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FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

## **Public Accountability Meeting**

February 2023

Reporting (2022 - October – December)

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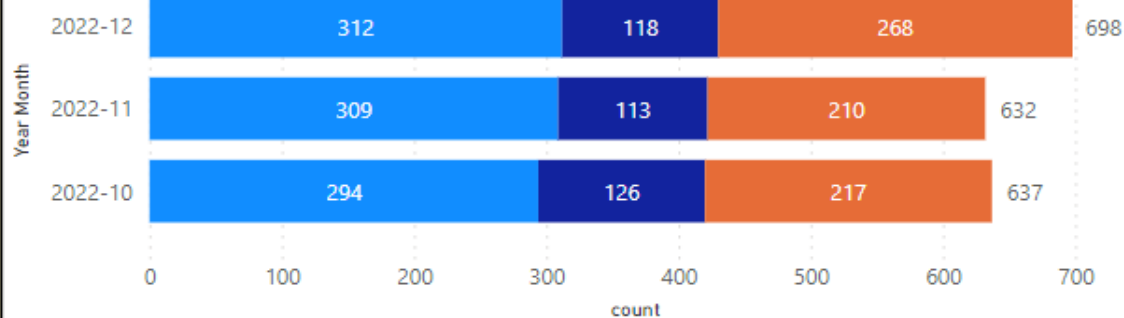
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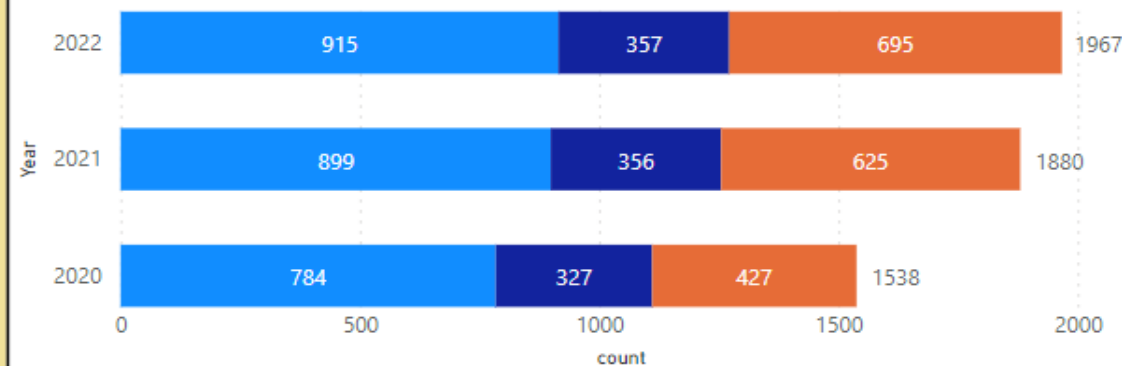
### Total Incidents (Last 3 calendar months)

Incident Category ● False Alarm ● Fire ● Special Service



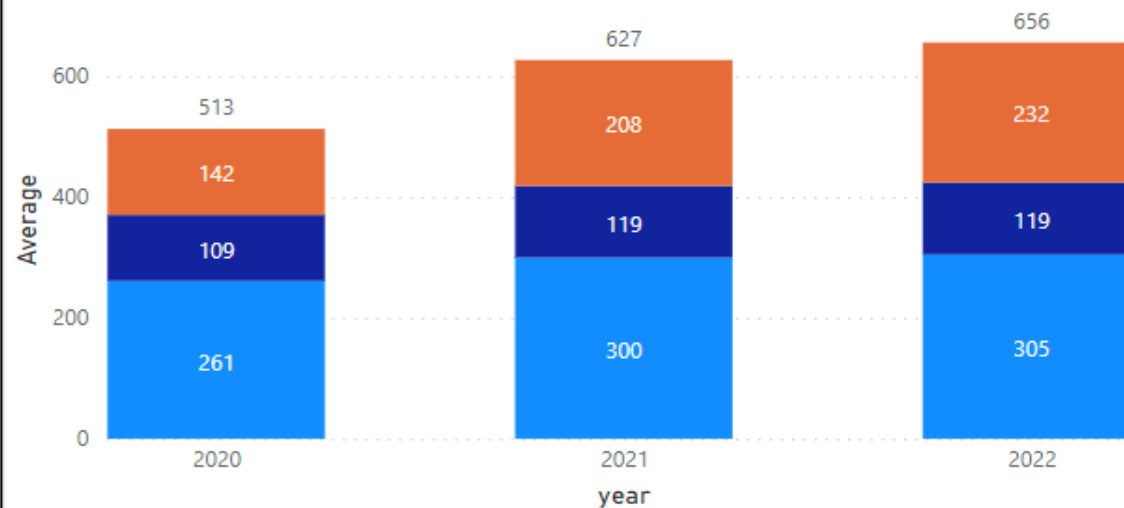
### Total Incidents By Year

Incident Category ● False Alarm ● Fire ● Special Service



### Average By Year In The Reporting Period By Incident Category

Incident Category ● False Alarm ● Fire ● Special Service



False Alarms between the reporting period has had the highest average count at 305. Followed by Special Service at 232 and Fire at 119.

York & Selby district had the highest False Alarms incident count at 344. 150 were identified as non residential buildings.

Special Service incidents have increased by an average count of 30 in 2022. 2020/21 was the significant year an increased average count of 66 incidents. Storm Arwen & Barra increased the special services incidents for November and December 2021.

Assist Other Agencies including police and ambulance continue to be an area of prevention activity which we are focusing on.

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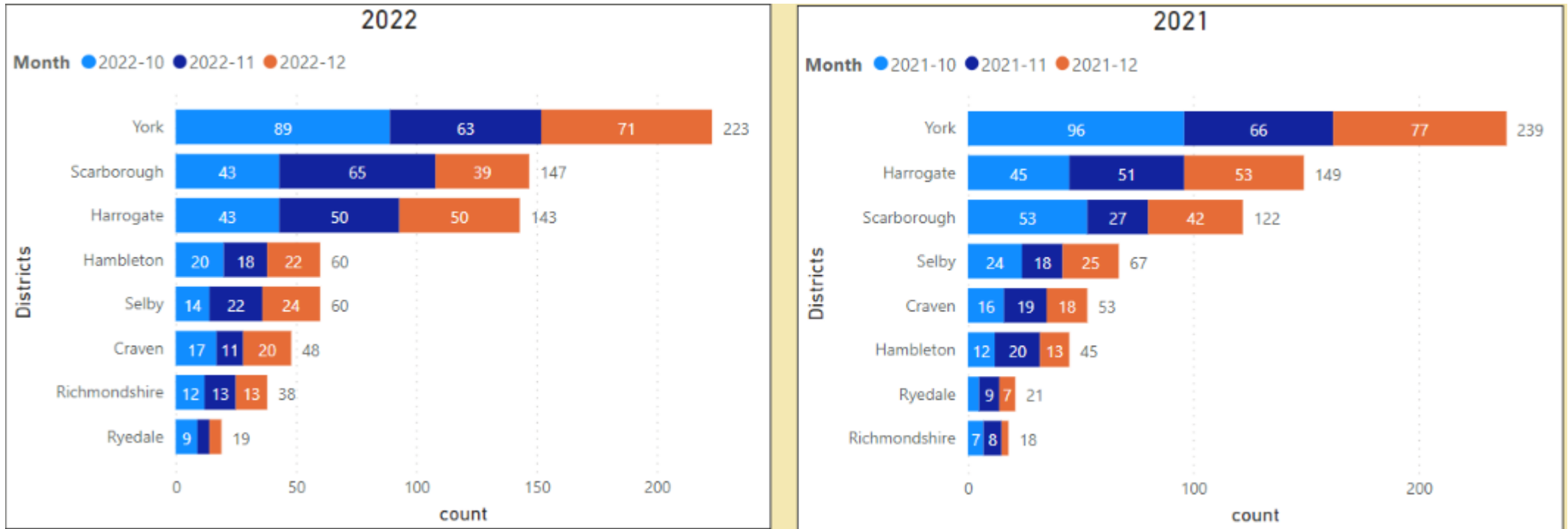


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# False Alarm From Automatic Fire Alarm

Incident category – False Alarm

Revised Incident Type – False Alarm Apparatus



- A formal link has been established between operational staff and business fire safety in managing UWFS. The downward trend in York will be monitored and rolled out service wide if the reduction is maintained and deemed a success
- The process of managing AFA is closely monitored to ensure the procedure is followed to reduce activations at premises and where needed engagement is undertaken by our Business Fire Safety Officers

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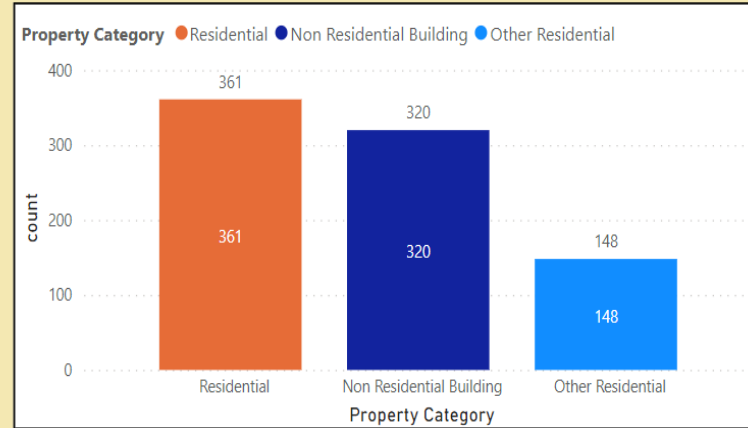
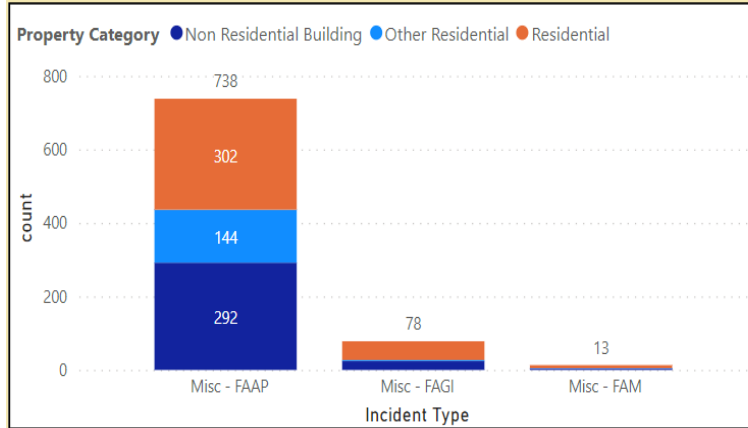
## Incident date range – October - December Breakdown of False Alarms



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FAAP - False Alarm Apparatus (Auto Fire Detection System)
FAGI - False Alarm Good Intent
FAM - False Alarm Malicious

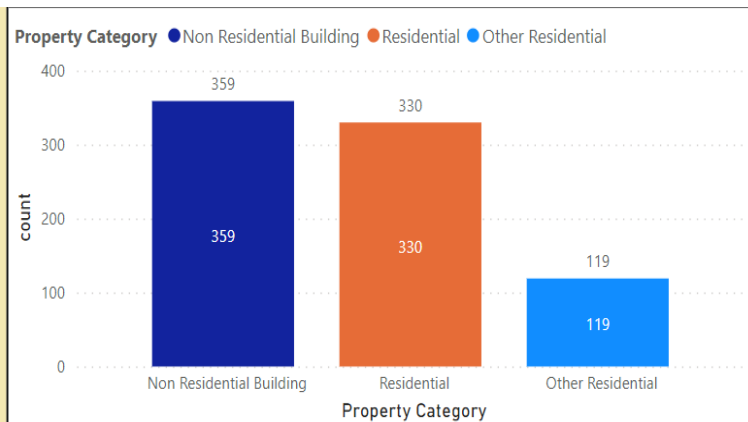
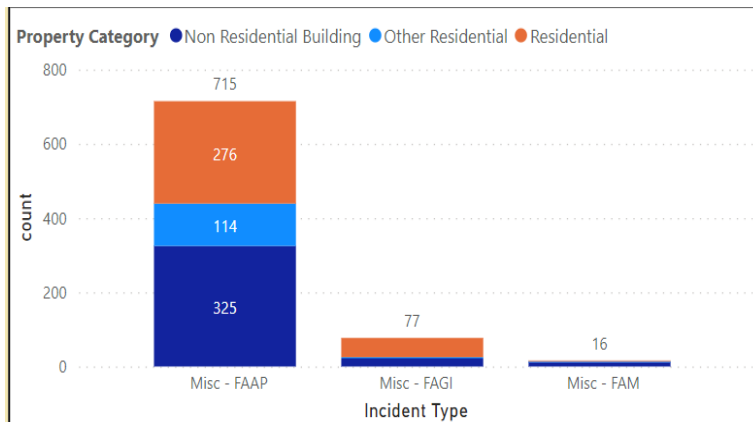
### 2022



### Our top 3 property types continue year on year to be Residential:

1. House Single occupancy
  2. Purpose Built Flat/Maisonette – up to 3 storeys
  3. Self contained Sheltered Housing
- York & Selby and Craven & Harrogate are the highest count.
  - York & Selby at 36 (2021) and 35 (2022) for Single House.
  - Craven & Harrogate 36 (2021) and 33 (2022) for Single House.
  - FAAP being the dominant cause of incident type, although universities in York have seen the most significant reduction of false alarms in the reporting periods from 17 in 2021 to 2 in 2022.
  - Business Fire Safety (BFS) now work with operational crews to support businesses that have repeat actuations. UWFS Data is now extracted, to highlight the premises. A recent example in the York District of this positive change was at a business in Selby. After engagement by BFS the fire alarm was modified and unwanted call numbers have now reduced.

### 2021



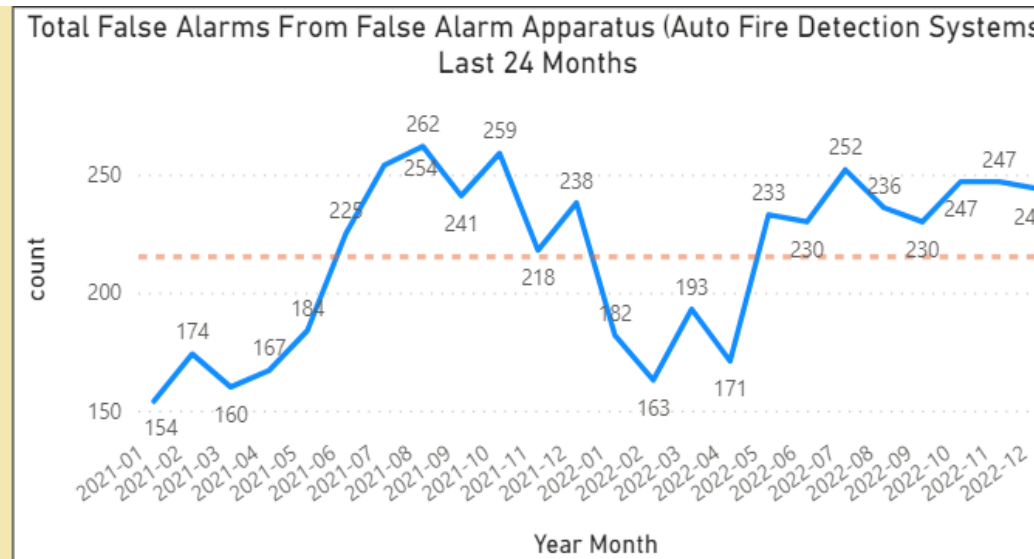
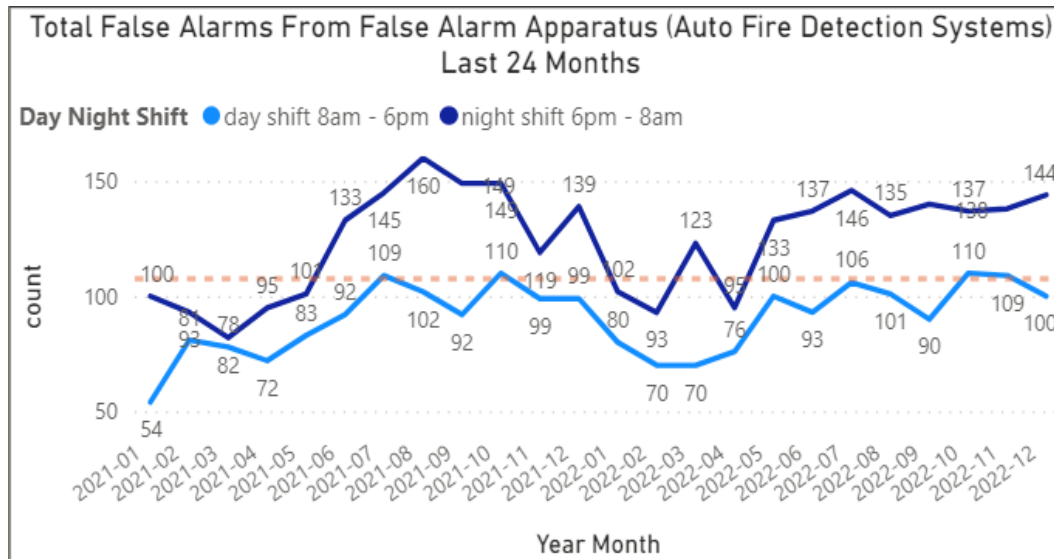
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Initial Incident category – False Alarm

Revised Incident Type – False Alarm Apparatus

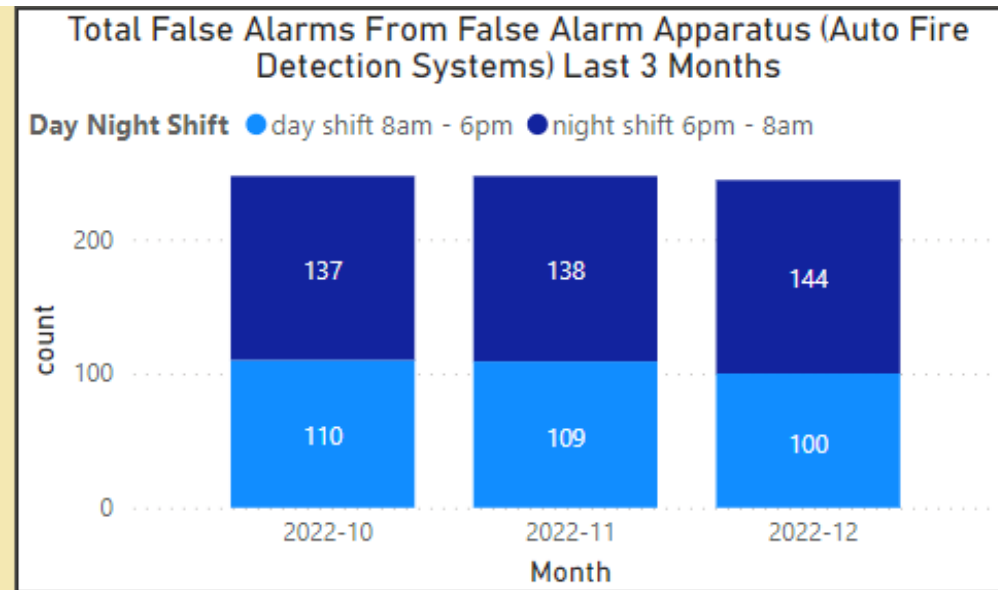
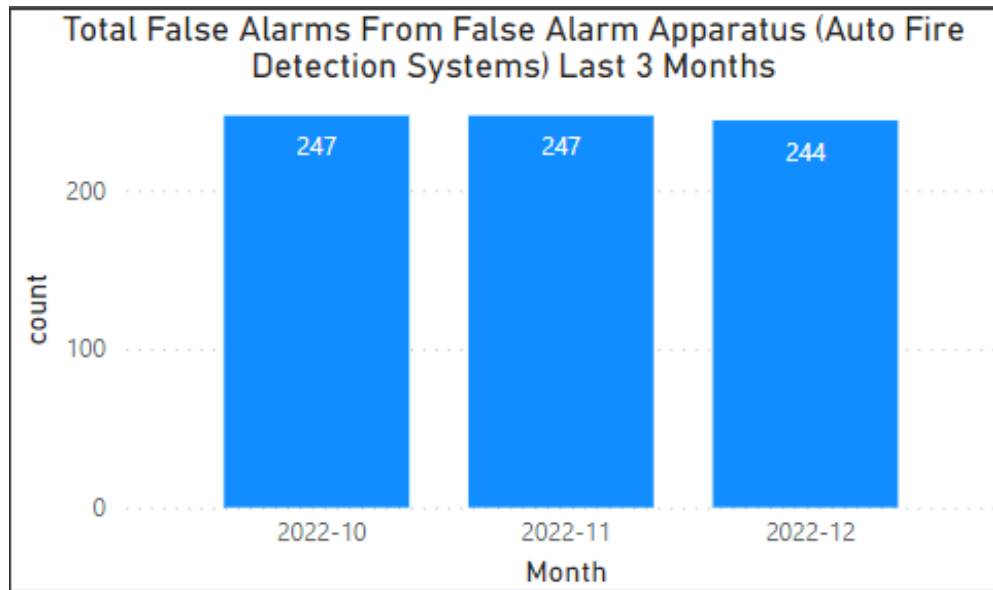
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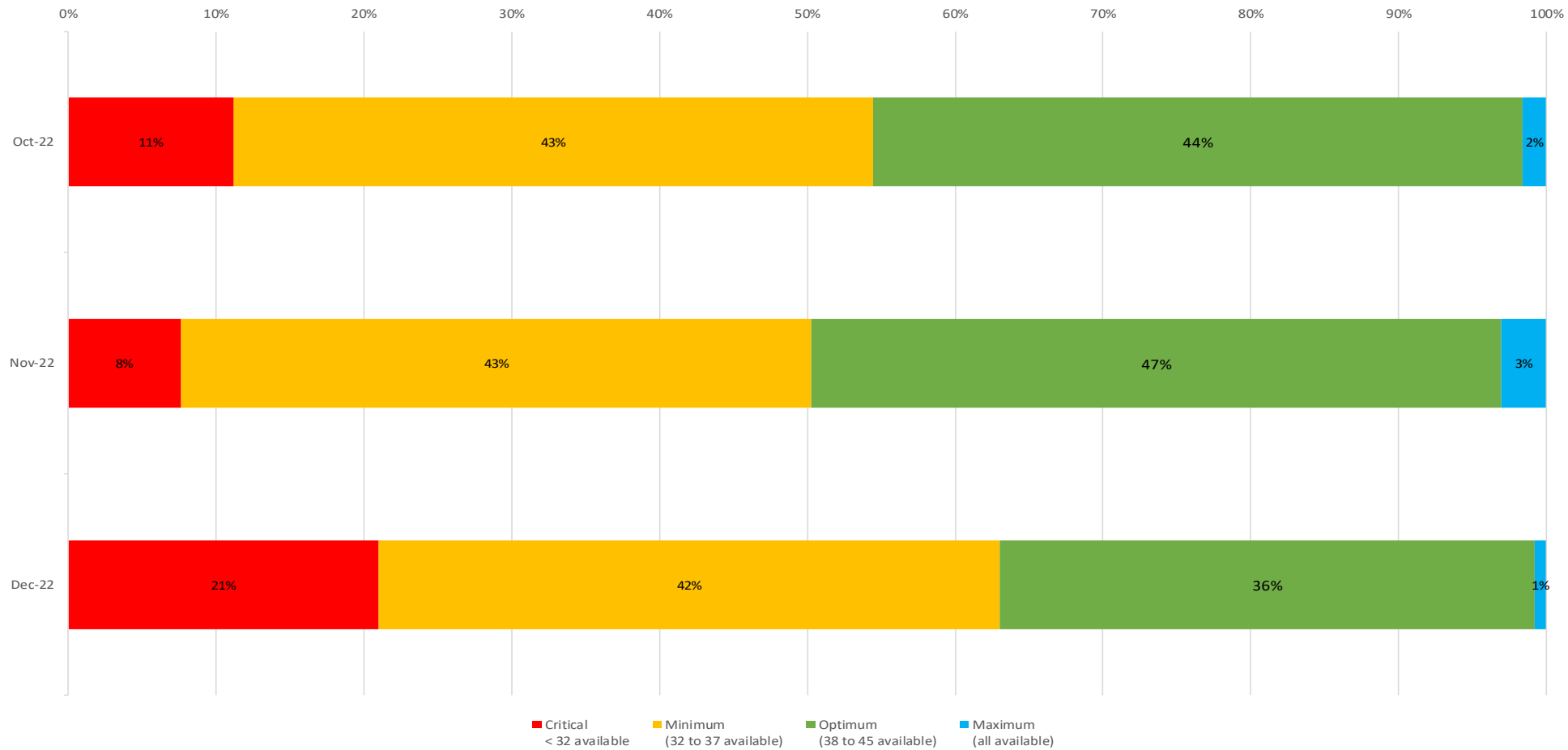
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## Overall Fire Cover

### Overall Fire Cover - Number Of Fire Appliances Available



Overall Fire engines Average Availability

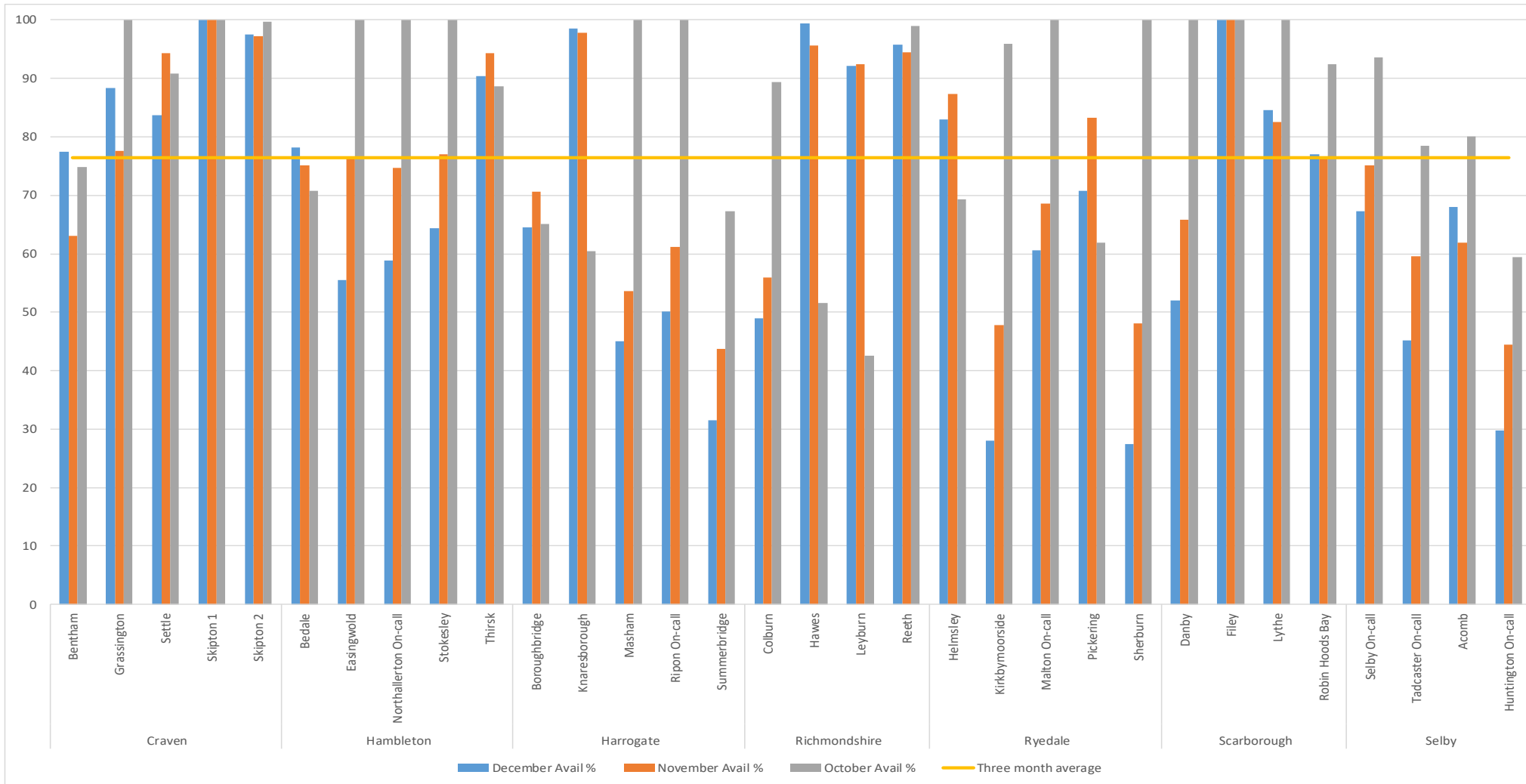
October 2022  
**81%**

November 2022  
**82%**

December 2022  
**78%**



## Availability Overview Of On-call Stations ( Post Cover moves ) – February 2022



On Call Fire Engines  
 Average Availability

October 2022

**85%**

November 2022

**75%**

December 2022

**69%**



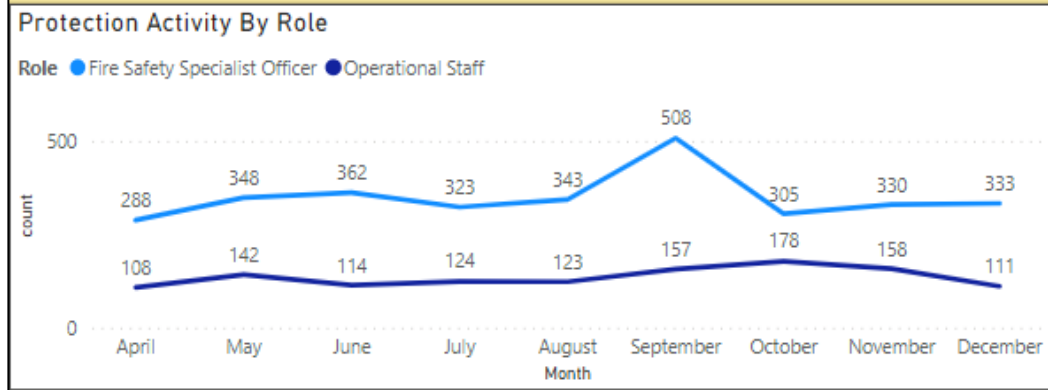
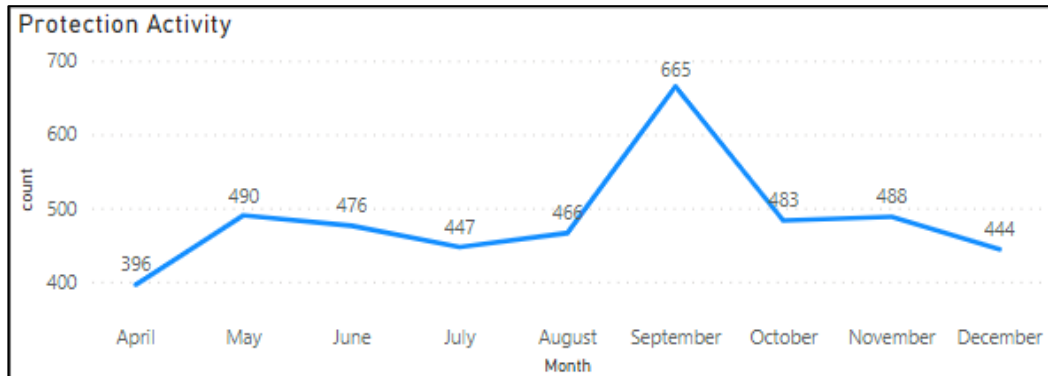
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(Community Fire Risk Management Information System) database

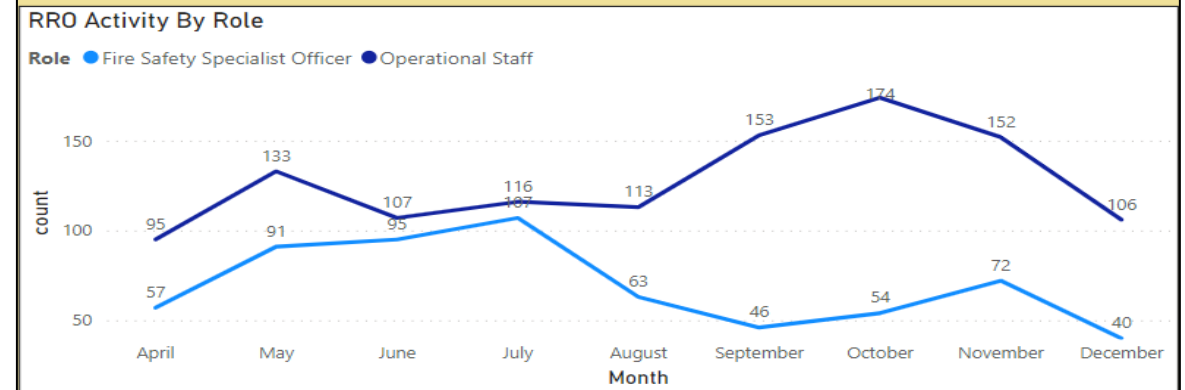
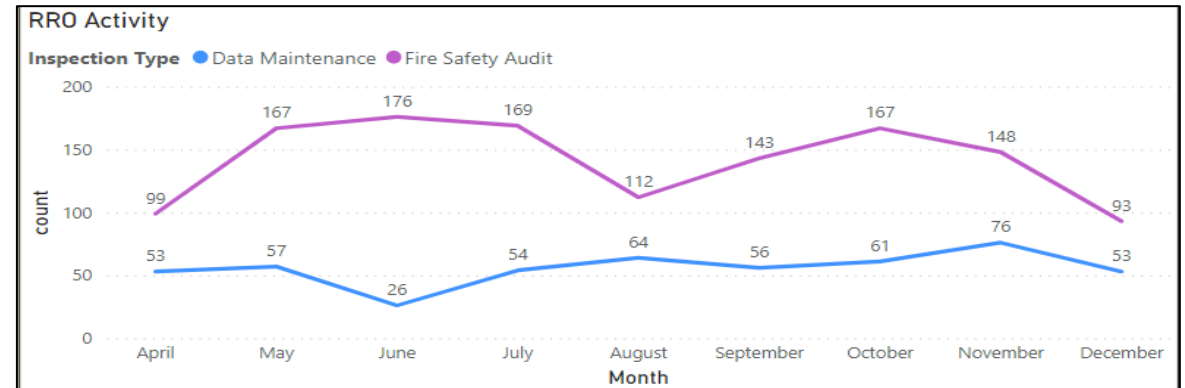
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- At 665, September had the highest count and was 68% higher than April, which had the lowest count at 396.
- The increase in Protection activity in September was due to engaging with businesses during the NFCC Business Fire Safety Week. This year the Business Fire Safety Team concentrated on businesses in remote market towns, to increase our presence within the local business community. We engaged with over 200 small and medium businesses to offer support and advice. This engagement supports the local economy.

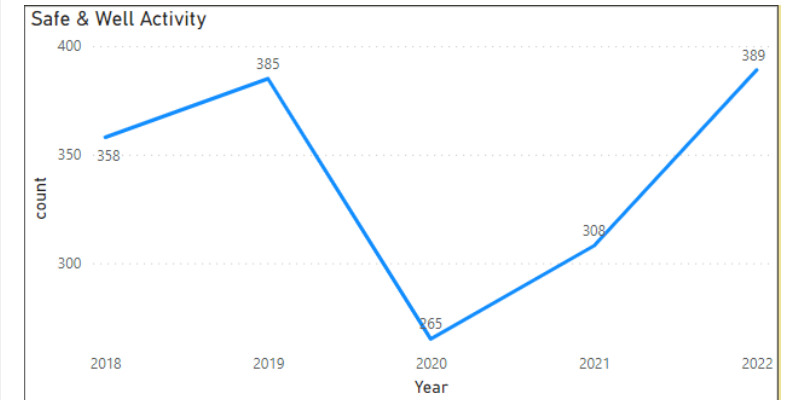


- Count for Operational Staff (12% increase) trended up between April 2022 and December 2022.
- Activity in December reduces so we don't interfere with their busiest period.
- Average count was higher for Fire Safety Specialist Officer (349) than Operational Staff (135). Count for Fire Safety Specialist Officer and Operational Staff diverged the most when the in the month of September, when Fire Safety Specialist Officer were 351 higher than Operational Staff, this is due to the change in focus of our Fire Safety Specialist Officers.

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• Fig A – Safe & Well Activity for December 2018 -2022



- At 463, November had the highest count, for Safe & Well and activity, 31% higher than September, which had the lowest count at 353 as staff focussed on Protection activity
- Average count was higher for Operational Stations (276) than Community Safety Officers (131) during the reporting period
- Operational Stations and Community Safety Officers diverged the most in the Month of December, Operational Stations were 225 higher than Community Safety Officers this can be attributed to annual leave timeframes
- Safe and Well activity continues to increase on an upward trend since the reduction seen in 2020 during the Covid 19 period (See fig A).