

# Ramsey Fire Department

## Year End Report for 2011

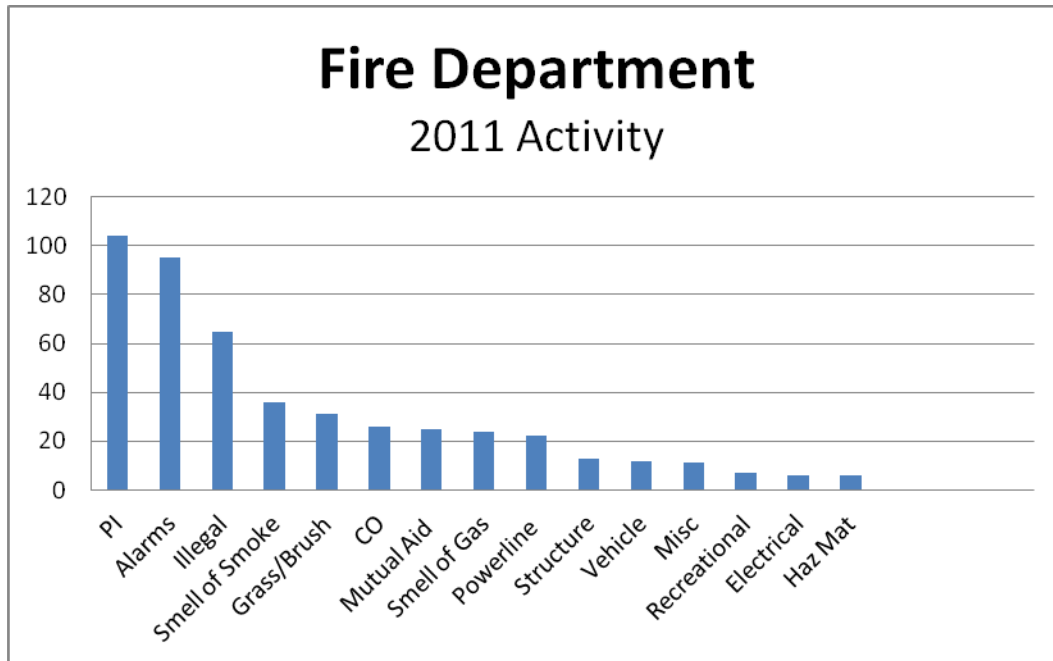
### Emergency Response

2011 was witness to a slight increase in activity for the Fire Department. This figure included 13 structure fires. 2011 had an active wild land fire season with 31 incidents requiring response. During the summer, 2 separate storms generated activity with 22 total responses for power line issues.

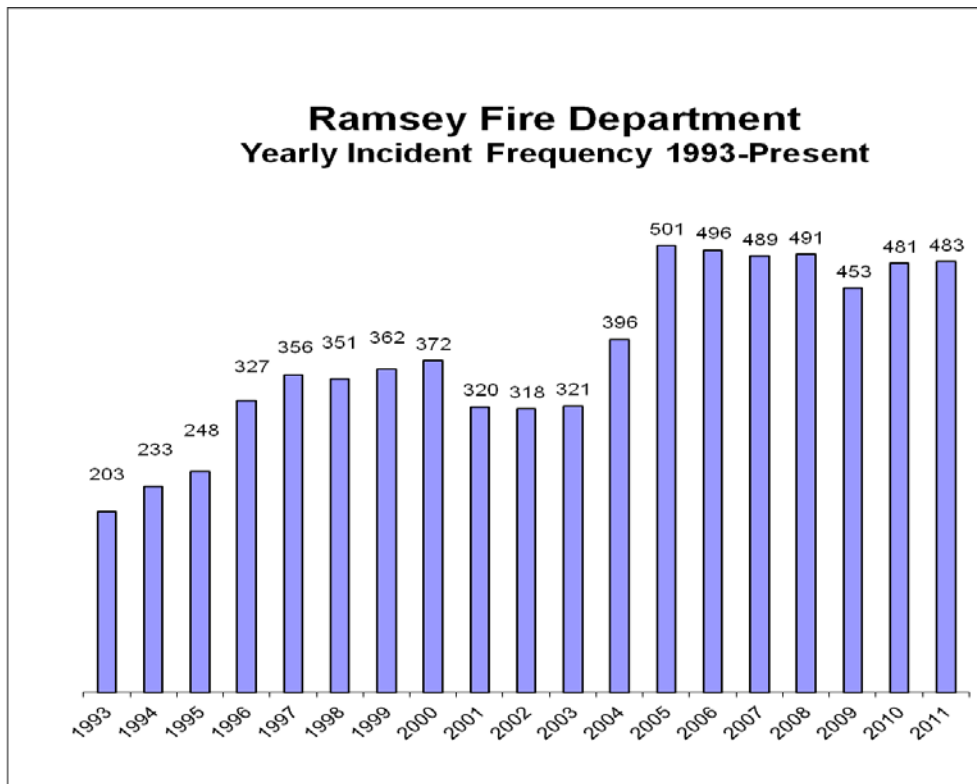
- Total calls tallied 483 for 2011. This compares to 481 for 2010, 453 in 2009 and 491 for 2008. A history of call volume to 1993 is presented later in the report.
- Personal Injury accidents, as in the past, continue as the single biggest source of activity with 104. This number represents 22% of total responses. This compares to 129 in 2010 and 115 in 2009. Responses included 7 vehicle extrications, 20 Cardiac Arrests and 6 lift assists.
- Alarms were again the second largest activity with 95 calls for service, representing 20% of the total, up from 73 in 2010 and 82 in 2009.
- Illegal burning was again the third largest at 36, or 7% of the total. This figure stayed close to 2010 with 37 responses.
- Responses to Nowthen totaled 72 in 2011 this is in comparison to 2010 with 76 responses. This includes 3 structure fires, 12 Personal Injury Accidents and 11 alarms. The Nowthen numbers are included in the totals above.

In 2011 Ramsey Fire continued to utilize the Duty Officer response to a total of 171 calls. This compares to 175 in 2010 and 167 in 2009. This response sends 1-2 fire officers to less drastic incidents rather than a full department response. Types of calls were some alarm calls, illegal burning, resident questions, carbon monoxide alarms, etc.

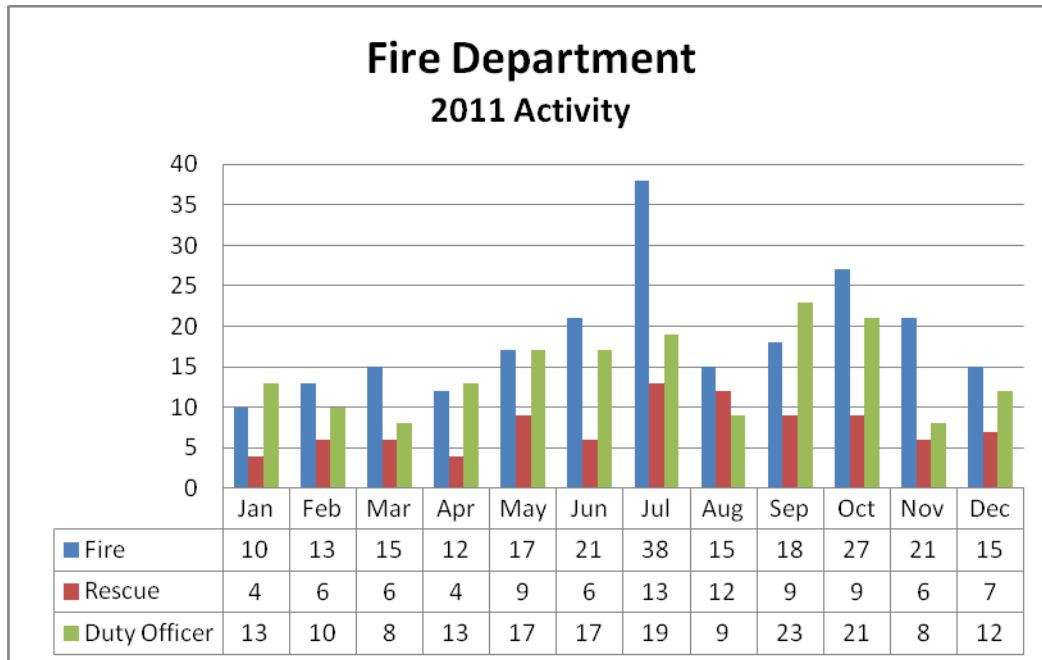
The chart below categorizes all responses:



The chart below illustrates the call trend from 1993 till present



The chart below illustrates the comparison of fire related calls to rescue to Duty Officer Calls:



### Fire Department Staff

The Fire Department Staff finished 2011 with a total staffing of 50 firefighters. 2012 will see a discussion on recruitment to achieve staffing to goal of 55 firefighters.

### Ramsey/Nowthen Service Fees

Per the Joint Powers Agreement, Nowthen and Ramsey pay agreed fees for apparatus and staff for responses to each community. In 2011 Nowthen paid Ramsey a total of \$30,288.04 which includes \$3708 paid to the Ramsey Fire Relief Association, \$6416 for administrative, and \$2520 for the Lieutenant positions that responds out of Station 3. A Captains position has been added in 2012. The annual salary for Captain's #13 will be \$3180.00.

### Training

As in past years the scheduled training is an aggressive one to maintain required certifications, OSHA standards and meet NFPA guidelines. (National Fire Protection Agency) The list does not include the monthly business meeting. Listed below were the training topics/dates for 2011.

It should be noted that 2009 ended with a change to the Medical Training provider. The Fire Department will be using Allina EMS Training for its medical training.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>
January 5	Suicide By Chemical	July 6	No Drill
January 12	Business Meeting	July 13	No Drill
January 19	Anatomy & Physically	July 20	No Drill
January 26	Major Maintenance	July 27	Medical Exam
February 2	Bridge Collapse	August 3	Water Rescue/Dry Hydrant
February 9	Business Meeting	August 10	Business Meeting
February 16	Medical-Skills Refresher	August 18	Defensive Driving
February 23	2800 /RPD Tour	August 24	Water Streams/Nozzles
March 2	Table Top Exercise	August 31	Major Maintenance
March 9	Business Mtg/Grass Fire Prep	September 7	Confined Space Rescue
March 16	Bones-Splints-Bandaging	September 14	Business Meeting
March 23	Confined Space Refreshe	September 21	Medical
March 30	Major Maintenance	September 28	Ladders/Extrication
April 6	B.A.R.T. Review	October 5	Agility Test/Fit Test
April 13	Business Meeting	October 12	Business Meeting
April 20	Environ Emergencies/Psych Patients	October 19	Medical/EMS
April 27	SCBA Training	October 26	LP Gas Emergencies
May 4	Water Supply & Relay	November 2	Chimney Fires
May 11	Business Meeting	November 9	Business Meeting
May 18	Pump Training	November 16	Chiefs Drill
May 25	Pump Test	November 23	No Drill
June 1	Live Burn	November 30	Major Maintenance
June 8	Business Meeting	December 7	Area Familiarization & Radio Procedures
June 15	Hose Testing	December 15	Business Meeting
June 22	Safety Camp Graduation	December 21	Medical Training
June 29	Major Maintenance	December 28	No Drill

## Fire Department Fleet

The fire department fleet is made up of apparatus some on which is owned by Ramsey, while others owned by Nowthen.

Listed below are the Ramsey owned apparatus and specifications of each:

Vehicle	Pump Capacity	On-Board Water	# of Staff Carried
1999 Engine #11	1500 gpm	1000 gallons	6
2007 Engine #21	1250 gpm	1000 gallons	6
1994 Tanker #11	n/a	3000 gallons	2
1989 Tanker #21	500 gpm	1850 gallons	3
2003 Ladder #21	1500 gpm	300 gallons	6
2004 Rescue #11	n/a	n/a	5
2002 Rescue #21	n/a	n/a	5
2003 Grass #11	Not Rated	225 gallons	3
1989 Grass #21	Not Rated	200 gallons	3
2002 Asst Chief's Vehicle	n/a	n/a	2
2011 Fire Marshall	n/a	n/a	4
2003 SCBA Trailer	n/a	n/a	n/a
Rescue Boat	n/a	n/a	8
2004 Duty Officer Truck	n/a	n/a	2
2008 Chief's Vehicle	n/a	n/a	4

Listed below are the Nowthen owned apparatus and specifications of each:

Vehicle	Pump Capacity	On-Board Water	# of Staff Carried
1989 Engine #31	1250 gpm	1000 gallons	6
1989 Tanker #31	n/a	1900 gallons	2
2008 Grass #31	Not Rated	225 gallons	3

## Fire Prevention/Code Compliance

Code compliance in 2011:

- 121 new Fire Code permits
- 97 existing building code inspections
- Assisted with Public Nuisance Enforcement

The Fire Marshall is responsible for investigations after fires. In 2011 he performed 20 investigations (16 in Ramsey and 4 in Nowthen)

Public Education:

- 11 Elementary Classes
- 8 Preschool Classes
- 5 Daycares

Numerous Fire Station visits to many different groups