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Report of
Her Majesty's Inspector
of Fire Services
for Scotland
for 1951

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31st March, 1952.

TO THE RIGHT HON. JAMES STUART, M.V.O., M.C., M.P.,
HER MAJESTY'S SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCOTLAND.

SIR,

1. I have the honour to submit my Annual Report on the Fire Services for Scotland.

Establishments of Fire Brigades

2. Due mainly to a considerable increase in the number of resignations from the service, particularly amongst men with between one and ten years' service, and to a decrease in recruitment, the year ended (as shown in Table 1 at the end of this report) with a shortage of 60 whole-time operational men, against the authorised establishment. Included in the whole-time strength are 45 men serving on temporary engagement who will ultimately have to be replaced. Fortunately, the shortage is fairly well spread out amongst brigades, where, apart from this deficiency, experience is proving that establishments of whole-time men are on the low side.

3. Recruitment has shown a downward trend over the year, only 140 whole-time men having joined the service. During the year there were 573 recorded applicants for enrolment so that something less than 23% of the applicants were taken into the service. About 16% of the applicants withdrew their applications and of those rejected over 30% failed in the educational test and about 25% on interview. The remainder either failed to pass the medical test or were unable to complete the physical test. While these facts point to the conclusion that the fire service is failing in general to appeal to the class of men best suited to it, recruits taken into the service during the year are of a good average standard.

4. In order to improve the standard of fire cover in that large portion of Scotland primarily served by retained firemen, the Secretary of State has, after consultation with the Scottish Central Fire Brigades Advisory Council, recommended to fire brigade authorities the upgrading of officers in charge of retained stations with a corresponding adjustment of subordinate ranks. The full effect of the implementation of this recommendation has not yet been felt and I look forward with interest to reporting on this subject next year.

5. The gap between the authorised establishment and the actual strength of volunteer firemen has closed a little over the year. This is particularly pleasing in view of the importance of volunteers in the remoter parts of the country and in the islands.

Health

6. Firemasters are having increasingly to watch carefully for any factor which reduces the effective strength of their brigades and in this connection attention is continuing to be given to the health of the personnel. The year has shown a slight improvement in general health over last year, there being no cases of epidemic or other general sickness such as influenza which affected the service last year. No serious injuries or deaths occurred in the service as a result of accidents at fires.

7. The figures for whole-time uniformed personnel are :—

(a) cases of sickness or injury attributable to service—930

(b) cases included in (a) where absence from duty extended over one or more days—125

(c) number of duty days lost due to (b)—2,908

(d) number of duty days lost due to sickness or injury not attributable to service—15,336.

The total of 18,244 duty days lost represents approximately 4% of the total duty days workable by brigades.

Discipline

8. In connection with a pay claim, partial stoppages from work occurred in three brigades in October and in all brigades in November. On each occasion the stoppage lasted over a period of 48 hours.

9. Those who participated were of rank below that of Company Officer. The stoppages did not apply to attendance at fires. It was fortunate that no fires large enough to exhaust the reserve equipment occurred during either period.

10. Some charges in respect of incidents during the stoppages were made under the Discipline Code and these inflated above normal the numbers of discipline cases for the year which are indicated in the following table :—

Punishment Awarded					Number of Cases
Stoppage of Pay	...	...	...	...	365
Reprimand	...	...	...	...	17
Caution	...	...	...	...	22

Training

11. Training in fire brigades is continuing to make progress within the limits of the resources available and officers and men are continuing to make the best of conditions as they exist. As progress is made in standards of proficiency of whole-time and part-time men, the need for adequate training facilities is increasingly felt.

12. For the rescue of persons from buildings on fire, fire appliance crews must operate with speed and certainty. Emphasis must therefore continually be placed on training in rescue work. Generally brigades are giving this aspect of training the attention it deserves, and they sometimes exercise considerable ingenuity in overcoming the difficulties encountered in lack of drill towers and other adequate training facilities.

13. Brigades have continued to take advantage of courses for recruits and junior ranks at the Scottish Fire Service Training School at Moredun, Paisley. Details of the courses held there during the year are as follows :—

Courses	Length of Course	Number of Courses	Number who Attended.
Recruits	8 weeks	5	183
Leading Firemen	4 weeks	1	33

The school has performed valuable work under difficulties. It has been realised for some considerable time that the premises at Moredun are inadequate and unsuited to the requirements of a training school. I very much hope that a suitable building will be acquired in the near future.

14. The instructional staff of the school consists of selected members of brigades on a term of secondment. There is little doubt that these men, in addition to benefiting the service by their instructional work, gain valuable experience and improve their own positions in the field of promotion.

15. Progress has been made in brigades with training in first-aid to the injured and at the end of the year 543 whole-time and 74 part-time operational personnel held current certificates of first certificate standard.

16. The Scottish division of the National Coal Board at their Mines Rescue Station at Coatbridge continue to give facilities to fire brigades for instruction in breathing apparatus and 20 members of brigades have taken courses during the year. This assistance has proved of considerable value to brigades.

17. During the year the Fire Service College, for the training of officers, previously occupying requisitioned premises at the Ocean Hotel, near Brighton, has moved into Wotton House, near Dorking. Twenty-three members of Scottish Brigades have attended the College in 1951.

Promotion Procedure

18. The effect is now being felt of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, which require the taking of promotion examinations before a candidate can be considered for promotion up to the rank of Company Officer. The first series of examinations under the Regulations was held in December, 1950, but the results were not known in time for inclusion in my last report. At that examination 6 candidates qualified for promotion to Company Officer and 22 qualified for promotion to Section Leader. The examination for promotion to Leading Fireman was held in two parts, 81 candidates qualifying in educational subjects and 181 in technical subjects. Sixty-one candidates qualified in both sections and are therefore eligible for promotion.

19. The 1951 examination was again held in December. The numbers of candidates were for Company Officer 65, for Section Leader 105, and for Leading Fireman—educational subjects 272, technical subjects 182. At the time of writing this report the results of the examinations are not known. The small number of eligible candidates for promotion has had a tendency to restrict promotions in recent months. After each series of examinations, however, the number will grow and it is hoped that a reasonable relationship will soon be reached between the numbers eligible for promotion and the number of vacancies for promotion.

Appliances and Equipment

20. There has been a slight easing of the supply situation during the year, and 11 new major fire appliances, including one 100-foot turntable ladder, 6 dual purpose appliances and 4 water tenders have been delivered to brigades and are in operation. The rate of replacement of appliances is still considerably below that necessary to bring brigade fleets up to a satisfactory standard of efficiency.

21. Country and farm fires frequently present special problems where water for fire fighting may not be immediately available. The value of the modern water tender in overcoming this difficulty is becoming more widely recognised and the number of such appliances is increasing in areas with extensive country risks.

22. One or two brigades have executed some adaptations to older appliances but these have been restricted to works of a minor nature. Any considerable expenditure on adaptations to appliances which have become obsolete has rightly been avoided so far as possible. The available workshop accommodation and personnel are fully employed in keeping operational vehicles and appliances in serviceable condition.

Premises

23. The building of 5 new stations (one whole-time station and four retained stations) has been started during the year. This inadequate programme of replacement of premises, although inevitable under present conditions, is causing understandable concern.

24. At the end of the year 24 houses had been completed and a further 59 were under construction. These will relieve some of the cases where firemen are without homes for themselves and their families.

Water Supplies

25. I regret that it is not possible to report any substantial progress in the standardisation of hydrants although one or two brigades have made local improvements.

Mutual Assistance and Fire Brigade Area Boundary Arrangements

26. The advantages of mutual assistance and extra territorial arrangements between brigades have once more been apparent during the year and further agreements have been formalised. Reinforcements have been provided by the aiding brigades at 9 fires, and at 329 fires extra territorial brigades provided either whole or part of the first attendance.

Fire Prevention

27. The fire prevention work of brigades continues to receive increasing recognition from all classes of property owners. It considerably reduces the risk from fire and managements of business and industrial premises are turning more and more to fire brigades for fire prevention advice as being an additional insurance against loss of premises, plant and stocks, all of which are increasingly difficult to replace quite apart from the problem of disrupted output.

28. Fire prevention work is also instrumental in saving lives. This aspect has received more immediate recognition and the majority of requests for advice during the last four years have come from those responsible for such premises as hospitals, institutions, homes and schools, where a great deal of useful work has been done as a result of fire prevention inspections in improving safety measures against risk to life from fire.

29. An increase in fire prevention staff has been necessitated by the greater demands made on brigades and there were at the end of the year 24 fire prevention officers authorised for employment in Scotland and distributed as follows :—

Rank	Fire Brigade Areas										Totals	
	Angus	Central	Fife	Glasgow	Lanarkshire	North Eastern	Northern	Perth and Kinross	South Eastern	South Western		Western
Senior Company Officer				1	1				1			3
Company Officer ...	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	9
Section Leader ...	1		1		2	1				1	2	12
Totals ...	2	2	2	2	4	2	1	1	3	2	3	24

Table 4 at the end of this report gives an indication of the volume of recordable work undertaken during the year.

30. There has been a marked increase in the demand for fire prevention advice from landward areas where, because of the time required to bring fire appliances to fires, managements of hotels and institutions and farmers and owners of large country houses are anxious to take precautions against fire. The action taken by some brigades last year in circularising owners of country property has done much to publicise the facilities that are available in brigades for giving advice upon request.

31. To bring to the notice of employers and employees in shops and small factories certain simple methods of fire prevention, the Scottish Home Department drew up during the year a poster/leaflet. 50,000 copies of this leaflet were issued with a message to employers from the Secretary of State. Fire brigades undertook to distribute the leaflets.

32. The importance of fire prevention in the home has also been given publicity. To supplement and assist local efforts a campaign was launched at the beginning of the year when an exhibition prepared for the Scottish Home Department by the Central Office of Information began touring Scotland. Fire brigade authorities and brigades co-operated, and the attendance of the public and the interest shown were very encouraging.

Fires and other occurrences

33. Table 3 attached to this Report summarizes fires and special services during the year. The number of calls shows an increase of 109 over that for last year. It is encouraging to record that the number of fires has decreased and the number of false alarms with good intent has risen. While it is not possible to form definite conclusions on such variations over a short period, the variations are both in the right direction and give grounds for hope that it reflects an increasing awareness of fire in the minds of the public.

34. Malicious false alarms have increased by 94 to a total of 775. The majority of these calls were in Glasgow and Edinburgh.

35. Several serious fires in the larger built-up areas occurred during the year but were brought under control without unduly involving adjacent property.

36. It is inevitable in the country districts with long distances to be covered by fire appliances, and reinforcements not readily available, that fires cause relatively severe damage, notwithstanding the hard work and devotion to duty of the part-time firemen. It has been estimated that in private houses the percentage of fires which cause severe damage is about ten times greater in country districts than in towns. Brigades which include country districts in their areas are mostly concerned to reduce this impressive difference as much as possible and, while there are inherent differences in conditions which cannot be overcome, an improvement can be made by increasing the speed of turn out of retained appliances. Careful selection of recruits, and improvement of the standard of training of retained men will contribute towards this end. Risks can also be reduced by making adequate fire prevention advice readily available to country property owners.

37. During the year 77 rescues of persons were effected, 64 being rescued from fire. The number of lives lost due to fire, of which there were 41, shows a slight increase over last year. All but five of these lives were lost before the arrival of the brigade or as a result of injuries received before the arrival of the brigade.

Civil Defence

38. Recruitment into the Fire Service for Civil Defence purposes continues to be disappointing, and recently some resignations of members have slowed up the work of building up an efficient force of auxiliaries. At the end of the year 444 men and 245 women were recorded as enrolled in the Service.

39. Training of auxiliaries is continuing and is in the main carried out by members of fire brigades who themselves have undergone a period of training as instructors. About 32% of the auxiliaries have completed their training in fire fighting and about 12% in civil defence subjects.

40. The training of members of fire brigades in Civil Defence subjects is well forward in the majority of brigades. At the end of the year 754 whole-time and 321 part-time personnel had completed basic training. This work is being undertaken in the main by brigade instructors, of whom there were 126 at the end of the year.

41. To keep abreast of planning and training arrangements in the Civil Defence Services and to discuss co-ordination of action under raid conditions, firemasters and senior officers are continuing to attend courses at the Civil Defence Staff College at Sunningdale Park.

Inspections of Fire Brigades

42. As in previous years all brigades were inspected during the year, and I am again able to report that in general fire brigade authorities are efficiently discharging their responsibilities under the Fire Services Act, 1947.

43. Progress in building up the Fire Service after its return to local authority control has inevitably been restricted by the country's financial and supply position, but the service is making fully efficient use of the resources meanwhile available to it.

Appreciation

44. Once again I should like to record my appreciation for the consideration and assistance received by myself and the Assistant Inspector from members of fire brigade authorities and from firemasters, officers, men and women of fire brigades.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A. D. WILSON,

H. M. Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland.

ESTABLISHMENT AND STRENGTH

31st December,

TABLE 1

BRIGADE	MEN : OPERATIONAL																			
	Whole-time												Retained						V. n.	
	Authorised Establishment												Authorised Establishment						Actual Strength	
	Firemasters	Assistant Firemasters	Deputy Firemasters*	Divisional Officers	Column Officers	Senior Company Officers	Company Officers	Section Leaders	Leading Firemen	Firemen	Total	Actual Strength	Company Officers	Section Leaders	Leading Firemen	Firemen	Total	Actual Strength	Authorised establishment	Actual Strength
	Angus	1	—	D.O.	1	1	—	6	10	9	78	106	105	—	5	12	108	125	100	—	1
Central	1	—	D.O.	1	—	1	7	8	13	75	106	105	—	3	21	181	205	160	24	24
Fife	1	—	D.O.	1	—	—	6	7	10	47	72	71	2	13	21	144	180	130	—	—
Glasgow	1	1	—	2	4	3	26	41	56	444	578	556	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lanarkshire ...	1	—	D.O.	1	1	1	8	14	19	113	158	154	—	11	13	117	141	102	106	22
North Eastern ...	1	—	D.O.	1	1	—	5	10	8	73	99	100	—	11	44	385	440	364	35	33
Northern	1	—	S.C.O.	—	—	1	2	3	2	16	25	26	—	6	24	133	163	154	192	183
Perth and Kinross	1	—	S.C.O.	—	—	1	2	3	4	24	35	33	—	2	17	143	162	137	—	7
South Eastern ...	1	1	—	—	2	2	15	25	26	215	287	273	1	6	33	274	314	259	—	—
South Western ...	1	—	D.O.	1	1	1	5	9	12	80	110	100	1	4	44	373	422	346	50	29
Western	1	—	D.O.	1	2	—	10	18	16	130	178	171	2	7	25	210	244	205	160	173
Totals	11	2	—	9	12	10	92	148	175	1295	1754	1694	6	68	254	2068	2396	1957	567	472

* This column shows the rank of Deputy Firemasters (where not otherwise shown).

D.O.—Divisional Officer.

S.C.O.—Senior Company Officer.

1694
68
69
73
74
1478

OF FIRE BRIGADES

1951

CONTROL AND WATCHROOM STAFF											ADMINISTRATIVE—UNIFORMED OR CIVILIANS (Not included elsewhere in this Table)										Gross Total	Gross Total			
Men					Women					Authorised Establishment								Actual Strength	Gross Total	Gross Total					
Authorised Establishment					Authorised Establishment					Office and Stores		Work-shops		Other Employees		Total							Actual Strength	Authorised Establishment	Actual Establishment
Company Officers	Section Drivers	Leading Firemen	Firemen or Watch-room Attendants	Total	Actual Strength	Senior Leading Firewomen	Leading Firewomen	Firewomen	Total	Actual Strength	Total Authorised Establishment	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men					
—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	6	8	7	8	2	3	8†	—	—	4	10	7	10	6	256	229		
—	1	—	7	8	8	—	—	3	3	3	11	1	4	2‡	—	—	1	3	5	3	5	354	308		
—	—	—	6	6	5	—	—	—	—	1	6	2	4	3‡	—	—	2	5	6	4	5	269	216		
—	—	—	39	39	36	—	—	17†	17†	17†	56	5	10	9†	—	7	2	21	12	21	12	667	642		
—	—	—	4	4	4	1	—	7	8	8	12	4	5	1‡	—	—	4	5	9	5	9	431	304		
—	—	—	3	3	3	—	1	7	8	8	11	2	5	2‡	—	—	—	4	5	4	5	594	517		
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	2	2	1	2	—	—	—	1	2	1	2	2	385	368		
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1‡	—	—	—	1	3	1	3	201	181		
—	1	—	6	7	7	—	4	4	8	8	15	3	9	10	—	3	—	16	9	13	9	641	569		
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	4	4	4	3	4	2‡	—	—	—	5	4	5	4	595	488		
—	—	—	7	7	5	—	3	6	9	11	16	1	7	6‡	—	—	8	7	15	6	14	620	585		
—	2	—	72	74	68	3	9	55	67	69	141	24	56	44	—	10	21	78	77	73	74	5013	4407		

† Non-uniformed.

‡ All uniformed members of the Fire Brigade.

§ Includes 1 uniformed member of the Fire Brigade as Transport Officer.

**CHANGES IN WHOLE-TIME STRENGTH DURING THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1951**

TABLE 2

Brigade	LOSSES												GAINS					
	By* Death		BY RESIGNATION				By Discharge		By Retirement on Pension		By Retirement on Gratuity		By Transfer to other Brigades		By Retirement from other Brigades		Totals	
	Men	Women	During First Year Period	After First Year but under 10 Years' Service	With 10 or more Years' Service	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
Angus ...	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	
Central ...	—	—	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	16	—	
Fife ...	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	
Glasgow ...	1	1	11	38	4	5	1	7	—	3	—	—	—	1	—	61	5	
Lanarkshire ...	—	—	—	7	2	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	10	3	
North Eastern ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	4	—	
Northern ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Perth and Kinross ...	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	
South Eastern ...	1	—	2	16	—	11	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	20	3	
South Western ...	1	—	3	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	9	—	
Western ...	—	—	3	13	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	5	
Totals ...	4	1	22	97	9	19	1	15	—	4	—	2	—	7	—	147	18	

* No death was attributable to Service.

SUMMARY OF FIRES AND SPECIAL SERVICES WHICH HAVE OCCURRED DURING THE YEAR
ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1951

TABLE 3

Fire Area	Fires requiring the attendance of							Total Fires	Chimney Fires	False Alarms			Total Fire Calls	Special Services
	1 Pump	2 Pumps	3-4 Pumps	5 Pumps	6-8 Pumps	9-10 Pumps	15 Pumps			Malicious	With good intent	Total		
Angus ...	508	5	2	—	—	—	—	515	583	24	133	157	1255	180
Central ...	425	1	5	1	1	—	—	433	282	21	72	93	808	42
Fife ...	246	13	4	—	—	—	—	263	394	10	37	47	704	45
Glasgow ...	1877	—	3	11	1	1	1	1894	2088	529	1137	1666	5648	59
Lanarkshire ...	636	26	6	—	—	—	—	668	525	31	104	135	1328	95
North Eastern ...	594	16	1	—	—	—	—	611	363	22	97	119	1093	84
Northern ...	202	23	—	—	—	—	—	225	141	6	24	30	396	21
Perth and Kinross	192	13	1	—	—	—	—	206	183	4	18	22	411	12
South Eastern ...	1173	12	5	—	—	—	—	1190	1402	86	304	390	2982	62
South Western ...	498	8	3	—	—	—	—	509	400	13	73	86	995	65
Western ...	638	12	5	—	1	—	—	656	570	29	186	215	1441	55
Totals ...	6989	129	35	12	3	1	1	7170	6931	775	2185	2960	17061	720

**FIRE PREVENTION INSPECTIONS
DURING THE YEAR ENDED 1933**

TABLE 4

(I) FIRE AREA	(II) Industrial or Business Premises or Undertakings					(III) Local Authority Premises or Undertakings other than headings (IV) and (V)					(IV) Schools				
	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total
Angus	42	81	—	11	134	1	3	—	—	4	—	7	4	—	11
Central	16	70	78	12	176	31	6	—	4	41	33	24	16	7	80
Fife	6	53	27	3	89	—	1	—	—	1	17	41	5	—	63
Glasgow	13	169	—	—	182	11	148	—	—	159	3	4	—	4	11
Lanarkshire	25	57	—	—	82	—	—	—	—	—	5	50	—	—	55
North Eastern	28	27	3	10	68	2	1	—	3	6	28	17	4	8	57
Northern	8	4	2	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	1	14	—	—	15
Perth and Kinross	4	13	—	—	17	—	3	—	—	3	7	3	—	—	10
South Eastern	42	33	—	3	78	2	—	10	6	18	8	280	—	9	297
South Western	7	51	—	7	65	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	—	—	9
Western	3	192	—	183	378	1	30	26	—	57	2	24	—	4	30
Totals	194	750	110	229	1283	48	192	36	13	289	107	470	29	32	638

Note.—For the purposes of this table the terms "Survey," "Specific Inspection," "Routine Inspection," and "Follow-up Inspection" are used as follows:—

Survey. A thorough and comprehensive examination of the premises and processes at risk, as regards fire prevention arrangements which are in operation or require to be made, covering, for instance, fire appliances and equipment, water supplies, means of escape, storage conditions, and "good-housekeeping."

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(V) Hospitals, Homes, &c.					(VI) Cinemas, Theatres, and other places of Public Entertainment or Assembly.					(VII) Miscellaneous Premises or Undertakings not included elsewhere in this Table					(VIII) Gross Totals				
Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total	Full Survey	Specific Inspection	Routine Inspection	Follow-up Inspection	Total
3	27	10	—	40	30	119	174	—	323	193	43	—	4	240	269	280	188	15	752
10	50	31	9	100	7	32	442	10	491	13	20	15	2	50	110	202	582	44	938
19	13	3	—	47	5	32	683	88	808	4	32	3	5	44	44	178	731	99	1052
7	4	—	1	12	2	79	483	4	568	1	19	204	1	225	37	423	687	10	1157
7	13	—	2	22	187	275	—	929	1391	3	30	—	1	34	227	425	—	932	1584
28	24	60	27	139	6	14	308	8	336	3	9	—	2	14	95	92	375	58	620
4	6	—	—	10	8	5	8	—	21	17	5	4	5	31	38	34	14	5	91
7	5	1	3	16	1	—	21	1	23	3	3	—	—	6	22	27	22	4	75
4	14	—	36	54	19	600	1947	—	2566	7	158	3	4	172	82	1085	1960	58	3185
9	14	—	3	26	19	50	712	—	781	8	8	—	—	16	46	129	712	10	897
7	35	4	9	55	1	168	100	10	279	6	67	2	1	76	20	516	132	207	875
98	211	119	93	521	285	1374	4878	1050	7587	258	394	231	25	908	990	3391	5403	1442	11226

Specific Inspection. An examination of the premises and plant for the purposes indicated above, but limited to one or more particular aspect of fire prevention.

Routine Inspection. An examination made, as a rule, periodically, for the purpose of ascertaining whether particular precautions which should be in operation are in fact being maintained.

Follow-up Inspection. An inspection made following a survey or specific inspection to note progress or to advise on detail.

TABLE 5 STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE AND INCOME FOR THE LOCAL FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED MAY, 1951

Fire Brigade Authority	EXPENDITURE										Income (other than Fire Services Grant)	Net Expenditure Approved for Fire Services Grant (See footnote)
	Pay and Allowances	Pensions and Gratuities	Buildings	Clothing and Personal Equipment	Appliances and Vehicles	Com-muni-cations	Water Supplies	Other Expendi-ture	Total Gross Expendi-ture			
Angus ...	£ 55,227	£ 2,344	£ 3,266	£ 2,259	£ 14,123	£ 1,509	£ 1,271	£ 5,470	£ 85,469	£ 5,139	£ 80,330	
Central ...	53,556	856	6,104	4,834	8,554	1,753	5,026	6,021	86,704	4,135	82,569	
Fife ...	37,544	423	2,354	1,640	1,971	1,089	3,260	2,770	51,051	5,508	45,543	
Glasgow ...	262,925	27,619	39,996	9,747	35,341	4,259	10,617	4,420	394,924	28,243	366,681	
Lanarkshire ...	70,888	1,484	9,181	3,004	11,085	1,735	10,191	5,092	112,660	4,612	108,048	
North Eastern ...	57,438	1,864	6,826	2,877	13,646	3,222	2,455	2,735	91,063	4,565	86,498	
Northern ...	15,389	—	2,309	997	3,988	1,109	553	1,523	25,868	1,069	24,799	
Perth and Kinross	0,097	804	2,818	1,198	8,261	1,288	3,501	621	38,588	966	37,622	
South Eastern ...	132,950	9,978	7,116	5,929	20,878	4,829	5,230	8,757	195,667	18,574	177,093	
South Western	55,032	3,034	8,738	2,452	12,382	1,998	4,948	3,887	92,471	3,858	88,613	
Western ...	83,585	1,538	6,799	4,955	9,316	1,920	7,005	5,308	120,426	5,448	114,978	
TOTAL ...	844,631	49,944	95,507	39,892	139,545	24,711	54,057	46,604	1,294,891	82,117	1,212,774	

Fire Services Grant paid by the Scottish Home Department amounted to one quarter of the net expenditure. The sum of £27,376 11s 10d was incurred by the Scottish Home Department on the provision and maintenance of Training Centres. Of this amount the sum of £17,248 3s 10d was recovered from Fire Brigade Authorities by deduction from Fire Services Grant.

In the case of certain of the constituent fire authorities the expenditure not met from Fire Services Grant qualifies for Exchequer Equalisation Grant under the Local Government Act, 1948.

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