

Response History

The Portage Fire Department responded to 487 emergency calls in 2022, which is up 9% from the previous year, and up 20% on average over the past 10 years. The following statistics will provide a look at the type and number of calls we responded to. The following graphs breakdown the type and number of fires we responded to, as well as the fire loss per community. They also provide the number of calls we responded to in the City, and each of our surrounding communities. Statistics would also show that we respond to more calls between 8 AM and 8 PM of any given day. There is a small variation in the number of calls, based on the day of the week, but nothing that helps predict call volume. The statistics show that we respond to a high percentage of EMS related calls, but most of those are traffic crash related. As you study the statistics on the following pages, they will show we respond to many different types of calls, which of course makes the job more difficult and requires additional training. The types of calls the fire service is responding to is always changing. In the past, we typically responded to fire and EMS calls, but with the changes in the world, we find ourselves responding to calls such as hazardous material incidents, methamphetamine drug labs, and active shooter calls.

TOTAL RESPONSES BY YEAR

