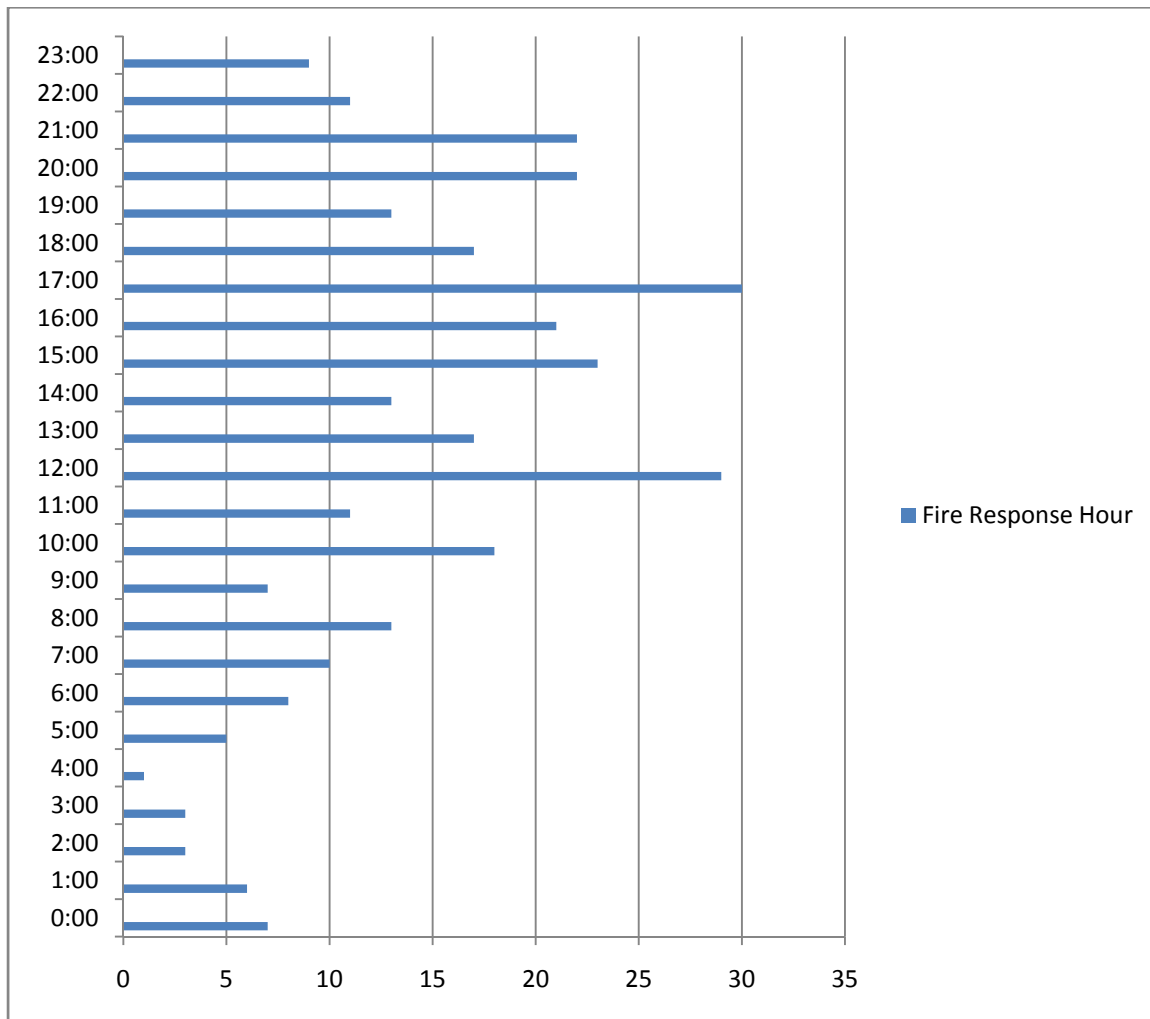
## Fire Responses – Day of the Week

<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Sunday	52	16.30%
Monday	45	14.10%
Tuesday	48	15.04%
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>19.43%</b>
Thursday	26	8.15%
Friday	44	13.79%
Saturday	42	13.16%



## Fire Responses – Alarm Times

<u>Alarm Hour</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Alarm Hour</u>	<u>Number</u>
00:00	7	13:00	17
01:00	6	14:00	13
02:00	3	15:00	23
03:00	3	16:00	21
04:00	1	<b>17:00</b>	<b>30</b>
05:00	5	18:00	17
06:00	8	19:00	13
07:00	10	20:00	22
08:00	13	21:00	22
09:00	7	22:00	11
10:00	18	23:00	9



## Emergency Medical Responses – 2009

<u>Medical Emergency</u>	<u>Number</u>
Refusal/No Patient	376
Trauma	168
Cardiac	149
General Illness	146
General Pain	128
Respiratory	117
Medical Emergency	95
Altered LOC	50
Poison/OD	31
Behavioral	26
Stroke/CVA	20
Allergic Reaction	9
Obvious Death	9
Pregnancy/OB	2

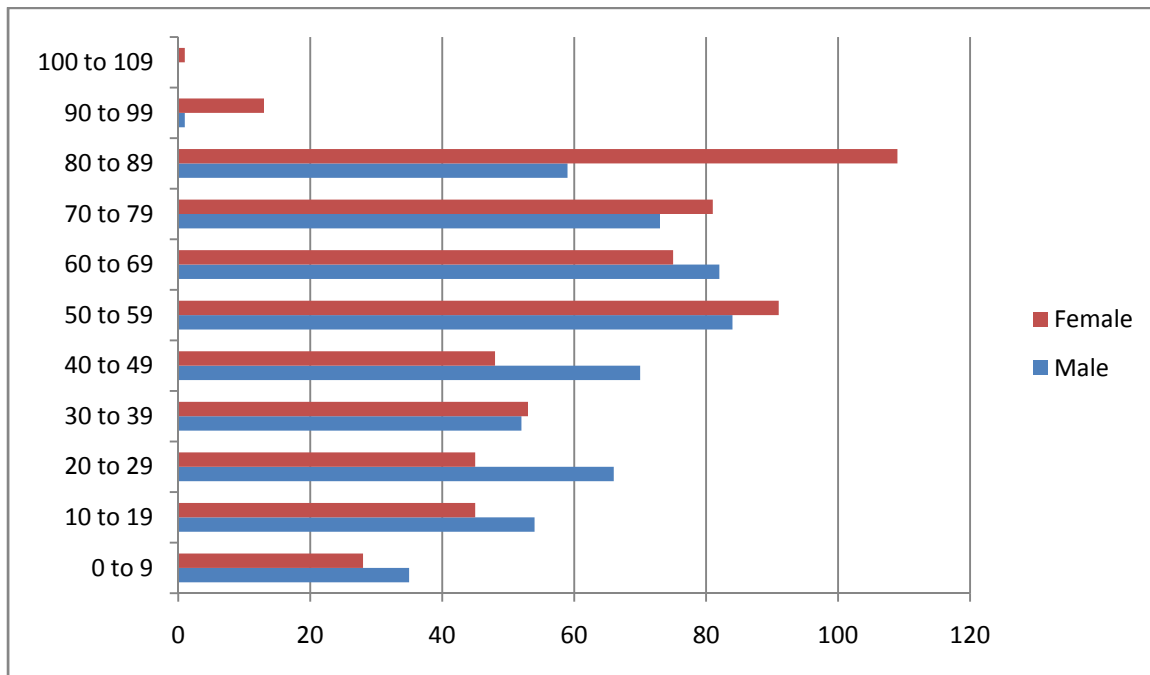
## Advanced Life Support

On July 1, 2009, the Fire District commenced Advanced Life Support service operating a two-chase car system. One paramedic chase car (Medic 191) operates out of the Alexandria Fire Station serving Alexandria Fire District and Campbell County Fire District #1 and #6. The second paramedic chase car (Medic 192) operates out of the Wilder FD north station serving Southgate and Wilder Fire Departments. A third paramedic unit (Medic 193) operates part-time out of the Alexandria Fire Station.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Dispatched</u>	<u>ALS to Hospital</u>
2006	246	N/A
2007	238	N/A
2008	281	N/A
2009 (1-1 to 6-30)	154	N/A
2009 (7-1 to 12-31)	840	487
AFD	371	219
FD #1 and #6	213	124
SWEMS	256	144

## EMS Average Age of Patients

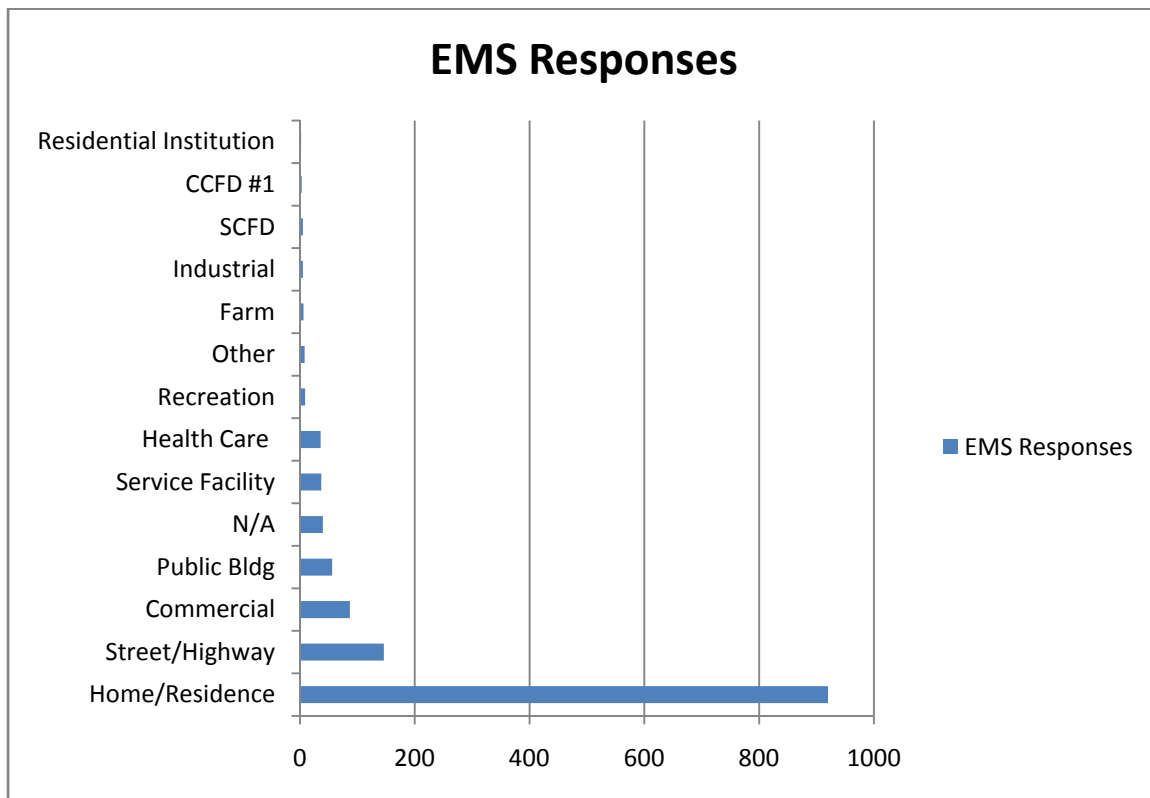
<u>Age Category</u>	<u>Male Patients</u>	<u>Female Patients</u>
0 to 9	35	28
10 to 19	54	45
20 to 29	66	45
30 to 39	52	53
40 to 49	70	48
50 to 59	84	91
60 to 69	82	75
70 to 79	73	81
80 to 89	59	109
90 to 99	1	13
100 to 109	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>589</b>





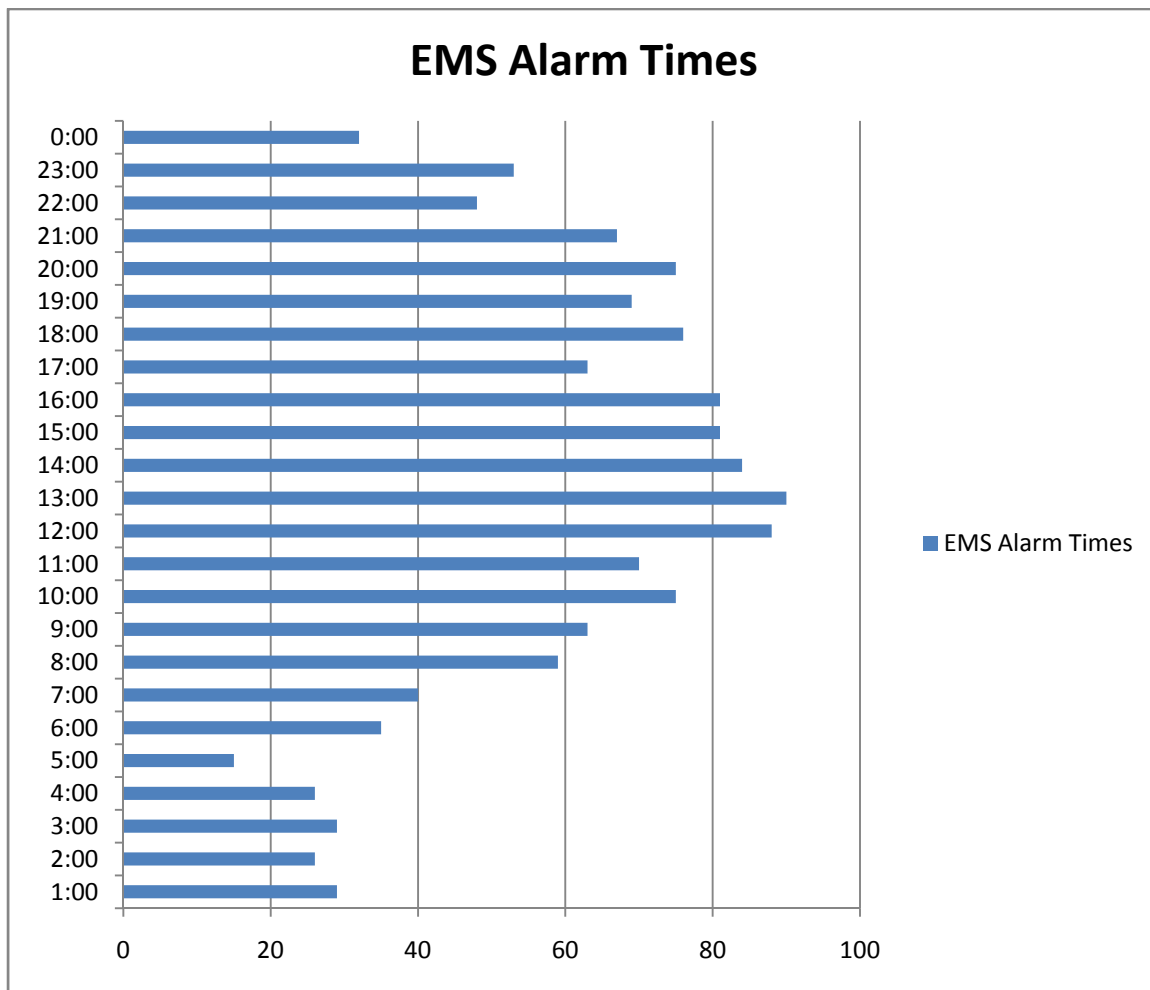
## EMS Response Locations (Includes ALS)

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number of Responses</u>
Home/Residence	920
Street/Highway	146
Commercial	87
Public Buildings	56
Not Specified	40
Business	37
Health Care Facility	36
Place of Recreation	9
Other Location	8
Farm	6
Industrial Place	5
Southern Campbell Fire District	5
Campbell County Fire District #1	3
Residential Institution	2



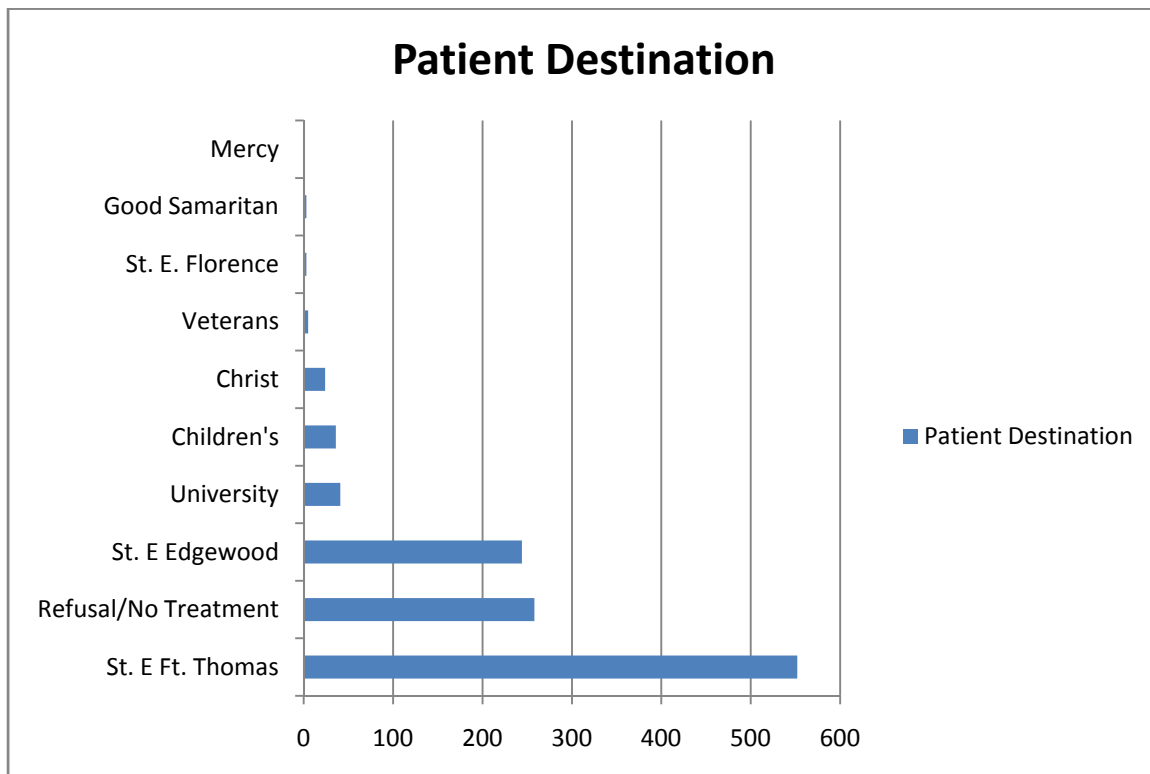
### EMS Alarm Times: (Includes ALS)

<u>Alarm Time</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Alarm Time</u>	<u>Number</u>
01:00	29	13:00	90
02:00	26	14:00	84
03:00	29	15:00	81
04:00	26	16:00	81
05:00	15	17:00	63
06:00	35	18:00	76
07:00	40	19:00	69
08:00	59	20:00	75
09:00	63	21:00	67
10:00	75	22:00	48
11:00	88	23:00	53
12:00	88	00:00	32



## EMS Transportation Destinations:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number</u>
St. Elizabeth Ft. Thomas	552
Refusal/No Treatment/No Patient	258
St. Elizabeth Edgewood	244
Cincinnati University Hospital	41
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	36
Cincinnati Christ Hospital	24
Cincinnati Veterans Hospital	5
St. Elizabeth Florence	3
Cincinnati Good Samaritan Hospital	3
Mercy Hospital Anderson	1



## **EMS Personnel Responses: (Includes ALS)**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Responses</u></b>
Sean Bartlett	21
Steve Bohrer	9
Nikki Carson Brown	10
Sandy Decker	15
Tim Ford	38
Amy Gray	2
Keith Hammann	120
Trent Hanson	117
James Hauenstein	24
Danny Hildebrand	13
George Hundemer	0
Scott Ifcic	274
Matt Julian	263
Steve Laskey	116
Bud Lederer	0
James Pape	127
Kerri Pettit	131
Jeff Pohlman	3
Jessica Racke	4
Larry Record	198
Mel Sands	190
Frank Santee	38
John Seitz	5
Tammy Seitz	3
Mike Sheanshang	38
Eric Siemer	129
Phil Tarvin	205
Brittany Wagner	1
Danielle Walston	137
Chris Wuertz	11

## **EMS Observer Program:**

In 2009, EMS Observers participated in a “ride-along” programmed offered by the Fire District. These are usually citizens that may be interested in becoming an EMT with the department, are currently an EMT student enrolled in a local class, or already a current member of the Fire District. Joe Britton, Nick O’Day, Travis Rauch and DJ Rogers are currently members of the Fire District who observe. Brittany Wagner and Kris Seitz are currently members of the Fire District. Josh Combs and Eric Wind are Fire District members who are currently enrolled in an EMT class and are projected to finish in March of 2010. Brittany Wagner completed EMT training and was certified in 2009.

## Training:

The Fire District is required by the Kentucky State Fire Commission to maintain 75% staffing of certified fire fighters.

The State Fire Commission requires volunteer members to be certified at Level 2 (150 hours) within 2 years of beginning the fire service career. Volunteers are required to maintain a minimum of 36 hours of training annually as prescribed in the policy manual. The State Fire Commission requires career members to be certified at Level 3 (400 hours) within one year of beginning employment. Career members are required to maintain a minimum of 100 hours training annually.

In-house training that Fire District personnel received in 2009 included, but not limited to Hazardous Materials Operations Class, Vehicle Extrication, Structural Collapse Training, Confined Space Training, high angle rescue class, pumper operations, ladder training, hose lays, Incident Command Classes, and EMS classes.

Recruit members entering the department must successfully complete a recruit program consisting of over 120 hours of basic training. The training assists the member in the 150 hour State Fire Commission required training for volunteer status.

Emergency Medical Technicians must successfully complete a training program that consists of over 125 hours of classroom instruction, at least four written and practical exams, and a written and practical exam for certification. Members who are presently certified as an EMT must maintain 26 hours of training every two years to maintain their certifications. EMT's in our Fire District are also combi-tube trained, epi-pen trained, CPR trained to include the AED. There is currently a combined class with Fire District #1 and the Fire District members attending are Josh Combs and Eric Wind. Paramedics must also maintain annual training requirements to include ACLS, PEPP, or PALS certifications.

There are currently 18 Level 3 fire fighters (400 hours) and 11 Level 2 fire fighters (150 hours). There are 21 active EMT's and 9 active Paramedics. There are 8 members certified to teach CPR/AED training.



## Personnel Fire Certifications:

<u>Certification</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Number</u>
400 hr. level	18	NIMS 100	26
150 hr level	11	NIMS 200	23
Firefighter Rescue	20	NIMS 300	11
Firefighter Survival	22	NIMS 400	8
Haz-Mat Tech	2	NIMS 700	33
Haz-Mat Operations	12	NIMS 800	20
Haz-Mat Awareness	0	Level I Instructor	9
IFSAC Firefighter I	9	Level II Instructor	8
IFSAC Firefighter II	10	Confined Space Ops	21
Fire Inspector	12	Confined Space Aware	8



## EMS Certifications:

<u>Certifications</u>	<u>Number of Personnel Certified</u>
Emergency Medical Technicians	21
National Registered EMT's	11
Paramedics	9
National Registered Paramedics	9
Combitube Certification	30
CPR	40
CPR Instructors	8
CPR Instructor Certified Trainer	1
Epi-pen Certification	30
Glucometer Certification	30
SAED Certification	30
ACLS Certification	9
PEPP or PALS Certification	9
PHTLS Certification	9



## Personnel Training Hours: (Fire and EMS)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Fire Hours</u>	<u>EMS Hours</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>
Chief Jeff Pohlman*	114.5	18.5	133
Deputy Chief Charlie Rauch	126	3	129
Assistant Chief Mark Rauch	102.5	1	103.5
Major Bud Lederer*	125	18.5	143.5
Captain Dennis Rauch	13	0	13
Captain Paul Ampfer	63	2.5	65.5
Captain Tim Ford**	83.5	109.5	193
Chief Engineer Dan Hildebrand	161.5	20.5	182
Lieutenant Keith Hammann*	190.67	41	231.67
Lieutenant John Seitz*	136	9	145
Lieutenant Matt Reed	78	3.5	81.5
Kurt Bach***	13	0	13
Jason Baker	84	0	84
Sean Bartlett*	108	16.5	124.5
Steve Bohrer*	61.5	12	73.5
Joe Britton	102.5	2	104.5
Justin Britton	138	3.5	141.5
Nikki Carson*	0	11	11
Josh Combs	26.5	0	26.5
Josh Cummins***	149	4.5	153.5
Sandy Decker*	3	83	86
Eric Fleckinger	71	4.5	75.5
Matthew Glenn***	0		
Amy Gray*	50.5	9.5	60
Jimmy Hauenstein*	95.5	23.5	119
Danny Hildebrand*	159	5	164
George Hundemer*	56.5	28.5	85
Scott Ifcic**	126	68	194
Josh Ilg	49.5	0	49.5
Matthew Julian*	162.17	13.5	175.67
Steve Laskey**	39.5	45.5	85
Elijah Meyer***	40	0	40
Steve Minshall	27	0	27
Robert Newman	111.5	3.5	115
Nick O'Day	104	3.5	107.5
Brad Oeffler	95	2	97
James Pape*	240.5	19	259.5
Kerri Pettit**	35	10.5	45.5
Chris Pratt***	82	3	85
Megan Rauch***	7	0	7
Travis Rauch	146.5	2.5	149
Larry Record*	64.5	19	83.5
DJ Rogers	96.5	1	97.5
Mel Sands*	80.5	14.5	95



Frank Santee*	148.5	15.5	164
Chris Schack***	10	0	10
Dan Schmidt**	65.5	43	108.5
Jessica Racke*	0	2	2
Josh Seitz***	26	1	27
Tammy Seitz*	7.5	15	22.5
Mike Sheanshang*	122	21.5	143.5
Eric Siemer**	45.5	42	87.5
Kourtney Smith***	0		
Bill Steffen	99.5	3.5	103
Phil Tarvin*	141.5	72	213.5
Courtney Turenne***	37	2	39
Brittany Wagner*	97	15.5	112.5
Danielle Walston**	49	37.5	86.5
Eric Wind	197.5	3.5	201
Chris Wuertz**	73.5	27.5	101
Members who resigned			
Michela Abeln	4	7	11
Jonathan Burt	130.5	3	133.5
Jim Ciccarella	3.5	3	6.5
Trent Hanson	20.5	37.5	58
Jordan Hurd	3	0	3
Melissa Lewis	99	0	99
Ricky Mays	29.5	0	29.5
Josh Nelson	3	0	3
Michael Pohlman	35.5	7	42.5
Ross Risner	29	0	29
Paul Schaber	29.5	1	30.5
Kris Seitz	141	12	153
Colton Sharp	89.5	0	89.5
Jason Weghorn	28.5	0	28.5
Shana Weghorn	3	0	3



## Life Safety Inspections:

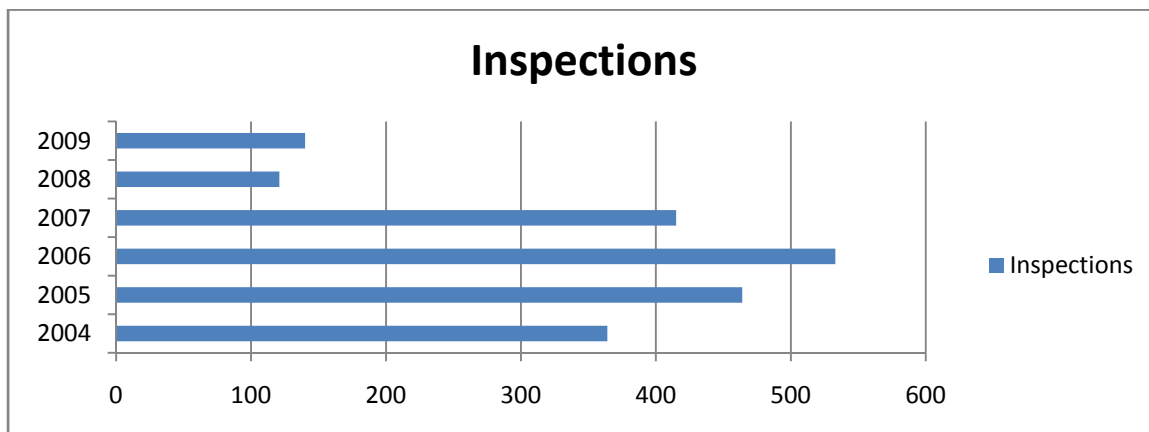
There were 140 fire/life safety inspections of businesses daycares, and schools during 2009. It is the intention of the Fire District to attempt to inspect every business at least once per year. Since 2008, as inspectors inspect the building, pre-plan information is gathered and a diagram of the building is drawn to include information on where the utility shut-offs, hazardous materials storage areas, nearest hydrant location, overhead wire, and building dimensions. Information is also gathered on business contacts on who can be contacted after hours. This information is place on the server at the fire station and synced to the command vehicles so that this information is readily available during an emergency. 13 Fire District members are certified to perform life safety inspections.

### Inspections by Inspector

<u>Name</u>	<u>Number of Inspections</u>
Captain Tim Ford	12
Lieutenant Keith Hammann	71
Lieutenant John Seitz	10
Scott Ifcic	15
James Pape	3
Larry Record	3
Mel Sands	24
Others	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>140</b>

### Inspection 6- year history

<u>Year</u>	<u>Inspections</u>
2004	364
2005	464
2006	533
2007	415
2008	121
2009	140



**Command Vehicles:  
Chief 150**



**Deputy Chief 151**



**Engine Companies:**  
**Engine Company 101**  
**1993 Sutphen**  
**1500 GPM Pumping Capability**



**Engine Company 102**  
**2002 Sutphen**  
**1500 GPM Pump Capability**



**Truck Company 110**  
**1994 Sutphen**  
**75+ Aerial Ladder**  
**1500 GPM Pump Capability**



**Heavy Rescue Company 120**  
**2009 Spartan**  
**6 Hydraulic Rescue Tool System**  
**Technical Rescue Equipment**



**Life Squads:  
Squad 171  
1994 International Road Rescue**



**Squad 172  
2005 International Horton**



**Utility Vehicle**  
**Unit 135**  
**2008 Chevrolet**



**Off Road Vehicle**  
**Unit 131**



**Paramedic Unit  
Medic 191  
2009 Ford Explorer**



**Foam Unit  
Unit 136  
75-5 gallon buckets of foam**





**Supportive Staff:**

District Attorney: Jim Daley and Tom Wietholter

District Accountant: Dawn Hayes

**Where Do We Go From Here?**

Many accomplishments have been made during 2009. The delivery of the new Heavy Rescue Truck, the lowering of the Insurance Service Office Rating for the City of Alexandria, and the commencement of Advanced Life Support operations were three major steps in the groundwork of the future for the Fire District. Although the economy is in a downturn, a few new homes are being built along with a few commercial projects such as Tractor Supply, Speedway Gas Station, and United Dairy Farmers.

Some of the projects being worked on or forth coming for the new fiscal year include a new life squad to replace a 1994 model with close to 200,000 miles, air rescue bags for the rescue truck that will have the capability of lifting very heavy objects and a new cardiac monitor. The second fire station is still in the discussion phase. This will be an ongoing process to better the service for the southeastern section of the fire district, an area potential for explosive growth. The Fire District will continue to work on projects that may allow the ISO rating to be lowered in the coming years. Advanced Life Support operations will continue to be examined to assure the citizens are receiving the best emergency services available. After numerous trials and errors, pre-plans are being placed in the Command Cars and the Fire District is currently exploring direct communication links with the mobile MDT's and the Dispatch Center. The pre-plans will allow the Incident Commanders to have a visual of the interior of the building and will display the utility shut-offs and hazardous material locations. Having a direct communication link with the Dispatch Center will lessen the confusion and enhance communication with the Police Department.

Without the continued support of the Fire District Board approving these and other projects, the Fire District would remain in neutral and enhancements would not be made. Without the hard work and dedication of the career staff, volunteer staff, and explorers, fire and EMS responses would go unanswered, training would be minimal, and public relations activities would be non-existent. With this pride and dedication of our members, the citizens and visitors of Alexandria and surrounding area can be proud of the professional services provided for them.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey H. Pohlman  
Fire/EMS Chief