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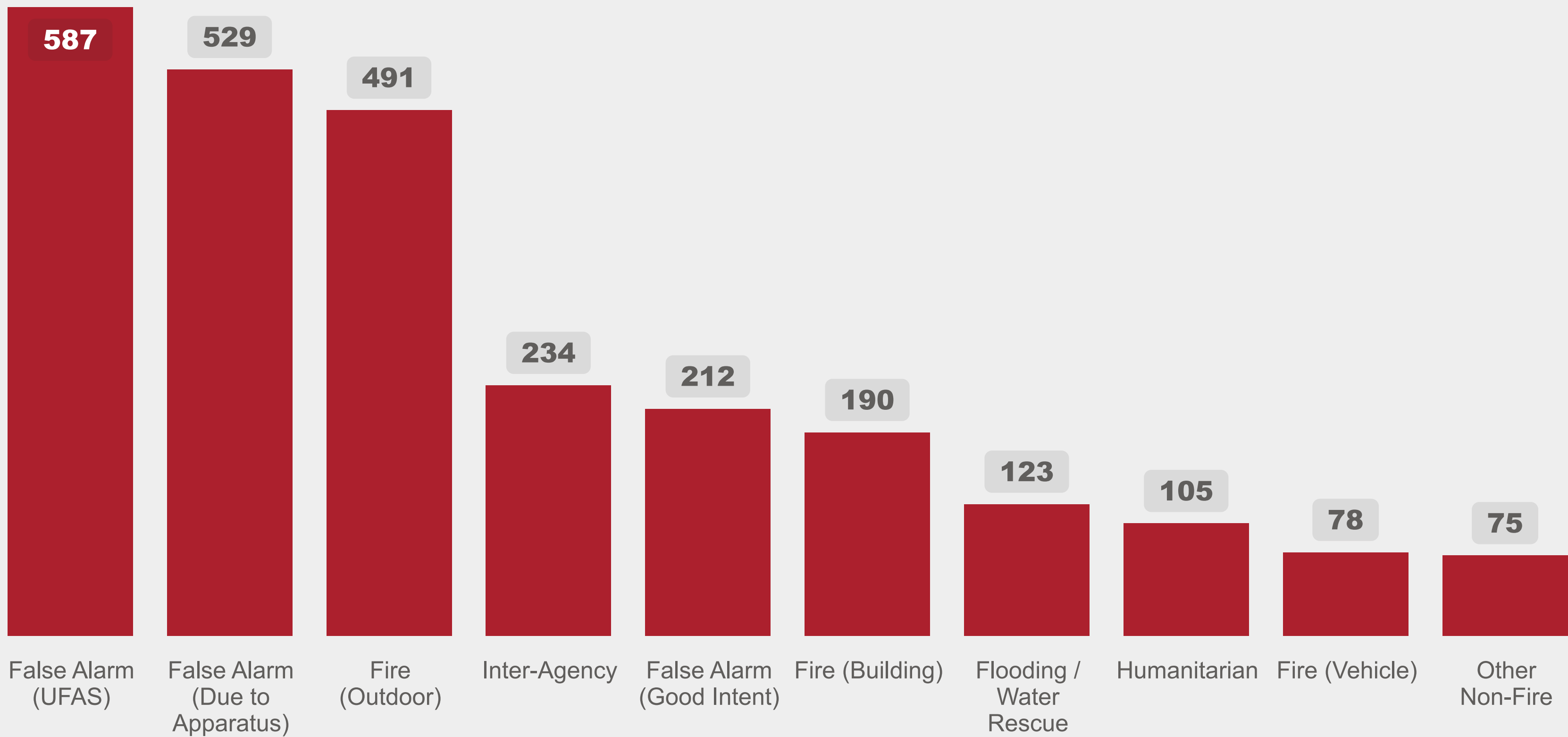
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 2,742 Total Incidents (Incl. Incompletes)	 759 Fires	 616 Non-Fire Incidents	 1,367 False Alarms	 587 UFAS
 158 People Rescued by Firefighters	 12 People Receiving First Aid or Hospital Treatment (Fires)	 0 Fire Fatalities	 41 People Receiving First Aid or Hospital Treatment (Non-Fire)	 10 Non-Fire Fatalities
 839 Home Fire Safety Visits	 369 Fire Safety Audits			

Top 10 Incident Types



During Quarter 2 of 2025/26, Glasgow LSO Area responded to a diverse range of incidents across the city, continuing to demonstrate a strong and sustained commitment to public safety.

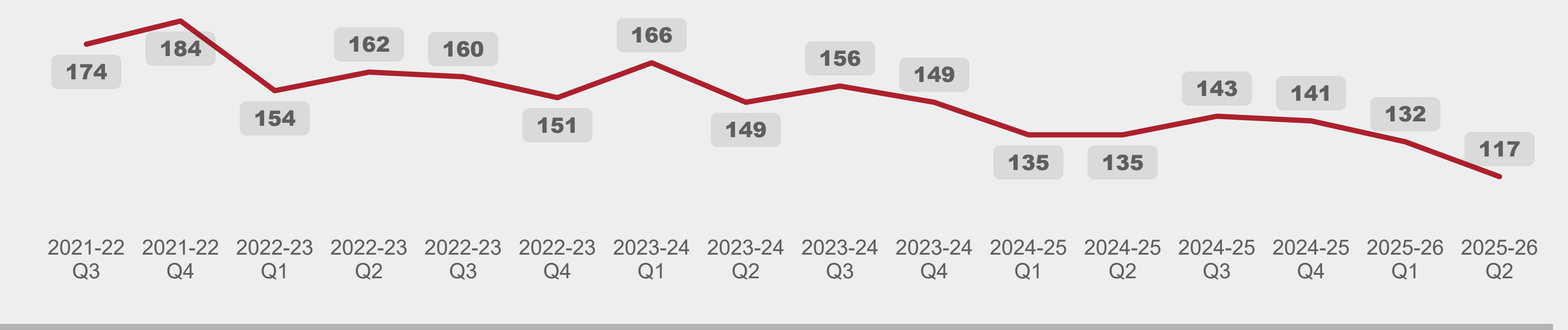
Our proactive community engagement initiatives — including Risk Recognition Training, the PAFS Youth Engagement Program, and Station Open Days — have been strategically targeted to address and reduce anti-social behaviour and deliberate fire setting. These efforts have contributed to a measurable reduction in such incidents during this period.

Through collaboration with local partners, housing associations, youth groups, and justice teams, we remain focused on prevention, education, and building safer communities across Glasgow.

2. Trends

Previous 16 quarters (4 years)

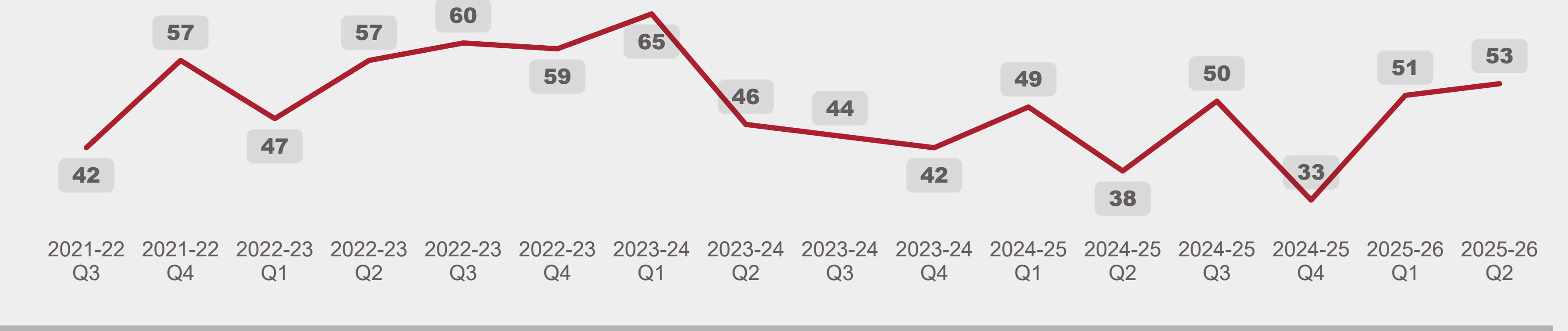
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Deliberate Fires



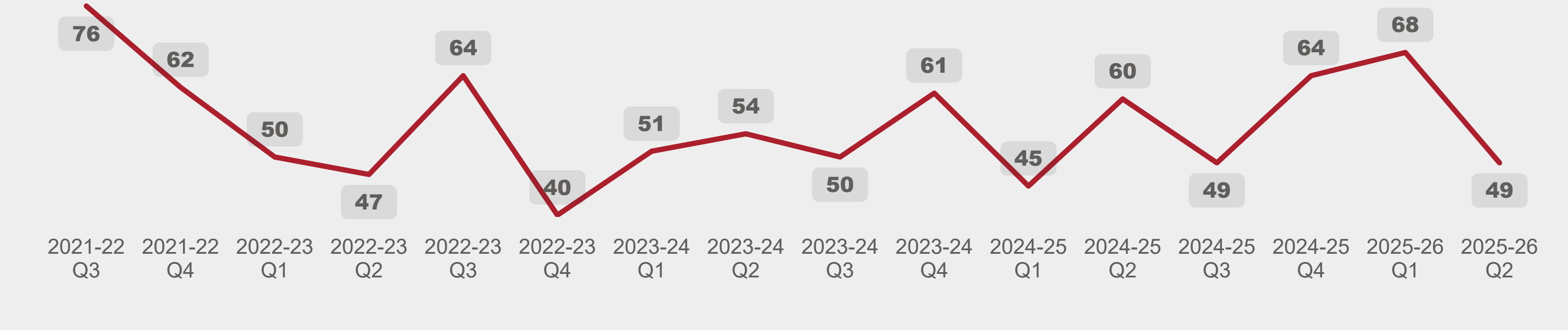
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Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals



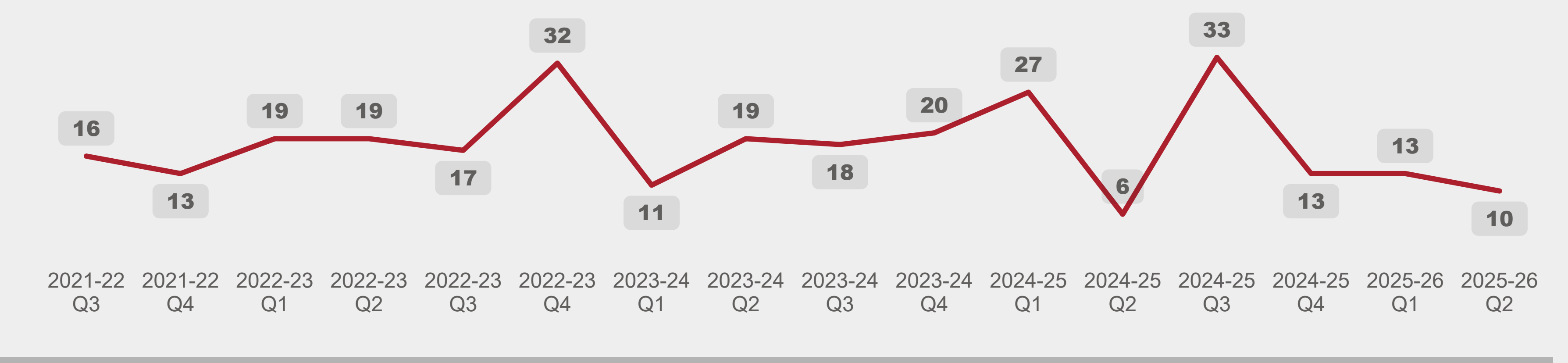
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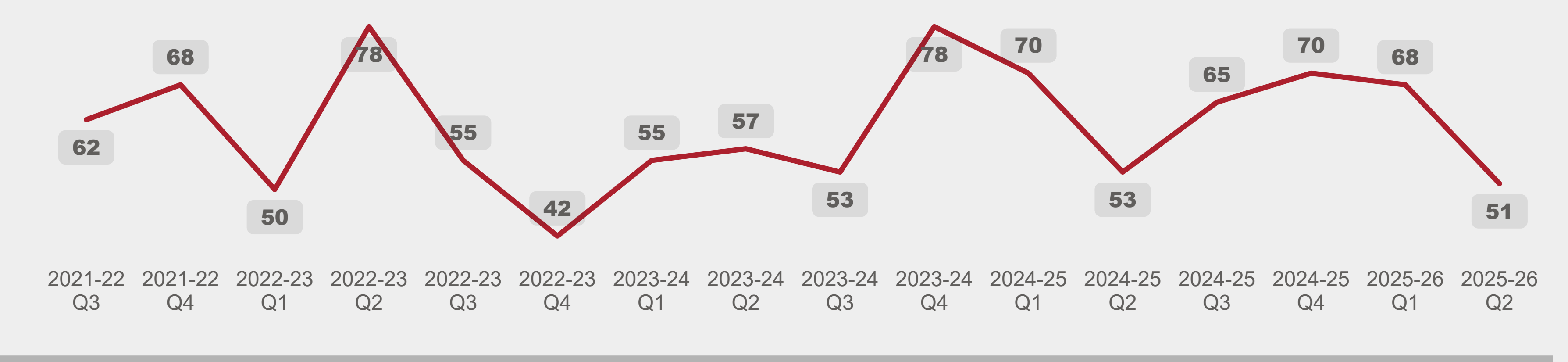
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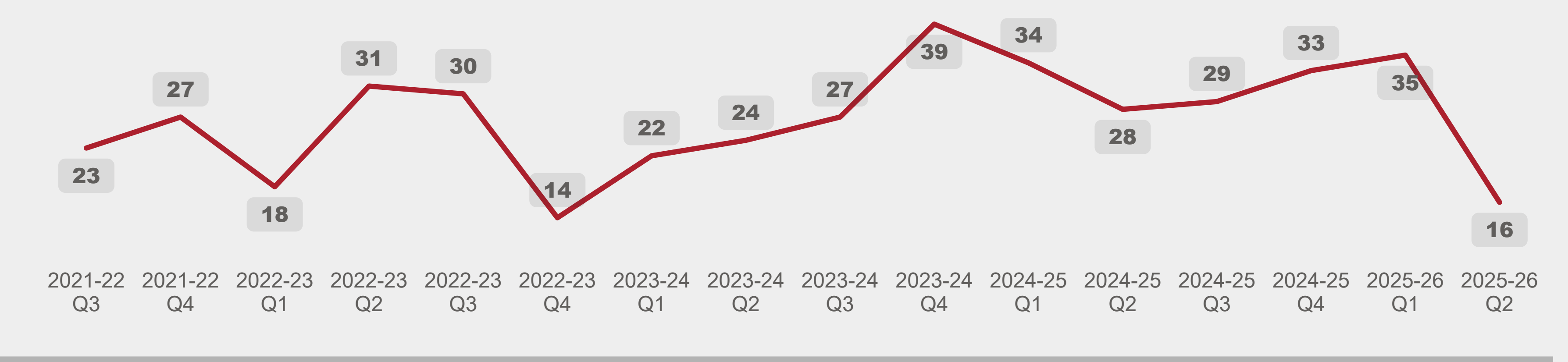
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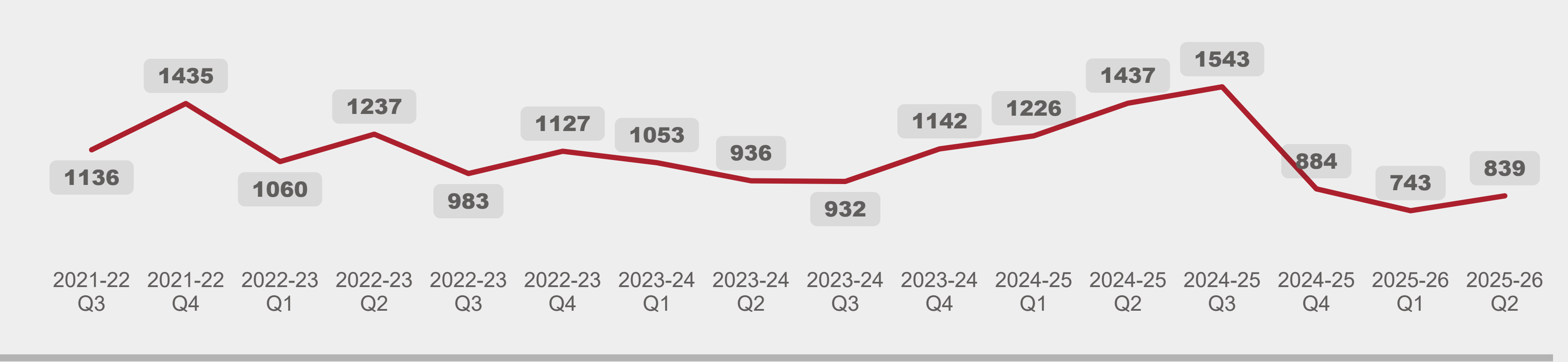
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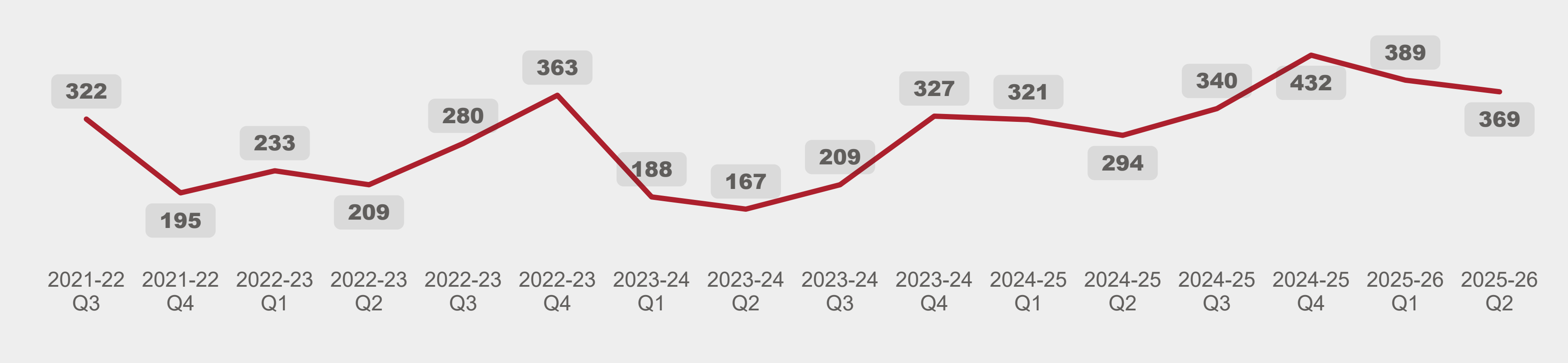
Road Traffic Collision Casualties



Home Fire Safety Visits



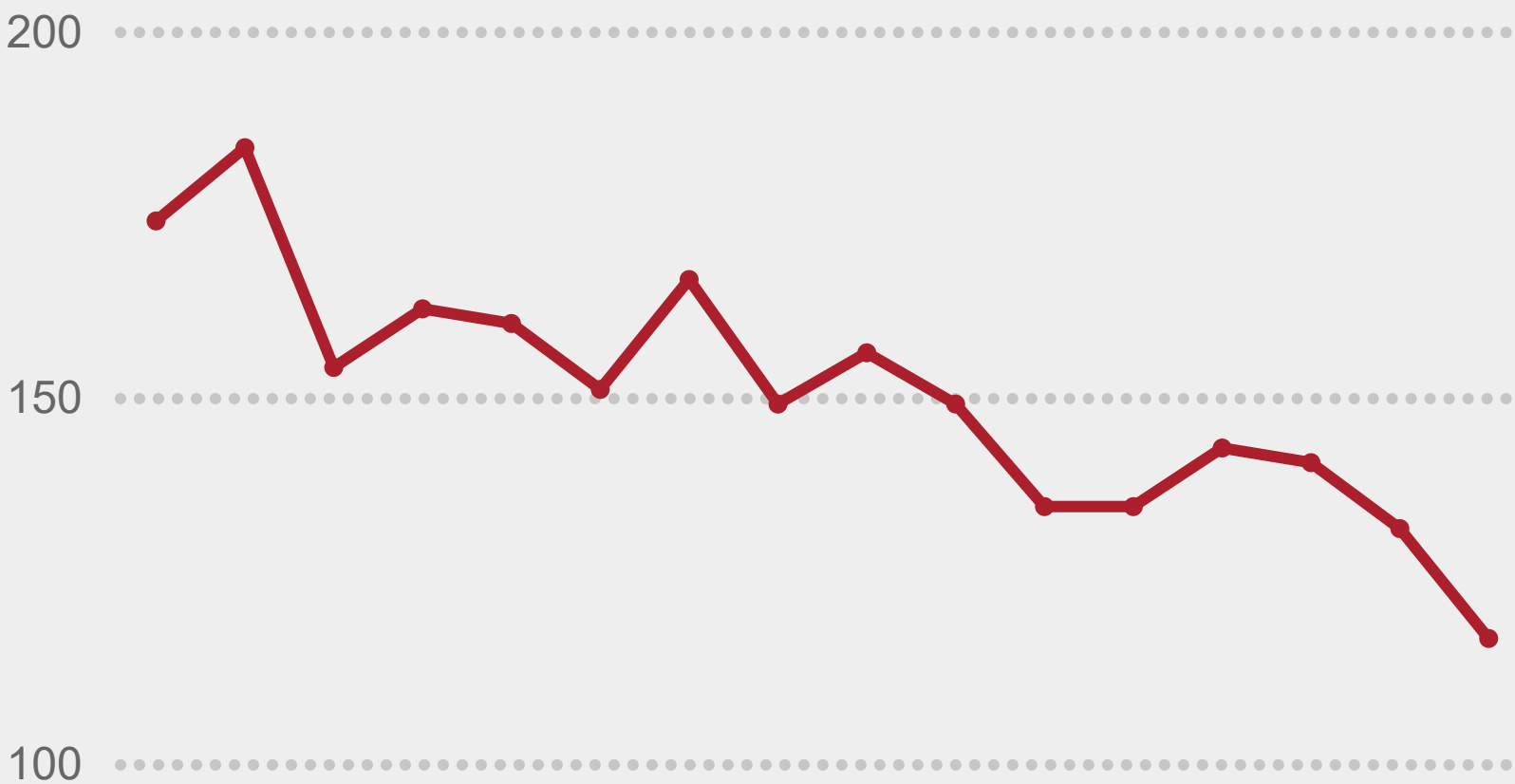
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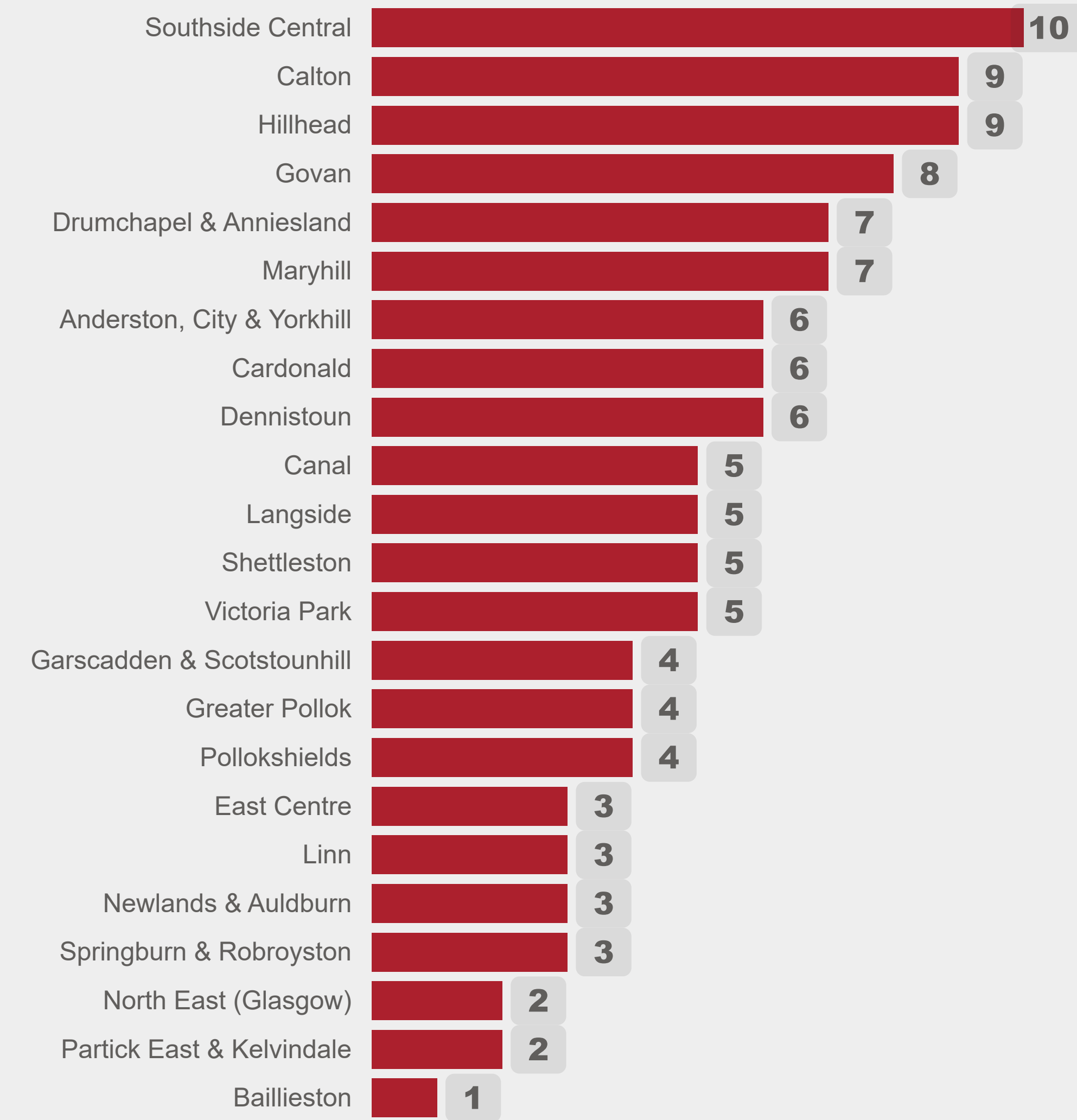
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Trend by Quarter (4 years)

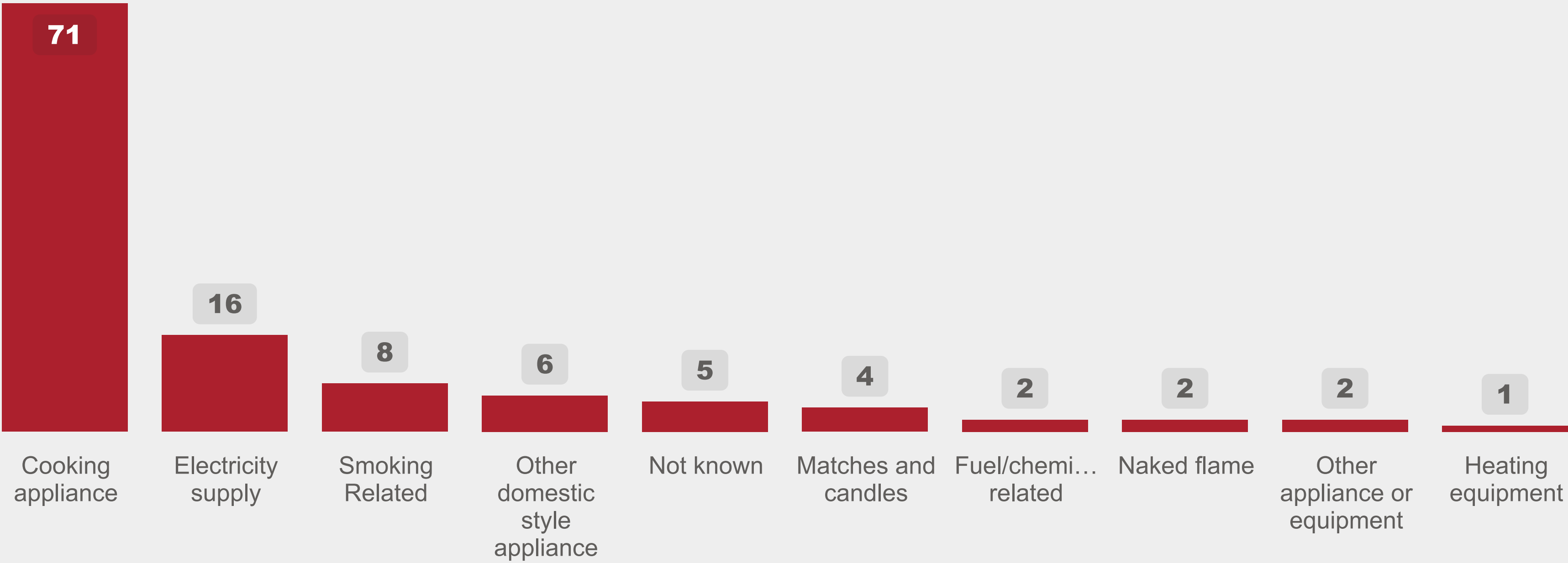


Extent of Damage	Incidents
Not applicable	74
Limited to item 1st ignited	20
Limited to room of origin	17
Limited to floor of origin (not whole building)	5
Roof space and other floors(s)	1

Incidents by Ward



Source of Ignition (Top 10)



117

Accidental Dwelling Fires
in this period

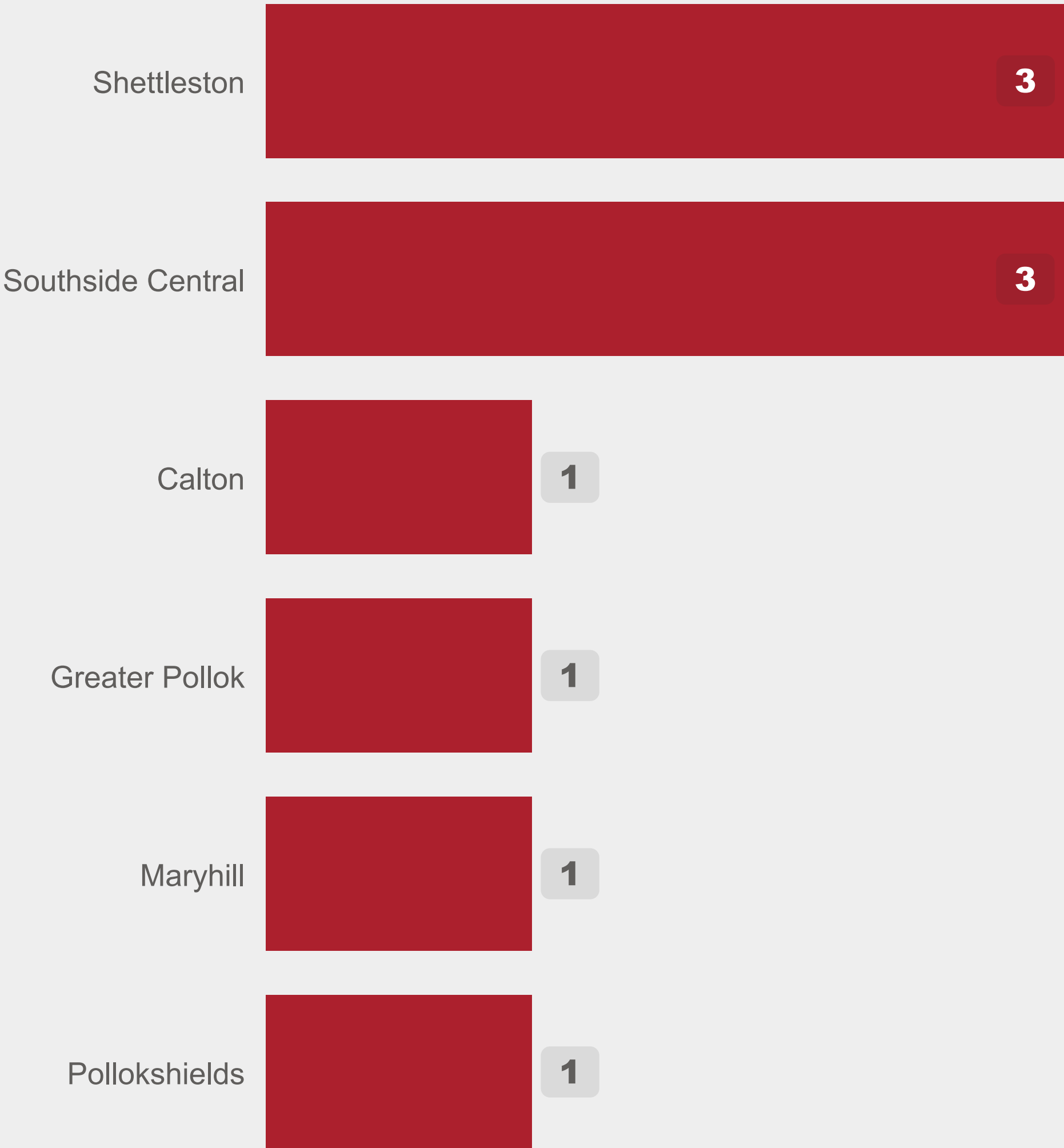
Accidental dwelling fires have continued to decline across the City of Glasgow during Quarter 2 of 2025/26. This sustained downward trend reflects the dedication of our operational crews and the Glasgow Community Action Team, whose ongoing efforts to educate residents on fire safety and prevention are making a tangible impact. Cooking appliances remain the leading cause of accidental dwelling fires, consistent with previous quarters. This reinforces the importance of promoting safe cooking practices and raising awareness around fire prevention in the kitchen, a key focus of our community safety messaging. Through targeted engagement and education, we continue to empower individuals across Glasgow to take proactive steps in fire prevention. Initiatives such as Home Fire Safety Visits and Risk Recognition Training, are helping to raise awareness and encourage safer behaviours in high-risk settings.

Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Nature of Injury/Cause of Death	Casualties
Overcome by gas, smoke or toxic fumes; asphyxiation	6
Breathing difficulties (Other than 'Overcome by gas, smoke or toxic fumes, asphyxiation')	1
Burns - severe	1
Burns - slight	1
Other medical condition	1

Casualties by Ward



10

Non-Fatal Casualties

0

Fatal Casualties

6

People Rescued by Firefighters

Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



6

First Aid Given at Scene



3

Hospital Slight Injuries



1

Hospital Serious Injuries

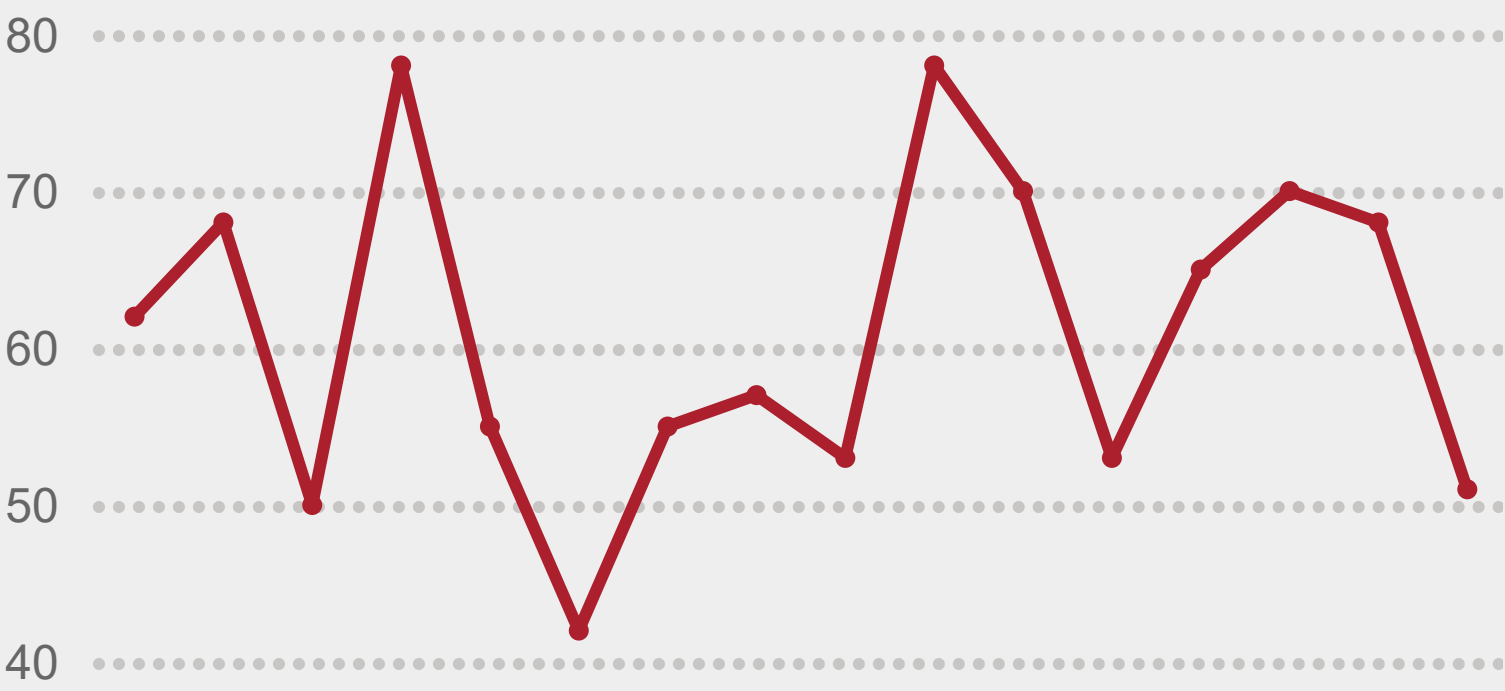
During Quarter 2, a total of 10 non-fatal accidental dwelling fire casualties were recorded across Glasgow. Of these: 6 individuals were rescued by firefighters, 6 people received first aid at the scene, 3 individuals were transported to hospital with slight injuries, 1 person was admitted to hospital with serious injuries. These figures underscore the importance of continued prevention efforts and rapid operational response.

The Glasgow LSO Area remains committed to enhancing incident preparedness through realistic training for operational crews, focusing on developing skills for complex and high-risk environments. This ensures our teams are equipped to respond effectively and safely to a wide range of emergency scenarios.

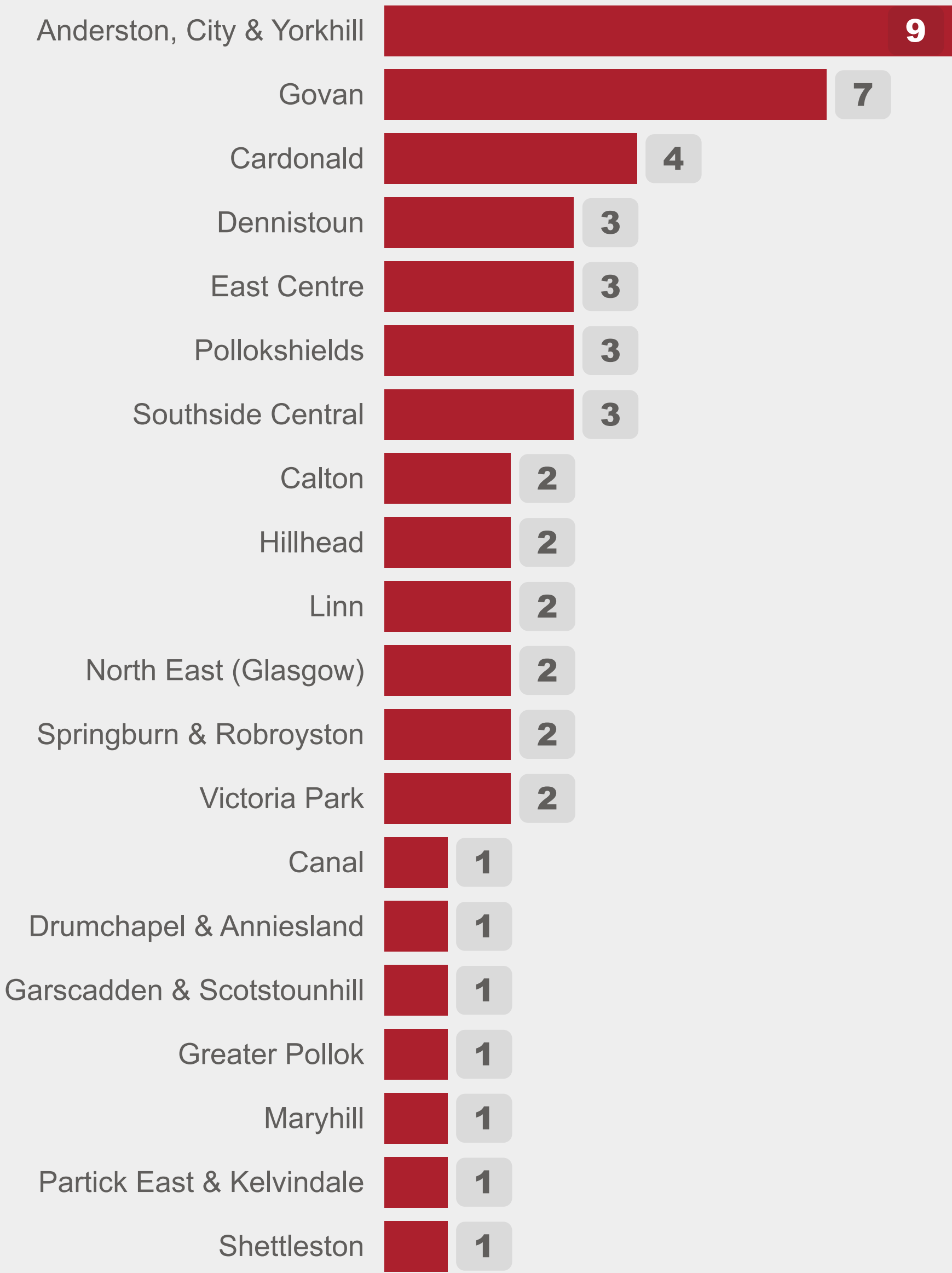
5. Non-Fire Casualties

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Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Casualties by Ward



41

Non-Fatal Casualties

10

Fatal Casualties

152

People Rescued by Firefighters

Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



6

First Aid Given at Scene



24

Hospital Slight Injuries



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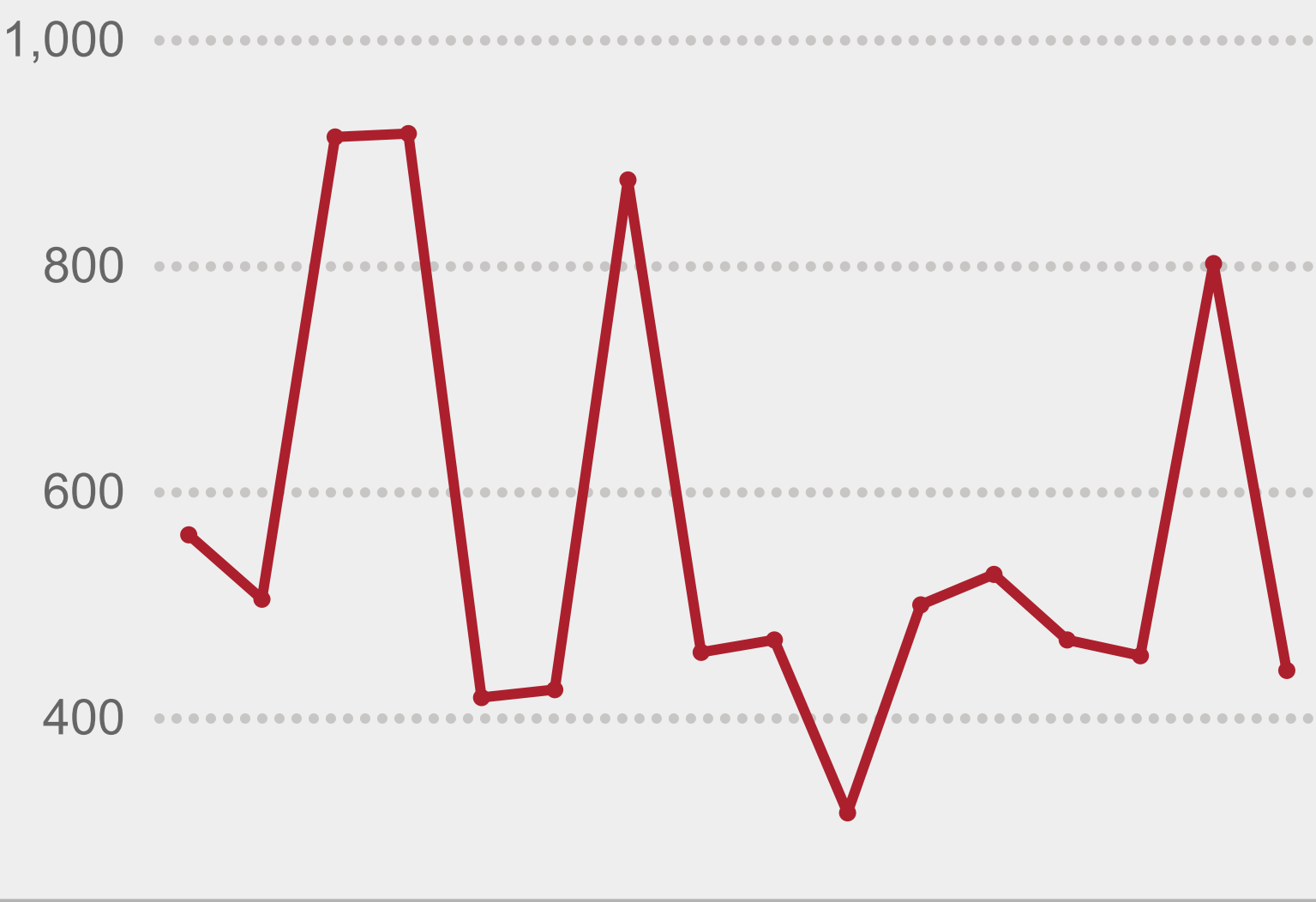
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The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service continue to play a vital role in public safety beyond fire-related emergencies. During Quarter 2, 152 individuals were rescued across Glasgow in non-fire related incidents, highlighting the broad scope of our operational response and community impact.

In addition to emergency response, operational crews and the Community Action Team have delivered an extensive water safety campaign, conducting visits to open water sources within their station areas to engage with the public and promote safe behaviours.

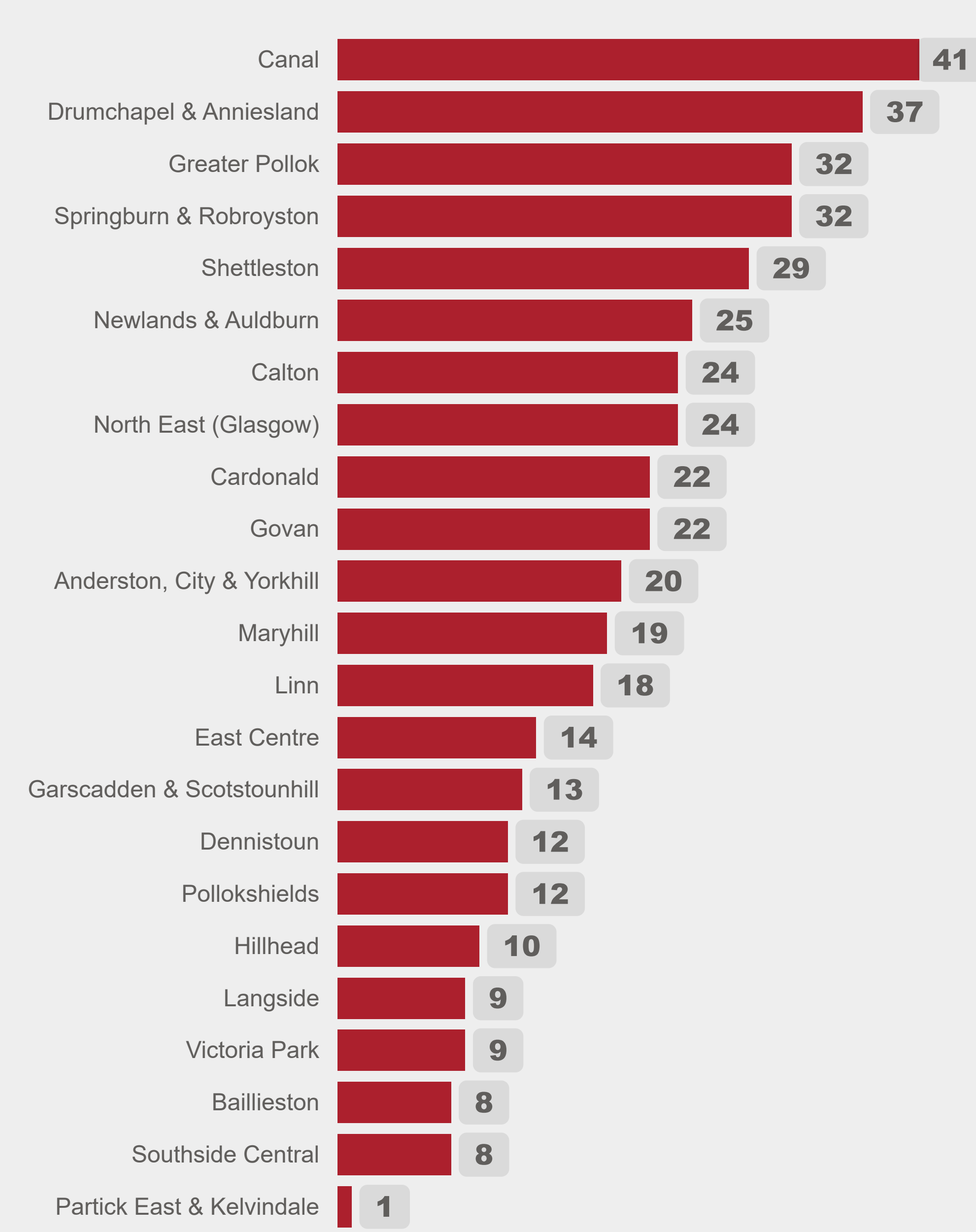
A key highlight of this campaign was the Water Safety Event held at Glasgow Green on 26th July, delivered in partnership with the Humane Society, Police Scotland, Glasgow City Council, and St John Ambulance Service. This collaborative event focused on raising awareness around water-related risks and equipping the public with life-saving knowledge.

Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Property Type	Incident
Refuse	222
Grassland, woodland and crops	88
Other outdoors (including land)	51
Road Vehicle	44
Non Residential	14
Dwelling	11
Outdoor structures	7
Other Residential	2
Outdoor equipment and machinery	2

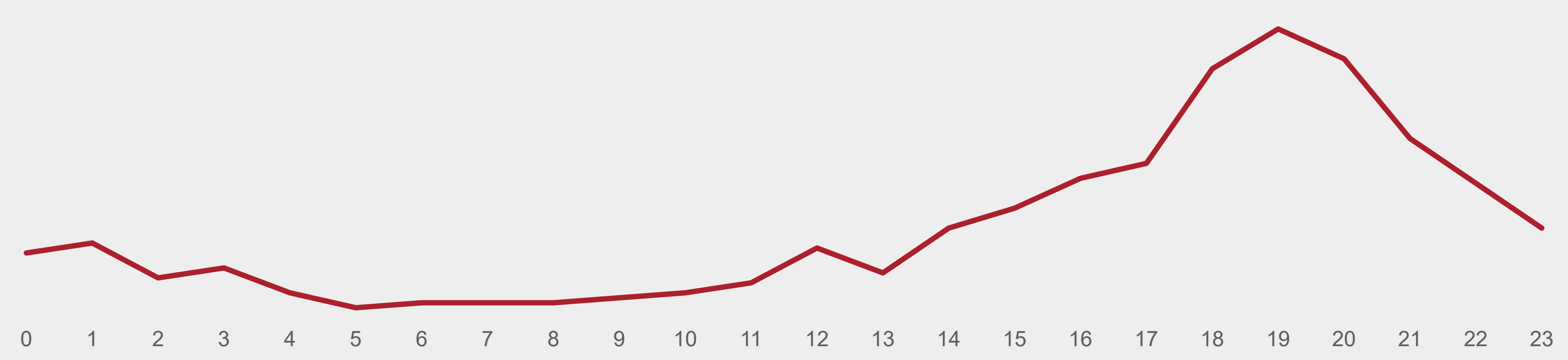
Incidents by Ward



441

Deliberate Fires
in this period

Hour of Day

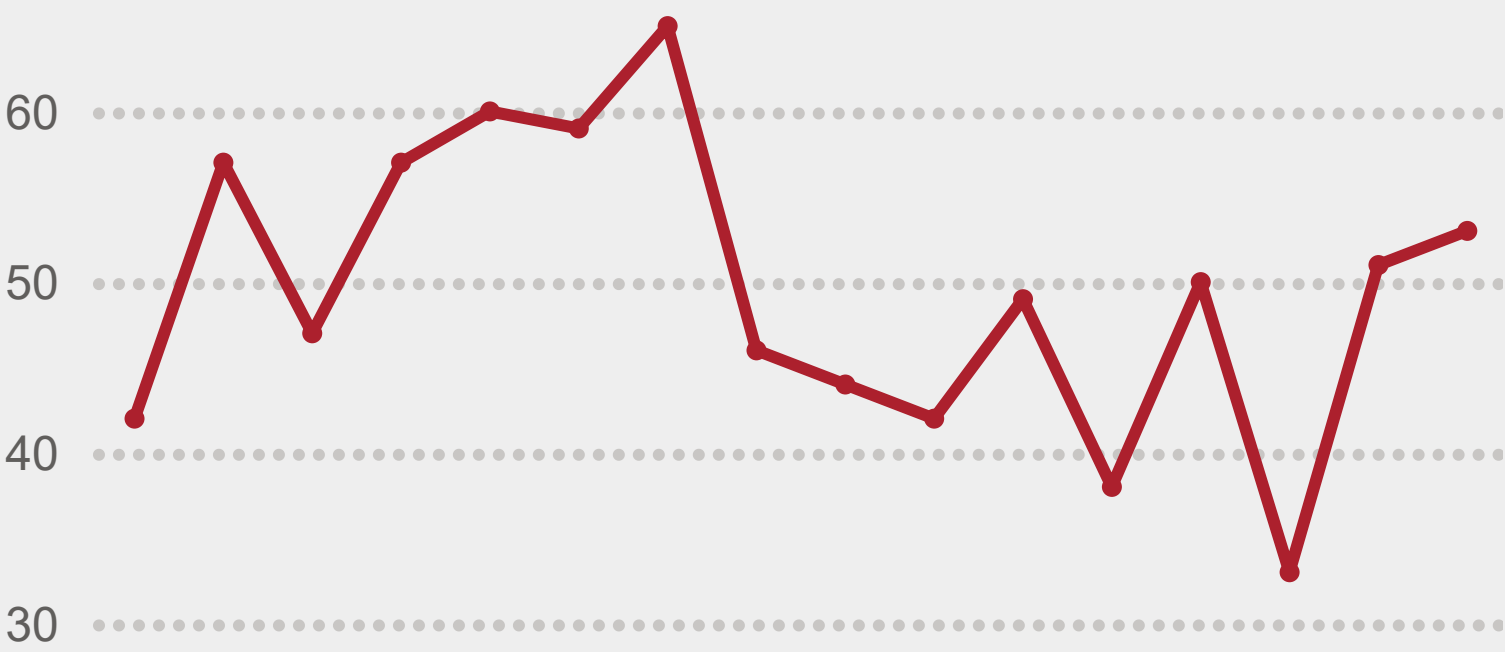


During Quarter 2, the Glasgow LSO Area recorded 441 deliberate fires across the city — a significant decrease from the previous quarter. These incidents are frequently associated with anti-social behaviour, posing risks to public safety and placing additional strain on emergency and public services.

In response, Operational Crews and the Community Action Team have implemented a targeted approach within affected communities. This includes active engagement with youth groups, schools, and community organisations, fostering a collaborative strategy to address the root causes of deliberate fire setting.

By combining education, prevention, and partnership working, we continue to build safer communities and reduce fire-related harm.

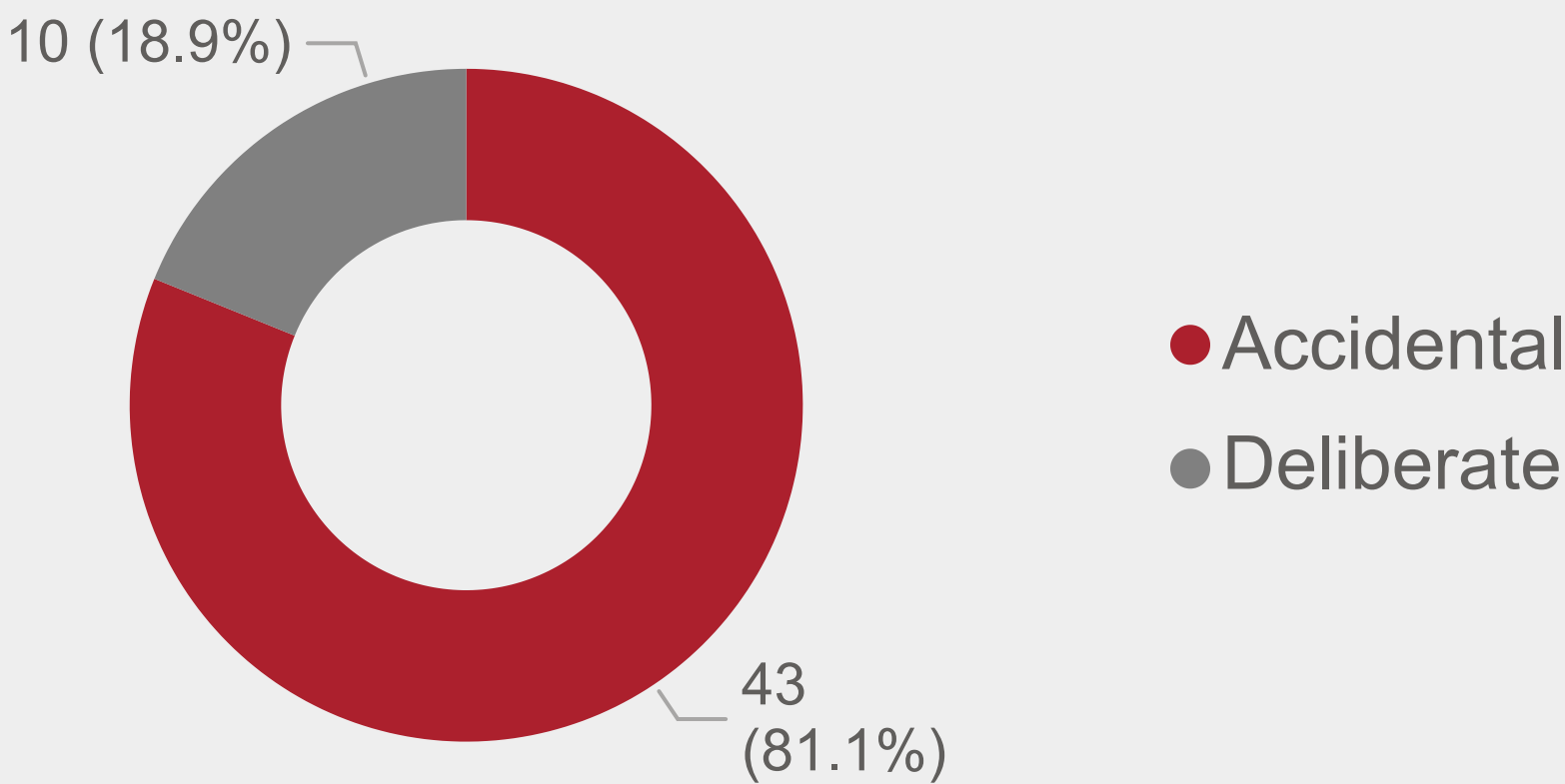
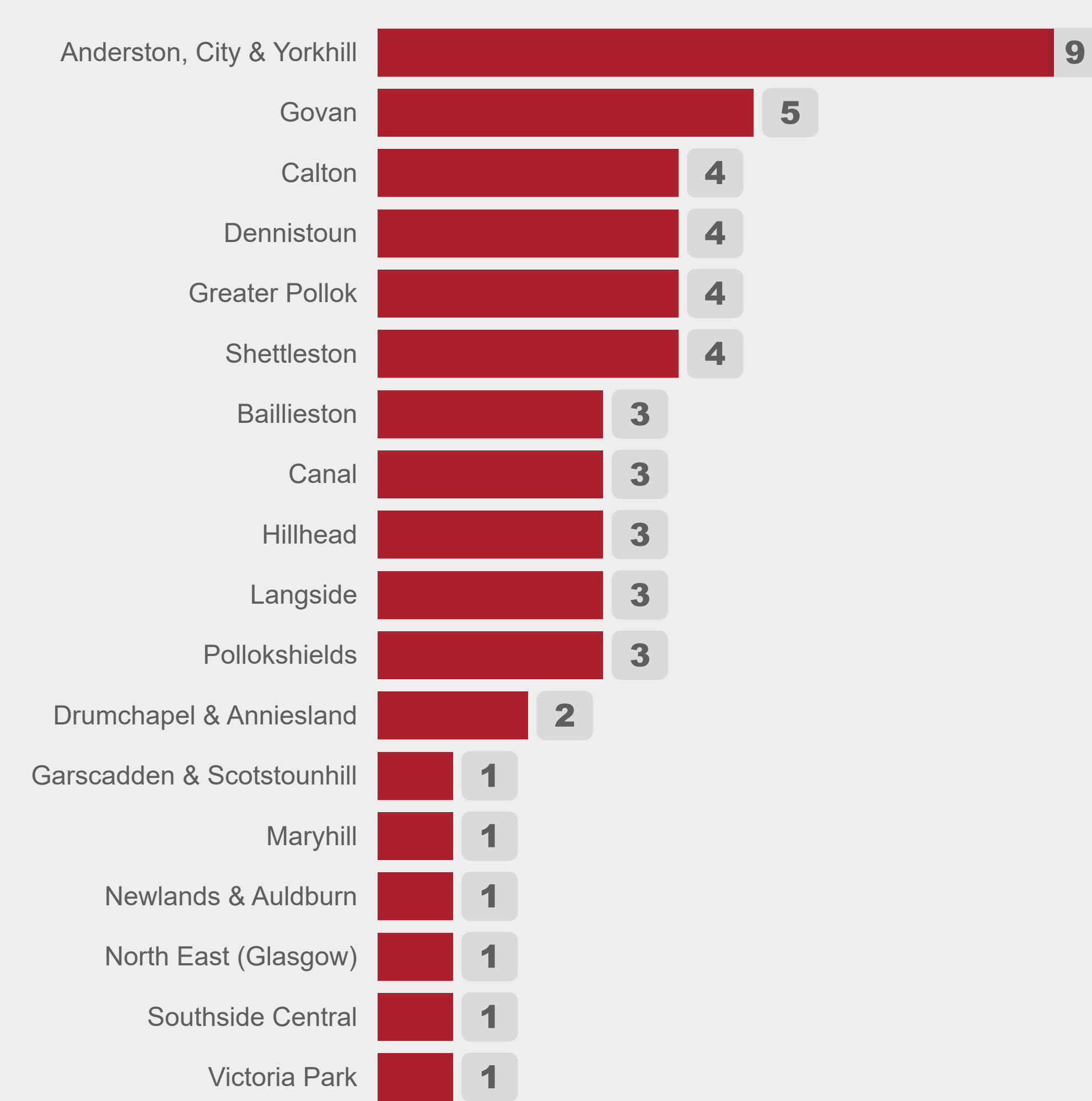
Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Top 15 Property Types

Property Type	Incidents
Food and Drink	7
Hospitals and medical care	7
Offices and call centres	6
Residential Home	5
Retail	5
Warehouses and bulk storage	4
Education	3
Boarding House/B&B for homeless/asylum seekers	2
Hotel/motel	2
Industrial Manufacturing	2
Public admin, security and safety	2
Sheltered Housing - not self contained	2
Entertainment and culture	1
Hostel (e.g. for homeless people)	1
Industrial Processing	1
Laboratory/research Establishment	1
Other Residential Home	1
Public Utilities	1

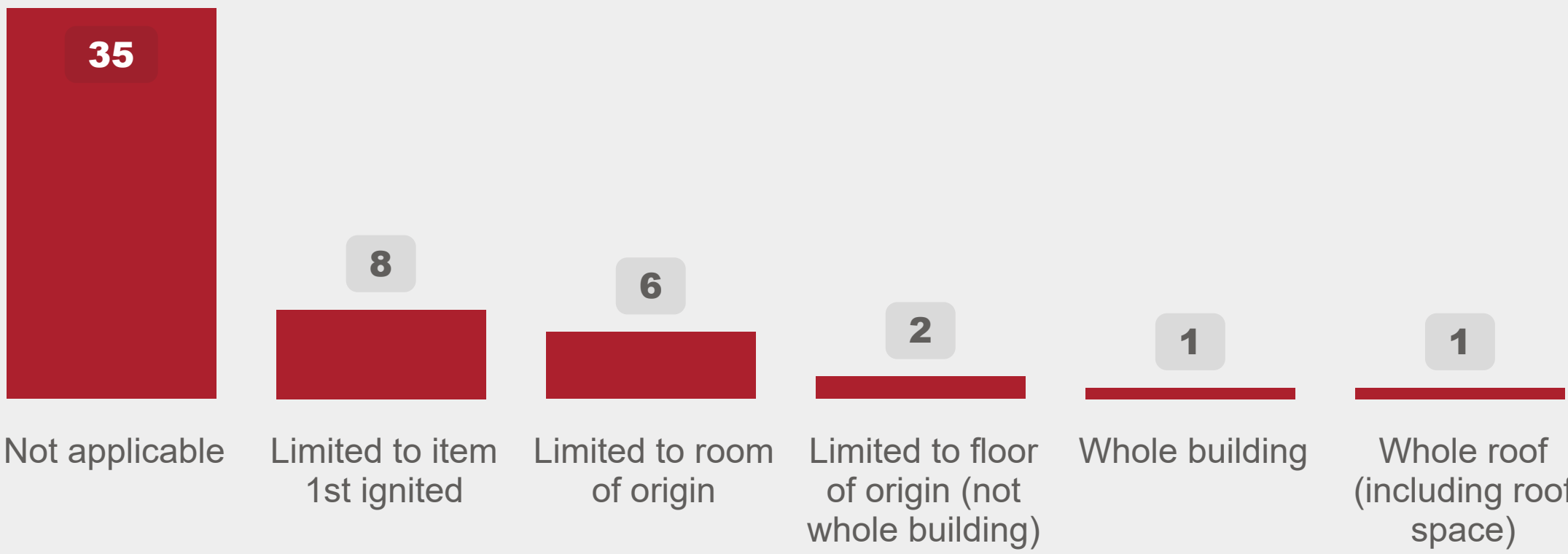
Incidents by Ward



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Non-Domestic
Fires in this
period

Extent of Damage

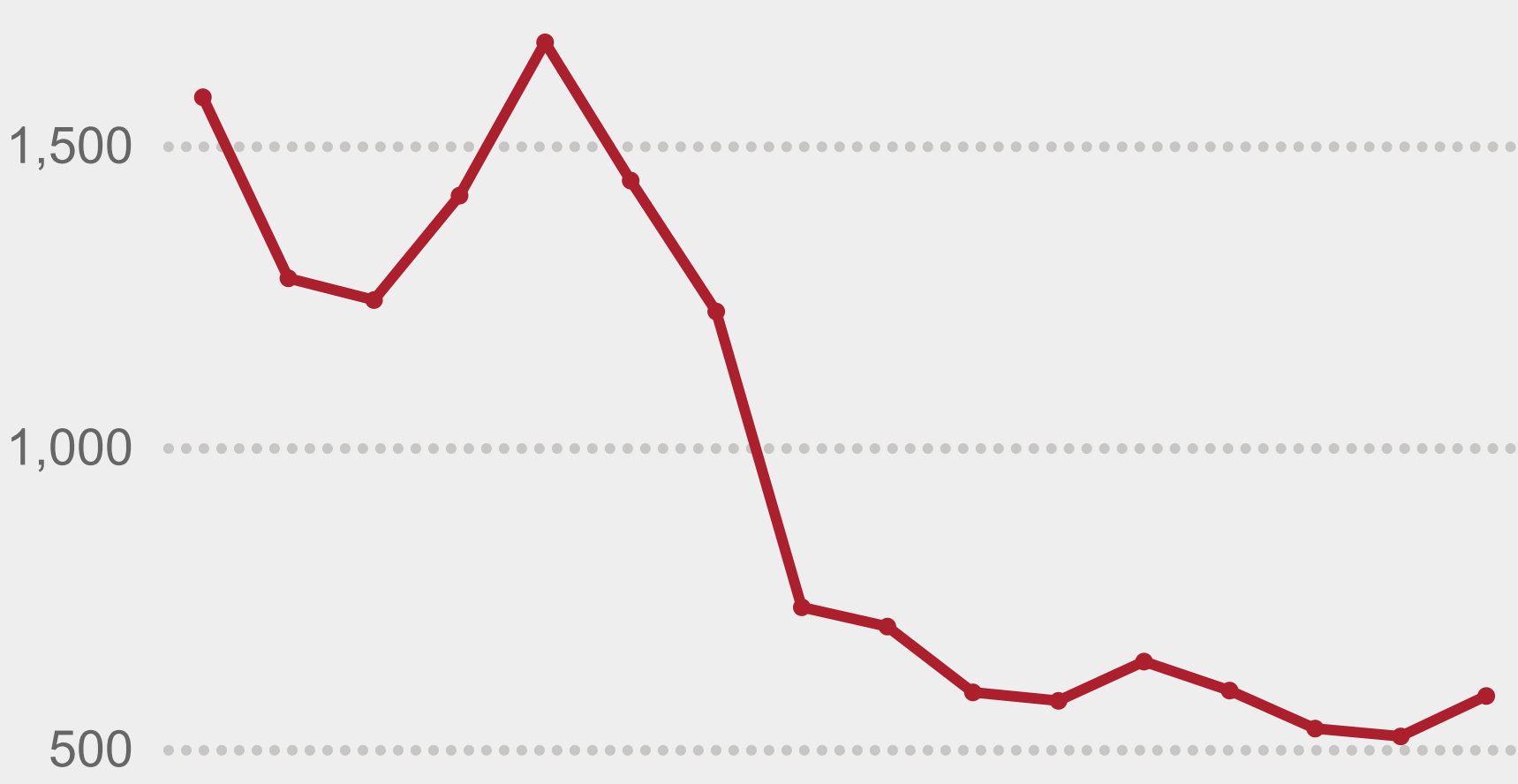


During Quarter 2, 53 non-domestic fires were recorded across Glasgow. Notably, 81.1% of these incidents were accidental, underscoring the ongoing need for robust fire safety practices within commercial and public premises. The Fire Safety Enforcement Team plays a critical role in ensuring that non-domestic premises meet legislative fire safety standards. Their work includes:

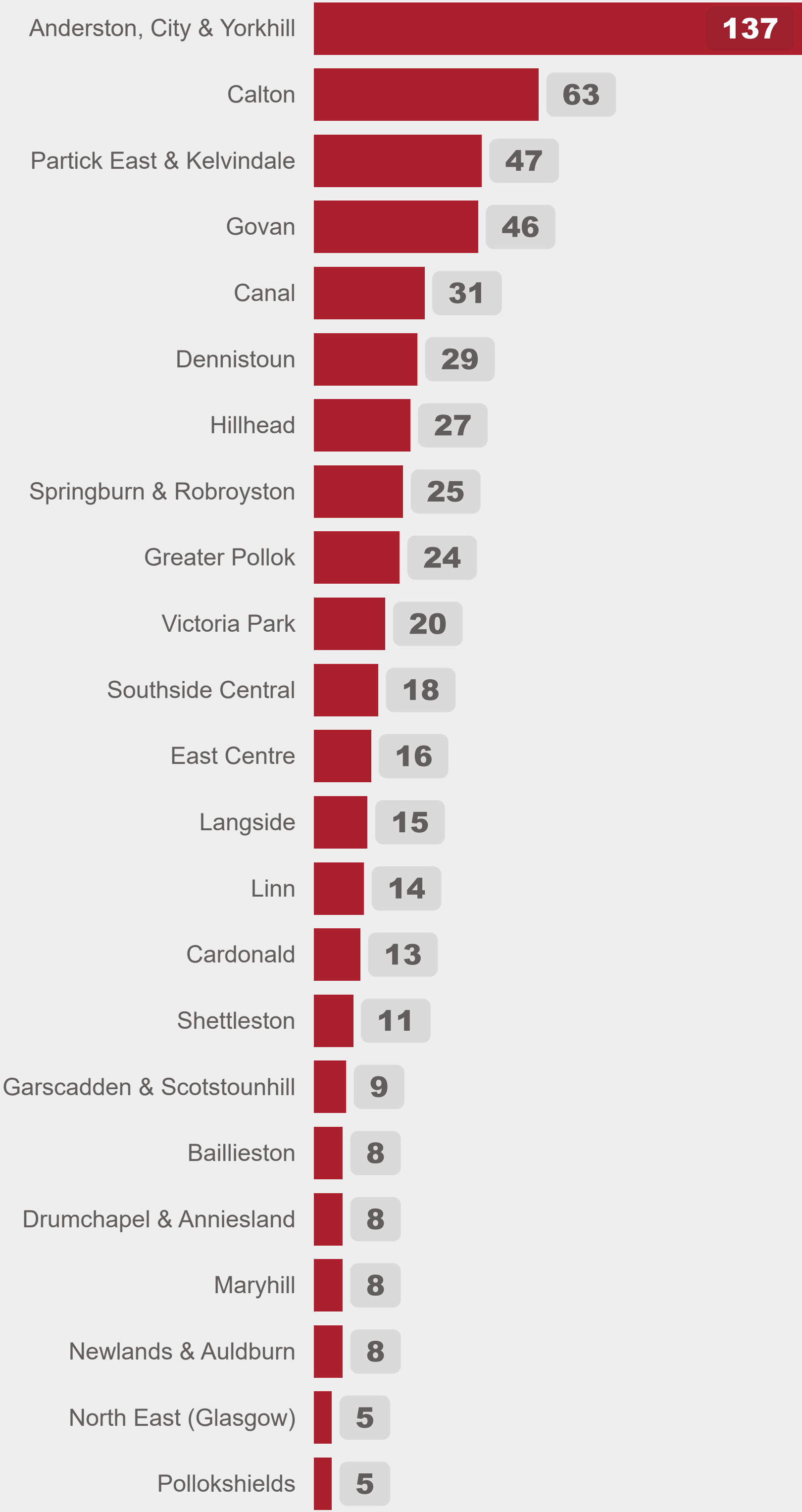
- Post-fire audits at relevant premises to identify contributing factors and ensure corrective actions are implemented.
- Routine fire safety audits to assess compliance with the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 and associated regulations.

These proactive measures help reduce risk, improve safety standards, and support businesses and organisations in maintaining safe environments for staff and the public.

Trend by Quarter (4 years)



Incidents by Ward



Top 15 Property Types

Property Type	Incidents
Residential Home	139
Hospitals and medical care	118
Student Hall of Residence	101
Hotel/motel	64
Hostel (e.g. for homeless people)	37
Sheltered Housing - not self contained	34
Boarding House/B&B for homeless/asylum seekers	19
Offices and call centres	12
Other Residential Home	11
Entertainment and culture	10
Education	8
Retail	6
Public admin, security and safety	4
Car Parks	3
Food and Drink	3
Religious	3
Transport buildings	3
Warehouses and bulk storage	3

587

Unwanted Fire Alarm
Signals in this period

During Quarter 2, the Glasgow LSO Area attended 587 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) across the city. The majority of these incidents occurred at care homes, hospitals and medical care facilities, and student halls of residence.

To address this, Operational Crews carry out regular Care Home visits to ensure fire safety standards are upheld and residents remain protected. In addition, operational intelligence visits are conducted at all hospitals within the Glasgow LSO Area to support risk reduction and improve response readiness.

The Community Action Team works in partnership with student accommodation providers to deliver targeted fire safety education, with a particular focus on safe cooking practices — a common cause of UFAS incidents in student residences.

Trend by Quarter (4 years)



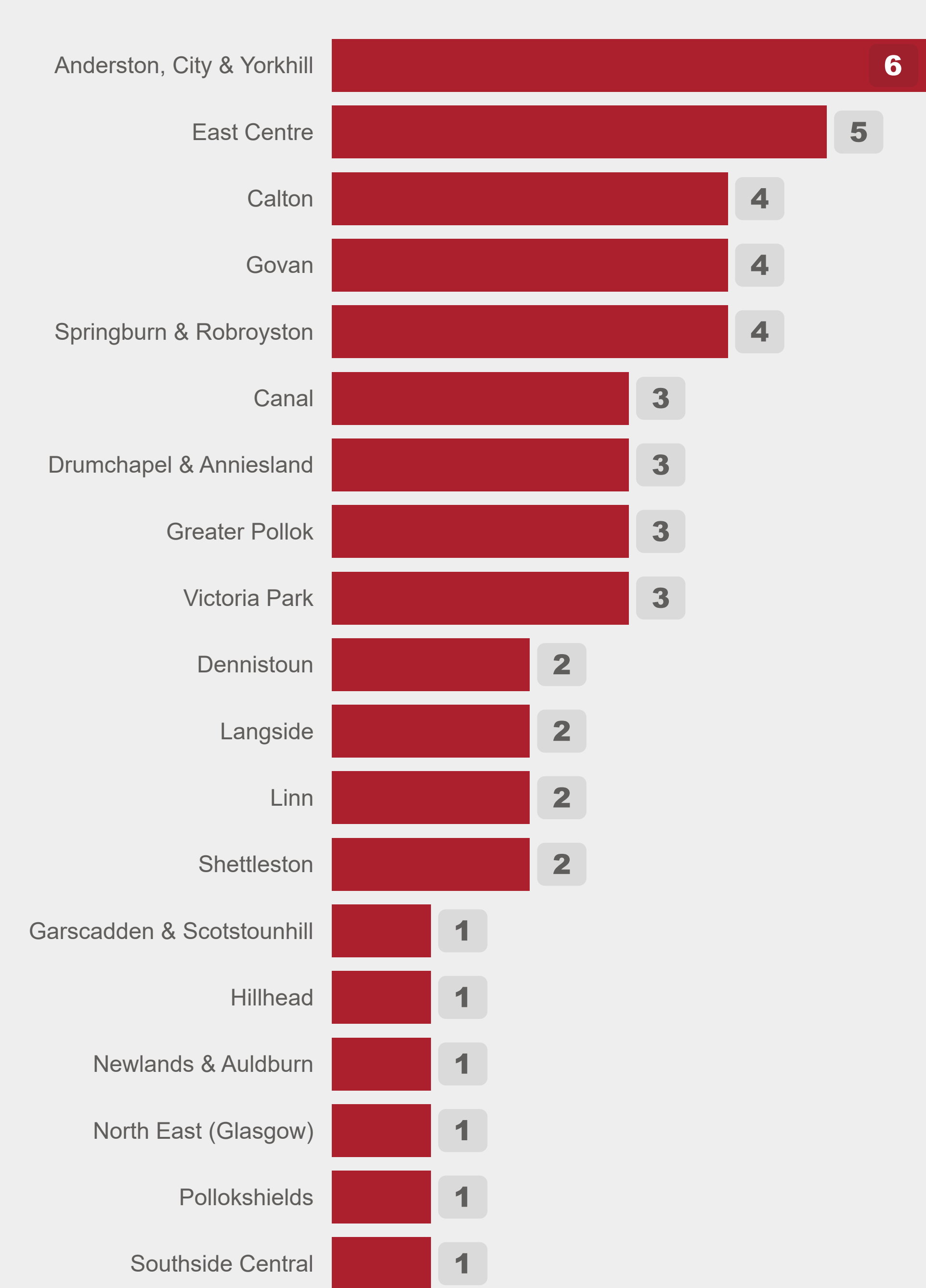
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Road Traffic Collisions in this period

Property Type	Incidents
Car	42
Lorry/HGV	3
Multiple Vehicles	2
Roadside vegetation	1
Van	1

Incident Type	Incidents
Vehicle (Non-fire)	46
Fire (Vehicle)	1
Inter-Agency	1
Other Non-Fire	1

Incidents by Ward



15

Non-Fatal Casualties

1

Fatal Casualties

7

People Rescued by Firefighters

Extent of Harm (Non-Fatal)



2

First Aid Given at Scene



11

Hospital Slight Injuries



2

Hospital Serious Injuries

During Quarter 2, crews within the Glasgow LSO Area attended 49 Road Traffic Collisions. These incidents resulted in: 15 non-fatal casualties, 1 fatal casualty, 7 individuals rescued by firefighters, 2 people given first aid at the scene, 2 individuals transported to hospital with serious injuries and 11 individuals attending hospital with slight injuries. These figures highlight the critical role of SFRS in responding to complex and often traumatic incidents on our roads. In addition to emergency response, SFRS continues to work in partnership with Police Scotland through the GO Glasgow Road Safety Partnership, delivering a joined-up approach to road safety education. Key actions include Community engagement events and Participation in targeted road safety campaigns. This collaborative approach aims to reduce road traffic incidents and promote safer driving behaviours across Glasgow.

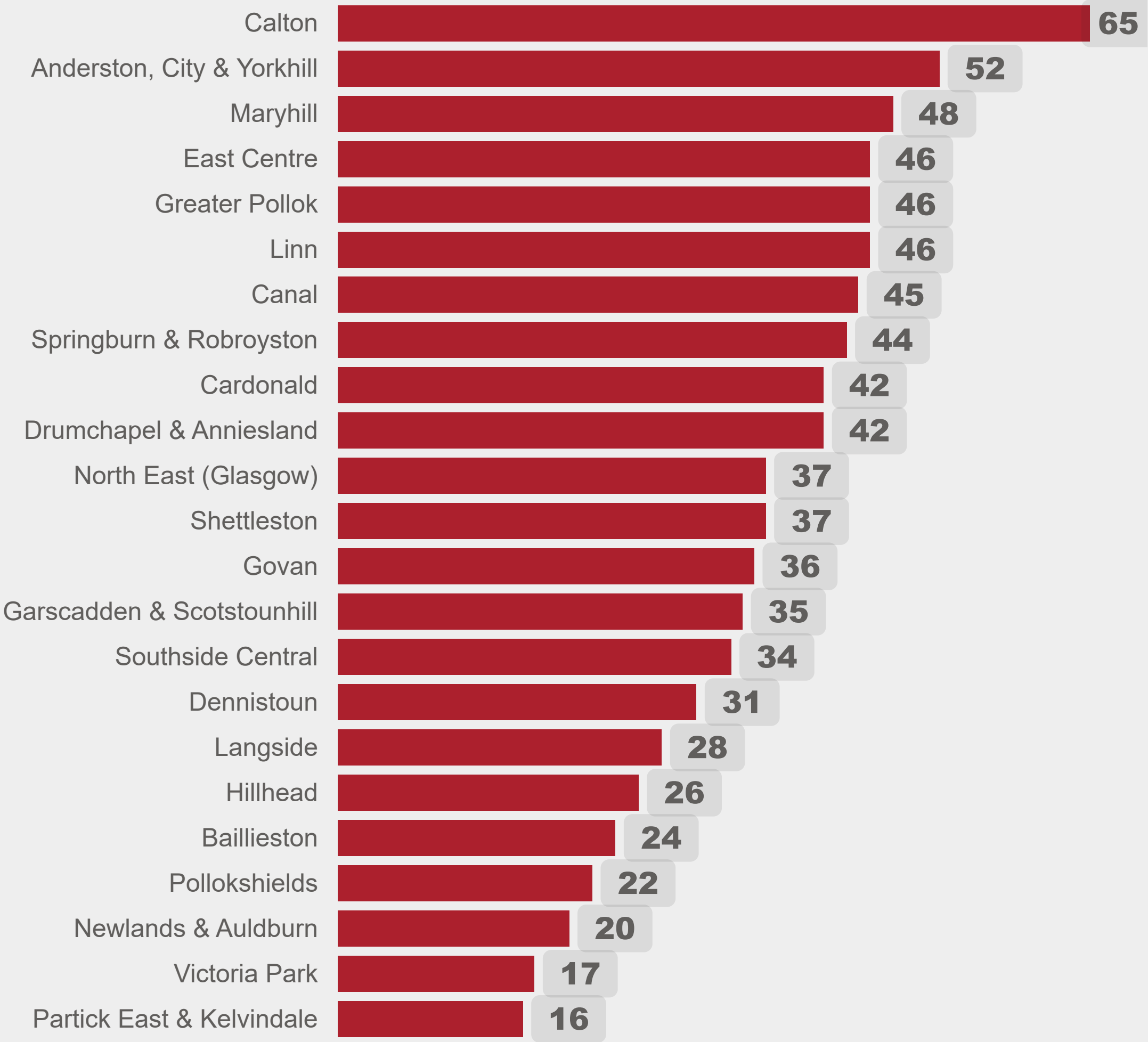
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Home Fire
Safety Visits

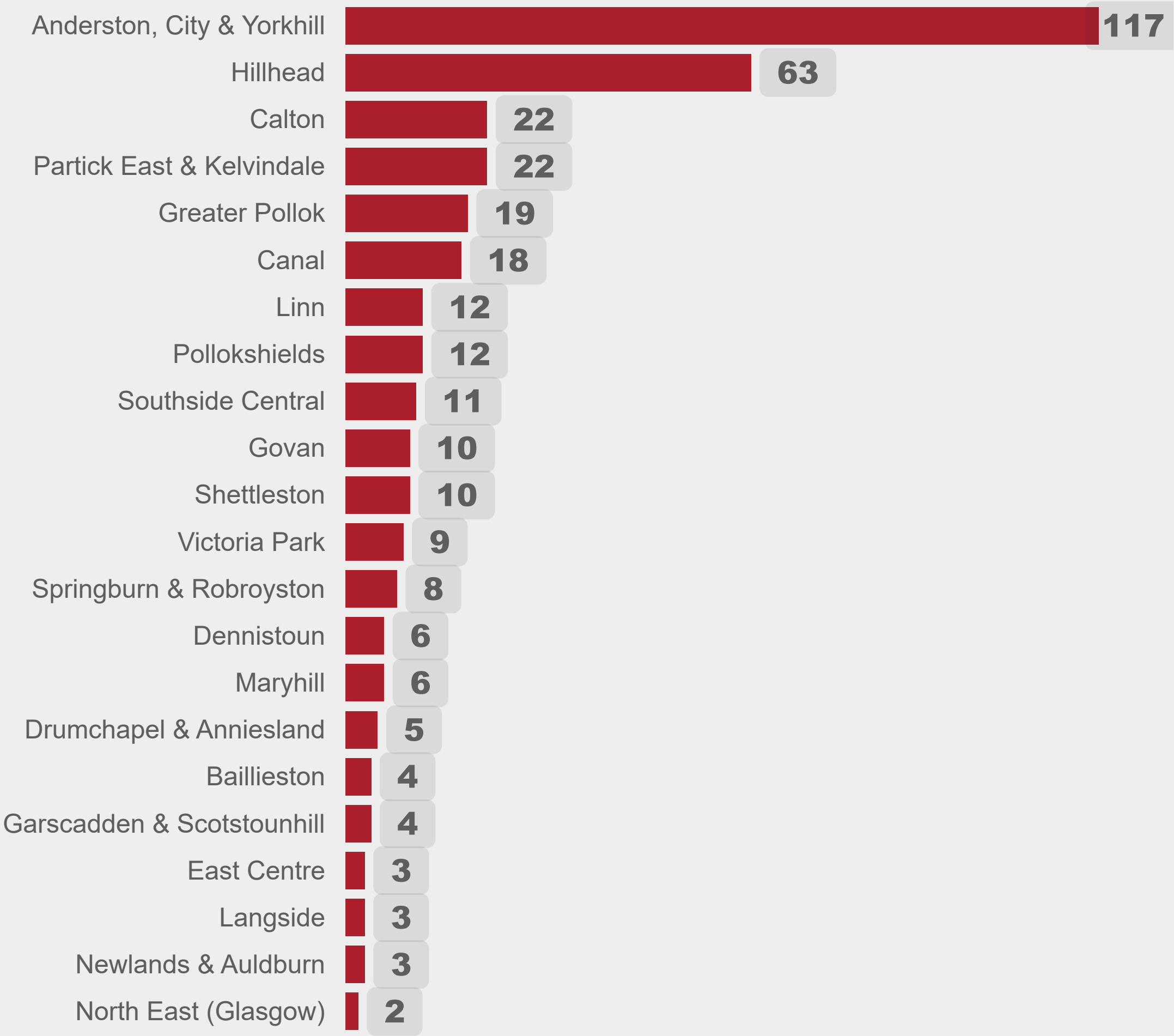
HFSVs by Ward



11. Fire Safety Enforcement

Job Type	Count
Audit	369
Consultation	44
Specific Visit	25
Short Post Fire Audit	5

Audits by Ward



As a result of a fire incident, originating within an electrical junction box of a national retailer (in Glasgow), as per procedure, a post-fire audit was conducted by City of Glasgow Protection Officers. During the audit, it was discovered that the Smoke and Heat Exhaust Ventilation Systems (SHEVS) on the premises were non-operational. Given the critical role of SHEVs in fire safety and their requirement in stores of such size (5000m2+), an enforcement notice was issued to the store by Glasgow Officers, mandating the reinstatement of the system. Under the potential for prosecution, SFRS now has a firm commitment from the retailer to reinstate decommissioned SHEVS across all its Scottish stores. Through proactive duty-holder engagement, partnership working, structured enforcement timelines and a strong focus on Firefighter safety, CoG Fire Safety Enforcement not only secured compliance at this specific store and all others in Glasgow, but also delivered a safety benchmark that benefits our Firefighters and the safety of the public across the country.

Glasgow LSO Area Water Safety Event – 26th July at Glasgow Green

On 26th July, Glasgow LSO Area successfully delivered a Water Safety Event at Glasgow Green in collaboration with key partners including the Glasgow Humane Society, Police Scotland, St John Ambulance Service, and Glasgow City Council. The event aimed to raise public awareness around water safety, particularly in relation to the River Clyde.

Members of the public received vital water safety advice from experts and had the opportunity to observe a live training display conducted by operational crews from Polmadie Fire Station. The demonstration showcased rescue techniques and highlighted the importance of coordinated emergency response in water-related incidents.

The event was well-attended and served as a valuable platform for community engagement, reinforcing the importance of safety around open water and the role of multi-agency collaboration in protecting lives.



Glasgow LSO Area – Station Open Days and Charity Car Washes

Throughout the Glasgow LSO Area, a series of Station Open Days and Charity Car Washes have been held, welcoming members of the public into local fire stations. These events have provided valuable opportunities to strengthen community relationships, promote fire safety awareness, and showcase the work of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Visitors received fire safety advice directly from crews and had the chance to engage with station personnel in a relaxed and informative setting. The initiative has not only enhanced public understanding of fire safety but also raised an impressive £15,000+ for charitable causes, reflecting the generosity and support of the local community.

These events continue to demonstrate the positive impact of community-focused engagement and the dedication of station teams across the area.



Risk Recognition Training

The Glasgow LSO Area continues to maintain strong partnerships with Housing Associations and Social Landlords to enhance community safety. As part of this collaborative approach, SFRS offers Risk Recognition Training to staff members from partner organisations who work closely with vulnerable and at-risk tenants.

The training is delivered at McGill House, Pollok Fire Station, and is designed to improve awareness of fire-related hazards within domestic settings. Each session typically runs from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and accommodates 6–10 participants. The course is provided free of charge, ensuring accessibility for all partner organisations.



Brew with a Crew

The Glasgow LSO Area has introduced the Brew with a Crew initiative to strengthen community engagement and provide support to individuals who may be socially isolated or experiencing hardship. This programme invites members of the local community to visit their local community fire station and share a tea or coffee with operational crews in a welcoming environment. Sessions are informal and visitors are encouraged to drop in, enjoy refreshments, and engage in conversation with crew members. Brew with a Crew addresses multiple community needs—reducing isolation, tackling poverty, and promoting resilience. It reflects the Glasgow LSO Area’s commitment to proactive engagement and community safety.



13. Glossary of Terms

Term - What it means

ADF

Accidental Dwelling Fire.

HFSV

Home Fire Safety Visit.

PDIR

Post Domestic Incident Response, a term used to indicate actions taken following attendance at a fire or other incident in the home. PDIRs include amongst things the offer of a free follow up home fire safety visit.

RTC

Road Traffic Collision.

Special Service

Calls to incidents which are not fires or false alarms such as RTCs, rescues, flooding, incidents involving hazardous materials or the provision of assistance to other agencies.

UFAS

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals. When an automatic fire detection and alarm system is activated as a result of anything other than an actual fire the activation is classed as a false alarm. If an attendance is made to such an event by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, then the event is recorded as an UFAS incident.

UFAS Policy Change

In response to COVID, on the 6th May 2020, the SFRS decided to send 1 pump to UFAS premises that did not have their own Predetermined attendance (PDA).

As of 1st July 2023, the COVID interim 1 pump response was ended and a new UFAS policy was implemented.

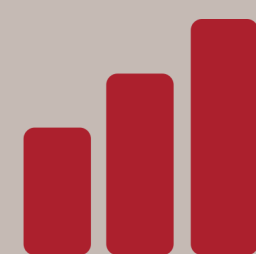
The new policy is to call challenge all UFAS incidents with the intention of non-attendance. Hospitals, care homes, and sleeping risk premises are all exempt and receive either 2 pumps or their premise specific PDA.



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