

Please find below the data requested for domestic (dwelling) fires attended by Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service between 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2023. The cause of each fire has also been provided.

Main Cause	Total
Combustible articles too close to heat source (or fire)	61
Fault in equipment or appliance	46
Cooking - other cooking	45
Chimney fire	41
Faulty fuel supply - electricity	36
Careless handling - due to careless disposal	32
Heat source and combustibles brought together deliberately	28
Negligent use of equipment or appliance (heat source)	24
Cooking - chip pan/deep fat fryer	18
Derelict building fire	11
Accumulation of flammable material	10
Careless handling - due to sleep or unconsciousness	7
Other intentional burning, going out of control	7
Faulty leads to equipment or appliance	7
Overheating, unknown cause	6
Suicide/attempted: setting fire to self	5
Playing with fire (or heat source)	4
Careless handling - due to knocking over	3
Bomb/incendiary device	3
Natural occurrence	3
Person too close to heat source (or fire)	1
Total	398