

CITY OF WINKLER FIRE DEPARTMENT

2019 YEAR-END REPORT

Serving the City of Winkler & The RM of Stanley



FIRE CHIEF'S 2019 REPORT

The Winkler Fire Department (WFD) responded to 166 emergency calls in Y2019, an overall decrease of 6% from the previous year. The City of Winkler itself saw a 2% increase in call volume from the previous year to 122. There was a small increase in Fires, Motor Vehicle Accidents, Technical Rescues & Carbon Monoxide incidents, but a similar decrease in False Alarms, EMS Assists and Hazmat incidents from 2018 (see page 3). The RM of Stanley emergency call volume in 2019 decreased 20% overall to 42 calls. This was attributed to a 50% decrease in Fire Incidents and False Alarms although there were small increases in most of the other areas (see page 3). There were 2 Mutual Aid calls in 2019, 3 fewer than in 2018.

An overall summary of all emergency calls that Winkler Fire Department responded to in 2019 were as follows. The increase or decrease from 2018 is shown in brackets.

Fire incidents:	64 (-9)	Motor Vehicle Accidents	37 (+3)
HazMat incidents	2 (-5)	EMS Assists	3 (=)
Carbon Monoxide	9 (+4)	Technical Rescue	6 (+4)
False Alarms	45 (-7)		

STAFFING

Winkler Fire Department has 37 total staff. 2 full-time, 1 half-time, 1 quarter-time and the remaining 33 are part-time paid-on-call, filling the following positions.

- 1 Fire Chief
- 2 Deputy Fire Chiefs
- 4 Captains
- 4 Lieutenants
- 21 Firefighters & 1 Recruit
- 4 Communications/Logistics
- 1 Fire Inspector

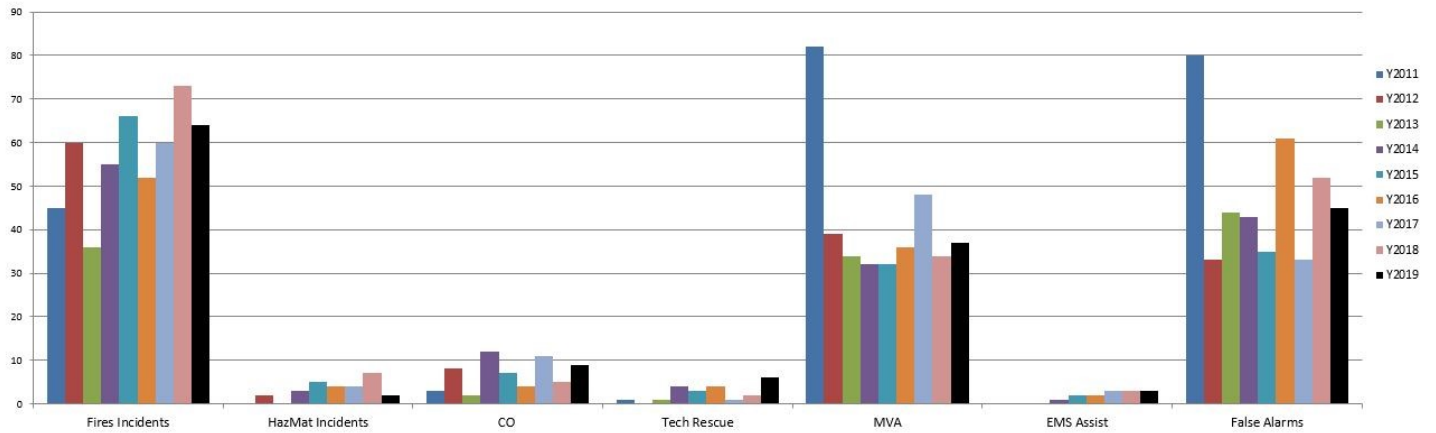
RESPONSE TIMES

The average response time in 2019 for the first arriving fire department apparatus from the time of dispatch was 4 minutes and 32 seconds within the City of Winkler and 8 minutes and 11 seconds within the Rural Municipality of Stanley

NFPA 1720 has set a minimum response time standard of 9 minutes for urban and 14 minutes for rural areas.

2019 STATISTICAL CHARTS

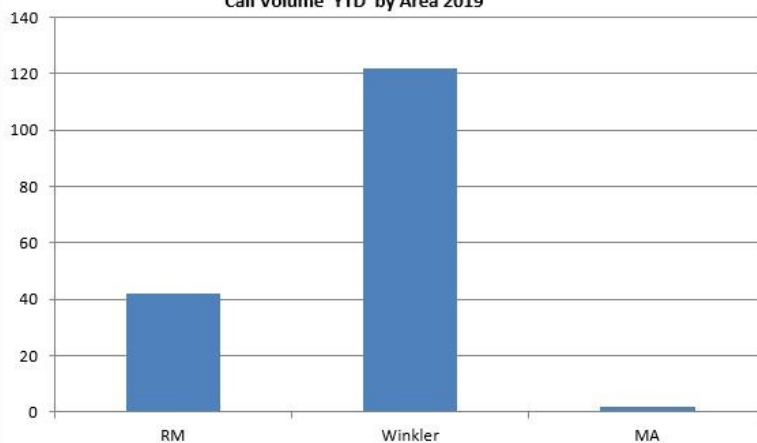
Incident Comparision 2011 - 2019



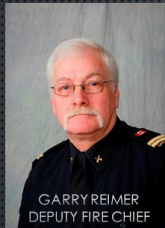
Winkler Fire Department Annual Emergency Responses (trend from 1998 - present)



Call Volume YTD by Area 2019



WFD 2019 promotions



Fire Chiefs Report (continued)

The RM call summary for 2019 is as follows. The increase or decrease from 2018 is shown in brackets.

Fire incidents:	18 (-10)	Motor Vehicle Accidents	15 (+3)
HazMat incidents	1 (+1)	EMS Assists	1 (+1)
Carbon Monoxide	0 (-1)	Technical Rescue	3 (+3)
False Alarms	5 (-5)		

The City of Winkler call summary for 2019 is as follows. The increase or decrease from 2018 is shown in brackets.

Fire incidents:	44 (+3)	Motor Vehicle Accidents	23 (+1)
HazMat incidents	2 (-5)	EMS Assists	2 (-1)
Carbon Monoxide	9 (+5)	Technical Rescue	3 (+1)
False Alarms	40 (-1)		

The major cause of residential fires in 2019 was unattended cooking.

The Fire Inspector continued to inspect occupancies required by the Manitoba Fire Safety Inspection Regulation. As of late 2019 we are moving towards the eventual goal of having all businesses being inspected on a rotation basis as well.

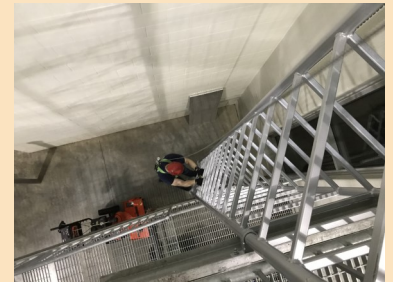
The Manitoba Fire Safety Regulation clearly defines those properties which are required to be inspected on a regular basis by the local authorities.

Public Education continued in which delivery of education in fire safety was done in various forms such as school tours, talks, open houses, fire drill exercises, and fire extinguisher training.

TRAINING

Fire departments have become expected to be all hazard responders. It is challenging to keep skill sets current on all these response types.

The goal is to make realistic but safe training experiences so our responders will be prepared!



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR TRAINING SUPPORTS

Once again businesses have stepped forward to support the protection of our citizens in donations of items used to for our training site on George Avenue. In 2019 the following businesses donated to the training site in both props and training aids:

- Enbridge
- Skyline Towing

WFD is looking forward to the completion of Unit 260, an second tanker for the fleet.

This increased capacity to deliver adequate water supply is a game changer.

The chassis has been delivered. Awaiting the tank to be completed. Hope to have it in service by March 2020.



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE EMPLOYERS OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS

Please support the employers who release our firefighters to respond to the call. Without this key component, we would not be able to provide the skilled, cost effective emergency services to our communities.

CO-OP

LITTLE MORDEN SERVICE

LOADLINE MANUFACTURING

FRIESEN INSURANCE

PROTEC PLUMBING & HEATING

SOUTHERN POTATO

OPULENT SPAS

SPENST BROTHERS

KLASSEN TECH

PETER NEUFELD CONSULTING

ED PENNER CONSTRUCTION

EVIRO TECH POWDER COATING

TIMBILT BUILDINGS

GATEWAY RESOURCES

HARVAL HOMES

CITY OF WINKLER

MILLER ENVIRONMENTAL



Firehall had to be manned 24hrs during the October snow storm



WFD participated in a hockey game with the Winkler Flyers in support of the Winkler Cheer Board

2019 W.F.D. MILESTONES

10 YEARS

- Lt. Mark Enns
- Cornie Fehr
- James Buhler

25 YEARS

- Capt. Phil Dueck

35 YEARS

- DC Garry Reimer

Average Years of Service for the Winkler Fire Department in 2019 was 16 years!

113 years of service to our community



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