



RFS

Rural Fire Service at a Glance

INFORMATION ABOUT THE RURAL FIRE SERVICE

AS AT 30 JUNE 2024



The NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) is the world's largest volunteer fire service. Our members provide fire and emergency services to approximately 95% of NSW. RFS members attend a range of incidents and activities including

- Bush and grass fires
- House and structure fires
- Storm damage
- Search and rescue
- Motor vehicle accidents
- Community education
- Bush fire mitigation

The responsibilities of the RFS are set out under the *Rural Fires Act 1997*

Our Vision and Mission

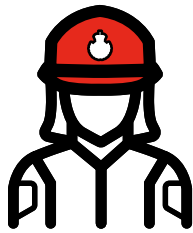
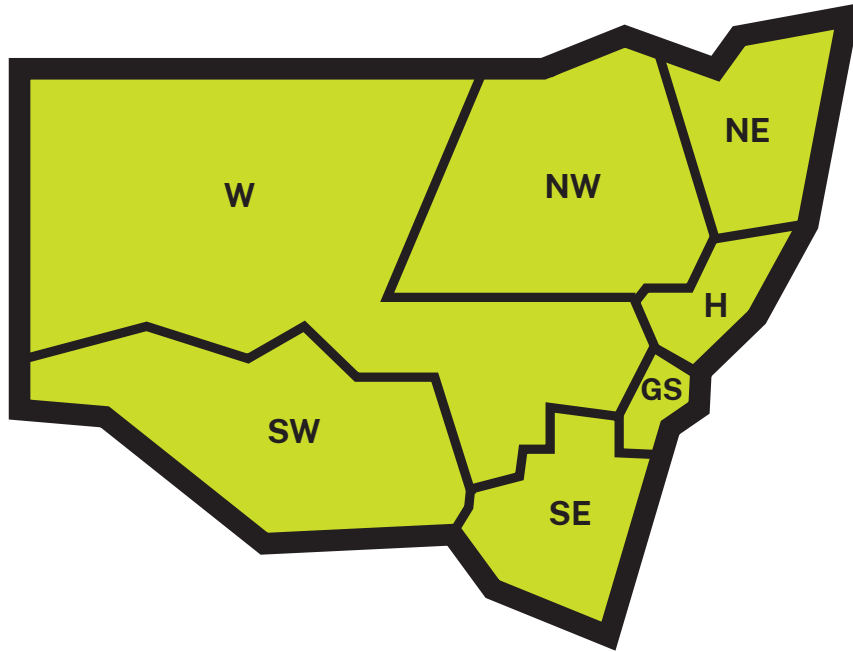
To provide a world standard of excellence in the provision of a volunteer-based community fire and emergency service.

To protect the community and our environment we will minimise the impact of fire and other emergencies by providing the highest standards of training, community education, prevention and operational capability.

Our Values

- mutual respect
- adaptability and resourcefulness
- one team, many players, one purpose
- integrity and trust
- support, friendship, camaraderie
- community and environment
- knowledge and learning

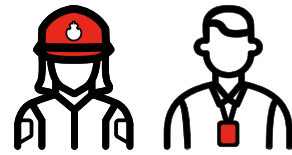
RFS Overview



VOLUNTEERS
70,948



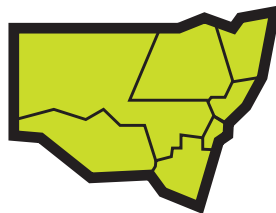
STAFF
1,447



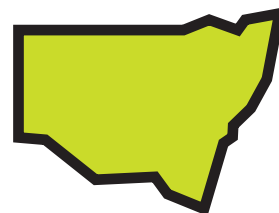
APPROXIMATELY
65%
OF RFS STAFF ARE ALSO
RFS VOLUNTEERS



BRIGADES
1,982



**AREA
COMMANDS**
7

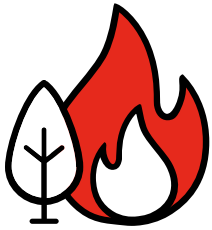


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DISTRICTS**
43

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TOTAL INCIDENTS WE ATTENDED

34,432



BUSH/GRASS FIRES

9,596



STRUCTURE FIRES

1,543



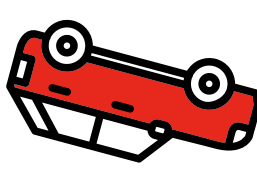
FLOODS AND STORMS

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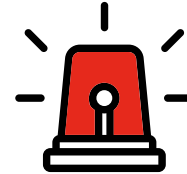
MOTOR VEHICLE FIRES

2,232



MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

5,631



ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES

2,963

TOTAL OPERATIONAL VEHICLES, BOATS AND AIRCRAFT

6,261



FIREFIGHTING APPLIANCES

4,015



AIRCRAFT

11



MARINE CRAFT

34



BULK WATERCARRIERS

41



SUPPORT VEHICLES

2,190