

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

OCTOBER 2006 – SEPTEMBER 2007

Twelve month analysis of
£250,000-plus fires in the UK

Number of fires for which reports were received: 133
Total estimated loss in these fires: £133,116,093



West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service

The fire at this textile manufacturing plant caused losses of nearly £2m

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Total estimated fire damage reported by insurers caused
by the following fires costing £250,000-plus: £14.8m

1	Warehouse, Salford, Manchester	319 500
2	Factory, Hull, Humberside	280 000
3	Flat/maisonette, Deal, Kent	365 000
5	Warehouse, Leicester	260 000
6	Warehouse, Loughton, Essex	323 125
8	Sports hall, Sevenoaks, Kent	443 295
13	Flat/maisonette, London	340 000
14	Retailer, Harrow, Middlesex	287 000
15	Motor trader, Dumfries, Dumfries and Galloway	250 000
16	Waste and recycling, Grantham, Lincolnshire	7 620 378
16	Warehouse, Cambridge	500 000
17	Flat/maisonette, Hampshire	120 000
17	House, Epsom, Surrey	75 000
24	Warehouse, Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire	2 544 345
24	Pub/bar, Glossop, Derbyshire	450 000
24	Restaurant, London	340 000
29	Warehouse, London	275 000
30	Dwelling, Barnsley, South Yorkshire	30 000

Where the £250,000-plus fires occurred	No. of fires	Estimated loss £
Dwelling	24	12 183 000
Factory	21	38 060 500
Retail	20	11 739 951
Warehouse	19	14 652 445
Food and drink industry	10	6 936 178
Education	7	13 517 000
Local/national government	6	4 811 000
Motor trade	4	1 487 000
Waste and recycling	3	8 470 378
Office	2	5 800 000
Chemical industry	2	5 270 000
Sport and recreation	2	893 295
Place of worship	2	611 941
Engineering	2	580 000
Hotel	1	2 726 805
Other known	6	4 026 600
Unknown	2	1 350 000
Total	133	133 116 093

How the £250,000-plus fires started	No. of fires	Estimated loss £
Deliberate	40	31 137 423
Electrical	28	24 382 345
Smoking materials	10	3 454 125
Cooking	4	11 730 000
Kiln, furnace, oven	4	10 905 000
Engine, fuel line or pump	3	1 266 000
Manufacturing equipment	2	7 876 378
Blow lamp	2	832 000
Industrial equipment	2	612 000
Candles	2	540 000
Welding	1	2 300 000
Lights	1	980 000
Matches	1	400 000
Explosive	1	292 165
Other known	3	5 952 000
Unknown	29	30 456 657
Total	133	133 116 093