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NFIRS – Telling Your Story

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National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS)

NFIRS is an all-incident reporting standard, allowing participating fire agencies to uniformly report on the full range of services they provide to their communities.

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Telling Your Story

Incident Trends in Washington

Year	Rescue and Emergency Medical Service	Service Calls	Fire	Other Types of Incidents	Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	Good Intent Calls	False Alarms & False Calls	Hazardous Conditions (No Fire)	Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire)
2014	18%	20%	22%	25%	15%	18%	20%	22%	25%
2015	18%	20%	22%	25%	15%	18%	20%	22%	25%
2016	18%	20%	22%	25%	15%	18%	20%	22%	25%
2017	18%	20%	22%	25%	15%	18%	20%	22%	25%
2018	18%	20%	22%	25%	15%	18%	20%	22%	25%

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Be Data-Driven

- Measure current performance
- Identify areas of improvement/training opportunities
- Set realistic goals
- Plan development and implementation
- Measure success
- Continual improvement
- Justify your budget requests
- [Community Risk Reduction](#)

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Monthly Reporting

Advantages:

- Data Quality
- Data Accuracy
- Utilization
- Creating a Habit

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Reporting Software Options

- Contracted Record Management Software (RMS)
 - Must be on [USFA's registered active vendor list](#)
- No Cost Software
 - Data Entry Browser Interface (DEBI)
 - Data Entry Tool (DET)
 - Washington Emergency Medical Service Information System (WEMISIS)

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NFIRS Data Submission Process

<p>RMS Users</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Submit data export to NFIRS@wsp.wa.gov ▪ Data processing and review ▪ SFMO follow-up 	<p>DET or DEBI Users</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All incidents submitted directly to National Database ▪ Monthly checks to ensure incident submission, validation, and data quality
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Making Data Quality a Priority

- Every export submitted is reviewed to ensure National validation standards are met
- Process in place for identifying and fixing validation issues in submitted incidents
- Ensuring incidents are updated upon completion of investigations

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NFIRS Resources

SFMO

- Guides
- Quick Reference Sheets
- State-wide monthly reporting updates
- Customer Support

USFA/FEMA

- [NFIRS Self-Study \(Q0494\) – Online](#)
- [NFIRS: Program Management \(R0491\) – 6 Day On-Campus](#)
- Guides
- [NFIRSGrams](#)

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For NFIRS Questions or Assistance

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