

Wausau Fire Department

2009 Annual Report



ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009

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WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Wausau Fire Department to provide rapid, professional emergency services.

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT GOALS

- ☐ ***Emergency Services Goal:*** Provide rapid, effective, and professional response to emergency situations.
 - ☐ ***Fire Prevention/Public Education Goal:*** Promote a safe environment in the Community by educating the public and identifying hazards.
 - ☐ ***Public Relations and Support Goal:*** Gain the support of the public and city government to provide sufficient funds for personnel, equipment, and programs.
 - ☐ ***Workplace and Human Relations Goal:*** Provide a physically and mentally healthy workplace based on trust, good communications, training, and teamwork.
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CITY OF WAUSAU CORE VALUES



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE CITY OF WAUSAU

**In response to our citizens, we will provide services
in the most effective and efficient manner
in order to promote and enhance
our living environment.**

Plan and encourage positive growth.

**Promote a positive community image
by encouraging citizen involvement
and civic pride.**

Service to Our Citizens

Employees

Supervisors

Departments Heads

Mayor

Council



Transforming Our Environment

City of Wausau Core Values

**Citizens
&
Employees**

Respect

Honesty

Professionalism

Responsibility/
Accountability

Integrity

Communication-
Forthright/Transparent

Compassion

Vision/Global Perspective

Stewardship of Resources

Compromise

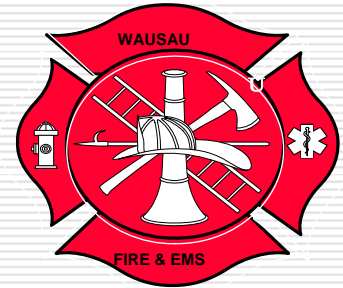
Safety



FOR THE GOOD OF ALL



WAUSAU FIRE & EMS PEER FOCUS GROUP



PURPOSE:

To improve our work environment through use of our core values.

VISION:

To be the place where:

All new recruits want to work.

All employees enjoy coming to work.

All are proud of their careers.

All strive to leave a positive legacy.

SCOPE:

Be open to discuss all issues without actual bargaining.

GROUP GUIDELINES:

Will not supercede contract.

Turn over to labor/management those issues that are appropriate for them to negotiate.

Be positive and maintain enthusiasm.

Post meeting summary and provide direct feedback to the individual(s) involved.

Respect, listen, work collectively, be forthright and transparent on all issues.

Encourage those who need help beyond our scope, to seek out the appropriate services, i.e. EAP.

Include our personnel and other departments, in our Peer Focus Group meeting, when necessary.

Learn to trust each other and maintain the confidentiality of the group.

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES:

Must have a minimum of 5 members to conduct a meeting; one must be a manager.

Initial term of members is at least two years, but this is open for review at anytime.

Keep minutes of each meeting. After review by group members, post on "O" drive and distribute to all fire department employees via email.

Post list of Peer Focus Group members.

Notify Tammy if you are not able to attend a scheduled meeting.

APPROACH / PROCESS:

Identify issues.

Prioritize.

Determine solutions and/or identify options.

Communicate.



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Gary Buchberger, Fire Chief

December 31, 2009

The Honorable Mayor of Wausau
Members of The Common Council
Members of The Police and Fire Commission
Citizens of Wausau

Re: Annual Report for 2009

It is with a great sense of accomplishment and pride that I present the annual report for the Wausau Fire Department. The value of this report cannot be underestimated because it represents the accomplishments of its men and women and it is based on the investment of resources and the encouragement of the Mayor, Common Council, and Police and Fire Commission of the City of Wausau.

We will continue to make every effort to improve and streamline the services we provide and we look forward to the challenges of the future. We are planning an ambitious year ahead as we continue to seek out improvements to serve our citizens better and in the most cost-effective manner.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Buchberger, Chief
Wausau Fire Department



James Tipple, Mayor

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RE: 2009 Training Annual Letter

The fire department provided a range of functional training in 2009 including competencies we haven't focused on in the past. In May, with the assistance of Marathon County Emergency Management, the fire department played a major role in a large scale, mass casualty exercise that included responses from multidisciplinary and multi-jurisdictional agencies. We provided the initial fire and emergency medical response to the incident and activated our Hazardous Materials Regional Response Team as well. The exercise provided realistic training that also allowed us to work within the Marathon County Emergency Response Plan with the activation of the Emergency Operations Center.

Throughout the year, Northcentral Technical College and Nicolet Technical College also provided training. Besides refreshers in confined space, hazardous materials, and defensive driving, they also provided training in radiation emergency response and emergency responder survival seminar in confrontational situations. We funded the coursework in hazardous materials and confined space by pursuing and obtaining grants through the State of Wisconsin Department of Emergency Management

With the end of 2009, while it is acknowledged that training is being conducted, an opportunity for improving our training program exists. The Department should pursue the appointment of a training manager who will be responsible for the design, development, and oversight of a training program that meets our organizational goals and objectives. This assignment should be high priority in 2010 and funded accordingly.

Respectfully Submitted,

Philip Rentmeester, Deputy Chief
Wausau Fire Department

TRAINING ANALYSIS BY CATEGORY

Category	Classes	% of Classes	Attendees	% of Attendees	Hours	%of Hours
Administrative Conference	11	1.48%	14	.38%	49	.74%
Administrative Training	5	.67%	8	.21%	44	.67%
Computer	13	1.75%	66	1.79%	111.34	1.69%
Documentation	12	1.62%	66	1.79%	90.45	1.38%
Maps and Street Review	1	.13%	2	.05%	3	.04%
Policies & Procedures	9	1.21%	59	1.60%	100.11	1.52%
Aerial Operations	24	3.24%	120	3.26%	189.49	2.89%
Ambulance Operations	2	.275	5	.13%	3.35	.05%
Brush Truck Operations	5	.67%	26	.70%	24	.36%
Engine Operations	63	8.51%	264	7.18%	410.05	6.24%
Rescue 1 Operations	9	1.21%	28	.76%	40.45	.62%
Tanker Operations	12	1.62%	64	1.74%	100.45	1.53%
Power Equipment on Vehicles	7	.94%	28	.76%	32	.48%
EMS Instructor	2	.27%	4	.10%	27	.41%
ACLS Refresher	4	.54%	15	.40%	26	.39%
EMS Conferences	15	2.02%	22	.59%	31.15	.47%
EMS continuing Education	47	6.35%	289	7.86%	433.31	6.60%
CPR Refresher	4	.54%	6	.16%	8.15	.12%
Infection Control	9	1.21%	41	1.11%	43.45	.6%
Pediatric Advanced Life Support	5	.67%	27	.73%	196.30	2.99%
EMT Basic Refresher	1	.13%	4	.10%	1	.01%
HIPPA	4	.54%	51	1.38%	51	.77%
Quality Assurance	1	.13%	2	.05%	2.30	.03%
Skill and Equipment Review	11	1.48%	43	1.17%	65.19	.99%
Building Construction	33	.40%	7	.19%	6.15	.09%
Fire Communications	2	.27%	9	.24%	8.45	.13%
Fire Fighter Fundamental Skills	13	1.75%	62	1.68%	84.05	1.28%
Fire Behavior	16	2.16%	91	2.47%	113.06	1.72%
Sprinklers	1	.13%	5	.13%	8.45	.13%
Water Supply	2	.27%	9	.24%	11.45	.17%
Fire Fighter Training	13	1.75%	17	.46%	51	.77%
Forcible Entry	3	.40%	18	.48%	17	.25%

TRAINING ANALYSIS BY CATEGORY

Continued....

Category	Classes	% of Classes	Attendees	% of Attendees	Hours	%of Hours
EVOC Defensive Driving	6	.81%	66	1.79%	170.57	2.60%
Hose and Fire Streams	29	3.91%	143	3.89%	175.33	2.67%
Ladders	16	2.16%	68	1.85%	76.15	1.16%
Mayday	4	.54%	14	.38%	9	.13%
RIT	14	1.89%	62	1.68%	75.45	1.15%
Salvage and Overhaul	2	.27%	10	.27%	8	.12%
Search and Rescue	3	.40%	11	.29%	13	.19%
Ventilation	12	1.62%	78	2.12%	120.30	1.83%
Instructional Techniques	2	.27%	8	.21%	5.30	.08%
Preplans	22	2.97%	120	3.26%	114.10	1.73%
Fire Officer Certification Courses	2	.27%	4	.10%	26.30	.40%
Hazmat Certification Courses	6	.81%	30	.81%	202.30	3.08%
Hazmat Conferences	5	.67%	5	.13%	8	.12%
Characteristics of Haz Mat	10	1.35%	39	1.06%	23.04	.35%
Command and Control	2	.27%	2	.05%	15.30	.23%
Decontamination	12	1.62%	97	2.63%	87.30	1.33%
Fixed Facilities	1	.13%	1	.02%	.45	.01%
Identification of Haz Mat	13	.40%	10	.27%	13	.19%
CAMEO	3	.40%	4	.10%	14.45	.22%
Instrumentation	27	3.64%	141	3.83%	154.46	2.35%
Refresher Operations	1	.13%	14	.38%	91	1.38%
Refresher Technician	6	.81%	43	1.17%	228.15	3.47%
Hazmat Information Resources	2	.27%	2	.05%	15	.22%
Hazmat Scenario	2	.27%	23	.62%	82.15	1.25%
Decon and Command Vehicle	1	.13%	12	.32%	36	.54%
Transportation	8	1.08%	45	1.22%	66.15	1.00%
Incident Command	20	2.70%	41	1.11%	225	3.42%
Inspection Code Training	10	1.35%	28	.76%	48.45	.74%
Origin and Cause Investigation	16	2.16%	27	.73%	63	.95%
Inspection Principles In-service	1	.13%	16	.43%	16	.24%
Public Education	2	.27%	6	.16%	14.15	.21%
UDC-HVAC	1	.13%	2	.05%	12	.18%

TRAINING ANALYSIS BY CATEGORY

Continued....

Category	Classes	% of Classes	Attendees	% of Attendees	Hours	%of Hours
UST/AST Inspector	2	.27%	4	.10%	33	.50%
Fire Intervention Training	5	.67%	8	.21%	51	.77%
New Equipment	6	.81%	37	1.00%	30.16	.46%
New Procedure	1	.13%	2	.05%	2	.03%
Protective Clothing & Equipment	6	.81%	52	1.41%	70.22	1.07%
Confined Space	8	1.08%	77	2.09%	228	3.47%
Radiological Response	7	.94%	67	1.82%	198.45	3.02%
Extrication	8	1.08%	59	.160%	144.15	2.19%
Rescue Training	4	.54%	59	1.60%	95.15	1.45%
High Angle / High Level Rescue	15	2.02%	94	2.55%	144.15	2.19%
Ice / Water Rescue	18	2.43%	159	4.32%	279.09	4.25%
SCBA duties	6	.81%%	24	.65%	17.18	.26%
SCBA Inspection, Care, Maint	1	.13%	4	.10%	6	.09%
SCBA Training Scenarios	1	.13%	6	.16%	10.30	.15%
Donning / Doffing	7	.94%	30	.81%	22.30	.34%
Safety Training	5	.67%	33	.89%	27	.41%
Firefighter Safety	20	2.70%	81	2.20%	63.27	.96%
Electricity	1	.13%	5	.13%	5	.07%
Other Hazard Training	7	.94%	60	1.63%	341.45	5.20%
Tactics	8	1.08%	53	1.44%	70.30	1.07%
Workplace Safety	14	1.89%	55	1.49%	25.16	.38%
Wellness Training	2	.27%	14	.38%	39	.59%
EAP Training	5	.67%	29	.78%	34.10	.52%
TOTAL	777 Classes		3,6,56 Attendees		6,337.34 Hours	



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RE: 2009 Inspections Annual Letter

The year 2009, was a very good year for the Wausau Fire Department's Inspection Bureau. All commercial inspections were completed in a timely manner. Voluntary code compliance from our local business community was excellent. The City of Wausau Fire Department completed inspections on all known commercial underground and aboveground tanks within our jurisdiction per our contract with the State of Wisconsin Division of Commerce. We continue to protect our ground water, our citizens, and our fire fighters with annual inspections of these facilities.

Our School Fire Prevention Programs were reviewed and updated for this year. The big change for 2009 was to spend the month of October going to each school for the day, and making the classes more uniform in content. These programs build upon one another from one grade level to the succeeding grade level. This update required more line crew involvement and our programs were well received by the teachers and children.

Inspection compliance and fire prevention programs have proven to be valuable tools in preventing fire tragedies. These programs involve educating the public so that people will always be inspired to make fire safe decisions during the normal course of their lives. The programs teach the public to take specific and controlled action when a fire emergency occurs. Knowing the proper action to take during an emergency, reduces panic, and enhances the boundaries of fire safety for everyone. Our Goal is to make this year, a safer year than last, through the power of fire education and prevention.

2009 brought confirmation that new initiatives in the area of residential sprinkler installation will remain in our building and fire codes. This code movement will insure the installation of residential sprinkler systems in all new homes. Our work in this area is not yet complete. While adoption of residential fire sprinkler requirements in our major building and fire codes is a positive move towards the eradication of fire losses for both life and property, there is still much to accomplish to insure that these highly anticipated improvements to public safety become reality. The next step in implementing these vastly improved fire safety standards is getting them adopted..... un-amended at both the state and local level. Residential fire sprinklers will save property, help to reduce residential fire deaths, decrease the number of firefighter injuries and fatalities, and decrease the cost of our premiums for home fire insurance.

Finally, The Inspection Bureau would like to say "Thank You" to Mayor James Tipple and Fire Chief Gary Buchberger for their valuable and continued support. The support of our city leaders allows the Inspection Bureau to forge ahead in completing our inspection and fire prevention goals year after year. The Inspection Bureau hopes to continue and build upon this movement so that our great city will continue to prosper and grow.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald D. Omernick, Fire Marshal
Wausau Fire Department

CITY OF WAUSAU

James Tipple, Mayor
William Forrest, Council President

WAUSAU COMMON COUNCIL

JAMES ROSENBERG

First Aldermanic District

DEBRA HADLEY

Second Aldermanic District

WILLIAM FORREST

Third Aldermanic District

JIM BREZINSKI

Fourth Aldermanic District

GARY GISSELMAN

Fifth Aldermanic District

GARY KLINGBEIL

Sixth Aldermanic District



LISA RASMUSSEN

Seventh Aldermanic District

TOM MILLER

Eighth Aldermanic District

MATTHEW J KAISER

Ninth Aldermanic District

VACANT

Tenth Aldermanic District

SHERRY ABITZ

Eleventh Aldermanic District

ED GALE

Twelfth Aldermanic District

WAUSAU POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION

William Graef, Chair (4/14)

Laurin Jorstad, Commissioner (4/10)

Tony Patterson, Commissioner (4/11)

Dennis Huntimer, Commissioner (4/12)

Cheryl Bahr, Commissioner (4/13)

WAUSAU FIRE FIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION LOCAL 415



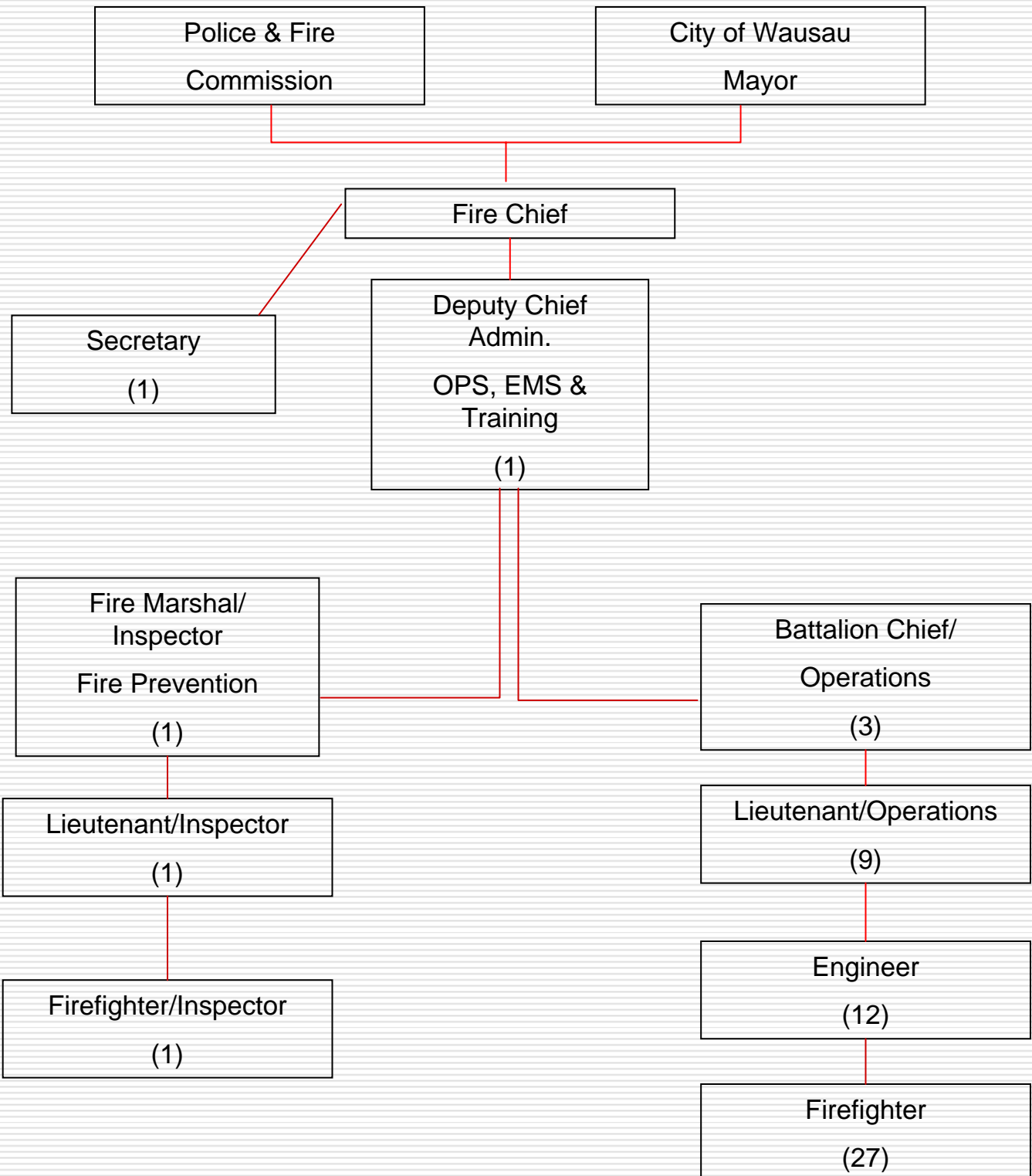
Theodore Tautges, President

Jeremy Kopp, Vice-President

Steven Bahr, Secretary/Treasurer

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



FINANCIAL REPORT

2009

2009 Budget – Actual*

Organization	Personnel	Operating	Outlay	Total
Administration	\$341,242	\$57,680	\$0	\$398,922
Maintenance	\$0	\$116,320	\$0	\$116,320
Inspection	\$288,786	\$10,000	\$1,000	\$299,786
Firefighting	\$2,476,378	\$10,800	\$18,500	\$2,505,678
Ambulance	\$2,361,927	\$274,927	\$1,200	\$2,638,054
Training	\$74,331	\$14,750	\$0	\$89,081
Total	\$5,542,664	\$484,477	\$20,700	\$6,047,841

2009 Revenues Collected*

Administration = \$91,019.74

Ambulance = \$1,315,349.03

*Unaudited Balances as of 12/31/09

Total = \$1,406,368.77



WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT 2009 ROSTER

Dept. Employee	Rank	Yrs of Service	Training
Gary Buchberger	Fire Chief	11	A
Philip Rentmeester	Deputy Chief	11	A,C,F,H,J,P,T,U,Z
Thomas Leslie	Battalion Chief	27	A,H,J,N, P,T,U,Z
Douglas Beula	Battalion Chief	23	A,H,J,P,T,U,W,Z
Mark Krueger	Battalion Chief	20	A,H,K,M,N,O,P,T,Z
Tammy Hicks	Conf. Admin. Spec.	17	C,D
Ronald Omernick	Fire Marshal	23	A,E,J,V,X
David DeSantis	Lieutenant/Inspector	10	E,H,K,P,V,X
Jeremy Kopp	Firefighter/Inspector	5	E,J,X
Thomas Pooch	Lieutenant	27	H,J,P,T,U
Paul Czarapata	Lieutenant	21	K,P,T,Z,AA
Raymond Yeager	Lieutenant	21	J,P,T
Douglas Flory	Lieutenant	23	J,P,S,T,U
Steven Bahr	Lieutenant	14	K,M,N,P,T
David Sanft	Lieutenant	24	J,P,T
Wallace Olson	Lieutenant	20	H,K,N,P,T
Mitchel King	Lieutenant	18	J,K,P,T,W
Jeffery Strouf	MPO	24	J,P,S,T,U
Thomas Gipp	Engineer	23	J,P,T
Michael Hrdina	Engineer	20	J,P,T
Christopher Kainz	Engineer	20	J,P,T,AB
Gordon Mortensen	Engineer	20	H,K,M,N,T,P,AB
Clark Reetz	MPO	19	J,Q,T
Patrick Moucha	Lieutenant	19	H,J,P,T
Kevin Hicks	MPO	19	H,J,P,Q,T
Michael Tulisaari	Engineer	18	K,T,Z
Theodore Tautges	Engineer	16	I,L,P,S,T,Y
Keith Cortright	Engineer	16	H,L,P,T
Christopher Barber	Engineer	15	K,Q,T,S
Gary Lech	Engineer	15	K,P,S,T,Z
Allan Antolik	Firefighter	14	L,P,T
Andrew Adrian	Firefighter	14	K,P,T
William Resch	Firefighter	14	L,P,T
Guy Skidmore	Firefighter	13	J,P,T
James Whitehead	Firefighter	13	H,L,P,T
Robert Rode	Firefighter	13	J,T

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT 2009 ROSTER

...Continued

Dept. Employee	Rank	Yrs of Service	Training
Thomas Hanke	Firefighter	13	L,N,P,T
Steven Robers	Firefighter	12	L,P,T,U
Mark Tautges	Firefighter	12	H,I,L,P,T,Y
Kurt Riel	Firefighter	12	I,L,P,T,Y
Paula Moylan	Firefighter	12	L,P,T
Jennifer Sharpe	Firefighter	12	L,P,T
Robert Buss	Firefighter	10	J,P,T
Michael Faehling	Firefighter	10	H,L,P,T
Michael Herdina	Firefighter	10	L,P,T
Scott Habeck	Firefighter	10	H,L,P,T
Brian Stahl	Firefighter	9	H,L,P,T
Chad Eberle	Firefighter	8	L,P,T
Brad Ludwig	Firefighter	6	L,N,P
Jared Thompson	Firefighter	6	L,P
Kraig Kruzan	Firefighter	6	L,P
Michael Becker	Firefighter	5	L,P
Hyden Prausa	Firefighter	4	L,P
Marlon Marks	Firefighter	4	L
Nicholas Gehring	Firefighter	3	L
Lucas DeBroux	Firefighter	3	L
Jamie Mudell	Firefighter	2	L
Shawn Gehring	Firefighter	2	L
Charles Prinz	Firefighter	1	L
Jamie Geise	Firefighter		L

Ambulance and Training: Personnel drawn from other organizations within the department

**=Indicates organizations where personnel serve in dual roles*

KEY

A = Administration / B = Training / C = Purchasing / D = Inventory / E = Fire & Arson Investigation /
 F = Contingency Planning / H = Cameo (Computer Assist. Mngt. Of Emergency Operations Specialist) /
 I = Emergency Medical Services Coordinator / J = Emergency Medical Technician - Basic /
 K = Emergency Medical Technician – IV Tech / L = Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic /
 M = Emergency Medical Technician – Instructor / N = CPR Instructor / O = Hazardous Materials Team Coordinator /
 P = Hazardous Materials Team Member / Q = Air Quality & Breathing Apparatus / S = Rapid Water & Ice Rescue /
 T = Confined Space Rescue / U = High Level Rescue / V = Certified Underground Tank / W = Protective Clothing /
 X = Children's Fire Safety House / Y = EMS Quality Assurance Program / Z = Fire Service Instructor /
 AA = Hazardous Materials Instructor / AB = Hazardous Materials Instrumentation

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL OCCURRENCES

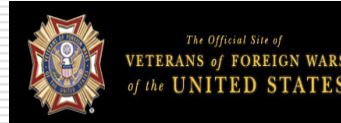
Deaths - Active Firefighters:	0	
Deaths - Retired Personnel:	Neil Flory	11-3-09
Retirements:	0	
Resignations:	0	
New Employees:	Jamie Geise	8-10-09
Promotions:	Patrick Moucha MPO to Lt	3-19-09
	Theodore Tautges FF to Eng	4-8-2009
 Years of Service		
	Mark Krueger	20 years
	Wally Olson	20 years
	Michael Hrdina	20 years
	Christopher Kainz	20 years
	Gordon Mortensen	20 years
	Christopher Barber	15 years
	Gary Lech	15 years
	Robert Buss	10 years
	Michael Faehling	10 years
	Michael Herdina	10 years
	Scott Habeck	10 years

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS



Rick Schults

**REAL
HEROES**



**VFW
Americanism
Award**



Emergency Response Hero

EMPLOYEE LEAVE

Time lost due to Family/Medical Leave – 4,165.25 hours

Time lost due to on-duty injuries – 730 hours

Time lost due to sickness – 3,500.63 hours

Catastrophic leave - 0

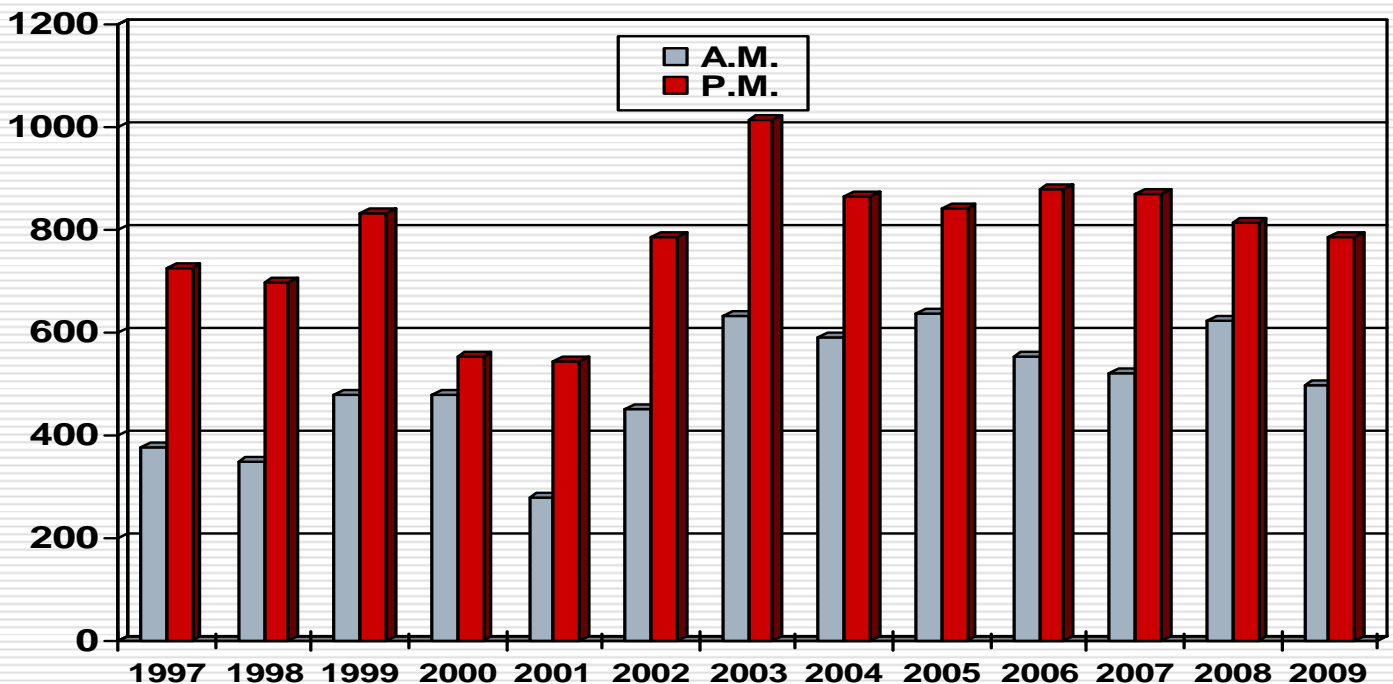
WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT

YEARLY FIRE RESPONSE

COMPARISON CHART

1996-2009

<u>Year</u>	<u>A.M.</u>	<u>P.M.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1997	375	726	1,101
1998	349	696	1,045
1999	480	831	1,311
2000	265	555	820
2001	281	543	824
2002	452	786	1,238
2003	633	1015	1,648
2004	591	864	1,455
2005	636	842	1,478
2006	555	878	1,433
2007	523	870	1,393
2008	625	812	1,437
2009	497	788	1,285



CITY OF WAUSAU FIRE RESPONSE BY INCIDENT TYPE

Fire	
Fire, Other	10
Building fire	25
Cooking fire confined to container	5
Chimney or flue fire confined to chimney	1
Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire	3
Passenger vehicle fire	10
Road freight or transport vehicle fire	1
Water vehicle fire	1
Forest, woods or wildland fire	2
Brush or brush and grass mixture fire	2
Grass fire	1
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	11
Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	3
Outside stationary compactor	1
Overpressure Rupture, Explosion	
Excessive heat, scorch burns no fire	1
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	
Rescue, EMS incident, other	13
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	538
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident w/injuries	8
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	64
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident	3
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	30
Search for person in water	1
Extrication, rescue, other	2
Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	12
Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	1
Water & ice related rescue	1
Watercraft rescue	1
Trapped by power lines	1
Rescue or EMS standby	1
Hazardous Conditions	
Hazardous conditions, other	7
Combustible/flammable gas/liquid condition	1
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	7
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	5
Oil or other combustible liquid spill	4
Chemical spill or leak	1
Carbon monoxide incident	18
Electrical wiring/equipment problem	1
Heat from short circuit (wiring)	2
Overheated motor	1
Power line down	1

CITY OF WAUSAU FIRE RESPONSE BY INCIDENT TYPE

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Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	4
Vehicle accident, general cleanup	2
Service Calls	
Service call, other	41
Lock-out	15
Water problem, other	2
Water evacuation	1
Water or steam leak	1
Smoke or odor removal	17
Animal problem	3
Animal rescue	3
Assist police or other governmental agency	1
Assist invalid	1
Unauthorized burning	4
Cover assignment, standby, move-up	18
Good Intent Calls	
Good intent call	16
Dispatched & cancelled en route	80
No incident found on arrival at dispatch	2
Authorized controlled burning	1
Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke	2
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	5
Smoke from barbecue, tar kettle	2
Hazmat release investigation w/no hazmat	2
False alarm & False Call	
False alarm or false call, other	44
Malicious, mischievous false call	6
Municipal alarm system malicious false	1
Local alarm system, malicious false alarm	6
System malfunction	13
Sprinkler activation due to malfunction	7
Smoke detector activation due malfunction	9
Heat detector activation due to malfunction	2
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	20
CO detector activation due to malfunction	9
Unintentional transmission of alarm	11
Extinguishing system activation	2
Smoke detector activation, no fire	25
Detector activation, no fire	21
Alarm system activation, no fire	26
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	4
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	
Lightning strike no fire	1
Total	1,235

TOWNSHIP FIRE RESPONSES

WITH INCIDENT TYPE

Township	2006	2007	2008	2009
Athens	0	0	1	0
Berlin	2	2	5	1
Brokaw	3	3	4	0
Easton	0	0	0	1
Hewitt	3	1	6	1
Maine	17	10	2	13
Rib Mountain	5	2	2	0
Schofield	0	0	1	0
Stettin	0	2	13	3
Texas	10	10	10	6
Wausau, Twn	16	9	10	11
Weston, Twn	0	0	0	1
Weston, Village	20	38	32	12
Total	76	77	86	49

Building fire	8
Carbon monoxide incident	1
Dispatched & cancelled en route	19
Extrication of victim (s) from vehicle	2
Extrication of victim (s) from machinery	1
Fire, other	1
Fire in mobile home used as fixed residence	1
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	5
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	5
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	2
Outside storage fire	1
Rescue or EMS standby	2
Smoke detector activation, no fire	1
Total	49

WAUSAU AREA TANKER FIRE RESPONSES

TOWNSHIP

Berlin – 1/15/09
5220 Naugart Drive
Provide tanker support for garage fire

12/09/09
14361 State Highway 107
Provide tanker support for structure fire

Maine - 2/01/09
13495 N 12th Avenue
Provide tanker support for structure fire

7/29/09
1805 Burek Avenue
Provide tanker support for structure fire

Texas – 2/13/09
T714 Jefferson Road
Tanker called off en-route

5/29/09
7988 County Road W
Provide tanker support for structure fire

Wausau – 5/21/09
2309 E Wausau Avenue
Dispatched for tanker assist, canceled en-route

MUTUAL AID RECEIVED

Rib Mountain Fire Department	4	Weston Fire Department	4
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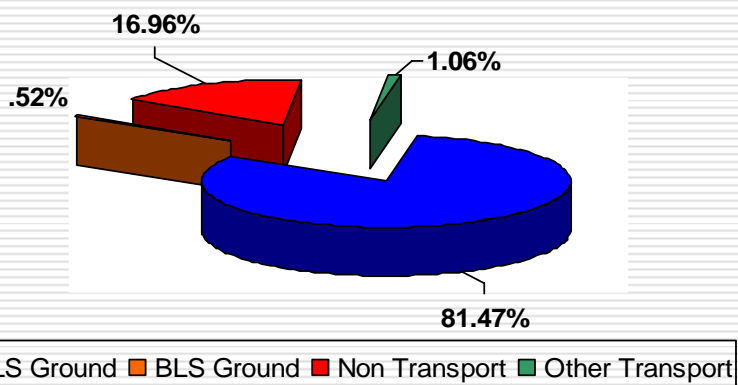
MUTUAL AID GIVEN

Town of Berlin –	1	Wausau Township Fire Department -	4
Hewitt Volunteer Fire Department –	1	Texas Volunteer Fire Department -	4
Maine Township Fire Department –	5	Weston Fire Department –	8

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Request for E. M. S.	4,074
Total Patient Transports	3,383
City of Wausau Runs	3,827
Township Runs	247
Emergency-Lights & Siren	2,758
Non-Emergency-No Lights & Siren	1,276
Initial Emergency-Downgraded	31
Initial Non-Emergency-Upgraded	6
Not Applicable/Recorded	3
WFD Mutual Aid Ambulance Requests (Weston = 6 / Rib Mountain = 13)	3

EMS LEVEL OF CARE



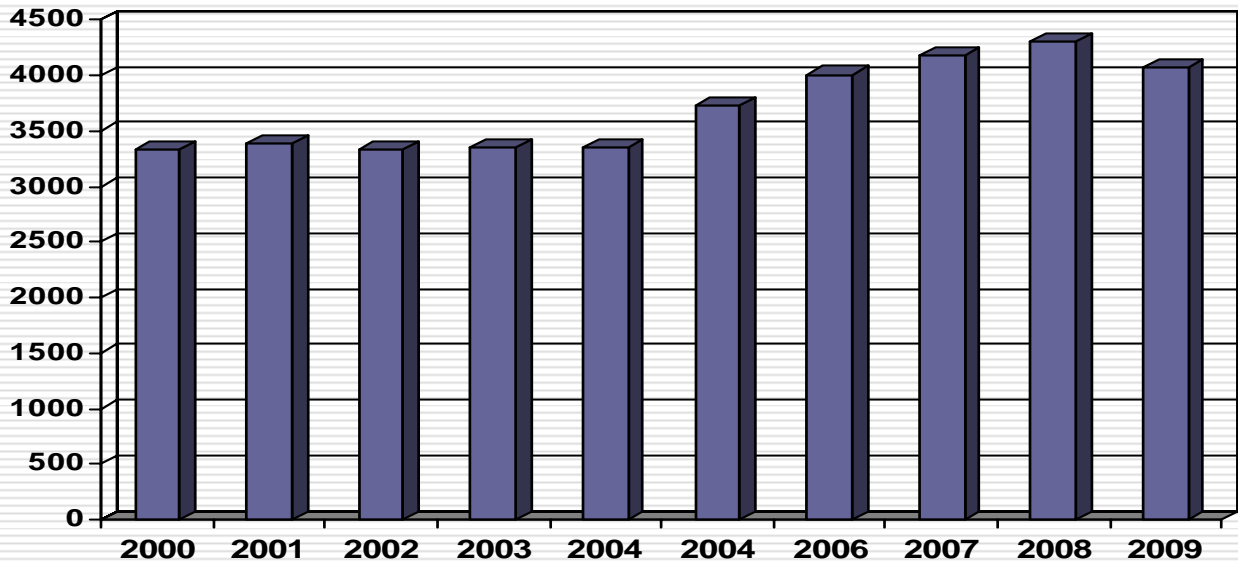
Level of Care	# of Runs	Percentage
ALS Ground Transport	3,319	81.47%
BLS Ground Transport	21	.52%
Non Transport	691	16.96%
Other Transport	43	1.06%

CONTRACTED RESPONSE TERRITORY AND POPULATION

City of Wausau	19.2 square miles	40,080
Berlin, Town of	34.7 square miles	965
Brokaw, Village of	1.2 square miles	182
Hewitt, Town of	43.5 square miles	613
Maine, Town of	42.6 square miles	2,452
Texas, Town of	44.9 square miles	1,761
Wausau, Town of	32.5 square miles	2,255

WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT AMBULANCE CALLS FOR SERVICE 2000 THROUGH 2009

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Responses	3,335	3,387	3,329	3,350	3,565	3,734	4,003	4,185	4,617	4,074

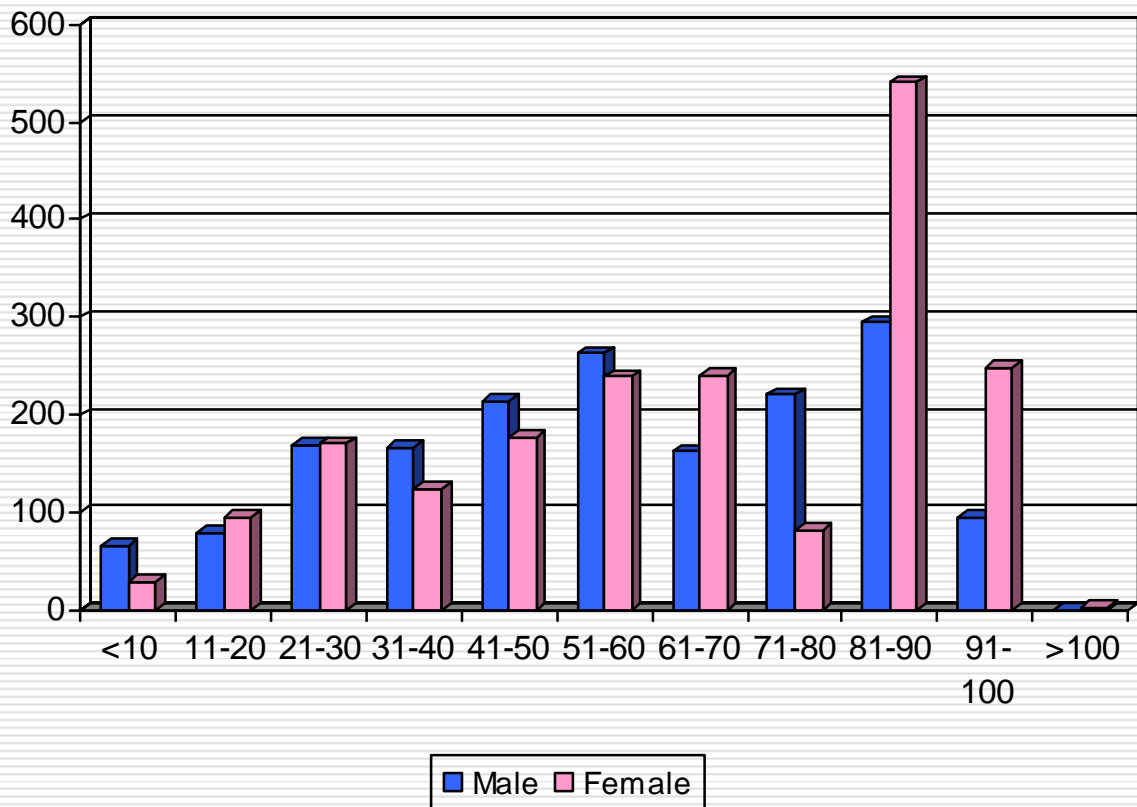


10 YEAR AMBULANCE CALLS FOR SERVICE BY MONTH

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Tot	% of Chg
2000	293	265	276	268	293	284	289	297	286	244	248	292	3,335	0
2001	280	266	280	251	286	285	272	312	286	291	282	296	3,387	1.54
2002	270	252	284	303	273	267	297	338	261	272	237	275	3,329	-1.74
2003	279	256	301	269	264	301	284	282	271	258	265	320	3,350	.63
2004	305	252	294	276	285	281	306	280	340	334	297	315	3,565	6.03
2005	330	287	316	284	277	309	331	348	282	339	294	337	3,734	4.53
2006	320	316	292	302	348	358	331	358	336	332	332	378	4,003	6.72
2007	376	314	381	342	359	337	384	348	338	327	317	362	4,185	4.35
2008	390	404	418	387	406	407	361	380	350	384	352	378	4,617	9.36
2009	377	329	356	291	324	336	317	397	343	353	319	331	4,074	-13.36
Total	3,220	2,941	3,198	2,973	3,115	3,165	3,172	3,340	3,093	3,093	2,943	3,284	37,579	

AMBULANCE PATIENT CONTACT RESPONSES BY AGE

Age	<10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80	81-90	91-100	>100	Total
Male	67	79	169	167	215	263	163	221	295	95	0	1,734
Female	29	95	171	125	178	239	241	82	540	249	3	1,952
Unk	5	2	1	0	0	2	3	3	0	2	0	18
Total	101	176	341	292	393	504	407	306	835	346	3	3,904

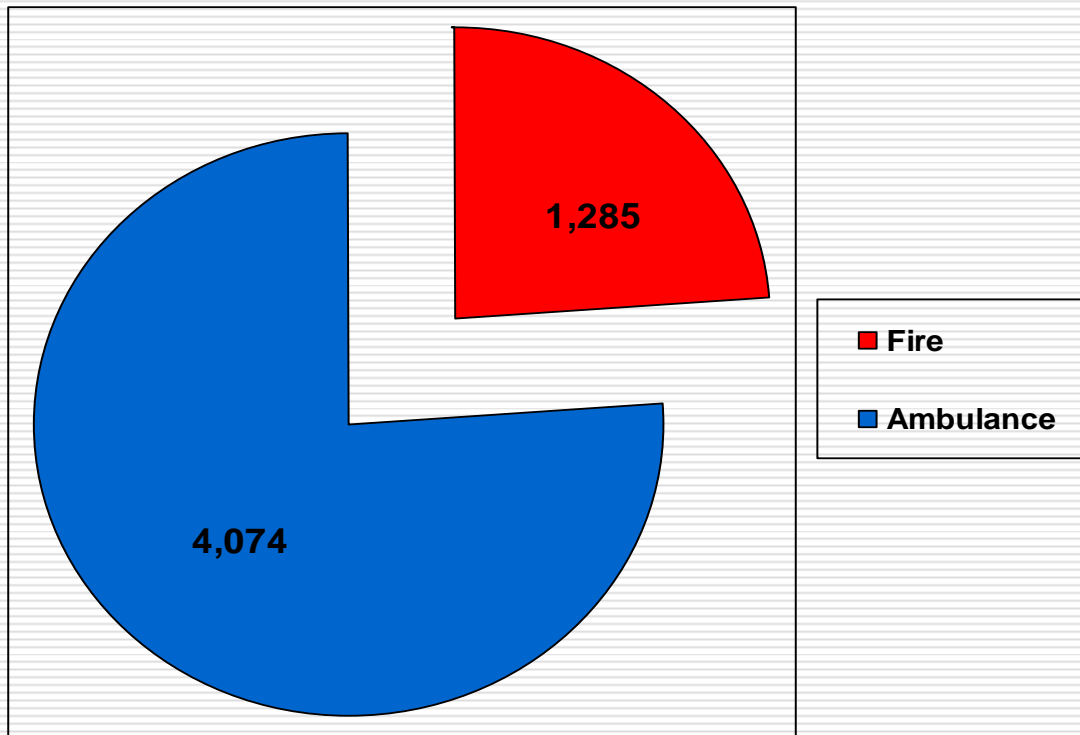


TOWNSHIP AMBULANCE RESPONSES 2000 THROUGH 2009

Township	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Berlin	10	15	12	14	19	15	21	18	37	14
Brokaw	13	13	13	11	10	10	2	5	41	11
Cassel				1						
Easton			3	2	3		2	2		1
Edgar	1			2	1			1		1
Elderon					1					
Hamburg	1		1	3	1				2	
Harris							1			
Hatley				1	1					
Hewitt	10	4	7	14	9	5	12	19	23	19
Kronenwetter					3					
Maine	92	88	89	56	79	85	92	68	60	72
Marathon	1		1	1						
Merrill		1								1
Mosinee	1			4	14		6			
Plover	2									
Rib Falls	2								1	
Rib Mountain		3	1	5	7		3	2	6	1
Rothschild				2	3					
Ringle					1					
Schofield		1		1	1		1			
Stettin	8	3	1	6				2	3	
Texas	41	46	44	44	48	34	41	48	60	69
Tomahawk	1									
Wausau,Twn	52	49	57	66	67	42	54	53	74	57
Weston		2		2	3		7		6	1
Total	235	225	234	235	274	191	246	229	313	247

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

FIRE vs AMBULANCE CALLS



Fire	1,285
Ambulance	4,074



FIRE INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Inspection Type	#Inspections	#Violations
Furnace / Wood burner	2	0
License	11	0
Liquid Petroleum Gas	3	1
Fireworks	6	1
Commercial	3,910	896
Special	5	0
Total Inspections	3,951	898

Fire / Arson Investigations	14
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PETROLEUM TANK INSPECTIONS

Activity	UST	AST
Permit	48	60
Installation	0	5
Orders Written	18	20
Ind Tank Plans Reviewed/Approved	1	2
Tank Closure	3	7
Total Inspection Activities	70	94

FIRE INSURANCE PREMIUM DUES

The State of Wisconsin Department of Commerce pays the City of Wausau 2% of insurance premiums paid for fire insurance. These payments help reimburse the City of commercial inspections completed which are mandated by the State of Wisconsin.

Year	Amount	Tank Inspection Payments	
1999	\$57,569.03	2000	\$8,372.78
2000	\$55,025.06	2001	\$15,450.26
2001	\$58,035.64	2002	\$13,584.26
2002	\$63,064.75	2003	\$10,506.00
2003	\$74,412.75	2004	\$10,336.83
2004	\$78,874.94	2005	\$9,970.30
2005	\$78,176.89	2006	\$12,092.00
2006	\$81,778.01	2007	\$11,133.00
2007	\$74,885.26	2008	\$11,996.00
2008	\$73,630.00	2009	\$7,779.00
2009	\$80,251.63		

FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAMS

New this year the Wausau Fire Department dedicated the month of October for Fire Prevention by spending an entire day going into each school to present Fire Prevention Programs to every classroom. With the help of department personnel and Red Cross Americorps Member, Adam Brzezinski as Sparky, we were able to reach 3,495 children from 17 schools and child care centers. Programs distributed were:

"Sparky" for the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten

"Sparky's Greatest Escape" for 1st Grade

"Smoke Detectives" for 2nd Grade

"How to Prevent Home Fires" for 3rd Grade

"Fire Power" for 4th Grade

"Survive! Fire in Your Home" for 5th Grade

The Fire Safety House Program was also presented to each 1st, 3rd, and 5th Grade class.



WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS



Wausau Fire Department MDA Ride Fundraiser was held again this year by Andy Adrian May 22nd thru 24th. With almost 1,000 motorcyclists registered, they were able to donate \$44,000 to Muscular Dystrophy.

On June 13th, 10 Wausau Fire Department personnel, along with 2 Merrill Firefighters went up against players from the Green Bay Packers in a softball game at Athletic Park. With the exception of one bad inning where the Packers scored 10 runs, the Firefighters held a great steady game. The score ended up 13-4.



Wausau Fire Department participated in St Baldrick's on April 5th at the Stoney Creek Inn. Forty firefighters participated and raised \$15,512 (total amount raised at the event was \$43,000). Those who could not make the event had the opportunity to have their heads shaved at Central Fire Department. Amy Pflugshaupt from WSAW Channel 7 was on hand to film *Live at 5*.



WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS



"The City Café". Members of the Fire Department, along with other City employees, teamed up to create an inviting atmosphere for the City Council Retreat conducted May 21, 2009. The fire department cooked homemade chicken noodle soup, as well as brownies and cookies for dessert.



Fire Department personnel participated in numerous city parades such as Labor Day, United Way, Memorial, and Holiday.

Wausau Fire Department employees participated in the annual Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign Bell Ringing at County Market. The amount raised for the days of December 15th, 16th, and 17th was \$1,453.82.



On December 15th, Wausau Fire and Police Departments teamed up with Sy-Am Restaurant in a fundraising effort making and selling egg rolls for the Neighbor's Place Food Pantry. A total of \$500.00 was donated.