

Prescott Dispatch Center



2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Participating Agencies

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - Colorado River Agency
 - Fort Yuma Agency
 - Western Regional Office
- Bureau of Land Management
 - Colorado River District
 - Phoenix District
 - Arizona State Office
- United States Fish & Wildlife Service
 - Bill Williams National Wildlife Refuge
 - Cibola National Wildlife Refuge
 - Havasu National Wildlife Refuge
 - Imperial National Wildlife Refuge
 - Kofa National Wildlife Refuge
- United States Forest Service
 - Prescott National Forest

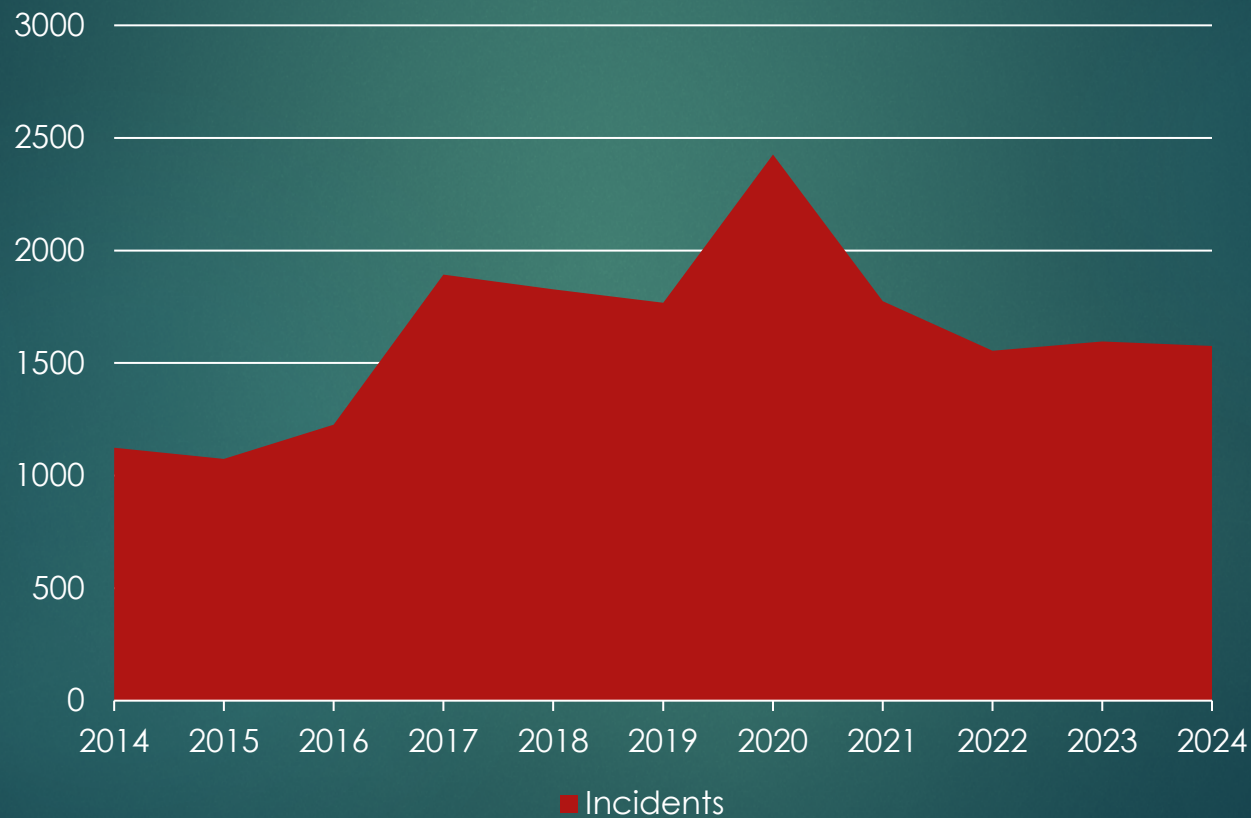
WildCAD Incident History

- 2014: 1,124
- 2015: 1,074
- 2016: 1,226
- 2017: 1,893
- 2018: 1,828
- 2019: 1,768
- 2020: 2,426
- 2021: 1,677
- 2022: 1,555
- 2023: 1,596

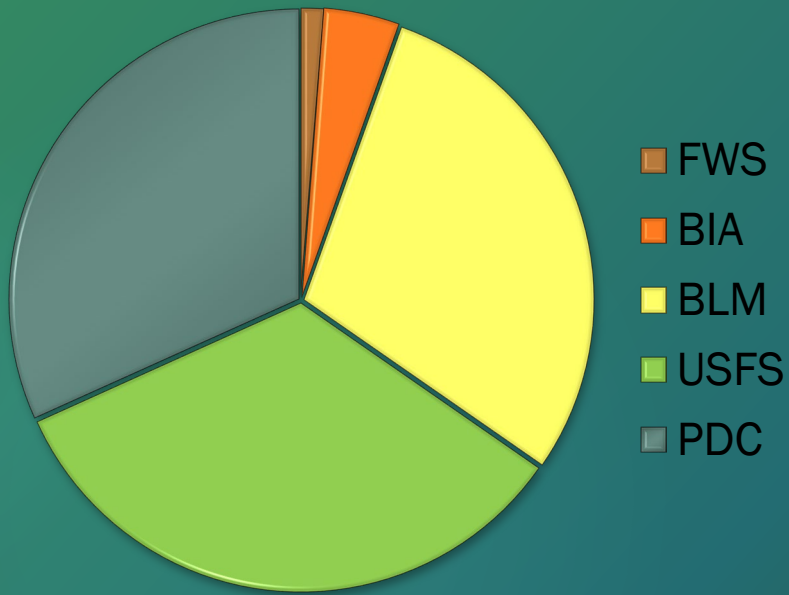
2024: 1,510 Incidents

- Majority of incidents between April and September: **1,277**
- Over the calendar year, average number of incidents per day: **4**

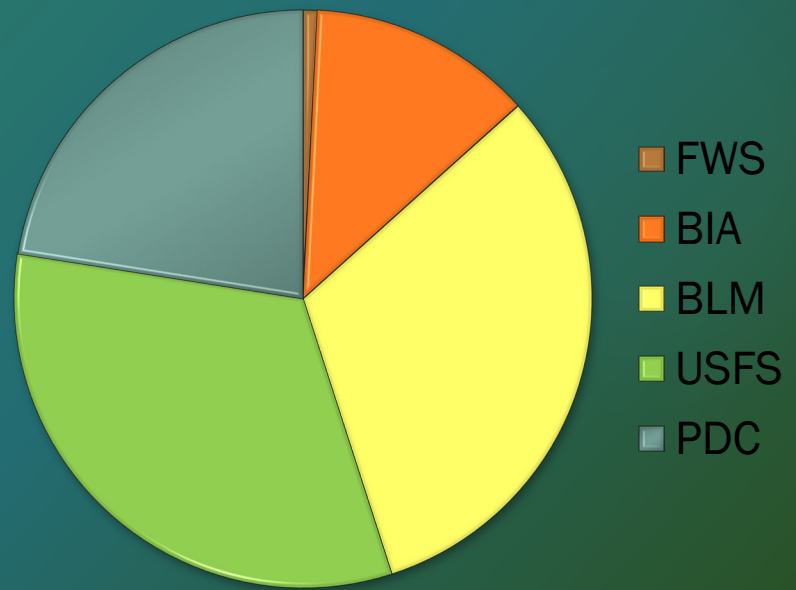
PDC Incidents per Year



2024 Incidents by Agency



All Incident Types



Wildfires & Smoke Checks

WildCAD Incident Types

Fire Related:

- Wildfire
- Non-Statistical
- False Alarm
- Prescribed Fire
- Smoke Check
- Vehicle Fire
- Agency Assist

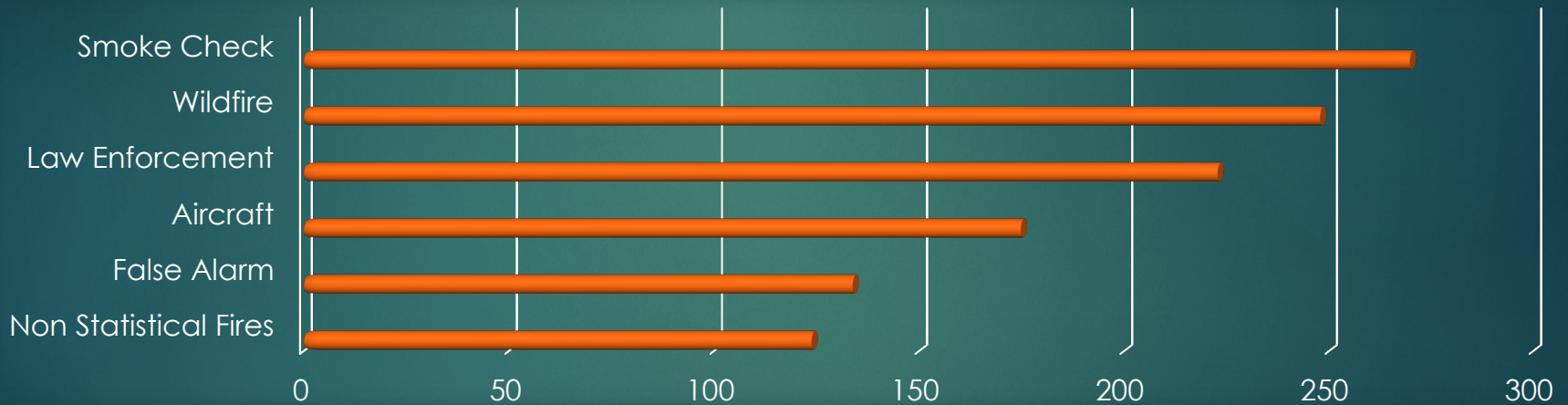
Smoke Check Sub Types:

- Report Only – No Action
- Relay to Neighbor

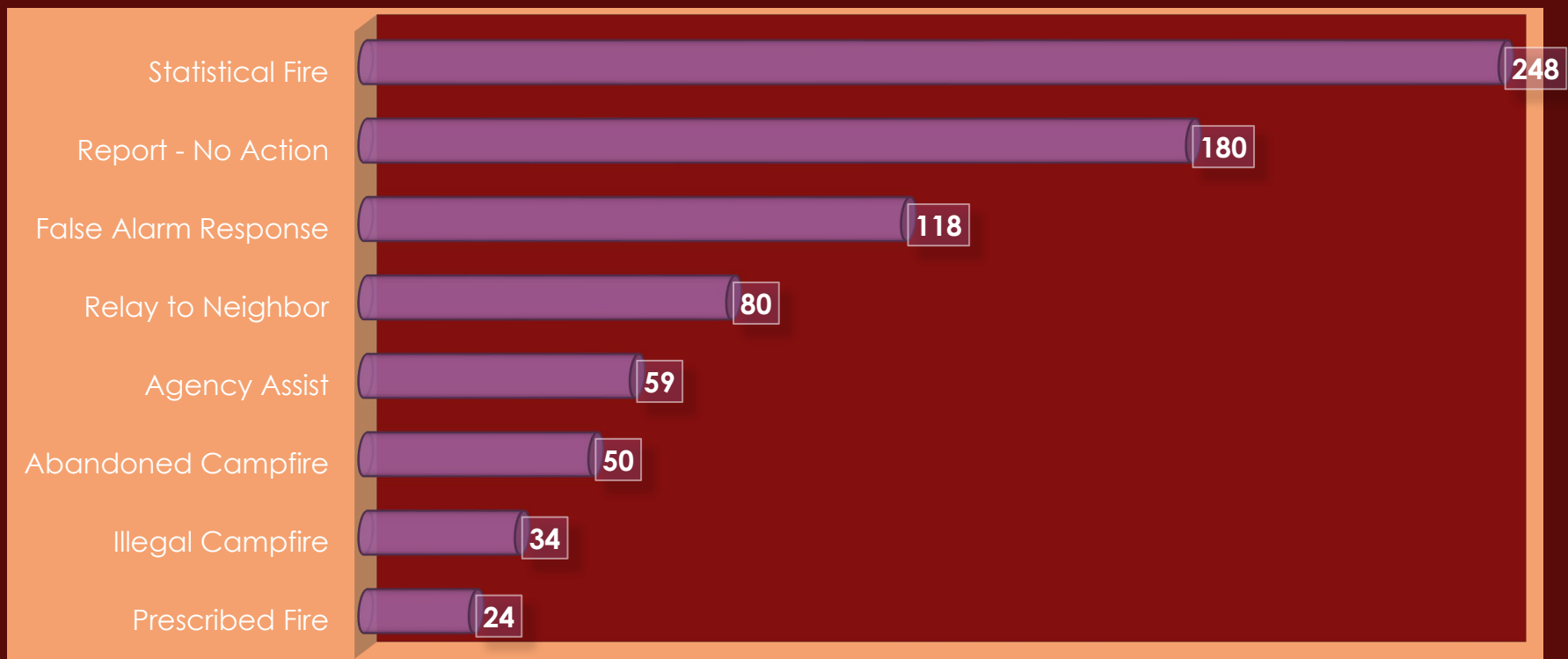
Non-Fire Related:

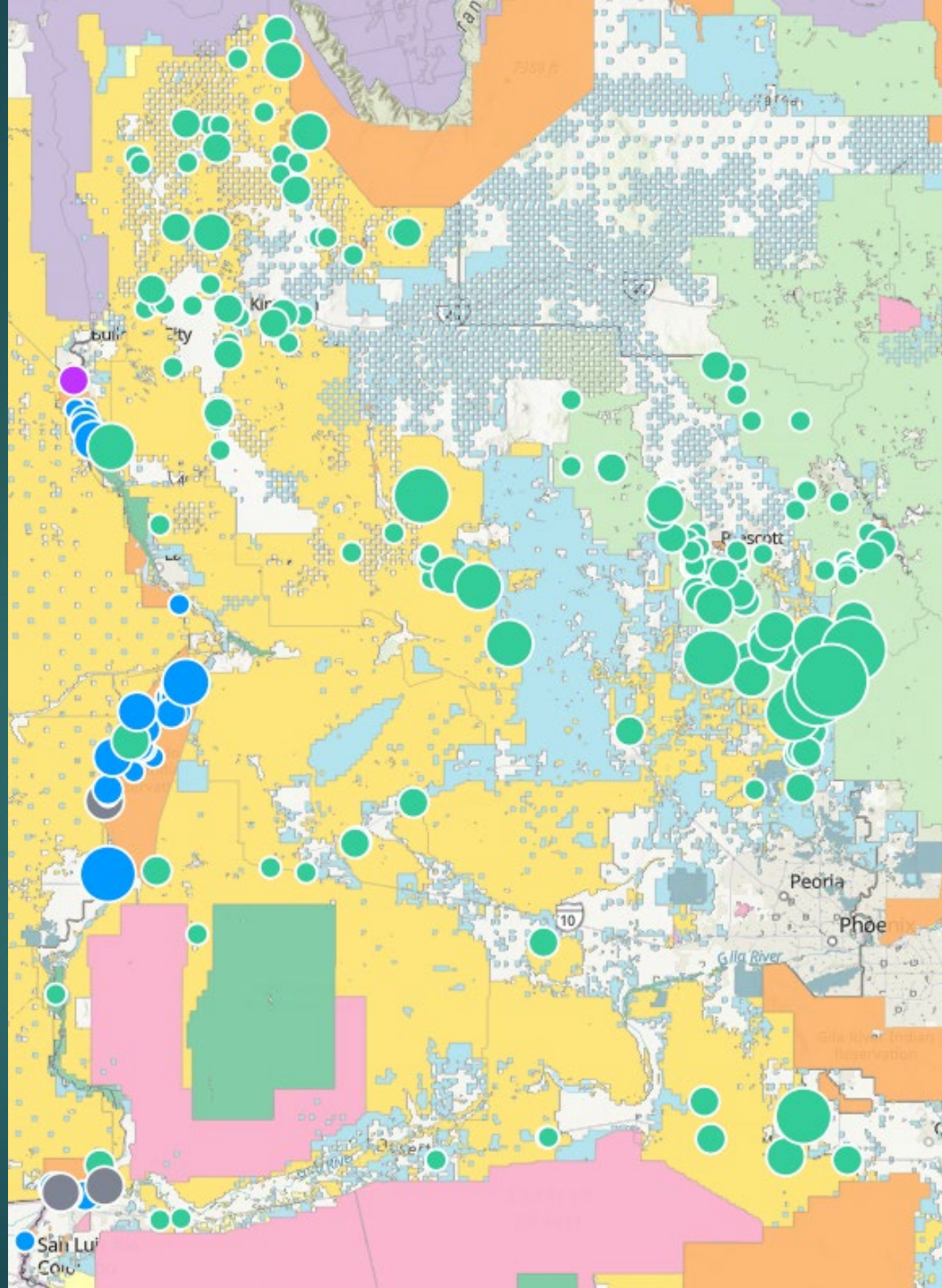
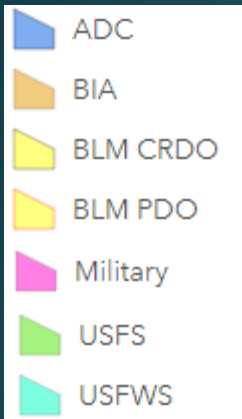
- Law Enforcement
- Smoke Check
- Resource Order
- Public Assist
- Emergency Standby
- Search & Rescue
- Aircraft
- Medical
- Hazmat
- Traffic Collision
- Miscellaneous

2024 Top Incident Types by Quantity



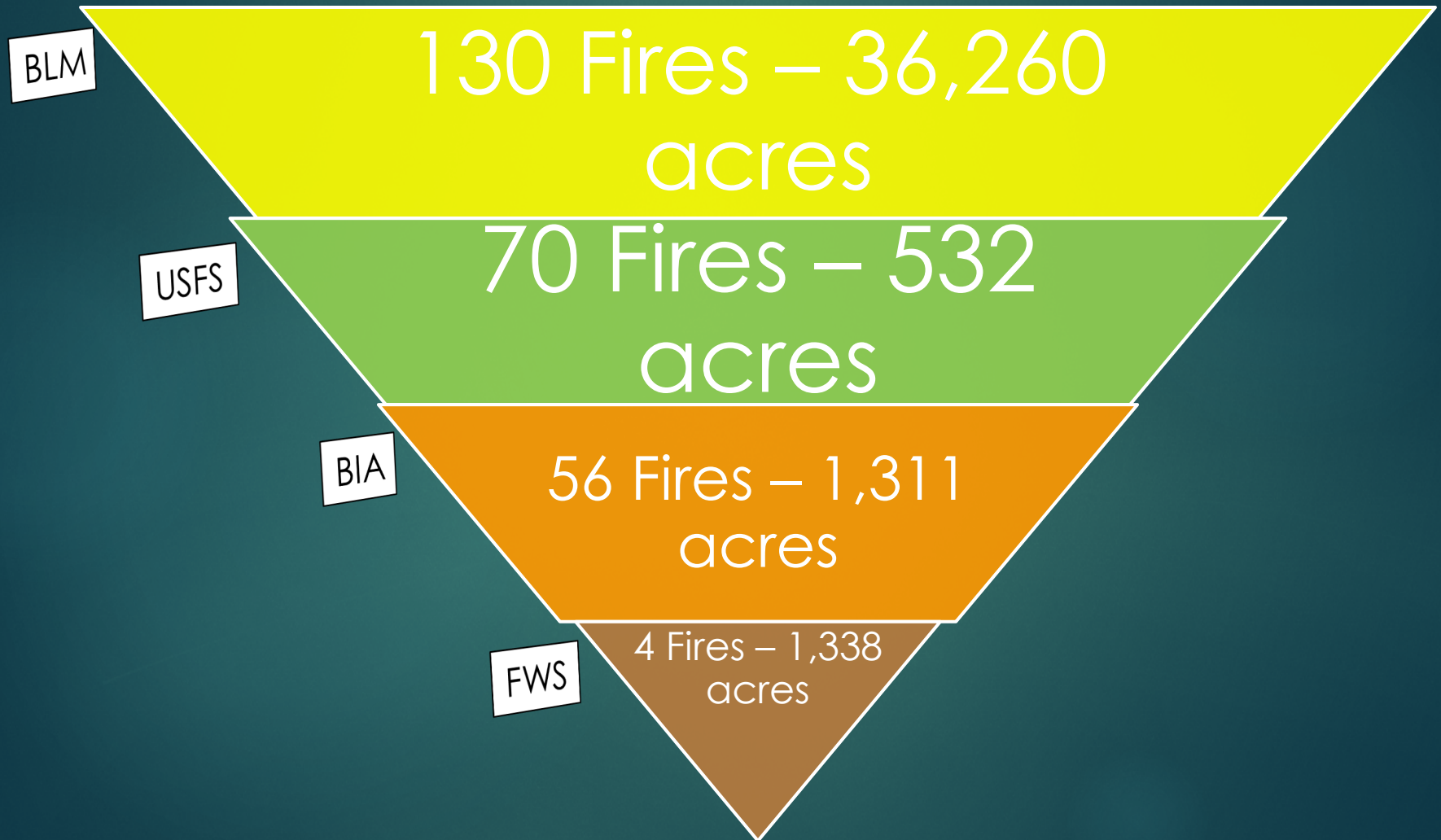
Fire-Related Incidents by Quantity





2024 *Statistical* Wildfires

(based on jurisdictional ownership)



IMT Incidents

- **Refuge (AZ-IMR)**
 - Type 3 - IC: Benjamin Stewart
 - Started on May 25th
 - Total of 1,041 acres
 - Declared Out on September 10th



2024 Restrictions/Closures

Prescott National Forest

- *Stage 1:* June 6th – August 8th
- *Stage 2:* None

Bureau of Indian Affairs / Tribal Partners

- *Stage 1:* Standard Stage 1 restrictions are in effect year-round

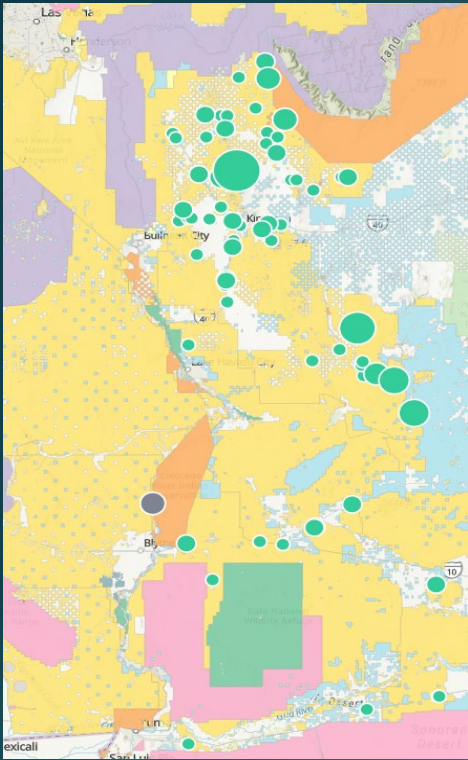
Bureau of Land Management (CRD/PHD)

- *Stage 1:* CRD: May 30th – September 27th / PHD: June 10th – August 22nd
- *Stage 2:* None

Fish and Wildlife

- *Stage 1:* Standard Stage 1 restrictions are in effect year-round

CRD Fire Activity - 2024



Fire Size Class

- A: 0 - .25
- B: .26 - 9.9
- C: 10 - 99
- D: 100 - 299
- E: 300 - 999
- F: 1000 - 4999
- G: 5000 +

85 Statistical Fires
6,530 Acres

- CRD (73 - 6,504 acres) - Hualapai Park (0)
- BOR agreement (0 - acres) - MSCP (0)
- FYA agreement (12 - 26 acres)

64 CRD Human Caused
179 Acres

21 CRD Lightning Caused
6,351 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
61 Fires - 34 Acres

Fire Size Class C+:
3 Fires - 145 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
13 Fires - 7 Acres

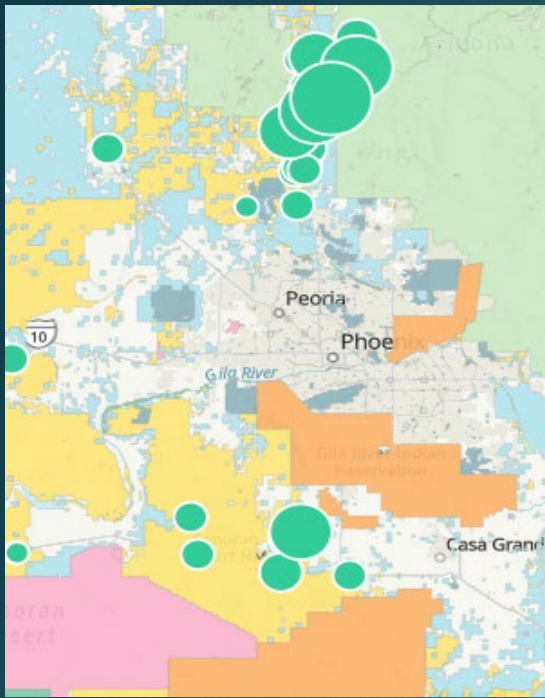
Fire Size Class C+:
8 Fires - 6,344 Acres

• **False Alarm Response: 59**

• **Agency Assist: 38**

★ 2021: 82 Fires - 4,499 acres ★ 2022: 66 Fires - 2,250 acres ★ 2023: 74 Fires - 623 acres

PHD Fire Activity - 2024



Fire Size Class

- A: 0 - .25
- B: .26 - 9.9
- C: 10 - 99
- D: 100 - 299
- E: 300 - 999
- F: 1000 - 4999
- G: 5000 +

45 Statistical Fires
29,730 Acres

- PHD (44 - 29,729 acres)
- BOR agreement (1 - 1 acre)

35 Human Caused
1,850 Acres

10 Lightning Caused
27,880 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
28 Fires - 32 Acres

Fire Size Class C+:
7 Fires - 1,818 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
4 Fires - 10 Acres

Fire Size Class C+:
6 Fires - 27,870 Acres

• **False Alarm Response: 15**

• **Agency Assist: 26**

★ 2021: 29 fires - 5,779 acres ★ 2022: 25 fires - 17 acres ★ 2023: 45 Fires - 1,463 acres

PNF Fire Activity - 2024

Fire Size Class

A: 0 - .25
B: .26 - 9.9
C: 10 - 99
D: 100 - 299
E: 300 - 999
F: 1000 - 4999
G: 5000 +

70 Statistical Fires
532 Acres

41 Human Caused
44 Acres

29 Lightning Caused
488 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
39 Fires - 9 Acres

Fire Size Class C+:
2 Fires - 35 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
23 Fires - 11 Acres

Fire Size Class C+:
6 Fire - 477 Acres

• **False Alarm Response: 36**

• **Agency Assist: 9**

★ 2021: 49 fires - 37,144 acres

★ 2022: 45 fires - 9,494 acres

★ 2023: 60 fires - 1,549 acres

BIA Fire Activity - 2024

Fire Size Class

- A: 0 - .25
- B: .26 - 9.9
- C: 10 - 99
- D: 100 - 299
- E: 300 - 999
- F: 1000 - 4999
- G: 5000 +

56 Statistical Fires
1,311 Acres

- CRA (44 - 1285 acres)
- FYA (12 - 26 acres)

56 Human Caused
1,311 Acres

0 Lightning Caused
0 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
48 Fires - 23 Acres

Fire Size Class C+
8 Fires - 1,288 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
0 Fires - 0 Acres

Fire Size Class C+
0 Fires - 0 Acres

False Alarm Response: 13

Agency Assists: 1

★ 2021: 49 fires - 420 acres

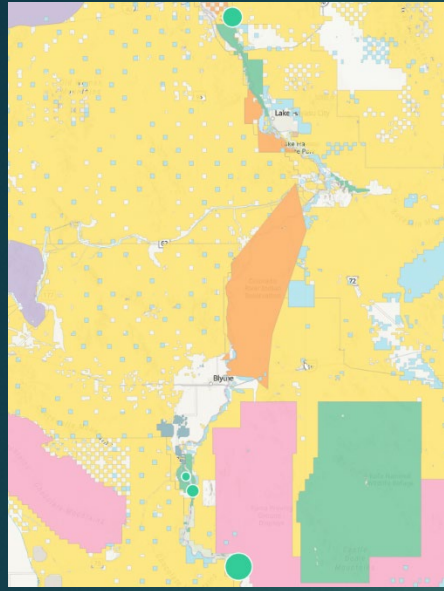
★ 2022: 35 fires - 6,017 acres

★ 2023: 38 fires - 885 acres

Fire Size Class	
A:	0 - .25
B:	.26 - 9.9
C:	10 - 99
D:	100 - 299
E:	300 - 999
F:	1000 - 4999
G:	5000 +

FWS Fire Activity - 2024

Refuge (AZ-IMR) – 1,041 acres



4 Statistical Fires
1,338 Acres

IMR (1) 1,041 acres / CBR (2) 1 acre
- HVR (1) 296 acres / KGR (0) / BWR (0)

4 Human Caused
1,338 Acres

0 Lightning Caused
0 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
2 Fires – 1 Acre

Fire Size Class C+
2 Fires – 1,337 Acres

Fire Size Class A/B:
0 Fires - 0 Acres

Fire Size Class C+
0 Fires – 0 Acres

False Alarm Response: 1

Agency Assists: 0

★ 2021: 5 fires – 2,446 acres ★

2022: 4 fires – 16 acres

★ 2023: 3 fires – 46 acres



UNIT	BURN DAYS	ACRES
PNF	27	9,074
BLM	13	1,133
FWS	5	677
BIA	0	0

Prescribed Fire Activity

2024 Resource Ordering/Mobilization

Processed 5,470 requests

➤ **Overhead**

- Processed **3,449** requests
- PDC Resources include BIA, BLM, FWS & USFS overhead

➤ **Supplies**

- Processed **1,062** requests
- Requests include ongoing fire and incident replacement (NFES and non-NFES supplies)

➤ **Equipment**

- Processed **610** requests
- PDC Resources include BIA, BLM, FWS, USFS and contract vendor equipment

➤ **Aircraft**

- Processed **277** requests
- PDC Resources include USFS & BLM helicopters and Air Attack

➤ **Crews**

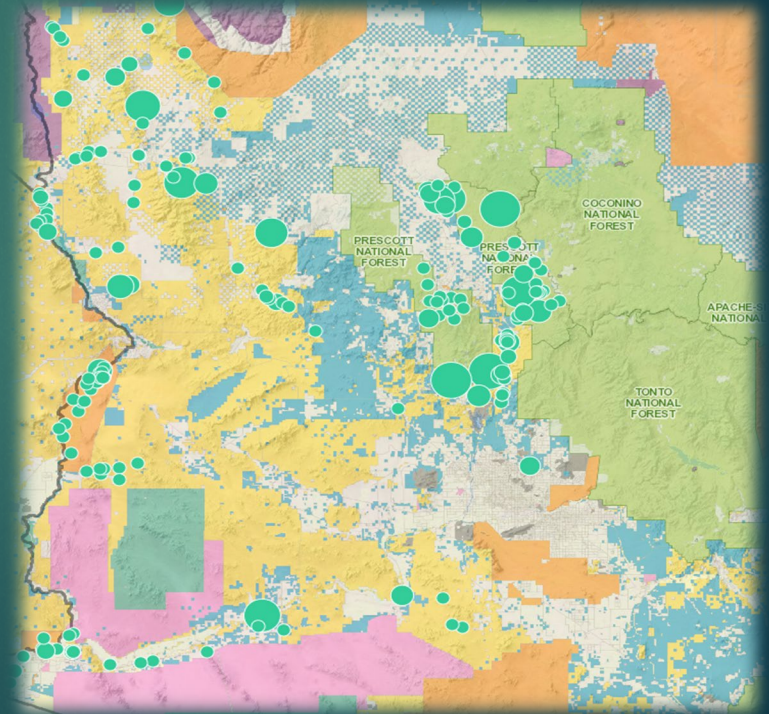
- Processed **72** requests
- PDC Resources include Prescott Hotshots & a Fire Suppression Module

NFDRS

- Operate the Weather Information Management System (WIMS) for 15 DOI RAWS and 4 USFS RAWS
- Document and disseminate NFDRS Indices and Components to field units
- Implement the Western Arizona Zone NFDRS Operating Plan
- Produce Fire Danger/Outlook/Current Conditions products for DOI & USFS units
- Display Fire Danger Pocket Cards according to NWCG standards
- Assist with Response, Preparedness, Staffing Levels and communicate to field units
- Utilize FireFamilyPlus software to provide fire management with tools to aid in decision making

Mapping

- Manage PDC ArcGIS Online project with shared access to multiple layers
- Create new layers to meet agency/PDC needs
- Coordinate with agency's GIS specialists for updates
- Provide on-demand map products
- Edit Response Areas as needed



PNF AD Program



PDC Website

Manage site to provide products & services in support of participating agencies and PDC staff

The screenshot shows the Prescott Dispatch Center (PDC) website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the PDC logo, the text "Prescott Dispatch Center", and a "19" logo. Below the navigation bar, there is a "Welcome to the PDC!" section. To the left of the main content is a sidebar with a menu of categories: INFORMATION, OPERATIONS, PREDICTIVE SERVICES, and FIRE MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION. The main content area features a paragraph of text about the PDC's role, a photograph of a red and white aircraft, and a "Quick Links" section with a list of links. Below the "Quick Links" section is a map of Arizona with several blue location pins. The website has a yellow and blue color scheme.

PDC Prescott Dispatch Center

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Sunday 01.19.20

Welcome to the PDC!

The Prescott Dispatch Center is the interagency focal point for the mobilization of resources from the Prescott National Forest, Colorado River District BLM, Phoenix District BLM, Colorado River Agency BIA, Fort Yuma Agency BIA, Western Region BIA, and 5 US Fish & Wildlife Refuges along the Colorado River. Located in Prescott, AZ, the Center has the responsibility to coordinate the initial attack on fires for the agencies listed above. Also, the Center mobilizes resources throughout the country in support of wildfire, prescribed fire, law enforcement and other all-risk incidents. To support incident management personnel, the Center provides predictive service products such as fire danger, intelligence, mapping, outlooks and weather.

Quick Links

- [APPLICATIONS](#) +
- [FIRE POTENTIAL \(7-DAY\)](#)
- [GSA PER DIEM RATES](#)
- [PDC RESOURCE REPORT](#)
- [PNF RESERVATIONS](#) +
- [PRESCRIBED FIRE INFO](#)
- [WEATHER](#) +

Office Locations / Directions

INFORMATION

- Incidents
- Restrictions
- Report a Fire

OPERATIONS

- Aircraft
- Cache
- Crews
- Dispatch
- Equipment
- Prescribed Fire
- Prevention / Education

PREDICTIVE SERVICES

- Fuels / Fire Danger
- Intelligence
- Mapping
- Outlook
- Weather

FIRE MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

- Agency Policy / Administration
- Critical Incident Stress Management
- Incident Business Management
- Safety / Risk Management
- Training

2024 PDC Staffing

Center Manager: [Barry Wallace](#)

Assistant Center Manager: [Bec Sandle](#)

Assistant Center Manager: [Brandon Padron](#)

Dispatcher: [Sara Sexson](#)

Dispatcher: [Savanna Brooks](#)

Dispatcher: [Nicole Wescott](#)

Dispatcher: [Viola Plummer](#)

2024 Accomplishments

- Staffed Expanded Dispatch from May to August, hosted Type 3 IMT
- Provided 24-Hour staffing from May through July
- Supplemented PDC workforce with 17 dispatchers on assignment
- Hosted National Weather Service staff onsite at PDC
- PDC Staff received training and assignment opportunities
- Successfully managed Prescott NF AD Program, timely processing of travel and time
- Provided personnel for training cadre, hiring events and local emergency drills
- Enhanced & maintained PDC Website
- Provided IQCS program management assistance
- Maintained WildCAD-E database including phone directory, run cards, resources
- Remained on the cutting edge of Dispatch information technology including FireNet, SharePoint, IRWIN, text notification system, electronic records



Looking into 2025...

Continued focus on excellent customer service for all the Agencies we serve

- **NFDRS**
 - Continue to enhance and implement interagency Fire Danger Operating Plan for the PDC area of responsibility (PNF, BLM, BIA, FWS)
- **IROC**
 - Continued development, enhancement, and training
- **IRWIN**
 - Track the latest system integration and connected applications
- **InFORM**
 - Contribute to successful completion of fire reports
- **AGOL**
 - Enhance ArcGIS Online for incident mapping and intel
 - Use during Initial Attack and Aircraft dispatching
- **CAD**
 - Continue to enhance WildCAD-E for PDC operations
- **FireNet**
 - Enhance PDC SharePoint site with easy access to files