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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF HALES

The Spanish Fork Fire & EMS Department continues to grow and evolve to meet the needs of our vibrant and expanding city. This year, the City Council approved the hiring of three full-time Captains and three full-time Engineers. These additions ensure effective management and supervision of personnel at both fire stations, enhancing our operational efficiency.

Additionally, the City Council authorized the hiring of six full-time Firefighter/AEMTs and three full-time Firefighter/Paramedics. These new team members have enabled us to staff two ambulances with full-time employees around the clock, maintain a third ambulance with part-time staff 12 hours a day, every day of the year, and provide consistent staffing for a fire engine 24/7. The full-time staff brings consistency, accountability, and elevated service levels, allowing us to better serve our community.

Our department now consists of 96 dedicated professionals:

- 5 Full-Time Administrative Staff
- 3 Full-Time Battalion Chiefs
- 3 Full-Time Captains
- 3 Full-Time Engineers
- 11 Full-Time Firefighter/Paramedics
- 5 Full-Time Paramedics
- 7 Full-Time Firefighter/AEMTs
- 4 Full-Time AEMTs
- 26 Part-Time Fire/EMS Shift Work Staff
- 28 Part-Time in city response from home Firefighters

Our personnel are deeply committed to serving the citizens, businesses, and visitors of Spanish Fork City, "The Home of Pride & Progress."

I am humbled and honored to lead such a dedicated and hardworking team that strives daily to provide a premier quality of life for our community. Whether responding to emergencies or



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engaging in proactive safety measures, our firefighters, paramedics, AEMTs, and administrative staff stand ready to serve, protect, and save lives and property.

Spanish Fork Fire & EMS deeply appreciates the unwavering support from our community. As our city continues to grow, so too must our fire and EMS services. Continued community backing is vital to ensuring that we maintain the highest levels of service and readiness for all.

If you have any needs or questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Fire & EMS Department. We are here for you!





FIRE & EMS OVERVIEW

The Spanish Fork Fire & EMS Department, established in 1908, has a rich history of dedicated service to the Spanish Fork community and surrounding unincorporated Utah County communities. Initially operating with volunteer firefighters, the department has evolved to include part-time and full-time personnel, ensuring comprehensive emergency response capabilities.

In August 2024, the department marked a significant milestone transitioning to full-time staffing for both fire and ambulance services, enhancing its readiness and response times.

Operating from two strategically located stations:

Station 61
370 North Main St



Station 62
2635 E Canyon Rd



Our department is responsible for the largest geographical coverage area in Utah County, spanning 584 square miles from West Mountain to Soldier Summit in Spanish Fork Canyon. The services we provide include:

- Fire & Rescue
- Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- Hazardous Materials Operations Response
- Interfacility Transports
- CPR Training
- Public Relations Events
- Fire Prevention
- Plan Reviews

With a commitment to excellence and community safety, Spanish Fork Fire & EMS continues to adapt and grow to meet the needs of the residents and businesses we serve.

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ORGANIZATION CHART

		Fire & EMS Chief Eddie Hales		
Department Secretary Lydia James			Fire Marshal Jason Turner	
		Deputy Chief Krista Horting		
A Platoon	BC Jon Grangroth	B Platoon BC Robert Ashby	C Platoon BC Blake Edwards	Administrative Captain Kristina Reid
Full-Time Staff		Full-Time Staff	Full-Time Staff	26 Part-Time EMS/ Fire Staff
O. Silva (Captain)		J. Haas (Captain)	J. Brown (Captain)	
Z. Taylor (Engineer)		S. Finlinson (Engineer)	D. Draper (FF/EMT)	
A. Dearden (FF/PM)		J. Dee (FF/AEMT)	A. Eberhard (FF/PM)	
M. Coombs (FF/PM)		K. Christensen (FF/PM)	T. Smith (PM)	
P. Terry (PM)		B. Chappell (FF/PM)	A. Miller (FF/PM)	
N. Middleton (FF/EMT)		K. Robert (FF/EMT)	M. Chirrick (FF/PM)	
J. Beckstrand (FF/PM)		B. Clegg (FF/AEMT)	M. Wright (FF/AEMT)	
M. Carter (AEMT)		A. Stoneman (FF/PM)	A. Mitchell (AEMT)	
S. Ginsberg (FF/EMT)		M. Peel (FF/PM)	J. Broadbent (PM)	
S. Kwok (PM)		S. Alger (FF/AEMT)	J. Logan (AEMT)	
S. Niedens (AEMT)		W. Parker-Ehlert (AEMT)	S. Wilson (PM)	
Part-Time Fire Staffing		Part-Time Fire Staffing	Part-Time Fire Staffing	
Capt. K. Young (FF/EMT)	Capt. Jeff Jones (FF/AEMT)	Capt. T. Mortensen (FF)	Capt. C. Wamsley (FF/EMT)	
J. Cottle (FF)	L. Christensen (FF/AEMT)	N. Beming (FF)	K. Kilner	
L. Magaoay (FF/EMT)	J. Daybell	J. Swenson	T. Giles (FF)	
M. Chynoweth (FF)	O. Smith (FF/AEMT)	G. Smith	T. Shepherd (FF)	
A. Kruger (FF/AEMT)	T. Creer	T. Smith	G. Rockwood	
<i>Capt. K. Hair (FF)</i>	<i>Capt. P. Tomadakis</i>			
B. Hawkins (FF)	C. Giles (FF)			
E. Bunch	B. Long (FF)			
O. Pabon (FF/AEMT)	J. O'Hara			
J. Stern				

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FIRE & EMS STAFF

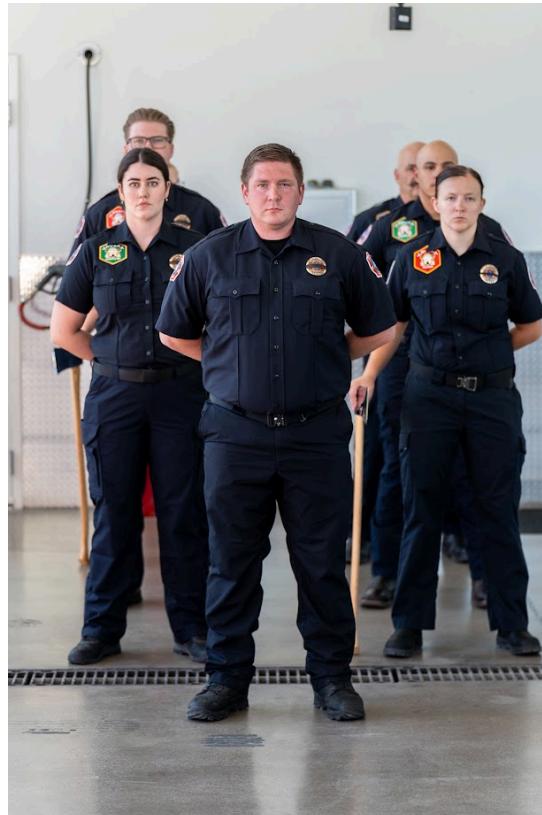
Sawyer Alger	Robert Ashby	James Bangerter	Karter Barbakos
Jared Beckstrand	Greg Bell	Nicholas Berning	Judi Broadbent
Jerry Brown	Tristan Nelson	Spencer Byrne	Morgan Carter
Brennen Chappell	Majerle Chirrick	Hailey Christensen	Kelsie Christensen
Logan Christensen	Matthew Chynoweth	Becky Clegg	McKinna Coombs
Jeremy Cottle	Laili Couper	Ty Creer	Jack Daybell
Ann Dearden	Jacob Dee	Jenevieve Denlinger	Colbi Draney
David Draper	Ammon Eberhard	Blake Edwards	Spencer Finlinson
Clayton Giles	Trevor Giles	Samson Ginsberg	Brockston Goodwin
Jon Grangroth	Kiersten Green	Jared Haas	Brandon Hawkins
M'Lisa Hone	Crystelle Hortin	Krista Horting	Kendrick Hair
Edward Hales	Lydia James	Brandon Hawkins	Allison Jensen
Brendan Jensen	Brian Jensen	Ethan Jones	Jeff Jones
Kaden Kilner	Anica Kruyer	Sarah Kwok	Joshua Logan
Bruce Long	Anthony Lowe-Miller	Luke Magaoay	Taylor Maki
Nathaniel Middleton	Aiden Mitchell	Trevor Mortensen	Sierra Niedens
Jack O'Hara	Westley Parker-Ehlert	Matthew Peel	Kristina Reid
Kaige Roberts	Gideon Rockwood	Jared Rosquist	Shawn Sandberg
Rosaura Serrano-Soto	Austin Shelley	Anthony Shepherd	Oliver Silva

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Gary Smith	Oliver Smith	Tavin Smith	Taylor Smith
Joshua Stern	Ainsley Stoneman	Josua Swenson	Zachary Taylor
Paul Terry	Jenifer Thomas	Jacob Tietjen	Paul Tomadakis
Paul Torgerson	Melissa Tucker	Jason Turner	Landell Wallwork
Cody Wamsley	Sydney Wilson	Matthew Wright	Kendall Young





DEPARTMENT RETIREMENT



Firefighter Vern Jackson retired in July after 28 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Spanish Fork. Throughout his career, Vern served in various roles, including Firefighter, Engineer, and Captain. He played a pivotal role in numerous improvements to Station 61, working closely with his good friend Joe Jarvis. Vern's commitment to the department was unwavering, often giving countless hours away from his family to protect life and property in our community. His contributions were invaluable, and his presence will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of working alongside him.



DEPARTMENT ACHIEVEMENTS

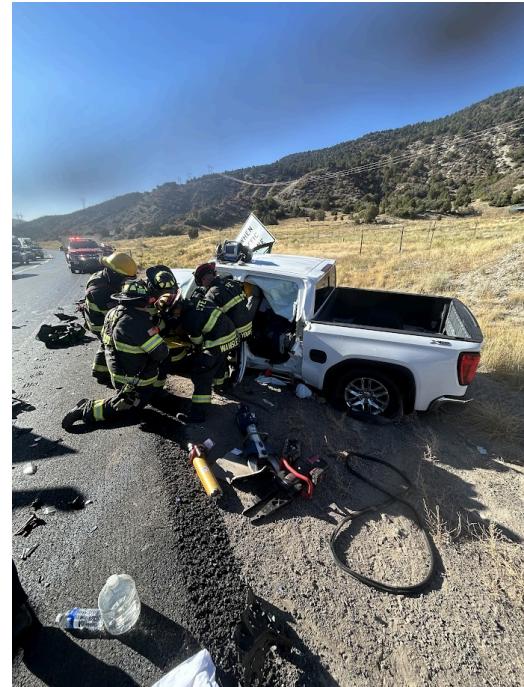
- Responded to a historical 3901 incidents. A 0.05% increase from 2023.
- Completed 1046 interfacility transports out of Spanish Fork Hospital. A 0.03% increase from 2023.
- Hired 3 full-time Captains.
- Hired 3 full-time Engineers.
- A full-time engine company was placed into service.
- Ambulance 62 was full-staffed with full-time staffing.
- Average turnout time was reduced by 2 minutes and 34 seconds.
- Reduced property loss by \$1.4 Million dollars from previous year.
- A new Ladder truck has been ordered through Pierce Manufacturing. The ladder truck is a long term project and will arrive in 40 - 42 months.
- A new 3000 gallon water tender was ordered with Pierce Manufacturing and will be delivered in January 2025.
- A Type 1/Type 3 Fire Engine was ordered with Pierce Manufacturing that will replace our GMC Rescue Truck.
- Haz-Mat Operations trailer was placed into service and was deployed on the tanker spill on highway 6 in August 2024.
- Two ambulances were ordered and the pre-construction for them will be in January 2025. One of the ambulances will replace the old GMC ambulance and one will be a new addition to the fleet.
- Apparatus identifiers were added to all apparatus in our fleet.
- Apparatus check sheets were created for all apparatus.
- All Type 1 Fire Apparatus were upgraded with new Elkhart low pressure nozzles.
- Blitz Nozzles were purchased for the three fire engines.
- Progressive hose packs were added to each of the brush trucks and full-time engine.
- Multiple miscellaneous adapters and hoses were purchased for our firefighting fleet.
- A new K12 Saw was purchased to replace an old saw.
- All Motorola and Kenwood radios were updated to the new UCA P25 700 Mhz system.
- AJC architects were selected for the design of a New Fire Station 61.
- Department Policy and Guideline Manuals were updated.
- Conducted MCI Drill at Fairgrounds in conjunction with PD, Intermountain Healthcare, and other agencies.
- 26 Fire Training Nights were provided to Part-Time Firefighters to attend.
- Conducted Windmill Training with Windmill Power Team on how to rescue their employees'.
- 18 firefighters attended Winter Fire School 2024.
- 23 Firefighters obtained Wildland Firefighter Certifications.

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- Ice Rescue Gear was acquired through an Emergency Management Grant and training will commence this winter.
- Low Angle Gear was acquired to replace old outdated equipment through an Emergency Management Grant.
- Swift Water Gear was purchased and Operations level training was provided to staff.
- Conducted facility tours of Hydro, and Westrock.
- Hosted South Utah County UFRA Aerial and Pumper Certifications classes.
- Hosted South Utah County UFRA Firefighter 1 & 2 Certification Course.
- Hosted South Utah County UFRA Haz-Mat Certification Course.
- Hosted South Utah County UFRA Flashover training.
- Conducted SFFE new hire book camp for 15 new employees.
- Participated in South Utah County UFRA Forcible Entry training.
- Firefighter Vern Jackson retired after 28 years of service.
- Chief Horting served her last term as president of the Utah County EMS Council.
- Chief Horting was elected as chairman of the Utah County Fire Chief's Sub Operations Committee.
- Chief Hales served as Chairman of the Central 911 Operations Committee.
- Chief Hales served as the President of the Utah State Firefighters' Association.
- Spanish Fork Fire & EMS was elected to be the Host City of the 2025 Utah State Firefighters' Convention.
- Conducted 40+ public safety tours.
- Captain Cody Wamsley was awarded the Fire Chief "Pride & Progress" award by Chief Hales.
- Battalion Chief Blake Edwards was presented the Fire Officer of the Year Award.
- Firefighter David Draper was presented the Firefighter of the Year Award.
- Firefighter/Paramedic Jerry Brown was awarded the EMS provider of the Year Award.





FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE REPORT

During the year 2024 the following activities were completed by the Fire Marshal.

Inspections Total= 489

Business Inspections- 367
Fire Sprinkler/Alarm- 102
Food Truck- 20

Plan Reviews Total= 704

Annex- 5
Billboard Plan- 1
Building Plan- 290
Concept- 44
Conditions Use- 9
Fence Plan- 1
Final Plat- 103
Minor Plat- 15
Minor Subdivision- 11
Preliminary Plat- 61
Signage- 1
Site Plan- 111
Utility Improvement- 11
Zone Map- 41

Code Violations = 5

Fire Alarm Plan Reviews = 39

Fire Sprinkler Plan Reviews = 32

Commercial Hood System Reviews = 3

CO2 Plan Reviews = 1

Fuel Pump/Island Plan Reviews = 2

Life Safety Inspection Vault Reviews = 853

Fire Investigations Total= 9

Fire/EMS Calls responded to for manpower = 80

Youth Firesetter Interventions = 1

PR/School Events = 30

Classes and Achievements

- Fire Marshal Association of Utah 1 year Trustee.
- Attended classes and conferences for my NAFI, ICC certifications and implementing P25 BDA/DAS systems in the city.
- Attended the Youth Firesetter week-long course at the National Fire Academy.
- Attended weekly Fire and EMS training to keep current Paramedic certification.
- City adopted IFC Appendix L for Firefighter Air Replenishing Systems in buildings over 250,000sqft.

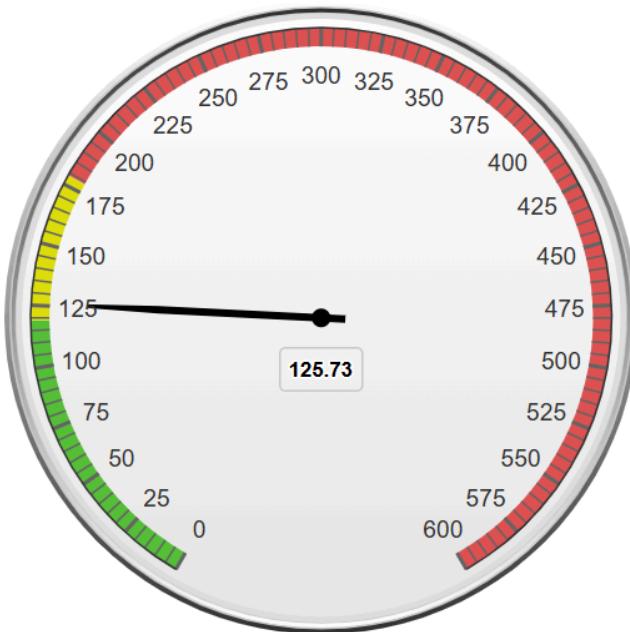
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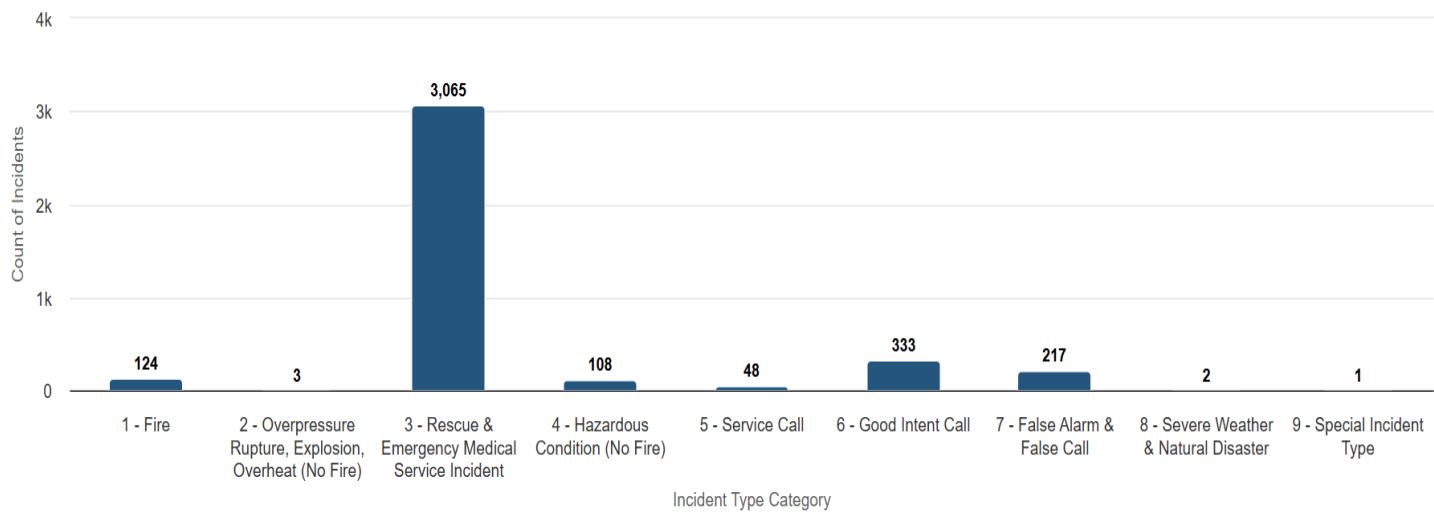
Unit Average Turnout Time (Seconds)

Jan 01, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024



Incidents by Category and Year

Jan 01, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024



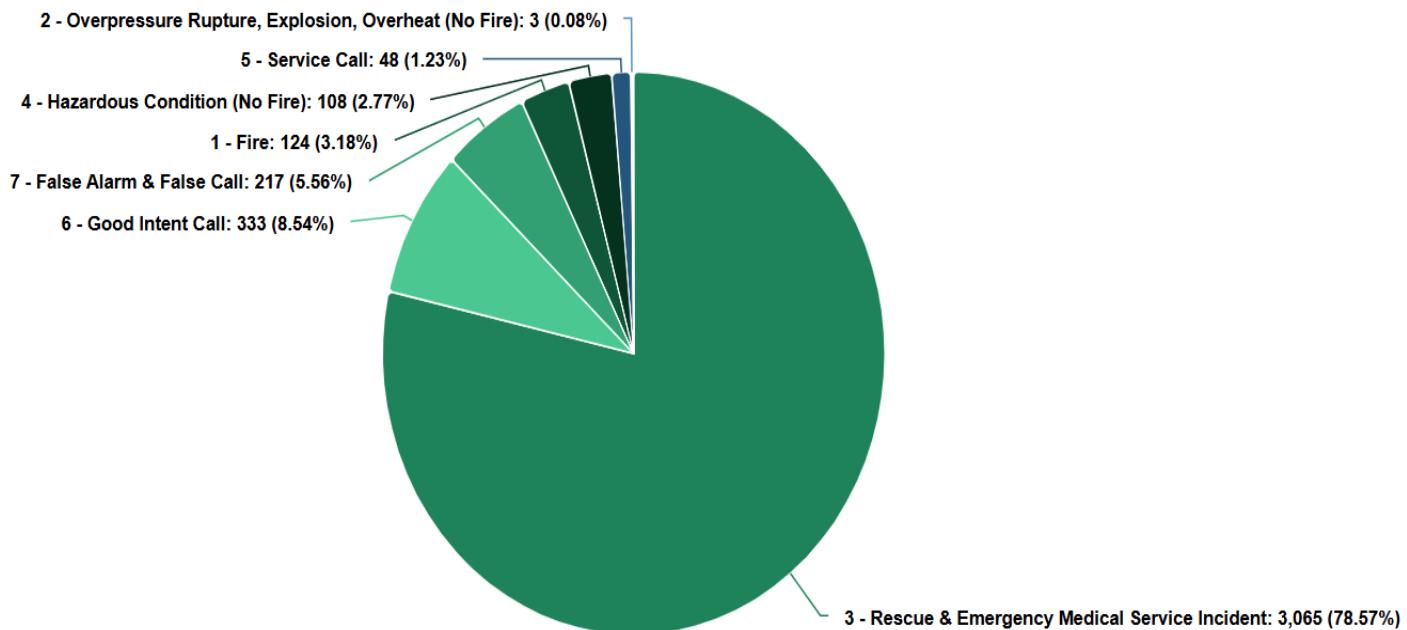
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Incident Type Categories

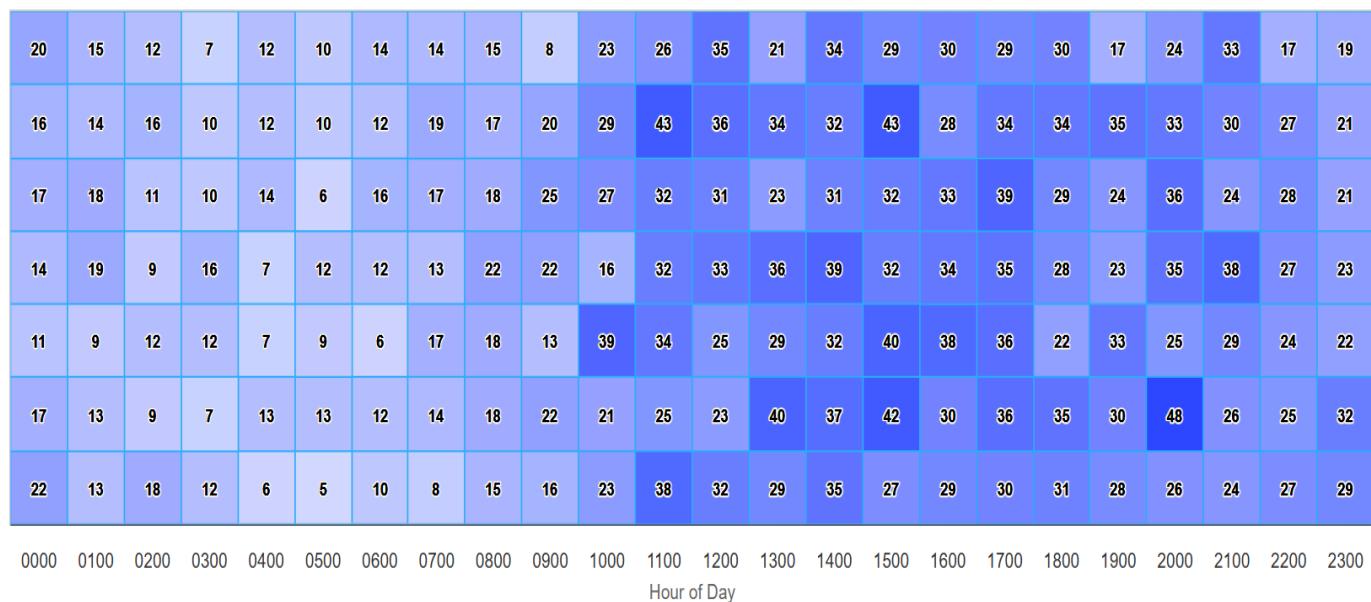
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Incidents by Day and Hour

Jan 01, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024

Day of Week



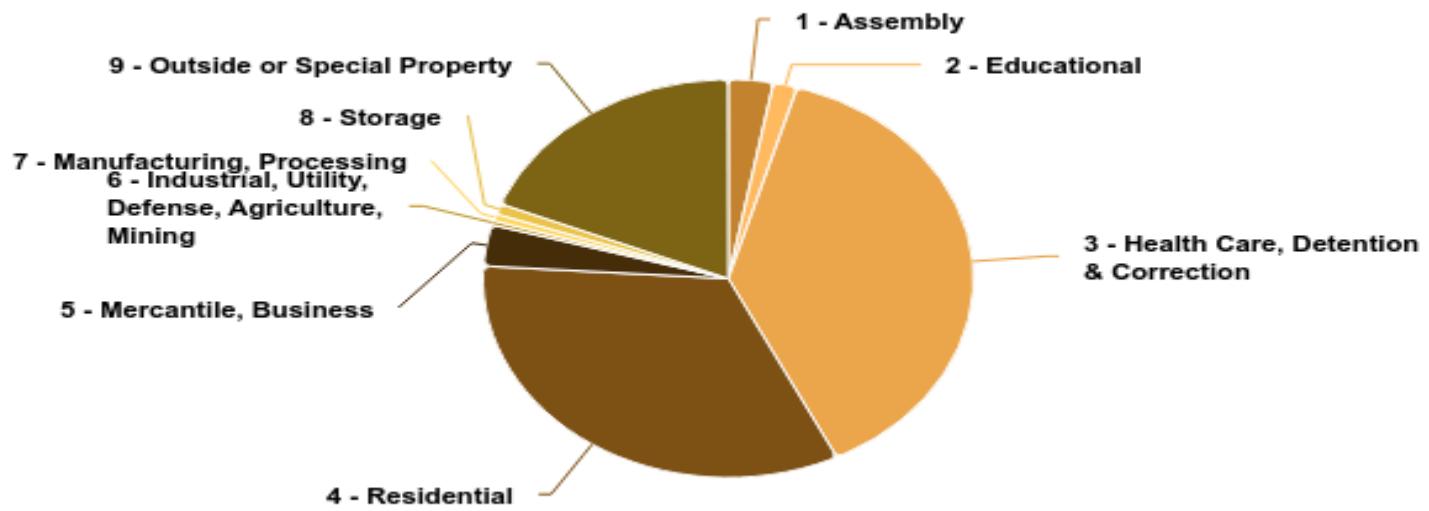
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Incidents by Property Use Category

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Calls in Progress

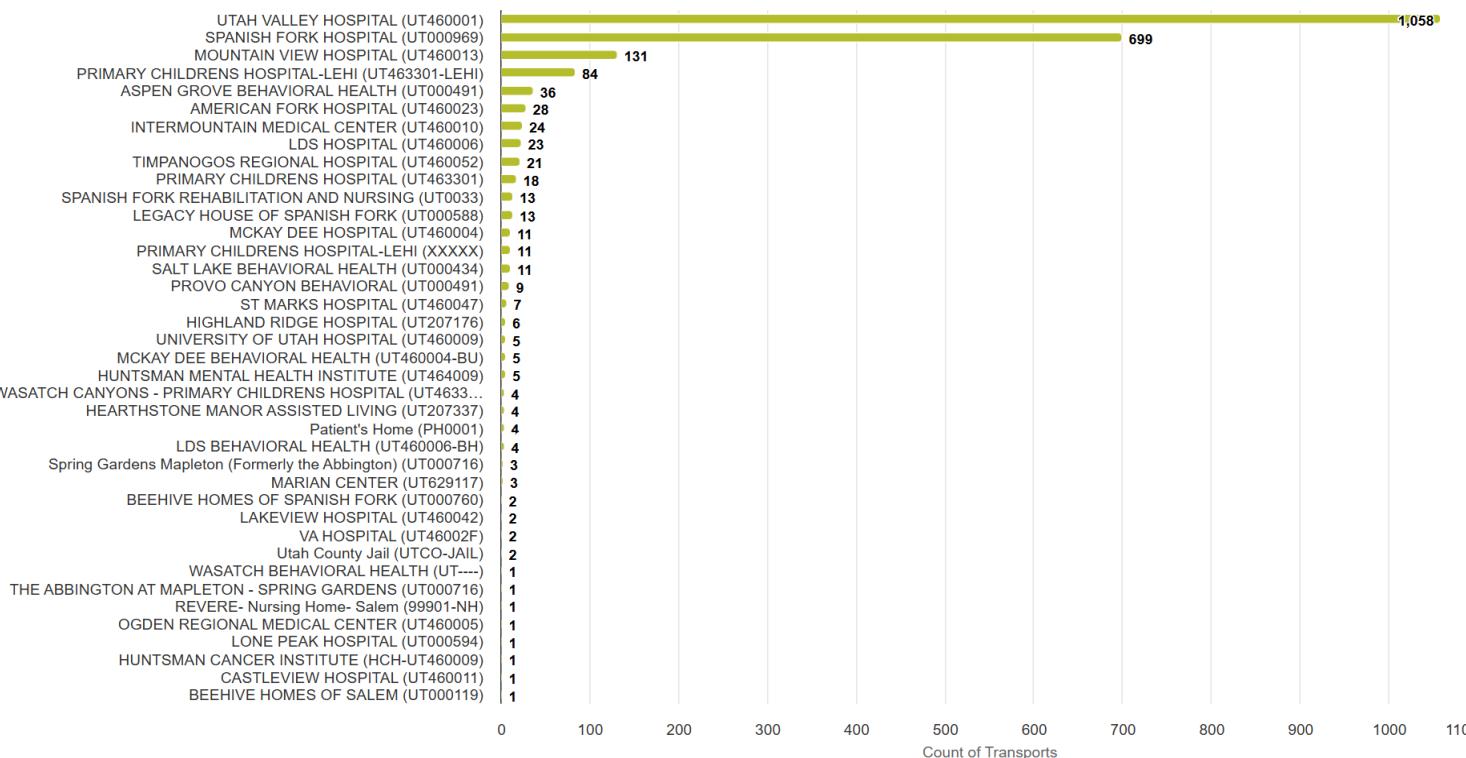
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Calls in Progress	Occurrences	% of Occurrences	Hours	% of Hours
0 Calls In Progress	2,393	30.67%	5,761	65.58%
1 Call In Progress	3,571	45.77%	2,373	27.02%
2 Calls In Progress	1,466	18.79%	557	6.34%
3 Calls In Progress	325	4.17%	84	0.96%
4 Calls In Progress	42	0.54%	8	0.10%
5 Calls In Progress	5	0.06%	1	0.01%
Totals	7,802	100.00%	8,784	100.00%

Transports by Destination (Top 40)

Jan 01, 2024 to Dec 31, 2024

Destination Name



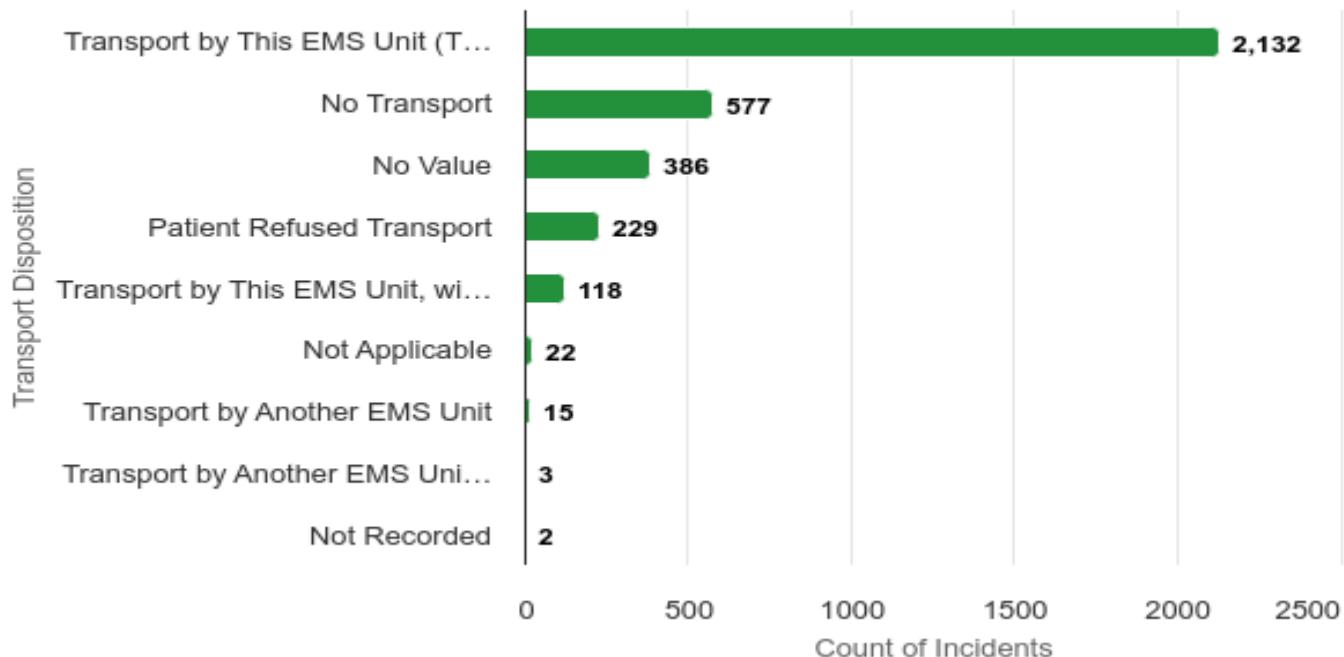
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Incidents by Transport Disposition

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Incidents by Complaint Reported to Dispatch (Top 20)

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