

# 2018

**PART 3**

## National Run Survey

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For the 38<sup>th</sup> 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 248 fire departments took part in this year's survey, representing 45 states, the District of Columbia and four Canadian provinces. The departments represented in this latest survey protect 82,354,804 people, and they have budgets totaling more than \$13.7 billion. They provide the services with 3,752 engine companies, 1,408 ladder companies, 2,200 ambulances and numerous specialized units. They responded to 1.3 million fire calls, 8.9 million EMS calls and 13.2 million total calls in 2018. Part 3 looks at Busiest Chief, Busiest Station, Busiest Chief, Busiest Ambulance Busiest Hazmat Busiest Heavy Rescue

### BUSIEST CHIEF

DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST CHIEF	RUNS	DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST CHIEF	RUNS
1. New York, NY	BC9	5,615	33. Hollywood, FL	BC5	1,652
2. Hartford, CT	D1	4,875	33. St. George FPD, LA	C604	1,652
3. New Orleans, LA	DC502	4,801	35. Tacoma, WA	B8	1,640
4. San Francisco, CA	B2	3,268	36. Stockton, CA	B1	1,582
5. Lauderdale, FL	B57	3,069	37. Orange County, FL	B2	1,575
6. Denver, CO	C2	3,023	38. Prince George's County, MD	BC883	1,574
7. Chicago, IL	B1	2,967	39. Auburn, AL	B1	1,534
8. Bakersfield, CA	B2	2,924	40. Jacksonville, FL	FIRE4	1,515
9. St. Louis, MO	BC805	2,890	41. DeKalb County, GA	B5	1,484
10. Newton, MA	C2	2,494	42. Missoula, MT	BC110	1,440
11. Philadelphia, PA	B11	2,490	43. Omaha, NE	B1	1,424
12. Fort Lauderdale, FL	B2	2,489	44. Los Angeles City, CA	BC11	1,366
13. Wilmington, DE	BC2	2,475	45. Virginia Beach, VA	BAT5	1,363
14. Reading, PA	C7	2,265	46. Glenview, IL	B6	1,342
15. Washington, DC	BC3	2,197	47. Baltimore City, MD	BC3	1,334
16. Asheville, NC	B1	2,164	48. Ridge Road Fire District, Rochester, NY	2C45	1,279
17. Charlotte, NC	B1	2,080	49. Brockton, MA	C56	1,257
18. Charleston, SC	B103	2,071	50. Albuquerque, NM	B1	1,254
19. Worcester, MA	C3	2,054	51. Columbia/Richland County, SC	B5	1,243
20. Edison, NJ	C8	2,032	52. Meriden, CT	C3	1,211
21. Stamford, CT	U4	1,990	53. Frisco, TX	B2	1,202
22. Newburgh, NY	C4	1,956	54. Fairfax County, VA	BC404	1,193
23. Minneapolis, MN	BC1	1,882	55. Colorado Springs, CO	BC1	1,187
24. Knoxville, TN	C81	1,872	56. Peabody, MA	C2	1,179
25. Hackensack, NJ	BC311	1,841	57. Sacramento Metro, CA	BC7	1,168
26. Phoenix, AZ	BC2	1,819	58. Wichita, KS	B1	1,157
27. Cambridge, MA	D1	1,785	59. Waukegan, IL	B1	1,127
28. Paterson, NJ	B3	1,776	60. Gwinnett County, GA	B4	1,118
29. St. Paul, MN	DC2	1,772	61. Hemet, CA	B1	1,101
30. Danbury, CT	C30	1,735	62. Peoria, IL	B3	1,071
31. High Point, NC	B2	1,698	63. Boston, MA	D9	1,067
32. Nashville, TN	FDC9	1,680	64. Ocala, FL	BC22	1,061



# BUSIEST STATION

DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST STATION	RUNS	UNITS	DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST STATION	RUNS	UNITS
1. Los Angeles City, CA	9	35,518	8	52. Boston, MA	E14/L4/Safety	9,863	3
2. Baltimore City, MD	Steadman	30,059	11	53. Portland, ME	Bramhall	9,644	5
3. Nashville, TN	9	24,877	7	54. Tampa, FL	13	9,643	4
4. Washington, DC	30	22,319	5	55. Minneapolis, MN	6	9,535	3
5. Los Angeles County, CA	33	22,114	4	56. Portsmouth, VA	1	9,531	8
6. St. Petersburg, FL	Master Fire Station	21,005	9	57. Sanford, FL	31	9,412	6
7. Chicago, IL	E101	18,377	4	58. Des Moines, IA	1	9,397	5
8. Phoenix, AZ	18	17,981	5	59. Cambridge, MA	Lafayette Square	9,354	3
9. Houston, TX	46	17,952	5	60. El Paso, TX	5	9,306	7
10. Montgomery County, MD	708	17,617	5	61. Scottsdale, AZ	602	9,121	3
11. Orange County, FL	51	17,156	5	62. Gwinnett County, GA	15	9,086	3
12. Las Vegas, NV	1	16,954	7	63. Chula Vista, CA	1	9,065	3
13. Prince George's County, MD	829	16,087	5	64. Clayton County, GA	1	8,991	3
14. Philadelphia, PA	E50	15,393	4	65. Charlotte, NC	4	8,794	2
15. St. Louis, MO	2	14,992	4	66. Colorado Springs, CO	1	8,727	3
16. San Francisco, CA	1	14,847	3	67. Mesa, AZ	201	8,602	2
17. Lansing, MI	41	14,497	5	68. Reno, NV	1	8,575	3
18. Tucson, AZ	9	14,437	6	69. Lincoln, NE	8	8,558	3
19. San Bernardino County, CA	311	13,487	5	70. Burlington, VT	Central	8,540	4
20. San Antonio, TX	32	13,360	4	71. DeKalb County, GA	20	8,380	3
21. Omaha, NE	Central	13,353	6	72. Kansas City, KS	9	8,261	5
22. Pasco County, FL	11	13,284	3	73. Atlanta, GA	15	8,109	3
23. Paterson, NJ	Madison Ave	13,104	5	74. Shreveport, LA	4	8,065	3
24. Jacksonville, FL	31	12,682	5	75. Compton, CA	HQ	8,010	3
25. Corpus Christi, TX	3	12,629	3	76. Hackensack, NJ	HQ	7,949	4
26. Albuquerque, NM	11	12,143	3	77. Ocala, FL	1	7,918	4
27. Denver, CO	1	12,121	3	78. Arlington County, VA	104	7,911	5
28. Fairfax County, VA	411	12,027	6	79. Montgomery, AL	10	7,854	2
28. Fort Lauderdale, FL	2	12,027	9	80. Wichita, KS	1	7,840	3
30. Fitchburg, MA	HQ	11,918	5	81. Virginia Beach, VA	7	7,574	4
31. Dallas, TX	25	11,910	4	82. St. Charles, MO	5	7,360	2
32. Austin, TX	1	11,768	3	83. Rockford, IL	3	7,329	3
33. New Orleans, LA	2	11,709	3	84. Bryan, TX	1	7,262	6
34. Stockton, CA	2	11,532	4	85. Lewisville, TX	1	7,202	4
35. Miami-Dade County, FL	2	11,525	4	86. Longview, TX	6	7,153	4
36. Miami Beach, FL	2	11,395	5	87. Bakersfield, CA	1	7,099	2
37. Spokane, WA	1	11,141	6	88. Glenview, IL	6	6,964	3
38. Miami, FL	9	10,986	4	89. Knoxville, TN	HQ	6,917	4
39. Memphis, TN	29	10,933	3	90. Independence, MO	1	6,916	3
40. St. Paul, MN	8	10,901	4	91. Vancouver, WA	1	6,899	3
41. Brockton, MA	1	10,899	4	92. Richmond, VA	10	6,829	4
42. Tacoma, WA	8	10,867	4	93. Asheville, NC	1	6,753	4
43. Orange County, CA	22	10,852	3	94. Worcester, MA	South Division	6,690	3
44. Utica, NY	7	10,642	4	95. Surprise, AZ	305	6,650	3.5
45. Sacramento Metro, CA	21	10,609	5	96. Palm Beach County, FL	41	6,629	3
46. Hartford, CT	2	10,442	3	97. Lakeland, FL	3	6,438	4
47. Toledo, OH	18	10,421	4	98. Macon-Bibb County, GA	10	6,433	5
48. Lauderhill, FL	57	10,100	3	99. Carrollton, TX	2	6,428	6
49. Hollywood, FL	31	10,062	3.5	100. Sandy Springs, GA	52	6,376	5
50. Henrico County, VA	6	9,928	3	101. San Marcos, CA	1	6,335	5
51. Danbury, CT	HQ	9,913	5	102. Sierra Vista, AZ	201	6,292	3



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DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST STATION	RUNS	UNITS	DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST STATION	RUNS	UNITS
103. Hemet, CA	1	6,226	2	154. Farmers Branch, TX	131	3,502	3
104. Charleston, SC	Central	6,215	4	155. Casa Grande, AZ	501	3,450	1
105. Oshkosh, WI	15	6,194	6	156. St. Joseph, MO	HQ	3,411	3
106. Salt Lake City, UT	2	6,157	2	157. Fayetteville, AR	1	3,388	2
107. Palm Bay, FL	1	6,082	4	158. Hendersonville, NC	1	3,328	2
108. Wilmington, DE	1	6,063	2	159. Newburgh, NY	HQ	3,204	3
109. Greeley, CO	1	6,054	3	160. Guthrie, OK	1	3,170	16
110. Stamford, CT	Central	6,053	3	161. Columbia/Richland County, SC	1	2,931	7
111. Ridge Road Fire District, Rochester, NY	HQ	6,024	4	162. Titusville, FL	13	2,919	2
112. Raleigh, NC	1	5,917	3	163. Cape Coral, FL	2	2,913	2
113. Madison, WI	1	5,893	5	164. Sioux Falls, SD	1	2,867	3
114. York, PA	99-1	5,791	2	165. Lawton, OK	4	2,850	2
115. Newton, MA	3	5,750	3	166. Endicott, NY	1	2,760	5
116. Hammond, IN	4	5,698	3	167. Royal Oak, MI	HQ	2,658	3
117. Midland, TX	6	5,604	3	168. Harrisburg, PA	2	2,516	2
118. Peoria, IL	Central	5,443	3	169. Peabody, MA	Prospect St	2,500	2
119. Greensboro, NC	7	5,439	2	170. Punta Gorda, FL	1	2,463	2
120. Boiling Brook, IL	2	5,434	2	171. Dunkirk, NY	HQ	2,423	6
121. Muscatine, IA	Public Safety Building	5,391	5	172. Cedar Park, TX	3	2,317	2
122. Fresno, CA	9	5,368	3	173. Springfield, TN	1	2,206	4
123. Dunedin, FL	60	5,270	4	174. Gilbert, AZ	7	2,188	1
124. Cedar Rapids, IA	Central	5,034	5	175. Helena, MT	1	2,045	5
125. Waukesha, WI	1	4,912	3	176. Henderson, NC	2	1,916	2
126. Wheeling, WV	2	4,902	2	177. Lincoln, CA	35	1,900	1
127. Chandler, AZ	282	4,873	3	178. Burton Fire District, SC	81	1,548	3
128. Chesterfield County, VA	14	4,871	6	179. DePere, WI	1	1,534	3
129. Frisco, TX	1	4,849	6	180. Streamwood, IL	33	1,484	3
130. Florence, KY	1	4,840	5	181. Lafayette, LA	2	1,343	2
131. Bedford, TX	1	4,739	4				
132. South Metro, Centennial, CO	34	4,704	7				
133. Oroville, CA	1	4,596	2				
134. Leesburg, FL	61	4,568	3				
135. Rio Rancho, NM	1	4,566	6				
136. Honolulu, HI	2	4,545	4				
137. Missoula, MT	1	4,518	4				
138. Pensacola, FL	1	4,504	3				
139. El Mirage, AZ	121	4,431	3				
140. The Villages, FL	43	4,378	3				
141. Springfield, OH	1	4,320	4				
142. High Point, NC	2	4,293	3				
143. Elgin, IL	1	4,280	3				
144. Meriden, CT	2	4,266	3				
145. Reading, PA	E3/L1	4,140	2				
146. Edison, NJ	3	4,098	3				
147. Fargo, ND	1	4,090	2				
148. Auburn, AL	1	4,037	3				
149. Redlands, CA	264	3,831	3				
150. Greater Naples, FL	21	3,733	4				
151. Shawnee, KS	71	3,700	3				
152. St. George FPD, LA	61	3,629	2				
153. Waukegan, IL	1	3,577	4				

## Canada

1. Montreal, QC	5	8,054	5
2. Surrey, BC	2	6,282	3



# BUSIEST AMBULANCE

DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST AMBULANCE	RUNS	DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST LADDER	RUNS
1. Philadelphia, PA.....	M8.....	10,096	52. Bryan, TX.....	M1.....	3,439
2. Chicago, IL.....	A10.....	8,189	53. Miami Beach, FL.....	R1.....	3,338
3. St. Louis, MO.....	M10.....	7,417	54. Tacoma, WA.....	M2.....	3,292
4. Baltimore City, MD.....	M4.....	7,219	55. Tucson, AZ.....	PM8.....	3,280
5. Washington, DC.....	A6.....	6,896	56. Des Moines, IA.....	M4.....	3,186
6. Los Angeles City, CA.....	RA809.....	6,882	57. Portland, ME.....	MEDCU5.....	3,165
7. Paterson, NJ.....	A91.....	6,873	58. Florence, KY.....	S114.....	3,105
8. Corpus Christi, TX.....	M3.....	6,232	59. Burlington, VT.....	A1.....	3,082
9. Montgomery County, MD.....	A742.....	6,059	60. St. Charles, MO.....	A9457.....	3,052
10. Miami-Dade County, FL.....	R202.....	6,003	61. Fairfax County, VA.....	M422.....	2,937
11. Houston, TX.....	A7.....	5,937	62. Lewisville, TX.....	M161.....	2,936
12. Utica, NY.....	R1.....	5,887	63. Springfield, OH.....	M8.....	2,908
13. Nashville, TN.....	M9.....	5,832	64. Boiling Brook, IL.....	M2.....	2,885
14. Albuquerque, NM.....	R11.....	5,558	65. Wheeling, WV.....	SQ1.....	2,880
15. Dallas, TX.....	RE25.....	5,509	66. Waukegan, IL.....	R1.....	2,863
16. Lansing, MI.....	M411.....	5,071	67. El Paso, TX.....	R7.....	2,827
17. Memphis, TN.....	U20.....	5,050	68. Glenview, IL.....	A7.....	2,821
18. Orange County, FL.....	R51.....	4,974	69. San Bernardino County, CA.....	MA302.....	2,794
19. Reno, NV.....	SQ1.....	4,962	69. Chandler, AZ.....	M282.....	2,794
20. Prince George's County, MD.....	A829.....	4,916	71. Orange County, CA.....	M46.....	2,783
21. San Antonio, TX.....	M10.....	4,872	72. Surprise, AZ.....	M305.....	2,662
22. Sacramento Metro, CA.....	M53.....	4,860	73. Midland, TX.....	EMS6.....	2,660
22. Reading, PA.....	M1.....	4,860	74. Oshkosh, WI.....	M16.....	2,635
24. St. Petersburg, FL.....	R3.....	4,762	75. Chesterfield County, VA.....	M1.....	2,532
25. Rockford, IL.....	M3.....	4,755	76. Elgin, IL.....	A2.....	2,527
26. Omaha, NE.....	M21.....	4,602	77. Arlington County, VA.....	M102.....	2,453
27. Pasco County, FL.....	R11.....	4,442	78. Waukesha, WI.....	A51.....	2,351
28. Shreveport, LA.....	M4.....	4,332	79. South Metro, Centennial, CO.....	MED31.....	2,322
29. Kansas City, KS.....	EMS9.....	4,244	80. Carrollton, TX.....	M112.....	2,294
30. Jacksonville, FL.....	R2.....	4,179	81. Rio Rancho, NM.....	R10.....	2,282
30. Portsmouth, VA.....	M1.....	4,179	82. Royal Oak, MI.....	R91.....	2,272
32. Madison, WI.....	M8.....	4,144	83. San Marcos, CA.....	RA141.....	2,220
33. Fitchburg, MA.....	R3.....	4,097	84. Bedford, TX.....	M151.....	2,162
34. Phoenix, AZ.....	R18.....	4,079	85. Sierra Vista, AZ.....	M201.....	2,033
35. Hammond, IN.....	4464.....	4,065	86. Frisco, TX.....	M1.....	1,995
36. Clayton County, GA.....	M1.....	4,059	87. Dunkirk, NY.....	R1.....	1,884
37. Toledo, OH.....	M23.....	4,052	88. Atlanta, GA.....	M1.....	1,623
38. Miami, FL.....	R29.....	4,034	89. Streamwood, IL.....	A31.....	1,532
39. Hollywood, FL.....	R5.....	4,000	90. Muscatine, IA.....	S354.....	1,408
40. Tampa, FL.....	R13.....	3,991	91. Burlington, KY.....	A714.....	1,294
41. Lauderhill, FL.....	R57.....	3,894	92. Farmers Branch, TX.....	M132.....	1,279
42. St. Paul, MN.....	M8.....	3,884	93. DeKalb County, GA.....	R22.....	1,201
43. Longview, TX.....	M6.....	3,847	94. DePere, WI.....	A121.....	1,147
44. Palm Beach County, FL.....	R91.....	3,816	95. Guthrie, OK.....	A3.....	831
45. Gwinnett County, GA.....	M11.....	3,727	96. Gilbert, AZ.....	LA253.....	116
46. Henrico County, VA.....	F06.....	3,726			
47. Lincoln, NE.....	M2.....	3,684			
48. Danbury, CT.....	A1.....	3,678			
49. Sanford, FL.....	R31.....	3,670			
50. Fort Lauderdale, FL.....	R2.....	3,599			
51. Las Vegas, NV.....	R301.....	3,471			

**No Canadian Ambulance Reported**



# BUSIEST HEAVY RESCUE

DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST HEAVY RESCUE	RUNS	DEPARTMENT	BUSIEST HEAVY RESCUE	RUNS
1. Hartford, CT	TU1	5,169	60. Oshkosh, WI	R15	1,124
2. Brockton, MA	SQ-A	4,983	61. El Paso, TX	SQ1	1,078
3. Toledo, OH	R7	4,760	62. Sioux Falls, SD	U5	1,073
4. Baltimore City, MD	R1	4,701	63. Guthrie, OK	R1	1,050
5. New York, NY	R4	3,174	64. The Villages, FL	SQ51	1,039
6. Phoenix, AZ	SQ44	3,124	65. St. George FPD, LA	R655	1,020
7. Nashville, TN	R12	3,060	66. Knoxville, TN	R1	1,012
8. Corpus Christi, TX	R3	2,994	67. Cedar Rapids, IA	R1	968
9. New Orleans, LA	R7	2,984	68. San Antonio, TX	HR11	905
10. Utica, NY	TAC2	2,967	69. Portsmouth, VA	R1	904
11. San Francisco, CA	RS1	2,949	70. Greensboro, NC	R5	896
12. St. Paul, MN	SQ1	2,911	71. Clayton County, GA	SQ13	894
13. Washington, DC	R1	2,855	72. Shawnee, KS	R72	870
14. Orange County, FL	SQ3	2,717	73. Wichita, KS	R4	851
15. Boston, MA	R2	2,575	74. Fort Lauderdale, FL	SQ47	828
16. Columbia/Richland County, SC	R1	2,525	75. Los Angeles County, CA	USAR103	788
17. Cambridge, MA	R1	2,520	76. Danbury, CT	R1	777
18. Denver, CO	R1	2,498	77. Ridge Road Fire District, Rochester, NY	R258	702
19. Memphis, TN	R2	2,466	78. Honolulu, HI	R1	670
20. Macon-Bibb County, GA	R8	2,409	79. Los Angeles City, CA	HR3	592
21. Hackensack, NJ	R1	2,328	80. Frisco, TX	R1	487
22. DeKalb County, GA	HR24	2,297	81. Lawton, OK	SQ4	466
23. Asheville, NC	R3	2,291	82. Richmond, VA	TR10	404
24. High Point, NC	R1	2,255	83. Lakeland, FL	T73	376
25. Philadelphia, PA	R1	2,221	84. Greater Naples, FL	R63	267
26. Chula Vista, CA	USAR53	2,195	85. Jacksonville, FL	HR4	256
27. Montgomery County, MD	RS742	2,164	86. Henderson, NC	R1	247
28. Peoria, IL	R2	2,144	87. Kansas City, KS	HR1	238
29. Arlington County, VA	R104M	2,095	88. San Bernardino County, CA	R72	231
30. Austin, TX	R14	2,074	89. Cedar Park, TX	R1	187
31. Las Vegas, NV	HR44	2,050	90. Lafayette, LA	SQ1	183
32. Wheeling, WV	R1	2,022	91. Montgomery, AL	HR75	181
33. Fairfax County, VA	R421	1,983	92. St. Petersburg, FL	HR4	176
34. Minneapolis, MN	R1	1,873	93. Salt Lake City, UT	HR75	154
35. Prince George's County, MD	SQ814	1,871	94. Palm Beach County, FL	SQ34	126
36. Omaha, NE	RE33	1,702	95. Fresno, CA	R11	124
37. St. Joseph, MO	R1	1,697	96. South Metro, Centennial, CO	R34	111
38. Pasco County, FL	SQ1	1,661	97. Ocala, FL	SQ1	111
39. Chicago, IL	SQ5	1,660	98. Orange County, CA	HR6	108
40. Charlotte, NC	R10	1,653	99. Charleston, SC	R115	101
41. St. Louis, MO	RS2	1,614	100. Tampa, FL	HR1	81
42. Fayetteville, AR	R1	1,602	101. Gwinnett County, GA	TRT24	70
43. Albuquerque, NM	SQ2	1,589	102. Mesa, AZ	SQ206	63
44. Paterson, NJ	R2	1,583	103. Dallas, TX	US33	62
45. Stamford, CT	R1	1,565	104. Midland, TX	SQ5	51
46. Portland, ME	R1	1,557	105. Chandler, AZ	SQ289	45
47. Worcester, MA	R1	1,552	106. Miami, FL	TechRes	42
48. Sacramento Metro, CA	R21	1,504	107. Chesterfield County, VA	TR17	41
49. Edison, NJ	R4	1,497	108. Madison, WI	SQ8	26
50. Houston, TX	HR11	1,422	109. Tacoma, WA	R8	24
51. Shreveport, LA	R9	1,391	109. Fargo, ND	R801	24
52. Reading, PA	R1	1,348	111. Spokane, WA	R4	23
53. Henrico County, VA	S13	1,292	112. Vancouver, WA	HR5	22
54. Raleigh, NC	RFR1	1,281	113. Bryan, TX	R1	10
55. Colorado Springs, CO	HR17	1,247	114. Des Moines, IA	TR7	2
56. Virginia Beach, VA	R2	1,241	115. Tucson, AZ	HR4	1
57. Atlanta, GA	SQ4	1,234			
58. Springfield, OH	R1	1,222			
59. Newton, MA	R1	1,179			
			<b>Canada</b>		
			1. Montreal, QC	HR647	1,121