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This year's mountain incident and accidents in England and Wales are summarised as follows: -

| Year | Incidents | Fatalities | Injured | Persons assisted |
|------|-----------|------------|---------|------------------|
| 2014 | 1051 | 29 | 643 | 1291 |
| 2013 | 1027 | 21 | 637 | 1194 |
| 2012 | 1080 | 30 | 635 | 1298 |
| 2011 | 1086 | 33 | 675 | 1326 |
| 2010 | 1126 | 53 | 658 | 1394 |

This year's mountain incident total shows a four-year decrease. Likewise the number of people injured shows a similar decrease. However, this cannot be said for both fatalities and total persons assisted. However, in the 3rd quarter (July – Sept) of 2014, the total number of incidents was the highest on record. A mild and settled start to the year produced fewer incidents; likewise, the end of the year was quiet. In spite of the annual figure being low, this masks a dramatic spike in the summer months.

The year has seen a welcome reduction in mountain bike incidents; however, this number still exceeds rock climbing incidents and exceeds scrambling incidents. The popularity of mountain biking will ensure that this number will be seen in years to come, if not an increase. This year has seen a significant increase in the incidents involving fell runners; the figure represents a 35% increase over the 2013 level which was fairly high in its own right compared to the previous three years. The nature of the sport, being light-weight and solitary means the level of risk is considerably higher than hill walking.

This year's non-mountain incidents in England and Wales are summarised as follows:

| Year | Incidents | Fatalities | Injured | Persons assisted |
|------|-----------|------------|---------|------------------|
| 2014 | 424 | 31 | 87 | 311 |
| 2013 | 483 | 45 | 76 | 294 |
| 2012 | 458 | 49 | 114 | 306 |
| 2011 | 484 | 52 | 109 | 332 |
| 2010 | 725 | 44 | 118 | 336 |

There is not the same variation between regions in non-mountain incidents compared to mountain incidents. All regions report a large commitment to searching for missing persons. These incidents are often protracted in duration, many are conducted over multiple days and all require good co-operation between partners, statutory and voluntary.

The support provided by mountain rescue to the ambulance service has also been a significant part of the workload in recent years. This year has been no exception. Many teams report being 'stood down while responding'. This is not treated as a disappointment. Volunteers would much prefer this situation to one where they could have contributed significantly but were never alerted.

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Summary Report | Mountain Incidents (pg2)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014.

The report confines itself to those activities that are mountain or wilderness-related to which Mountain Rescue Teams were deployed. It lists the number of incidents and persons assisted, regardless of degree of injury. The percentages are rounded to 1 dec. place. Please note the percentage totals may not sum to 100% because of the effect of this rounding in the rows.

Hillwalking is a general category covering all instances of recreational walking, away from easy road or track access. The categories referring to

| Activity | | Lake District | Mid Pennine | N.E. England | North Wales | Peak District | Peninsula | S.W. England | South Wales | Yorks Dales | Total | % |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Abseiling | Incidents | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| Mountain Biking | Incidents | 13 | 16 | 15 | 4 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 70 | 6.7 |
| | Subjects | 12 | 16 | 12 | 4 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 67 | 5.2 |
| Cave/Mine Exploration | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.4 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.5 |
| Hang-gliding | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| Hill Walking (D of E) | Incidents | 14 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 35 | 3.3 |
| | Subjects | 18 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 19 | 4 | 1 | 43 | 0 | 92 | 7.1 |
| Hill Walking | Incidents | 299 | 26 | 34 | 137 | 85 | 19 | 0 | 43 | 62 | 705 | 67.1 |
| | Subjects | 359 | 24 | 28 | 188 | 88 | 27 | 0 | 68 | 76 | 858 | 66.5 |
| Hill Walking (Winter) | Incidents | 12 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 28 | 2.7 |
| | Subjects | 16 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 38 | 2.9 |
| Fell Running | Incidents | 14 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 39 | 3.7 |
| | Subjects | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 33 | 2.6 |
| Orienteering | Incidents | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| Parapenting | Incidents | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.6 |
| | Subjects | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.3 |
| Rock Climbing - roped | Incidents | 13 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 53 | 5.0 |
| | Subjects | 12 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 57 | 4.4 |
| Rock Climbing - unroped | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0.5 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0.4 |
| Rock Scrambling | Incidents | 5 | 0 | 0 | 44 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 58 | 5.5 |
| | Subjects | 5 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 103 | 8.0 |
| Rescue Team Activity | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| Search - Mountain | Incidents | 11 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 40 | 3.8 |
| | Subjects | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 22 | 1.7 |
| Totals | Incidents | 384 | 54 | 56 | 231 | 151 | 27 | 2 | 64 | 82 | 1051 | 100.0 |
| | Subjects | 436 | 51 | 45 | 340 | 157 | 36 | 4 | 129 | 93 | 1291 | 100.0 |

Note:

The category Search includes those activities not covered by the rest, where the subject(s) either strayed, became lost or whose whereabouts were otherwise unknown. It also covers those incident where no subjects were associated.

The category Cave/Mine Exploration shows incidents that are also reported by BCRC, but are included here because support was provided by surface MR team(s).

Summary Report | Mountain Incident Subjects (pg3)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014.

The report confines itself to those activities that are mountain or wilderness-related to which Mountain Rescue Teams deployed. It lists the number of incidents and persons assisted, regardless of degree of injury. The percentages are rounded to 1 dec. place. Please note the percentage totals may not sum to 100% because of the effect of this rounding in the rows.

Hillwalking is a general category covering all instances of recreational walking, away from easy road or track access. The categories referring to winter reflect the prevailing weather conditions reported at the time of the incident rather than any calendar period.

| Activity | | Lake District | Mid Pennine | N.E. England | North Wales | Peak District | Peninsula | S.W. England | South Wales | Yorks Dales | Total | % |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Abseiling | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.3 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Mountain Biking | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 0.8 |
| | Injured | 12 | 16 | 12 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 61 | 9.5 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3.4 |
| Cave/Mine Exploration | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0.8 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Hang-gliding | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Hill Walking (D of E) | Uninjured | 6 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 16 | 4 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 70 | 11.4 |
| | Injured | 12 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 22 | 3.4 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Hill Walking | Uninjured | 171 | 3 | 13 | 103 | 29 | 16 | 0 | 48 | 25 | 408 | 66.3 |
| | Injured | 180 | 19 | 15 | 82 | 56 | 10 | 0 | 19 | 46 | 427 | 66.4 |
| | Fatal | 8 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 23 | 79.3 |
| Hill Walking (Winter) | Uninjured | 8 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 3.1 |
| | Injured | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 19 | 3.0 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Fell Running | Uninjured | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 1.1 |
| | Injured | 8 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 26 | 4.0 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Orienteering | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Parapenting | Uninjured | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.5 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Rock Climbing - roped | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 2.6 |
| | Injured | 11 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 38 | 5.9 |
| | Fatal | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 10.3 |
| Rock Climbing - unroped | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 0.8 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Rock Scrambling | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 11.5 |
| | Injured | 5 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 31 | 4.8 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3.4 |
| Rescue Team Activity | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.3 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Search - Mountain | Uninjured | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 2.1 |
| | Injured | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0.6 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3.4 |
| Totals | Uninjured | 190 | 3 | 14 | 211 | 51 | 22 | 3 | 95 | 26 | 615 | 100.0 |
| | Injured | 237 | 45 | 31 | 121 | 102 | 13 | 1 | 31 | 62 | 643 | 100.0 |
| | Fatal | 9 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 29 | 100.0 |

Note:

The category Search includes those activities not covered by the rest, where the subject(s) either strayed, became lost or whose whereabouts were otherwise unknown. It also covers those incident where no subjects were associated.

Summary Report | Non-Mountain Incidents (pg4)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014.

The report confines itself to those incidents not directly related to mountain or wilderness-related activities. It lists the number of incidents and persons assisted, regardless of degree of injury. The percentages are rounded to 1 dec. place. Please note the totals may not sum to 100% because of the effect of this rounding in the rows.

The search category covers mainly urban, coastline and lowland areas with good road access. Local incidents reflect assistance given to local

| Activity | | Lake District | Mid Pennine | N.E. England | North Wales | Peak District | Peninsula | S.W. England | South Wales | Yorks Dales | Total | % |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Aircrash - civil | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.5 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.0 |
| Animal Rescue | Incidents | 14 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 30 | 7.1 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.0 |
| Bird Watching | Incidents | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Fishing | Incidents | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.7 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.6 |
| Local Incident | Incidents | 30 | 22 | 18 | 5 | 27 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 120 | 28.3 |
| | Subjects | 12 | 11 | 14 | 3 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 62 | 19.9 |
| Motor Sport | Incidents | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 3.3 |
| | Subjects | 3 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 21 | 6.8 |
| Occupational | Incidents | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 2.6 |
| | Subjects | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1.9 |
| Pony Trekking | Incidents | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 2.1 |
| | Subjects | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2.3 |
| Road Traffic Collision | Incidents | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 17 | 4.0 |
| | Subjects | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 2.9 |
| Search - Non-mountain | Incidents | 19 | 24 | 47 | 16 | 18 | 29 | 22 | 17 | 4 | 196 | 46.2 |
| | Subjects | 16 | 23 | 42 | 17 | 16 | 24 | 20 | 16 | 4 | 178 | 57.2 |
| Sledging | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.3 |
| Water Sport (all types) | Incidents | 8 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 4.5 |
| | Subjects | 5 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 6.1 |
| Major Incident | Incidents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.2 |
| | Subjects | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Totals | Incidents | 90 | 52 | 88 | 31 | 57 | 35 | 23 | 29 | 19 | 424 | 100.0 |
| | Subjects | 45 | 37 | 77 | 28 | 41 | 26 | 20 | 26 | 11 | 311 | 100.0 |

Summary Report | Non-Mountain Incident Subjects (pg5)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014.

This report restricts itself to those incidents not directly related to mountain or wilderness activities. It lists the number of incidents and persons assisted, regardless of degree of injury. The percentages are rounded to 1 dec. place. Please note the totals may not sum to 100% because of the effect of this rounding in the rows.

The search category covers mainly urban, coastline or lowland areas with good road access. Local incidents reflect assistance given to local communities and the statutory emergency services during severe weather, problems with access or major incidents.

| Activity | | Lake District | Mid Pennine | N.E. England | North Wales | Peak District | Peninsula | S.W. England | South Wales | Yorks Dales | Total | % |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| Aircrash - civil | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.9 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Animal Rescue | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.9 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Fishing | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1.1 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Local Incident | Uninjured | 0 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 9.3 |
| | Injured | 11 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 42 | 48.3 |
| | Fatal | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9.7 |
| Motor Sport | Uninjured | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 5.6 |
| | Injured | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 12.6 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3.2 |
| Occupational | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 6.9 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Pony Trekking | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1.2 |
| | Injured | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5.7 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Road Traffic Collision | Uninjured | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2.5 |
| | Injured | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4.6 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3.2 |
| Search - Non-mountain | Uninjured | 13 | 11 | 26 | 11 | 10 | 17 | 16 | 10 | 3 | 117 | 72.2 |
| | Injured | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 11.5 |
| | Fatal | 1 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 74.2 |
| Sledging | Uninjured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Injured | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1.1 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Water Sport (all types) | Uninjured | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 5.6 |
| | Injured | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 8.0 |
| | Fatal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 9.7 |
| Totals | Uninjured | 23 | 13 | 48 | 16 | 15 | 17 | 16 | 11 | 3 | 162 | 100.0 |
| | Injured | 18 | 13 | 15 | 4 | 19 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 87 | 100.0 |
| | Fatal | 2 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 31 | 100.0 |

Summary Reports | Main Causes of Mountain Incidents (pg6)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014, during which time 1051 incidents were reported.

This report summarises the main causes of Mountain Accidents. It is based on a search of key words used in incident reports. All causes have not been listed, so the column totals may not agree with the total number of incidents. A typical report will illustrate another problem with totals:

"...tripped on footpath whilst walking and fell 2 metres onto rocky ground."

This will result in contributions to the "Slip, Trip or Stumble" and the "Fall or Tumble" categories.

| Causes | Col. 1 Hillwalking (summer) | Col. 2 Hillwalking (winter) | Col. 3 Rock Climbing | Col. 4 Snow / Ice Climbing | Col. 5 Other Activities | Col. 6 Cause Total | Col. 7 Percent of all Incidents |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Avalanche | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| 2. Belay / Runner Failure | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| 3. Benighted | 28 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 32 | 3.0 |
| 4. Cragfast | 34 | 3 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 6.4 |
| 5. Fall or Tumble | 112 | 5 | 69 | 0 | 55 | 241 | 22.9 |
| 6. Lightning | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| 7. Lost or Overdue | 135 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 148 | 14.1 |
| 8. Medical Collapse or Illness | 72 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 77 | 7.3 |
| 9. Overdue or Missing | 46 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 71 | 6.8 |
| 10. Rockfall | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.4 |
| 11. Shouts, Lights or Flares Reported | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 10 | 1.0 |
| 12. Slip. Trip or Stumble | 234 | 13 | 19 | 0 | 2 | 268 | 25.5 |
| 13. Unable to Continue | 54 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 60 | 5.7 |
| 14. Totals Incidents | 781 | 28 | 118 | 0 | 124 | 1051 | 100.0 |

Notes:

Col. 1 - this category also includes Hill Running and orienteering.

Col. 2 - this category is based on the prevailing weather and ground conditions at the time, not on a calendar period. It includes those incidents involving D of E expeditions conducted in wintry conditions.

Col. 3 - this category includes Rock Scrambling and Abseiling.

Col. 5 - This groups all the remaining mountain activities e.g. Mountain Biking, Hang Gliding, Parapenting, Ski-ing, Mountain Searches, etc.

Col. 7 - This is the percentage of all Mountain Incidents reported.

Summary Report | Main Sites and Types of Injury (pg7)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014, during which time 880 persons (injured or ill) had a defined condition reported. This report summarises the main sites and types of injuries dealt with by MR Teams. It is based on a search of keywords used in incident reports.

| Site / Condition | Col. 1 Hillwalking (summer) | Col. 2 Hillwalking (winter) | Col. 3 Rock Climbing | Col. 4 Snow / Ice Climbing | Col. 5 Other Activities | Col. 6 Non - Mountain | Col. 7 Total |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Lower Leg & Foot | 193 | 7 | 20 | 0 | 7 | 17 | 244 |
| 2. Upper Leg & Knee | 58 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 78 |
| 3. Pelvis | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 13 |
| 4. Abdomen | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| 5. Chest & Shoulder | 37 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 18 | 12 | 80 |
| 6. Back & Neck | 23 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 6 | 10 | 55 |
| 7. Arm & Hand | 19 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 48 |
| 8. Head | 40 | 3 | 19 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 82 |
| 9. Fractures | 131 | 4 | 28 | 0 | 20 | 30 | 213 |
| 10. Lacerations etc. | 19 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 40 |
| 11. Exhaustion | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| 12. Hypothermia | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 25 |
| 13. Heart Attack (non-fatal) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| 14. Heart Attack (fatal) | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| 15. Illness | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 16. Total | 549 | 19 | 81 | 0 | 73 | 158 | 880 |

Notes:

Col. 1 - this category also includes Hill Running and orienteering.

Col. 2 - this category is based on the prevailing weather and ground conditions at the time, not on a calendar period. It includes those incidents involving D of E expeditions conducted in wintry conditions.

Col. 3 - this category includes Rock Scrambling and Abseiling.

Col. 5 - this groups all the remaining mountain activities e.g. Mountain Biking, Hang Gliding, Parapenting, Ski-ing, Mountain Searches, etc.

Col. 6 - this groups all the non-mountain incidents as detailed on pages 4 & 5 of this report.

Summary Reports | Specialist Resources and Other Details (pg8)

This report covers the period from 01/01/2014 and 31/12/2014, during which time 1623 incidents (Deployments and Alert/Standbys) were reported.

This report summarises the specialist resources used during incidents dealt with by MR teams. It is detailed on a regional basis, with explanations given as footnotes for each row. The percentage calculations (rounded to 1 dec. place) are based on the total number incidents where MR teams were deployed.

| Category | Lake District | Mid Pennine | N.E. England | North Wales | Peak District | Peninsula | S.W. England | South Wales | Yorks Dales | Total | % |
|--|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| 1. Incidents Attended by Helicopter | 147 | 25 | 33 | 116 | 53 | 24 | 5 | 27 | 28 | 458 | 31.1 |
| 2. Helicopter Used for Evacuation | 100 | 15 | 20 | 92 | 41 | 7 | 1 | 14 | 16 | 306 | 20.7 |
| 3. Helicopter Used for Searching | 14 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 6 | 15 | 5 | 10 | 2 | 80 | 5.4 |
| 4. Helicopter Used for Deployment | 23 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 31 | 2.1 |
| 5. Incidents Attended by SARDA Dogs | 25 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 13 | 3 | 5 | 24 | 2 | 90 | 6.1 |
| 6. Subject(s) Found by Search Dog | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 1.0 |
| 7. Incidents Attended by a Doctor | 55 | 5 | 18 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 107 | 7.3 |
| 8. Incidents Initiated by Mobile Phone | 202 | 9 | 46 | 225 | 64 | 3 | 0 | 50 | 56 | 655 | 44.4 |
| 9. Animal Rescues | 14 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 30 | 2.0 |
| 10. Total Incidents - Deployments | 474 | 106 | 144 | 262 | 208 | 62 | 25 | 93 | 101 | 1475 | 100.0 |
| 11. Total Incidents - Alerts/Standbys | 36 | 10 | 11 | 61 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 148 | 10.0 |

Note:

Row 1 - the number of incidents where a SAR aircraft (military or civilian) was called to or attended the scene of an incident.

Row 2 - the number of times the aircraft was used to evacuate subject(s) from the scene of an incident.

Row 3 - the number of instances where the aircraft was used in a searching role.

Row 4 - the number of times the aircraft was used to deploy personnel and/or equipment in support of an incident.

Row 5 - the number of instances where Mountain Rescue Search Dogs were called to or attended an incident.

Row 6 - the number of instances where the subject(s) were located by the SARDA dog

Row 7 - the number of incidents where a doctor attended the scene of an accident, in most cases these doctors are members of MR teams.

Row 8 - the number of incidents initiated using a mobile phone by the subject requiring assistance.

Row 9 - the number of animal rescue by MR teams; typically, cragfast sheep.

Row 10 - the total number of incidents requiring deployment by MR teams in this region.

Row 11 - the total number of times MR teams were contacted but it did not lead to a deployment; requests for assistance that were not eventually needed.