

FOI:	277 09 25
Request Theme:	Residential Gas Leak Explosions
Reporting Period:	01/01/2020 – 31/08/2025

Question	Response																																			
I would like to request the following information relating to residential explosions within your area, confirmed or believed to be caused by a gas leak which occurred from 2020 to present:	To identify these incidents, Hereford & Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) reviewed primary fire reports and logs recorded in the incident recording system, where an explosion was indicated at residential property types. Between 2020 and the present, HWFRS has attended five incidents involving explosions at residential properties, which were either confirmed or suspected to have been caused by a gas leak. These incidents resulted in one fatality, seven injuries, and the evacuation of nineteen individuals.																																			
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