

2007



ANNUAL REPORT

# LINCOLN FIRE & RESCUE

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Dear Citizens of Lincoln:

It is my pleasure to present the 2007 annual report for Lincoln Fire and Rescue (LFR). The dedicated professionals of this department work every day to protect the citizens of Lincoln. This report provides an overview of their life-saving efforts.

We can be very thankful there was no loss of life due to fire last year in Lincoln. LFR responded to 2,313 fire alarms and extinguished 582 fires in 2007. But fire suppression is only one aspect of LFR, which responded to almost 20,000 incidents of all kinds last year.



- Citizens and health care professionals have come to expect a quick response and high quality care from the LFR's Emergency Medical Service.
- The Urban Search and Rescue Team based at LFR continues to answer the call of our federal government when our fellow citizens are threatened by disaster.
- The department's education efforts are helping to prevent fires and improve citizen safety.

LFR also welcomed a new Fire Chief in 2007, as Niles Ford brought his experience and talent to the department. Chief Ford is doing an outstanding job of leading LFR into a new era of outstanding service to the community.

It has been a year of accomplishment for the men and women of Lincoln Fire and Rescue. All Lincoln residents can take pride in their service to our community.

Sincerely,

Chris Beutler  
Mayor of Lincoln



On behalf of Lincoln Fire & Rescue it is my pleasure to respectfully submit for review the 2007 Annual Report.

2007 was a very busy year for our department. Lincoln Fire & Rescue responded to almost 20,000 calls for assistance as well as almost 3,000 business inspections. Furthermore our members spent thousands of hours in training and member development in order to ensure we are facilitating and fostering a culture of competence that meets the needs and expectations of our citizens.

Last year, we were able to rise above fiscal challenges to continue providing the highest level of response, transport, and/or incident mitigation that our citizens expect and warrant, without disruption, intermission or eradication of services. Unfortunately the fiscal challenges still exist; however the needs of our communities remain. Nevertheless, Lincoln Fire & Rescue will continue to meet and exceed the community's expectations.

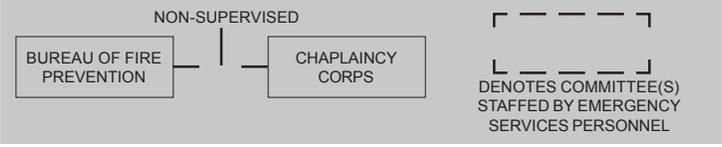
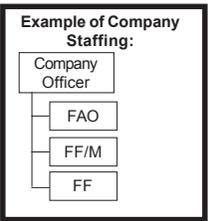
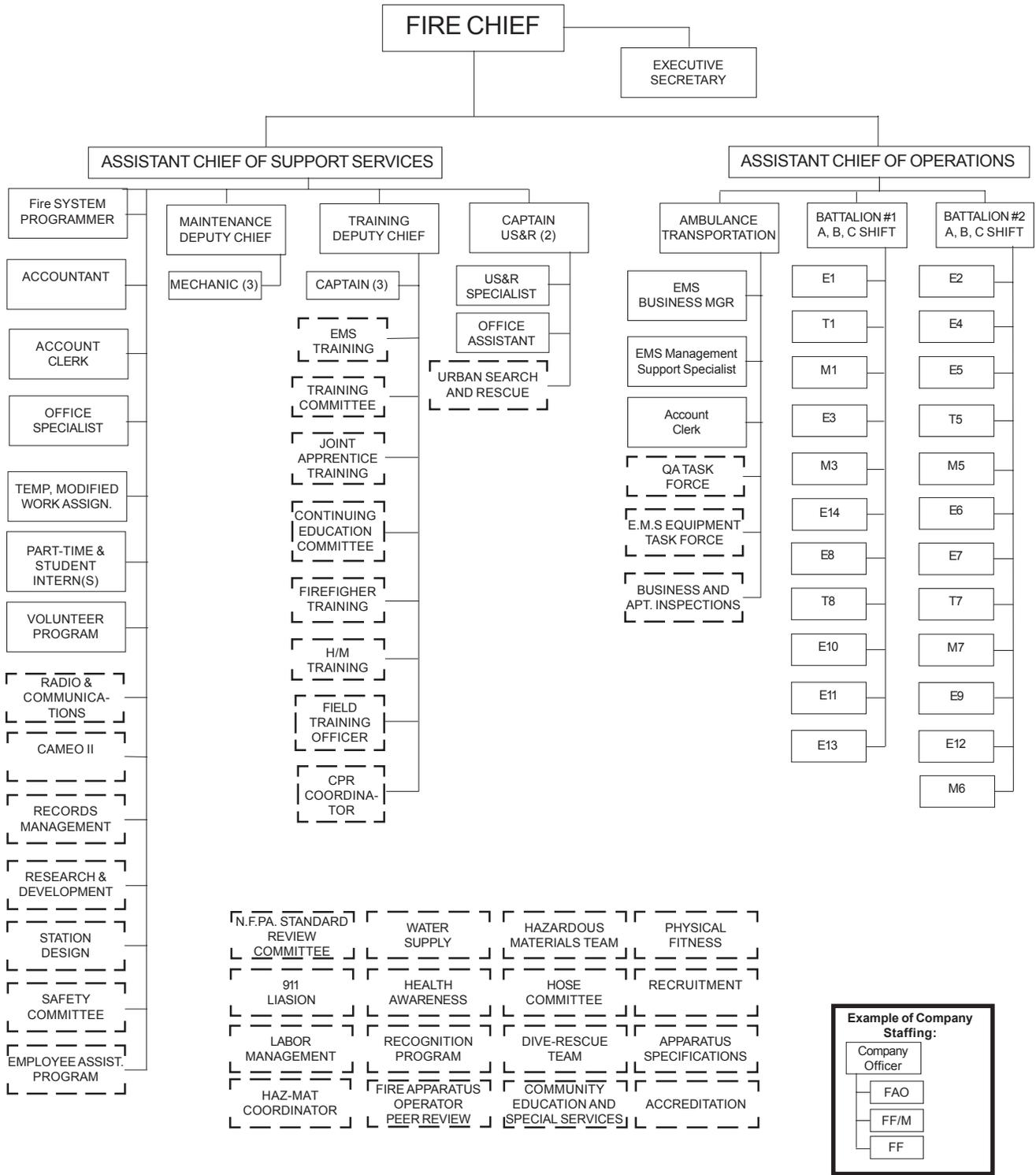
I am proud to be the leader of Lincoln Fire & Rescue and I recognize how important and invaluable the assistant chiefs, deputy chiefs, captains, firefighters, and support staff are to my ability to lead. As one of our values state, "We value commitment towards always doing what is in the best interest of our citizens and dedicating ourselves to providing the highest level of customer service possible." To that end, we stand prepared, committed, and ready to meet the all risk/all hazard response and mitigation needs of this great community anytime and anywhere.

Niles Ford  
Fire Chief

### ***OUR MISSION...***

*"Lincoln Fire & Rescue, as members of the community, is a diverse organization of dedicated professionals committed to the ongoing delivery of the highest level of life safety and public services to the citizens, visitors, and surrounding communities we serve."*

# ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW



# DEPARTMENT VALUES

We value **honesty** in our approach to one another and the community and will demonstrate **integrity** in the performance of our duties.

We value **commitment** towards always doing what is in the best interest of our citizens and **dedicating** ourselves to providing the highest level of customer service possible.

We value **teamwork** in our approach towards remaining safe and restoring balance in the lives of other; thereby presenting ourselves as industry **professionals**.

Through empathy and **compassion** we will serve all people equally and without prejudice making every responsible attempt towards reaching their level of expectation.



The purpose of the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Training Division is to provide knowledge and skills application within a learning environment using current and state of the art training methodology for all Lincoln Fire & Rescue and NE-TF1 personnel. Our focus is to assist all of our Emergency Service and US&R providers with effective training utilizing OSHA, NFPA, FEMA State and local procedures to assist LFR in preparations for our annual training requirements as well as assessing our emergency service responsibilities to determine our training needs. Our ultimate goal is to instill confidence and continuity promoting a safe and effective delivery of an all hazards emergency and fire prevention service to our community.

In 2007 the Training Division scheduled, delivered and documented training on a variety of topics which include;

- IS 300 Incident Management training was delivered to all Emergency Services personnel.
- IS 400 Incident Management training was delivered to all Company Officers.
- Fire Suppression Training to all Emergency Service personnel.
- EMS, CPR Training delivered to all Emergency Service personnel to meet recertification requirements.
- Hazardous Materials training to all Emergency Service personnel at both the First Responders Operations and Technician level.
- Technical Rescue Training to all Emergency Service Rescue Technicians and specialty training to NE-TF1 personnel.
- Water Rescue Training to all Emergency Service Dive Technicians.
- New Captain and Chief Officer orientation.
- Fire Apparatus Operator Driver certifications.
- LFR New Recruit Training Academy.
- Annual Compliance Training including, Respirator Fit Testing/Training, Blood Borne Pathogens, HIPAA Training, SCBA Program Evaluation.
- Incident Command and Fire Ground Management Scenarios Utilizing a Computer Aided Training Simulator.
- FEMA US&R Specialty Training.



Training hours delivered and supported by the Training Division staff in 2007 to Emergency Service and US&R personnel was 35, 004 hours. Each Emergency Service and US&R employee received or participated in 95 hours of training. That is an increase of 15.10 hours compared to 2006. Each LFR Trainer provided or supported an average of 7,001 hours of training to accomplish all of the objectives within our annual work plan.

## **ANNUAL HOURLY TRAINING COMPARISON**

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>
Annual Training Hours Delivered	29,511	35,004
Annual Average Hours Delivered to Each Employee	80	95
Annual Average Hours of Training Delivered and Supported by Each Trainer	5,902	7,001

Increase of Average Hours Delivered to Each Employee from 2006 to 2007 > 15.10



All of this training was accomplished by the Training Division staff that includes:

**Captain Kim Mckay**

Responsible for fire suppression, fit testing and records management

**Captain Daryl Hartley**

Responsible for EMS and recertification

**Captain Mike Conditt**

Responsible for US&R Technical Training and Technical Rescue

**Captain Bob Borer**

Responsible for Hazardous Materials, Incident Command and LFR exercise planning

**Captain Tim Linke**

Responsible for the LFR New Recruit Training

**Deputy Chief Danny Wright**

Responsible for the overall management and budget of the LFR Training Division

# FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

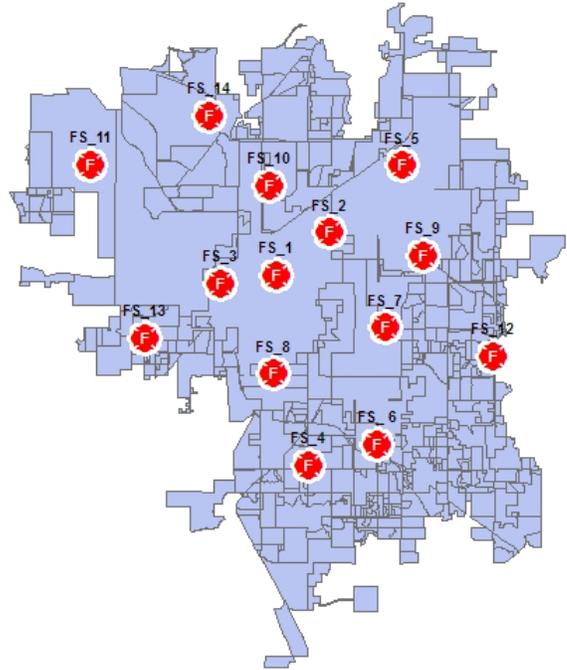
The Emergency Services Division coordinates all Emergency Services of Lincoln Fire Rescue. Emergency services provided include fire response, emergency medical response, and hazardous materials and technical rescue response. All emergencies are responded to from 14 fire stations located throughout our city of approximately 236,146 citizens in an area of 88.66 square miles. In these 14 stations are 14 engine companies, 4 truck companies, and 5 medic units. All engine companies are staffed with a Captain, Fire Apparatus Operator, Firefighter, and a Firefighter/Paramedic. Truck companies do not have a Firefighter/Paramedic but have a second Firefighter on staff. Medic units are staffed with a Firefighter and a Firefighter/Paramedic. All personnel in emergency services are Emergency Medical Technician certified with 60 of these having a National Registered Paramedic certification. The city is divided into 188 response zones with an average response time to all emergencies of 4.42 minutes. In 2007, Lincoln Fire Rescue responded to 19,024 fire, hazmat, medical, technical rescue, and public education responses in the city. These incidents involved 43,110 unit responses since many calls require multiple units.

The Emergency Services Division is coordinated by the Assistant Chief of Operations and EMS, 6 Deputy Chiefs of Suppression, and 3 staff members. Each morning a staff meeting is held between the on duty Deputy Chiefs and all supervisors via a phone conference call to review the activities and training that are to take place that day. Anytime during the 24 hour work shift, Lincoln Fire Personnel respond to assist citizens when called upon. An EMS Business Manager, EMS Management Support Specialist, and Account Clerk assist with the support of the Ambulance division.



# SERVING

Resident Population..... 236,146  
 Land Area.....82.75 Square Miles  
 Stations ..... 14  
 Fire Response Zones ..... 188  
 Average Response Time..... 4.42



# PHYSICAL RESOURCES

Fire Stations .....	14
Engines(Pumpers) .....	14
Reserve Engines .....	3
(Ladder) Trucks .....	4
Reserve Truck .....	1
Ambulances .....	5
Reserve Ambulances .....	6
Battalions .....	2
Hazardous Materials Unit .....	1
Technical (Heavy) Rescue Unit .....	1
Mobile Air Unit .....	1
Decon Trailer .....	1
Utility Trailer .....	1
Water Rescue Trailer .....	1
Support Vehicles .....	20
Fire Safety House .....	1

# LINCOLN FIRE & RESCUE BUSIEST BATTALION, ENGINE, TRUCK & AMBULANCE

**BATTALION:** A UNIT TYPICALLY CONSISTING OF A HEADQUARTERS AND TWO OR MORE COMPANIES, BATTERIES, OR SIMILAR SUBUNITS.

**ENGINE:** A PIECE OF AUTOMOTIVE FIRE APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH A PUMP; WATER TANK AND A COMPLIMENT OF HOSE, TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT.

**AMBULANCE:** A SPECIALLY EQUIPPED APPARATUS USED FOR CARRYING THE SICK OR WOUNDED.

**TRUCK:** A PIECE OF AERIAL APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH GROUND LADDERS AND STANDARD TRUCK COMPANY EQUIPMENT.

## **BATTALIONS:**

	Incidents
Battalion 1 .....	1,239
Battalion 2 .....	828

## **ENGINES:**

Engine 1 .....	2,990
Engine 2 .....	1,512
Engine 3 .....	1,475
Engine 4 .....	1,078
Engine 5 .....	1,367
Engine 6 .....	1,458
Engine 7 .....	1,575
Engine 8 .....	1,627
Engine 9 .....	1,477
Engine 10 .....	1,530
Engine 11 .....	287
Engine 12 .....	943
Engine 13 .....	707
Engine 14 .....	795
Engine 21 .....	3
Engine 211 .....	2

## **AMBULANCES:**

	Incidents
Medic 1 .....	4,109
Medic 3 .....	3,393
Medic 5 .....	2,817
Medic 6 .....	3,066
Medic 9 .....	3,114
Medic 21 .....	168
Medic 24 .....	129
Medic 25 .....	170
Medic 27 .....	135
Medic 210 .....	199
Medic 211 .....	134

## **TRUCK:**

Truck 1 .....	1,457
Truck 5 .....	859
Truck 7 .....	995
Truck 8 .....	1,014

## **OTHER:**

Air 14 .....	347
Haz Mat 14 .....	111

# TOTAL RESPONSE BY UNIT

	Alert	Fire	HazMat	Medical	Other	Total	County
Battalion 1	6	1022	68	81	62	1239	9
Engine 1	0	469	32	2366	123	2990	0
Engine 21	0	0	0	1	2	3	0
Medic 1	0	98	2	3934	75	4109	57
Medic 21	0	0	0	128	40	168	4
Truck 1	1	857	39	306	254	1457	1
<b>Total Station 1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2446</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>6816</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>9966</b>	<b>71</b>
Battalion 2	1	694	43	53	37	828	8
Engine 2	1	261	73	1056	121	1512	2
<b>Total Station 2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>1109</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>2340</b>	<b>10</b>
Engine 3	1	334	19	1055	66	1475	2
Medic 3	6	60	4	3254	69	3393	137
<b>Total Station 3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4309</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>4868</b>	<b>139</b>
Engine 4	0	199	16	773	90	1078	6
Medic 24	0	2	0	103	24	129	3
<b>Total Station 4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1207</b>	<b>9</b>
Engine 5	0	221	29	1059	58	1367	23
Medic 25	0	2	0	160	8	170	10
Medic 5	1	67	1	2674	74	2817	201
Truck 5	1	448	17	157	236	859	8
<b>Total Station 5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>738</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>4050</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>5213</b>	<b>242</b>
Engine 6	0	176	15	1186	81	1458	9
Medic 6	0	46	1	2950	69	3066	299
<b>Total Station 6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4136</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>4524</b>	<b>308</b>
Engine 7	0	213	20	1286	56	1575	3
Medic 27	0	2	0	104	29	135	0
Truck 7	0	527	23	166	279	995	3
<b>Total Station 7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1556</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>2705</b>	<b>6</b>
Engine 8	0	269	32	1255	71	1627	3
Truck 8	0	548	22	197	247	1014	4
<b>Total Station 8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1452</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>2641</b>	<b>7</b>
Engine 9	0	237	46	1077	117	1477	8
Medic 9	0	56	5	2975	78	3114	166
<b>Total Station 9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>4052</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>4591</b>	<b>174</b>
Engine 10	0	227	38	1109	156	1530	3
Medic 210	0	3	0	111	85	199	2
<b>Total Station 10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1220</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>1729</b>	<b>5</b>
Engine 11	5	59	6	183	34	287	2
Engine 211	0	0	0	2	0	2	0
Medic 211	1	0	0	130	3	134	4
<b>Total Station 11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>6</b>
Engine 12	0	135	18	726	64	943	3
<b>Total Station 12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>3</b>
Engine 13	0	172	8	499	28	707	8
<b>Total Station 13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>8</b>
Air 14	0	253	88	1	5	347	1
Engine 14	3	172	10	552	58	795	1
Haz Mat 14	0	12	92	2	5	111	0
<b>Total Station 14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1253</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>FINAL TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>7841</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>31671</b>	<b>2804</b>	<b>43110</b>	<b>990</b>

# LINCOLN FIRE & RESCUE STATIONS AND UNITS

Stations	Engines	Trucks	Ambulances	Battalions	Other (Listed)
#1 - 1801 "Q" Street (02)	1 (1)	1 (1)	1 (1)	1	Dive Rescue Decon Trailer Trench Trailer Utility Vehicle
#2 - 1545 North 33rd (04)	1	0	0	1	Light Tower
#3 - 121 S 2nd Street (08)	1	0	1	0	–
#4 - 5600 South 27th (12)	1	0	0 (1)	0	Public Education Van
#5 - 3640 Touzalin Ave (07)	1	1	1 (1)	0	–
#6 - 5051 South 48th (16)	1	0	1	0	–
#7 - 1345 South Cotner (10)	1	1	0 (1)	0	–
#8 - 2760 South 17th (02)	1	1	0	0	–
#9 - 901 North Cotner (05)	1	0	1	0	–
#10 - 1440 Adams Street (21)	1	0	0 (1)	0	–
#11 - 3401 NW Luke (24)	1 (1)	0	0 (1)	0	–
#12 - 2201 South 84th (06)	1	0	0	0	–
#13 - 1700 South Coddington (22)	1	0	0	0	–
#14 - 5435 NW First Street (21)	1	0	0	0	Haz/Mat Mobile Air

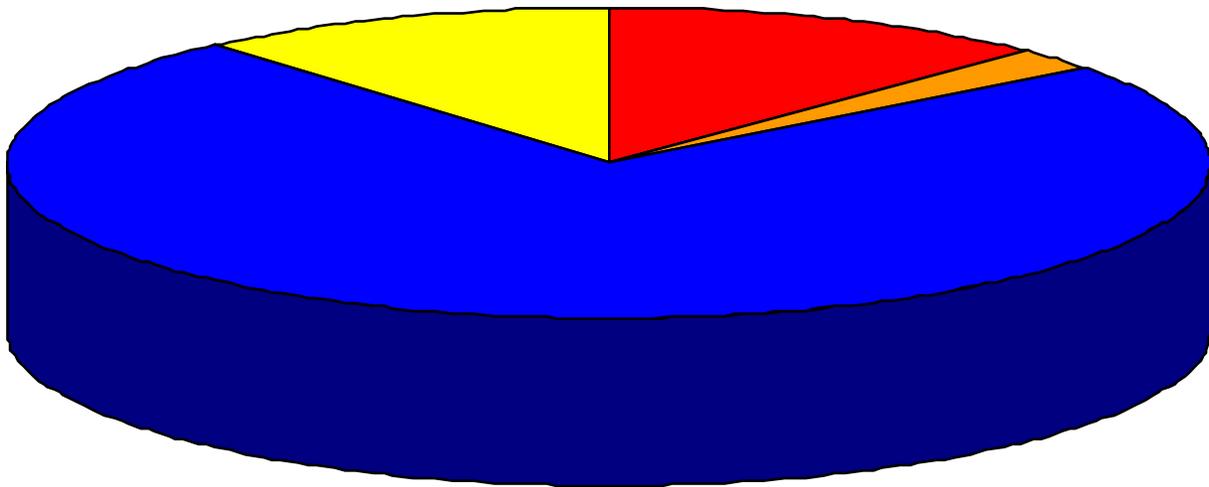
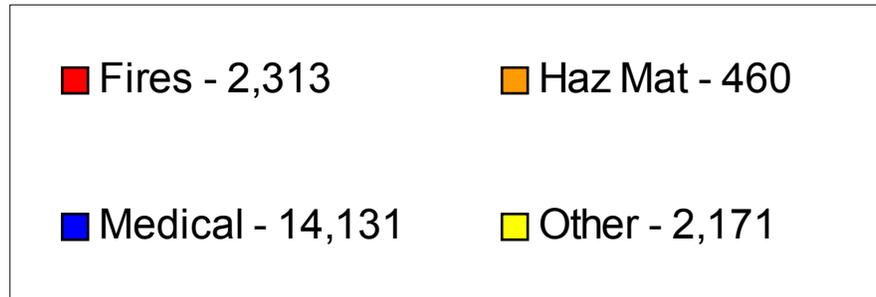
*(1) - DENOTES 1 RESERVE UNIT*

*A RESERVE UNIT IS AN UNSTAFFED APPARATUS THAT CAN BE PUT IN SERVICE WITH PERSONNEL WHEN A FRONT LINE APPARATUS NEEDS REPAIR OR AN APPARATUS THAT CAN BE PUT INTO SERVICE IF ALL OTHER UNITS ARE ALREADY DEPLOYED TO OTHER EMERGENCIES.*



# **RESPONSE SUMMARY**

## **2007 RESPONSE FOR LFR**



### **LFR RESPONSES:**

**NUMBER OF "WORKING INCIDENTS": 582**

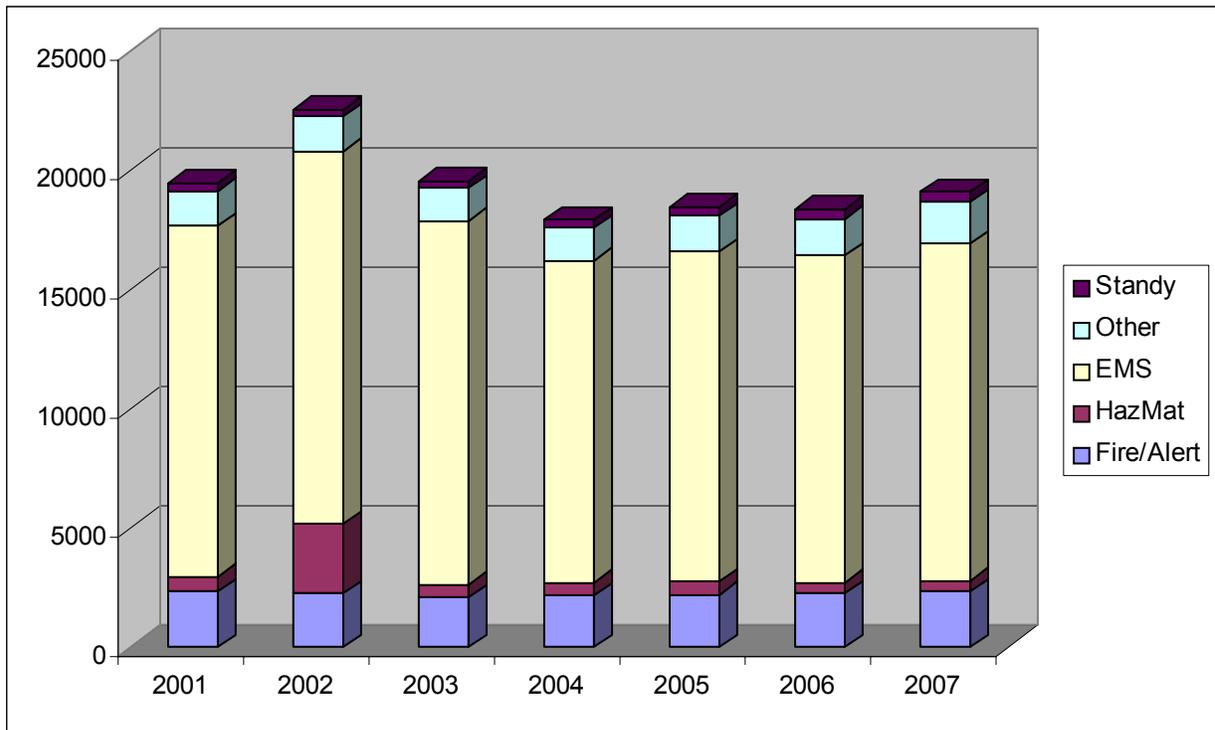
**NUMBER OF PUBLIC EDUCATION EVENTS: 708**

**NUMBER OF STANDBY'S: 319**

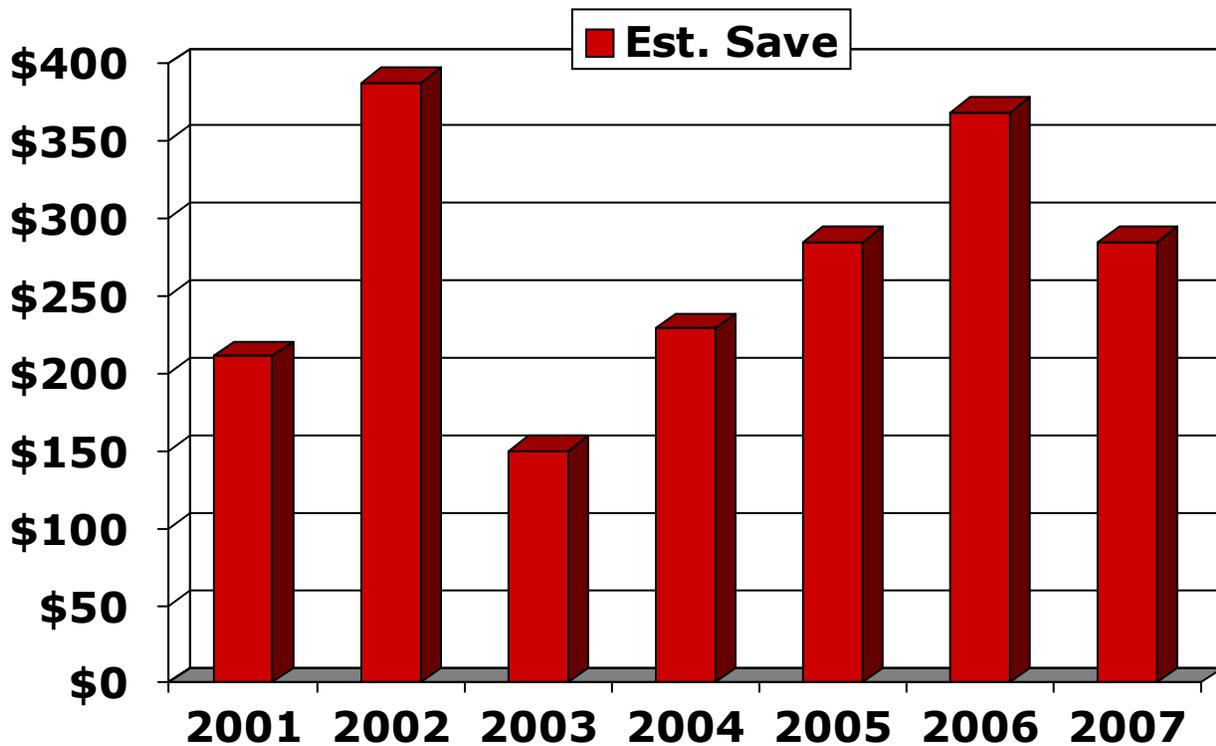
**NUMBER OF MEDICAL CALLS: 14,131**

**NUMBER OF LIFE THREATENING MEDICAL CALLS: 4,022**

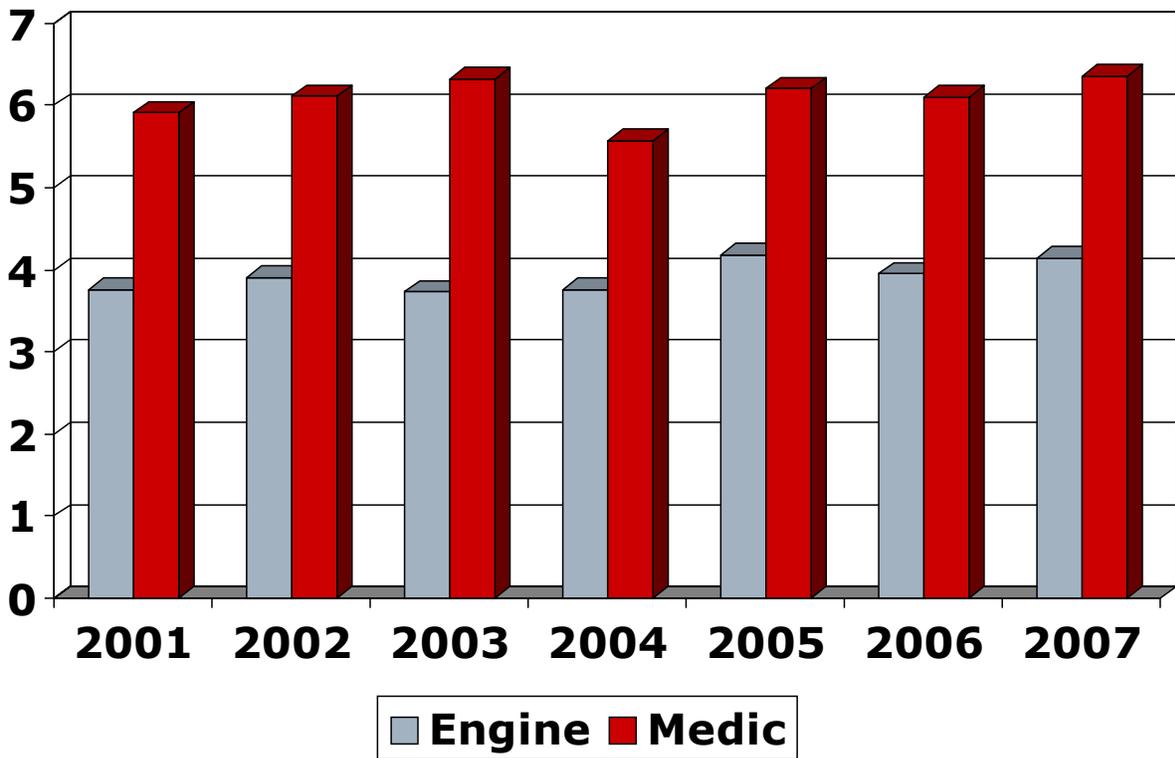
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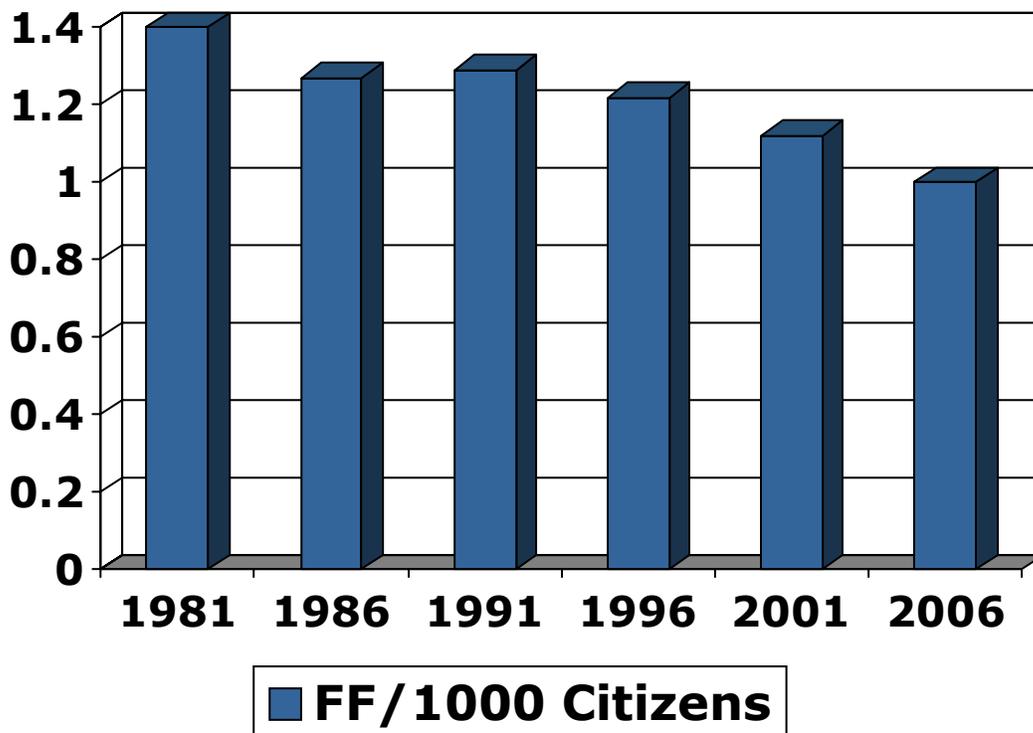
# ESTIMATED COST OF PROPERTY SAVED



## *AVERAGE FIRST RESPONDER TIME*



## *RATIO OF FIREFIGHTERS TO CITIZENS*



# RESPONSE TIME REPORT

## EMERGENCY UNIT RESPONSE - FIRST ON SCENE

Method	Number Incidents	Total Minutes	Average Minutes	Emergency Avg Min
Alert 2	4	17.13	4.28	4.28
Fire	402	1754.68	4.36	4.36
Fire A	1280	5318.02	4.15	4.15
Fire B	158	601.78	3.81	3.81
Fire C	225	731.40	3.25	3.25
Fire D	1	2.13	2.13	2.13
Haz/Mat	408	2512.30	6.16	6.16
Haz/Mat 2D	1	4.10	4.10	4.10
Hazardous Package	8	34.68	4.34	4.34
Medical	876	3462.20	3.95	3.95
Medical A	1740	9450.68	5.43	5.43
Medical B	3111	12568.50	4.04	4.04
Medical C	3321	13207.37	3.98	3.98
Medical D	3738	15652.68	4.19	4.19
Medical E	284	1078.77	3.80	3.80
Medical- Mutaid	77	1128.15	14.65	
Medical-Omega	67	672.78	10.04	
Medical RSAAlarm	135	812.78	6.02	6.02
Other	1472	8628.27	5.86	5.86
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Invalid Time	1344			

**Total Incidents** 18,771

*This total does not include response outside of the City.*

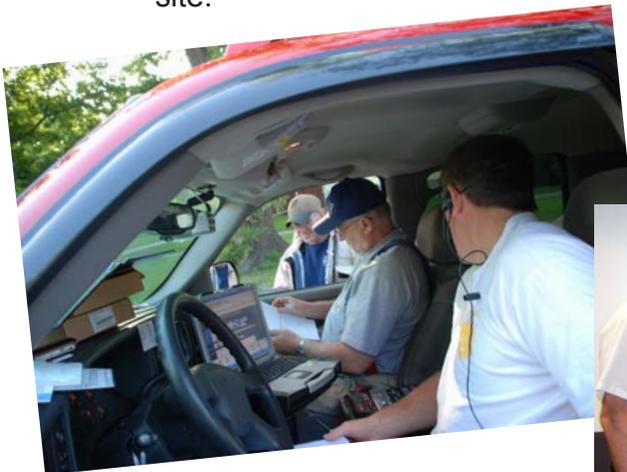


# ADMINISTRATION

The administrative division coordinates support services for all divisions of the fire department through the assistant chief of support services, six staff personnel, and community volunteers. Daily operations require providing administrative services, human resource management, physical resource management, and developing and maintaining operating policies.

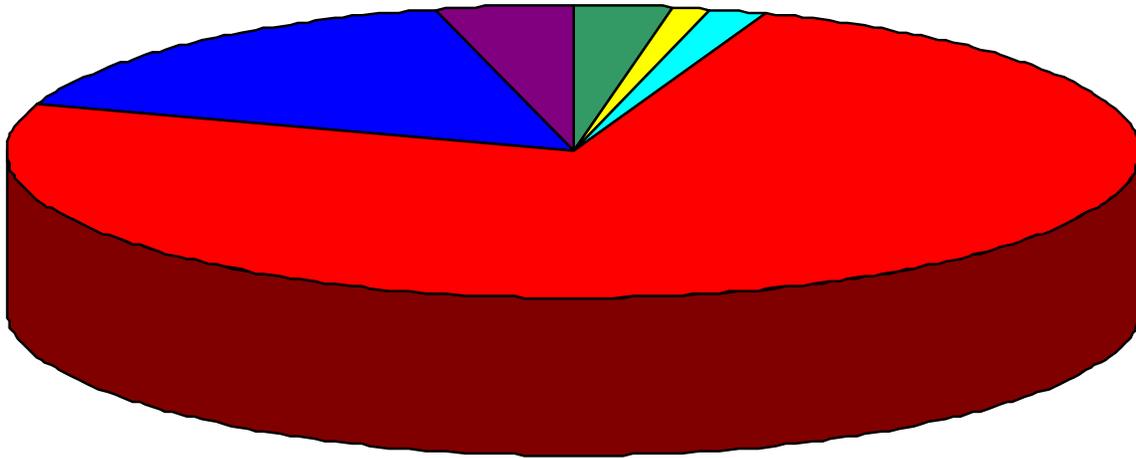
During 2007 the administrative division provided coordinated command and control of the department in the on going effort to meet the needs of the community with the resources provided by the city. In the ongoing effort to share information and be inclusive of all personnel a number of meetings and briefings were held. These included weekly administrative staff meetings, weekly command staff meetings involving all chief officers of the department, weekly shift briefings were conducted with all on duty personnel via the closed circuit cable tv system and daily conference calls between the on shift battalion chiefs and all on duty supervisors were held. The Fire Chief met weekly with the city council members in the pre council session and with the mayor in the weekly director's meeting.

The administrative division staff made routine updates to the LF&R web site for public information, providing daily, weekly and monthly summary reports of department activities. Many other operational aspects are tracked in the records management system of the department. In addition, LF&R management policies are updated on the city IntraLinc web site for employee access to current policy. Minutes for committee meetings and other groups are also available via the IntraLinc web site.

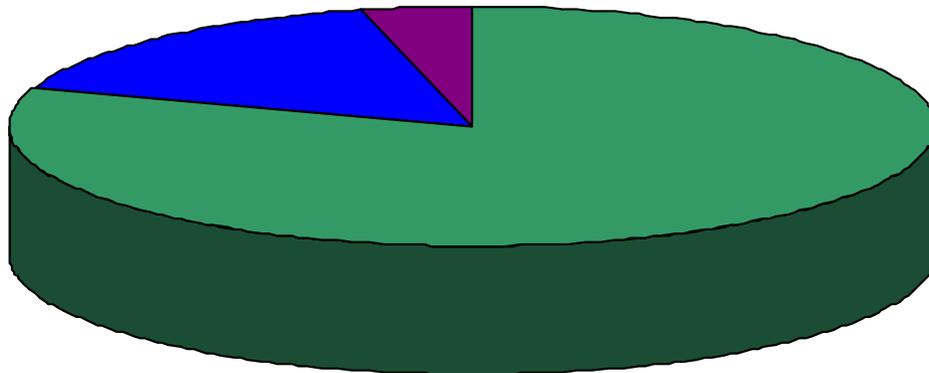


# 2006-2007 BUDGET SUMMARY

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - \$23,740,598



■ Administration	- \$685,931
■ Training Division	- \$227,386
■ Maintenance Division	- \$402,320
■ Emergency Services Division	- \$17,753,899
■ EMS Transport Division	- \$3,746,131
■ Urban Search & Rescue (NETF1)	- \$924,931



■ General Tax Fund	- \$19,069,536
■ Ambulance Service Fund	- \$3,746,131
■ Urban Search & Rescue FEMA Funded	- \$924,931

## ***HUMAN RESOURCES***

Number of EEO Complaint Investigations .....	0
Number of EEO Investigations On-going .....	0
Number of EEO Investigations On-going over 60 days .....	0
Number of Grievances Filed .....	2
Number of Grievances Resolved at Department Level .....	2

## ***INSPECTIONS***

Number of Inspections .....	7,966
Number of Plan Reviews .....	1,895
Number of Consultations .....	4,339
Number of Company Level Inspections .....	2,322
Number of Haz Mat Inspections .....	36

## ***INVESTIGATIONS***

Number of Call Outs .....	369
Number of Active Cases .....	13
Number of Bomb Calls .....	28
Number of Ammo and Explosive Recover Calls .....	47
Number of Investigations Internal .....	369
Number of Investigation External .....	2 LPD, 1 ATF



# LFR LEAVE USE

	2007	Floating FTE's to Cover	2007	2007 Average/ Employee	2007 Average/ Month	2006	2006 Average/ Employee	2006 Average/ Month
Carry Over Vacation	0.02	60.00	0.20	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Disability	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	192.00	0.65	16.00	
Family Sick Leave	1.28	3,735.25	12.70	311.27	3,672.75	12.49	306.06	
Funeral	0.33	975.00	3.32	81.25	930.00	3.16	77.50	
Injury	3.06	8,922.75	30.35	743.56	8,202.50	27.90	683.54	
Jury	0.02	51.25	0.17	4.27	159.75	0.54	13.31	
Leave Without Pay	0.33	951.00	3.23	79.25	445.50	1.52	37.13	
Military	0.30	876.00	2.98	73.00	648.00	2.20	54.00	
Personal Holiday	1.07	3,108.00	10.57	259.00	3,044.00	10.35	253.67	
Sick Leave	5.96	17,368.25	59.08	1447.35	17,409.00	59.21	1450.75	
Special Detail	1.44	4,186.50	14.24	348.88	231.00	0.79	19.25	
Union Leave	0.35	1,023.00	3.48	85.25	983.00	3.34	81.92	
Vacation	18.69	54,424.25	185.12	4535.35	47,423.80	161.31	3951.98	
<b>Total</b>	<b>32.84</b>	<b>95,621.25</b>	<b>325.24</b>	<b>7968.44</b>	<b>83,341.30</b>	<b>283.47</b>	<b>6945.11</b>	
Hours Covered by Floaters	15.00	43,680.00						
NEW FTE Needed to Cover Absences	17.84	51,941.25						



# ***CITIES SIMILAR\* TO LINCOLN***

***SURVEY THREE LARGER & THREE SMALLER BY POPULATION***

City	State	Population	Miles Distance from Lincoln	Ambulance Transport	Area	Total Employees	Citizens Per Employee	Personnel Per Sq/Mi	Stations	Square Miles Covered Per Station	Citizens Per Station	Fire Dept General Fund Taxes	Annual Cost Per Capita
Omaha	NE	390,007	58.48	yes	192.00	688	567	3.58	24	8.00	16,250	\$68,090,192	\$174.59
St. Louis	MO	348,189	441.10	yes	62.00	900	387	14.52	30	2.07	11,606	\$50,939,287	\$146.30
St. Paul	MN	287,151	434.72	yes	55.40	457	629	8.24	16	3.46	17,947	\$46,693,914	\$162.61
Lincoln	NE	225,581	0.00	yes	82.75	294	767	3.55	14	5.91	16,113	\$19,527,199	\$86.56
Madison	WI	208,054	483.74	yes	76.41	319	652	4.17	11	6.95	18,914	\$35,130,953	\$168.85
Des Moines	IA	198,682	189.65	yes	82.00	310	641	3.78	10	8.20	19,868	\$28,920,721	\$145.56
Rockford	IL	150,115	478.00	yes	45.60	270	556	5.92	11	4.15	13,647	\$34,293,201	\$228.45
<b>Average</b>		<b>258,254</b>	<b>297.96</b>		<b>85.17</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>6.25</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5.53</b>	<b>16,335</b>	<b>\$40,513,638</b>	<b>\$158.99</b>
Lincoln		225,581		yes	82.75	294	767	4	14	6	16,113	\$19,527,199	\$86.56
Lincoln above/ below Average		32,673			2.42	-167	3	3	0		222	\$20,986,439	\$72.43

***ACCORDING TO 2000 US CENSUS***

***\* POPULATION BETWEEN HALF & TWICE LINCOLN'S THAT PROVIDE AMBULANCE TRANSPORT AND LESS THAN 500 MILES DISTANCE.***



The maintenance division is responsible for a continuous preventative maintenance program for 58 vehicles to ensure cost effective and efficient operation. Emergency vehicles include 14 engine companies, 4 aerial pumper companies, 11 ambulances, 1 haz mat vehicle, and 1 mobile air unit. The department has 3 reserve engine companies, 1 reserve aerial pumper, 19 support vehicles, 1 fire safety house, 1 mass casualty decon trailer, 1 tow vehicle, 1 tech rescue trailer, and 1 water rescue trailer.

Along with maintaining station vehicles, the maintenance division maintains all equipment mounted on the vehicles including generators, power saws and rescue tools.

The Maintenance Division repairs and certifies 140 SCBA's, 300 face pieces, and three breathing air compressors and performs annual pump test of 22 apparatus. Coordinates testing, inventory and repair for 40,000 feet of fire hose, coordinates annual aerial testing and ground ladder testing of 1,650 feet of ladders. Repairs and maintains 14 lawn mowers, 14 snowblowers and snow removal at 13 fire stations, and shop/training facility.

An average of 600 plus apparatus repair orders are generated each year.

LFR annual fleet mileage averages 302,000 miles

The apparatus maintenance and repairs are coordinated by the deputy chief of maintenance. Repairs are completed by three fire equipment mechanics.



Lincoln Fire & Rescue is proud to be the sponsoring agency for Nebraska Task Force 1 (NE-TF1), one of 28 Federal Emergency Management Agency Urban Search & Rescue (FEMA-US&R) task forces in the Nation. Personnel from Lincoln's US&R task force have responded to incidents such as the Oklahoma City bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in 1995, World Trade Center and the Pentagon after the events of September 11, 2001, Louisiana and Mississippi in the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in September 2005. In 2007 NETF1 deployed to: the tornado devastated town of Greensburg, Kansas in May and Hurricane Dean in August.

Approximately 130 of the 180 task force members are Lincoln Fire & Rescue employees. NETF1 members receive training to be able to search, locate, and rescue persons reported missing as a result of a disaster or tragic incident. Task force equipment, supplies, and fleet of response vehicles are maintained in a constant state of readiness for deployment within four hours of notification by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to deploy to incidents involving natural or man-made disasters. Lincoln Fire & Rescue's partnership with the federal government has provided invaluable training and equipment that otherwise would not have been possible. Since 1991, the City of Lincoln, State of Nebraska, and our neighboring states and region have been beneficiaries of the knowledge and experience that personnel have acquired due to our participation in the National Urban Search & Rescue program.

