



2017

National Run Survey

PART 1

FIRE DEPARTMENT PROFILES

For the 37th year, the career fire service takes to the pages of *Firehouse Magazine* to share and compare statistics about company and department levels, funding, staffing and pay. A total of 259 fire departments took part in this year's survey, representing 48 states, the District of Columbia and 2 Canadian provinces. The departments represented in this latest survey protect 90,245,453 people, and they have budgets totaling more than \$18.3 billion. They provide the services with 3,982 engine companies, 1,435 ladder companies, 2,405 ambulances and numerous specialized units. They responded to 1.4 million fire calls, 8.1 million EMS calls and 11.8 million total calls in 2017.

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DEPARTMENT	POPULATION	BUDGET IN MILLIONS	NUMBER OF ENGINES	NUMBER OF LADDERS	NUMBER OF AMBULANCES	NUMBER OF MEDICS	NUMBER OF CHIEFS	TOTAL STRENGTH
Anchorage, AK	297,483	\$98.5	14	5	11	9	4	375
Auburn, AL	63,118	\$6.1	4	2	0	0	1	108
Birmingham, AL	212,500	\$44.7	25	7	19	26	4	625
Decatur, AL	55,072	\$9.8	6	2	0	8	1	114
Fayetteville, AR	84,000	\$12.2	6	4	0	0	3	122
West Memphis, AR	32,000	\$5.1	6	1	4	4	3	66
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority, AZ	70,000	\$25.2	6	1	6	13	2	162
Casa Grande, AZ	53,657	\$9.2	4	1	0	4	1	62
Chandler, AZ	255,867	\$34.3	10	2	6	20	2	202
Drexel Heights, AZ	50,100	\$13.1	4	0	4	9	2	110
Glendale, AZ	237,517	\$44.2	10	3	0	20	3	282
Goodyear, AZ	82,000	\$18.0	4	1	0	6	1	102
Mesa, AZ	475,274	\$74.9	20	6	0	26	9	545
Phoenix, AZ	1,615,000	\$319.4	66	14	33	103	10	1,634
Sierra Vista, AZ	44,000	\$6.6	2	1	3	6	1	57
Surprise, AZ	132,677	\$17.2	7	1	5	12	1	NA
Tucson, AZ	531,000	\$98.6	23	7	17	22	4	778
Yuma, AZ	101,620	\$19.7	7	1	5	15	1	126
Bakersfield, CA	376,380	\$38.9	14	3	0	0	2	200
Chula Vista, CA	268,000	\$28.6	8	2	0	11	0	145
Compton, CA	97,550	\$16.8	4	1	0	3	1	82
Fresno, CA	570,000	\$69.5	21	6	0	0	4	379
Hemet, CA	85,000	\$9.6	5	1	0	5	1	45
Lompoc, CA	44,116	\$5.5	2	0	0	0	1	30
Long Beach, CA	470,130	\$117.0	19	4	15	15	3	646
Los Angeles City, CA	4,000,000	\$680.0	94	42	145	180	16	3,766
Los Angeles County, CA	3,950,000	\$1,100.0	179	32	0	102	22	4,078
Menlo Park, CA	100,000	\$42.4	7	1	0	9	1	128
Modesto, CA	215,000	\$31.9	10	2	0	3	1	152
Orange County, CA	1,800,000	\$375.3	64	15	4	60	9	1,403
Redding, CA	90,000	\$18.0	9	1	0	0	1	80
Rocklin, CA	62,000	\$6.8	2	1	0	0	1	37

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Sacramento Metro, CA	745,000	\$201.0	36	5	24	68	5	672
San Bernardino County, CA	2,035,210	\$236.8	50	7	15	83	8	1,017
San Diego, CA	1,337,000	\$236.8	48	13	0	0	8	1,220
San Francisco, CA	870,887	\$376.0	44	20	35	NA	13	1,865
San Jose, CA	1,046,079	\$241.8	32	10	0	46	5	825
Santa Rosa, CA	176,799	\$42.7	10	2	0	0	2	140
Santee, CA	57,834	\$11.0	3	1	2	7	1	56
Stockton, CA	336,000	\$52.3	12	3	0	15	2	174
Aurora, CO	361,710	\$49.0	14	4	0	21	3	393
Cimarron Hills, CO	16,161	\$3.5	1	1	0	3	1	39
Colorado Springs, CO	463,555	\$67.6	22	6	0	25	4	506
Denver, CO	680,000	NA	32	16	0	0	7	1,008
Grand Junction, CO	61,881	\$16.0	4	1	4	11	1	133
Greeley, CO	107,000	\$15.2	6	1	0	6	1	108
Poudre Fire-Fort Collins, CO	198,544	\$33.3	11	2	0	0	2	210
South Metro, Centennial, CO	203,501	\$102.0	17	4	9	11	3	454
Westminster, CO	113,875	\$14.3	6	2	5	5	1	145
Bridgeport, CT	147,022	\$33.0	9	4	0	0	2	304
Danbury, CT	85,000	\$13.3	5	1	0	0	1	140
Meriden, CT	60,800	\$9.3	6	1	0	0	1	103
Stamford, CT	129,113	\$49.1	9	3	0	0	1	262
Washington, DC	693,972	\$261.3	33	16	21	38	8	2,032
Wilmington, DE	74,000	\$25.8	6	2	0	0	2	156
Alachua County, FL	266,944	\$30.1	17	1	17	NA	2	355
Davie, FL	101,000	\$32.0	6	1	7	7	2	177
Dunedin, FL	45,000	\$6.6	3	1	0	3	1	55
Fort Lauderdale, FL	192,000	\$86.0	11	3	16	34	4	484
Fort Myers, FL	79,106	\$22.2	6	2	0	8	1	125
Gainesville, FL	128,600	\$17.2	6	3	0	11	2	179
Hollywood, FL	144,000	\$53.8	6	2	8	8	NA	238
Jacksonville, FL	936,180	\$216.8	55	13	49	117	16	1,339
Jacksonville Beach, FL	23,000	\$3.8	2	1	0	3	1	31
Lakeland, FL	102,000	\$18.6	7	1	0	12	2	171
Leesburg, FL	21,570	\$5.5	3	1	0	4	1	47
Martin County, FL	160,000	\$41.0	12	3	17	26	3	317
Miami, FL	465,000	\$125.5	11	6	26	43	4	846
Miami Beach, FL	91,026	\$75.5	4	2	6	13	1	214
Miami-Dade County, FL	1,900,000	\$428.8	33	21	56	104	14	2,563
Milton, FL	10,000	\$1.0	2	0	0	0	1	16
Ocala, FL	56,315	\$15.9	6	1	0	10	2	134
Orange County, FL	1,012,966	\$207.8	36	8	44	87	7	1,325
Palm Bay, FL	113,001	\$14.1	6	1	0	7	2	136
Palm Beach County, FL	892,680	\$383.0	43	6	54	107	8	1,510
Pasco County, FL	475,500	\$61.0	20	3	25	48	4	535
Polk County, FL	660,000	\$76.2	32	4	38	53	7	597
Punta Gorda, FL	18,500	\$3.7	2	1	0	3	1	28
Sanford, FL	56,900	\$8.7	3	1	3	3	1	81
Seminole County, FL	442,516	\$70.3	17	3	20	42	5	463
St. Petersburg, FL	261,000	\$33.5	13	4	0	25	2	383
Tampa, FL	352,000	\$88.1	21	5	16	37	4	749
The Villages, FL	160,000	\$16.1	7	2	0	5	2	136
Titusville, FL	46,019	\$6.3	3	1	2	NA	1	68
Athens-Clarke County, GA	115,452	\$14.0	9	2	0	0	2	186
Atlanta, GA	472,522	\$113.2	34	17	4	23	8	1,139
Clayton County, GA	279,462	\$31.8	13	5	15	17	2	346
Coweta County, GA	140,000	\$17.0	14	3	9	12	4	173
DeKalb County, GA	734,871	\$60.0	22	11	1	12	6	655

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Gwinnett County, GA.....	961,307	\$111.0	31	11	29	73	6	916
Pooler, GA.....	25,759	\$4.8	4	1	0	0	0	59
Sandy Springs, GA.....	105,330	\$13.5	3	4	0	5	1	119
Honolulu, HI.....	998,714	\$127.8	43	17	0	0	5	1,192
Coeur D'Alene, ID.....	50,285	\$9.4	3	1	2	4	1	66
Cedar Rapids, IA.....	131,127	\$18.6	9	1	0	10	2	144
Des Moines, IA.....	215,472	\$37.6	9	5	8	12	2	295
Dubuque, IA.....	58,000	\$10.9	5	2	2	8	1	90
Muscatine, IA.....	22,800	\$5.8	2	1	5	7	1	43
Berwyn, IL.....	56,657	\$13.0	3	2	3	3	1	81
Champaign, IL.....	86,637	\$18.9	6	2	0	0	1	115
Chicago, IL.....	2,705,000	\$636.7	97	61	75	148	50	5,000
Decatur, IL.....	72,706	\$18.6	6	2	0	0	1	111
East Peoria, IL.....	23,000	\$4.7	3	1	2	5	1	42
Elgin, IL.....	108,000	\$29.7	7	2	5	12	1	136
Franklin Park, IL.....	18,444	\$4.4	2	1	2	2	1	43
Oak Brook, IL.....	8,000	\$8.2	1	1	2	4	1	39
Rockford, IL.....	151,000	\$50.0	9	4	7	20	2	328
Streamwood, IL.....	40,166	\$5.0	2	1	2	5	1	51
Streator, IL.....	13,148	\$1.3	2	1	0	0	0	16
Wheeling, IL.....	40,000	\$11.6	2	1	3	5	1	54
Bloomington, IN.....	85,000	\$10.8	5	1	0	0	1	100
Elkhart, IN.....	55,000	\$12.8	7	2	4	6	2	133
Hammond, IN.....	80,030	\$15.0	6	4	4	4	3	155
Plainfield, IN.....	35,000	\$8.7	3	1	3	6	1	77
Washington Township, IN.....	50,000	\$7.8	2	1	3	6	1	70
Derby, KS.....	24,000	\$2.2	2	1	0	0	2	38
Hays, KS.....	21,500	\$1.6	3	2	0	0	1	24
Overland Park, KS.....	191,780	\$23.3	6	5	5	13	3	191
Shawnee, KS.....	65,000	\$9.0	2	2	0	0	1	72
Topeka, KS.....	127,000	\$27.0	12	2	0	0	3	246
Wichita, KS.....	382,368	\$45.3	16	10	0	0	4	442
Florence, KY.....	54,000	\$7.8	3	1	3	3	1	66
Louisville, KY.....	750,000	\$57.0	19	9	0	0	6	540
Baton Rouge, LA.....	270,000	\$61.0	19	9	0	0	6	610
Lafayette, LA.....	138,000	\$22.0	13	4	0	0	5	285
New Orleans, LA.....	400,000	\$114.7	30	7	0	0	7	655
Shreveport, LA.....	201,000	\$52.6	22	7	10	23	7	604
St. George FPD, LA.....	100,000	\$28.6	8	2	0	0	4	204
Boston, MA.....	667,137	\$221.0	33	22	0	0	12	1,657
Cambridge, MA.....	111,000	\$50.4	8	4	0	5	2	275
Fall River, MA.....	89,000	\$15.2	6	3	5	6	2	247
Fitchburg, MA.....	41,000	\$7.5	3	1	3	2	1	84
New Bedford, MA.....	100,000	\$17.4	7	3	0	0	2	219
Newton, MA.....	90,000	\$22.0	6	3	0	0	1	183
Stoughton, MA.....	26,962	\$5.4	2	1	2	4	0	65
Sudbury, MA.....	18,400	\$3.6	2	1	2	2	0	39
Worcester, MA.....	180,000	\$37.0	13	7	0	0	2	438
Baltimore City, MD.....	621,849	\$250.1	35	17	37	29	7	1,727
Baltimore County, MD.....	820,000	\$98.4	57	13	59	NA	3	3,070
Montgomery County, MD.....	1,300,000	\$225.0	35	17	50	54	9	2,730
Prince George's County, MD.....	908,049	\$191.0	44	23	57	23	8	1,025
Rochester Hills, MI.....	74,000	\$10.4	2	3	5	5	1	47
Royal Oak, MI.....	59,000	\$12.1	3	1	2	3	1	55
Waterford Township, MI.....	131,000	\$20.0	8	1	5	5	1	141
Duluth, MN.....	87,000	\$16.1	6	3	0	0	1	144
Minneapolis, MN.....	413,651	\$65.1	19	7	0	0	6	424

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St. Paul, MN.....	285,068	\$64.1	15	7	11	11	4	483
Independence, MO.....	117,030	\$22.0	10	2	0	10	NA	171
St. Joseph, MO.....	75,000	\$12.6	7	2	0	0	1	137
St. Louis, MO.....	319,294	\$56.0	29	5	12	14	9	880
Gulfport, MS.....	7,200	\$12.6	11	2	0	4	3	144
Riverside, MS.....	3,000	\$1.9	1	1	0	1	1	27
Helena, MT.....	31,200	\$4.2	2	1	0	2	1	36
Missoula, MT.....	71,022	\$12.6	5	2	0	5	1	94
Asheville, NC.....	89,133	\$22.0	10	3	0	0	4	261
Charlotte, NC.....	842,051	\$125.0	42	16	0	0	8	1,191
Durham, NC.....	263,016	\$25.3	16	4	0	0	3	317
Greensboro, NC.....	289,726	\$48.7	25	11	0	0	5	584
Henderson, NC.....	15,370	\$2.4	2	1	0	0	1	50
Hendersonville, NC.....	13,840	\$2.9	2	1	0	0	0	33
High Point, NC.....	111,110	\$25.0	13	4	3	0	2	235
Kannapolis, NC.....	47,592	\$7.4	5	2	0	0	1	108
Raleigh, NC.....	468,990	\$63.1	29	9	0	0	6	621
Rocky Mount, NC.....	55,466	\$13.4	7	2	0	0	2	141
Fargo, ND.....	120,726	\$12.7	7	2	0	0	2	122
Omaha, NE.....	508,802	\$100.8	24	9	15	0	8	652
Laconia, NH.....	16,500	\$4.8	3	2	3	4	2	40
Portsmouth, NH.....	21,400	\$8.7	2	1	2	5	2	62
Collingswood, NJ.....	14,500	\$1.8	1	0	2	0	1	22
Edison, NJ.....	104,000	\$16.0	7	2	0	0	2	141
Elizabeth, NJ.....	125,000	NA	7	3	4	0	2	237
Paterson, NJ.....	146,199	\$41.0	7	3	7	0	4	372
Ventnor City, NJ.....	10,500	\$4.5	4	1	3	0	2	45
Albuquerque, NM.....	562,572	\$78.8	22	7	21	0	4	711
Carlsbad, NM.....	28,914	\$1.7	4	2	8	8	1	61
Rio Rancho, NM.....	95,000	\$12.0	4	2	6	8	1	104
Clark County, NV.....	954,165	\$153.9	26	5	22	48	3	699
Las Vegas, NV.....	650,000	\$121.3	20	6	24	54	3	750
Reno, NV.....	245,255	\$47.1	14	2	4	6	X	254
Albany, NY.....	97,856	\$32.6	8	4	0	4	2	260
Buffalo, NY.....	256,902	\$53.0	19	9	0	0	5	806
Castle Point Veteran's Hospital, NY.....	2,500	\$0.1	2	0	1	1	1	19
Endicott, NY.....	13,000	\$3.9	1	1	0	0	1	22
Montrose Veteran's Hospital, NY.....	4,000	\$0.1	2	0	2	0	1	14
New York, NY.....	8,538,000	\$1,948.2	205	143	526	89	58	16,853
Rome, NY.....	32,645	\$6.3	3	1	0	0	1	75
Utica, NY.....	60,652	\$9.9	4	2	3	10	1	126
Cheviot, OH.....	8,600	\$1.1	1	1	0	2	1	35
Columbus, OH.....	860,090	\$247.9	34	16	40	82	8	1,634
Springfield, OH.....	60,000	\$13.4	4	2	0	7	1	128
Sylvania Township, OH.....	50,000	\$9.8	4	1	2	6	0	70
Toledo, OH.....	282,313	\$73.3	18	3	15	24	3	647
Lawton, OK.....	96,867	\$12.8	8	2	0	7	2	146
Oklahoma City, OK.....	638,367	\$143.0	37	13	0	32	6	1,029
Portland, OR.....	639,800	\$125.0	28	10	0	42	5	742
Chester, PA.....	33,972	\$1.8	3	1	0	0	1	65
Reading, PA.....	87,575	\$18.2	5	3	4	4	2	137
York, PA.....	43,935	\$12.7	3	1	0	0	1	56
Central Falls, RI.....	20,000	\$3.1	2	1	1	0	1	43
East Providence, RI.....	47,337	\$19.2	5	2	3	0	1	110
Providence, RI.....	179,219	\$70.7	12	7	7	19	5	392
Charleston, SC.....	142,848	\$31.7	16	4	0	0	4	318
Colleton County, SC.....	38,000	\$12.0	34	2	9	21	1	230

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Sioux Falls, SD.....	183,200	\$28.5	7	5	0	0	2	210
Kingsport, TN.....	53,558	\$9.8	9	2	0	0	1	122
Knoxville, TN.....	186,239	\$39.1	20	5	0	12	4	337
Nashville, TN.....	659,042	\$124.4	39	12	28	38	13	1,191
Shelby County, TN.....	118,000	\$20.0	6	2	12	16	2	210
Springfield, TN.....	16,742	\$2.8	3	1	0	0	0	31
Union City, TN.....	11,000	\$2.2	2	1	0	0	1	30
Atascocita, TX.....	74,000	\$8.2	3	1	3	4	1	220
Austin, TX.....	937,065	\$189.0	43	13	0	0	10	1,257
Bedford, TX.....	49,700	\$7.7	2	1	3	7	1	66
Bexar County ESD #2, TX.....	72,541	\$9.0	5	0	0	9	2	85
Bryan, TX.....	84,839	\$16.1	5	1	4	11	1	144
Cedar Park, TX.....	70,000	\$11.0	2	2	0	0	2	82
College Station, TX.....	117,790	\$17.5	6	2	4	12	1	150
Corpus Christi, TX.....	320,434	\$54.8	16	5	11	11	4	430
Dallas, TX.....	1,318,577	\$254.6	57	22	42	49	11	1,994
Euless, TX.....	54,870	\$10.1	1	2	3	7	1	77
Farmers Branch, TX.....	35,000	\$11.9	3	1	3	7	1	80
Fort Worth, TX.....	854,113	\$145.0	39	15	0	3	7	986
Frisco, TX.....	170,922	\$34.7	8	3	7	20	2	253
Houston, TX.....	2,303,482	\$481.2	88	38	57	47	22	4,155
Lewisville, TX.....	100,000	\$25.0	6	1	5	12	1	154
Longview, TX.....	80,455	\$20.8	7	3	5	16	2	178
Mansfield, TX.....	70,170	\$12.6	2	2	4	8	1	86
Mesquite, TX.....	143,060	\$26.9	7	2	6	17	1	208
Plano, TX.....	286,057	\$59.4	13	5	8	26	2	397
Port Arthur, TX.....	53,000	\$13.1	7	1	0	7	1	106
San Antonio, TX.....	1,492,510	\$313.3	54	20	45	45	9	1,804
Village Fire, Houston, TX.....	9,800	\$5.3	1	1	2	3	1	47
Waco, TX.....	134,432	\$23.0	12	3	0	0	2	210
Salt Lake City, UT.....	186,000	\$39.0	13	3	0	9	2	345
Alexandria, VA.....	153,511	\$52.0	9	3	6	8	2	300
Arlington County, VA.....	207,627	\$58.0	9	3	8	16	2	332
Chesapeake, VA.....	235,429	\$48.0	21	3	14	37	3	494
Chesterfield County, VA.....	340,000	\$54.8	22	5	17	17	5	488
Fairfax County, VA.....	1,142,888	\$196.7	38	14	42	80	8	1,674
Harrisonburg, VA.....	54,689	\$9.8	4	1	0	0	1	99
Henrico County, VA.....	326,501	\$59.0	20	5	16	36	6	589
Newport News, VA.....	182,385	\$33.0	12	6	12	13	2	368
Norfolk, VA.....	246,393	\$44.6	14	7	12	35	4	501
Virginia Beach, VA.....	461,663	\$52.1	20	8	0	0	5	513
Burlington, VT.....	42,260	\$9.8	5	1	2	2	1	84
Mercer Island, WA.....	26,000	\$6.2	2	0	2	0	1	31
Renton Regional Fire Authority, WA.....	131,863	\$37.6	6	1	3	10	2	159
Spokane, WA.....	207,000	\$48.8	15	3	0	15	3	354
Vancouver, WA.....	265,864	\$43.0	12	2	0	11	1	171
DePere, WI.....	24,893	\$3.8	2	1	2	2	1	50
Madison, WI.....	252,000	\$50.0	11	5	8	8	1	398
Milwaukee, WI.....	600,155	\$124.2	30	10	0	12	6	825
Sheboygan, WI.....	48,402	\$8.5	2	2	3	3	1	74
St. Francis, WI.....	9,466	\$2.1	1	1	2	0	0	15
Watertown, WI.....	24,000	\$2.4	2	1	3	3	1	37
Waukesha, WI.....	72,000	\$13.3	3	2	5	5	1	106
Charleston, WV.....	51,400	\$18.3	8	1	4	14	2	211
CANADA								
Toronto, ON.....	2,800,000	\$475.2	82	30	0	0	NA	3,174
Montreal, QC.....	1,950,000	\$330.2	70	51	0	0	12	2,714