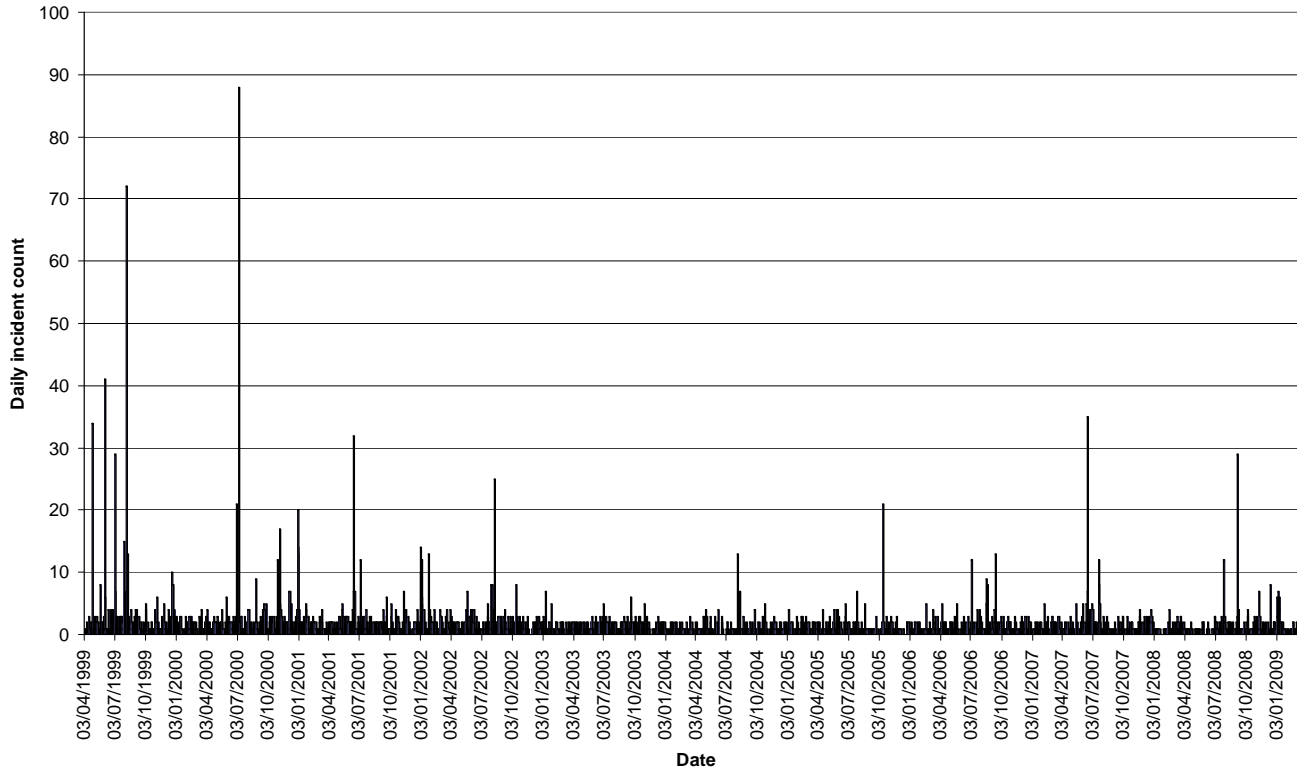


# WMFS - flooding overview

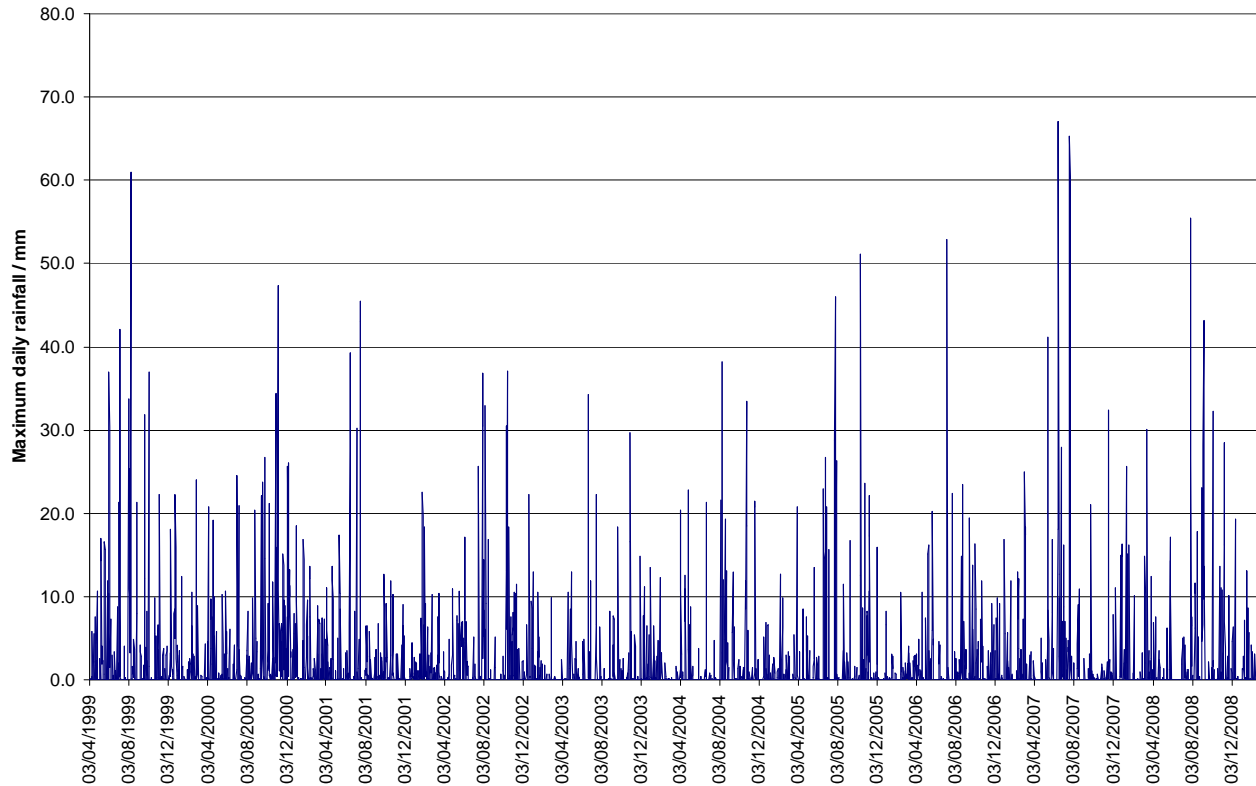
WMFS Flooding Incidents - daily incident count



- Limited number of days with very great demand – capacity planning issues
- WMFS – anticipate majority are pluvial events

# WMFS - daily rainfall

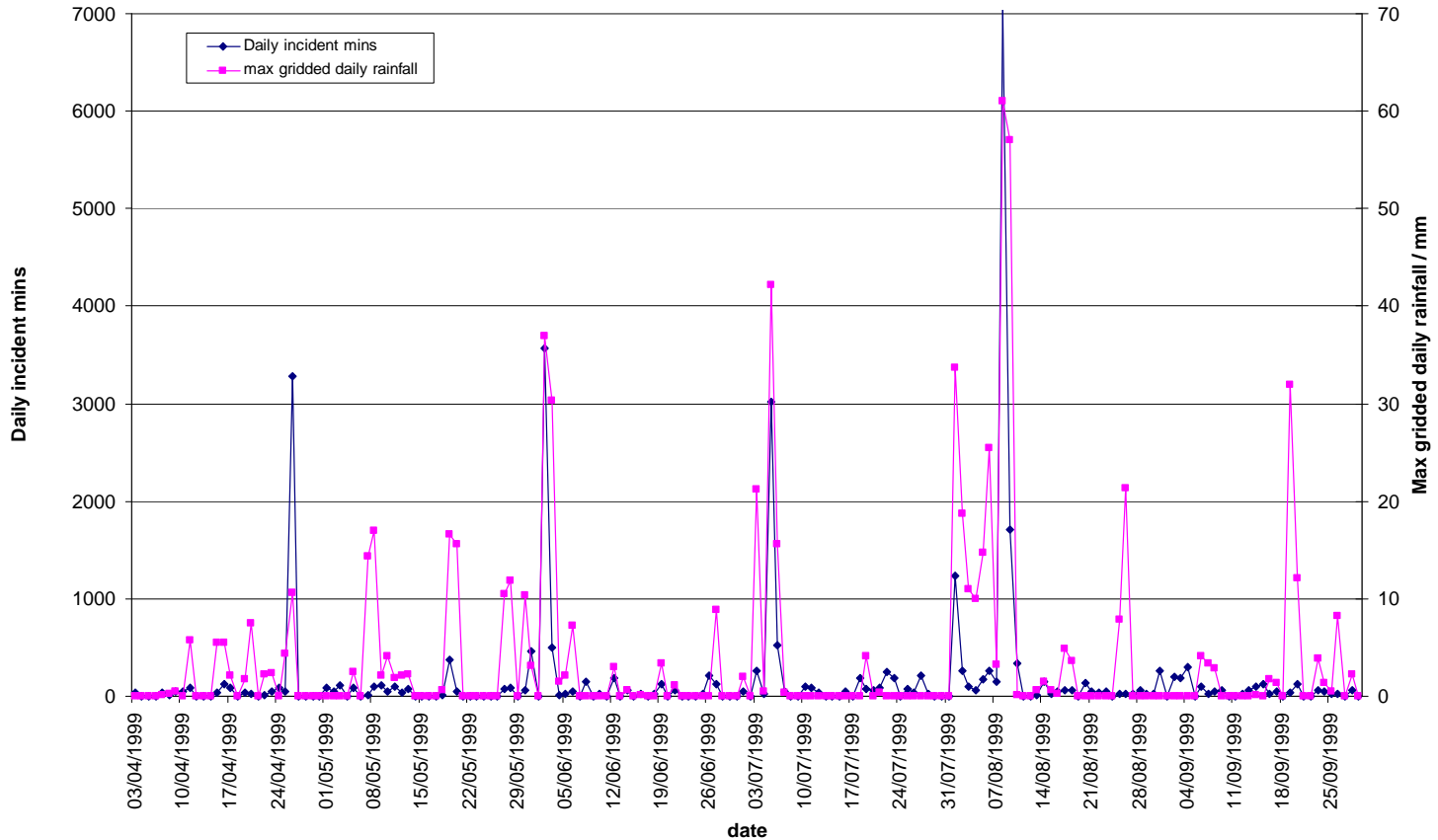
WMFS Flooding incidents - maximum daily rainfall



- Summer convective events give highest daily rainfall

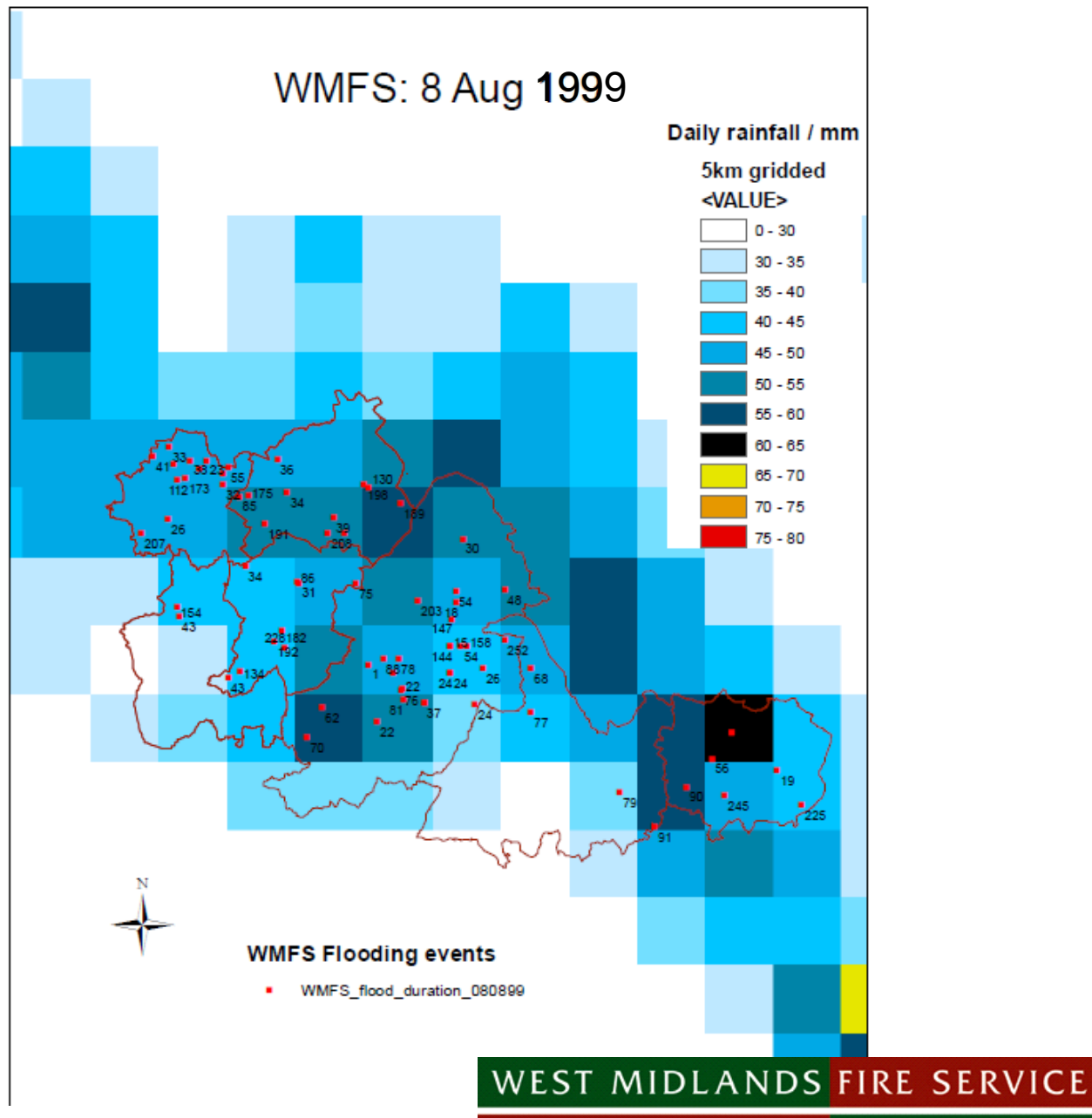
# WMFS - flooding overview - summer 1999

WMFS - Total incident minutes: summer / autumn 1999



- Summer incidents – convective heavy rainfall events – can be very localised, eg 8/8/99
- When daily rainfall < 20mm, number of incidents can be few – but not always
- What about incidents when hardly any daily rainfall? In-building events or fluvial?
- Sensitivity – some areas have higher pop density; also sewers may be less able to cope with intense events
- Adaptation – sewer upgrades (Severn Trent Water are doing this in Aston area)...

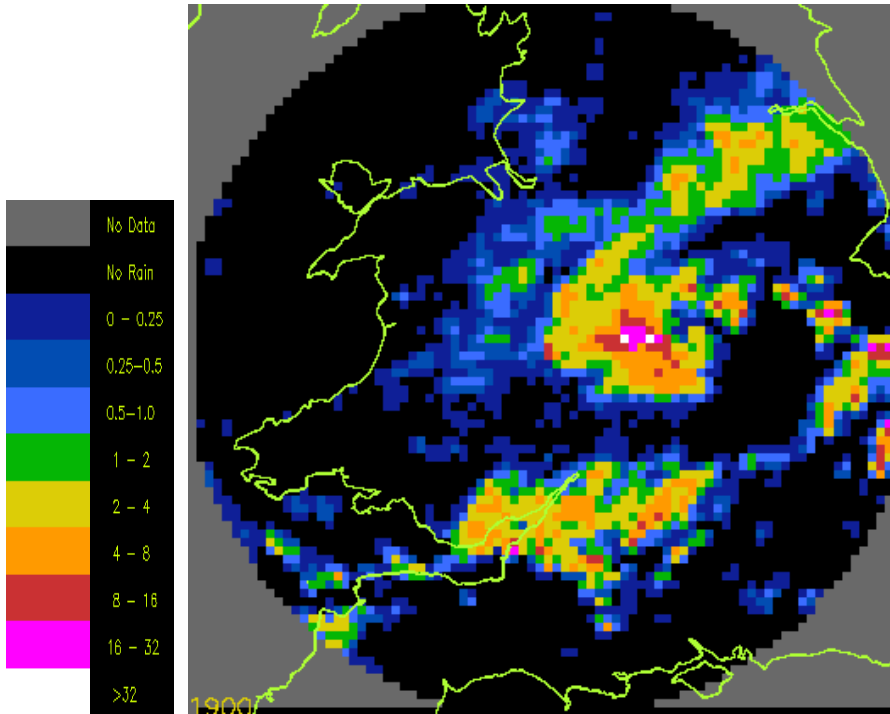
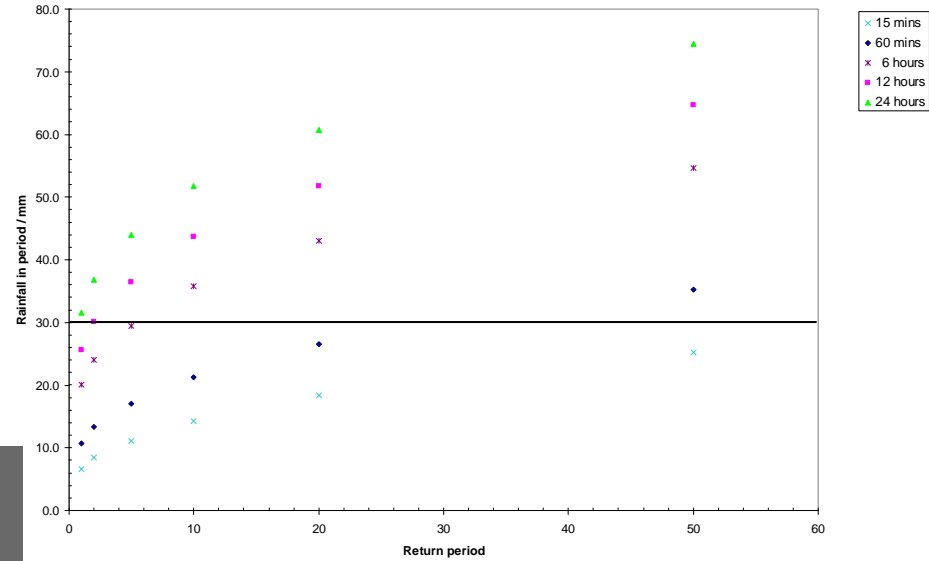
# Gridded daily rainfall & incident duration





# Rainfall analysis

Rainfall Analysis for Coleshill, West Midlands

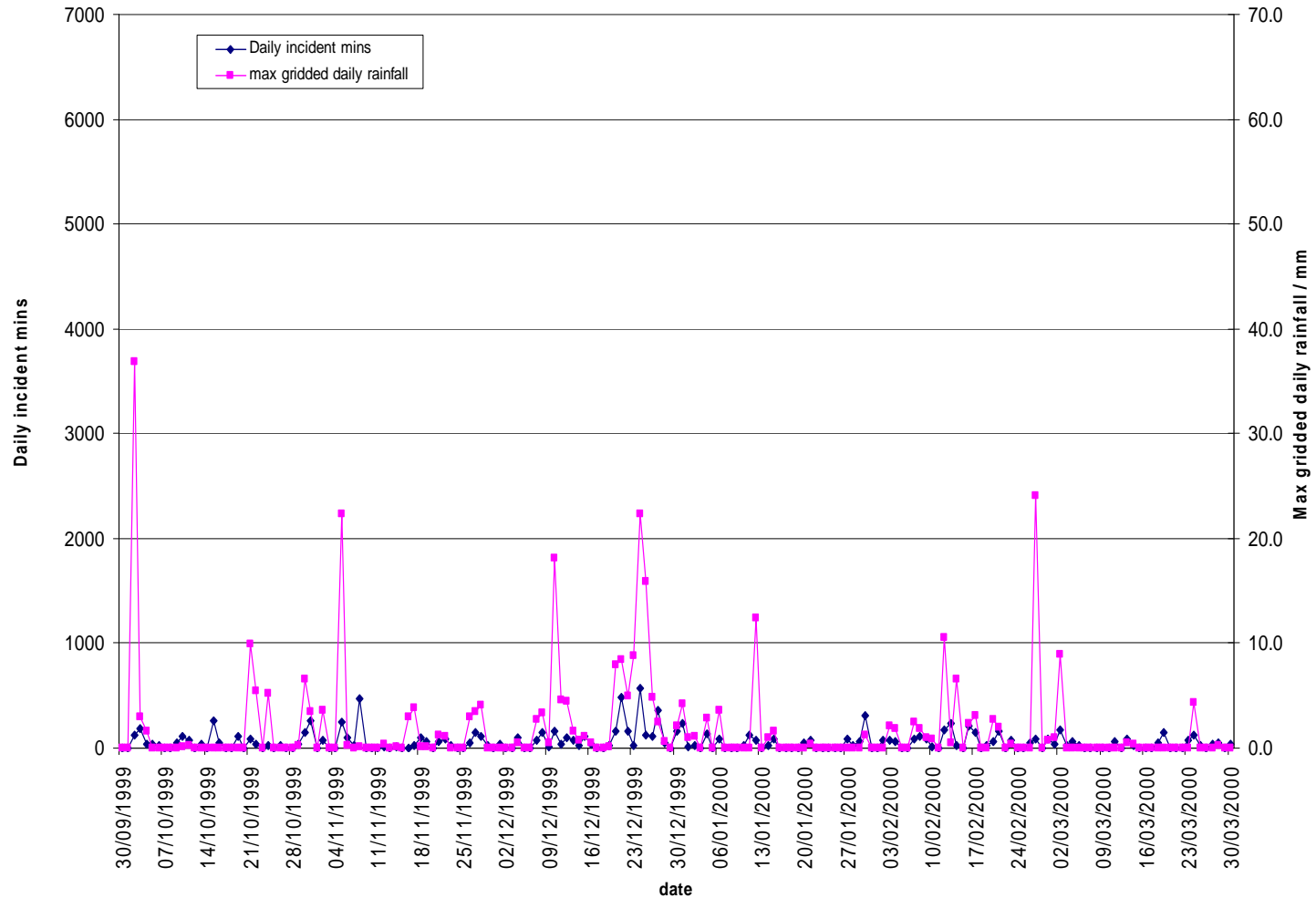


- 30 mm rainfall in 1 hour ~ 1 in 35 years
- 30 mm rainfall in 1 day ~ once per year



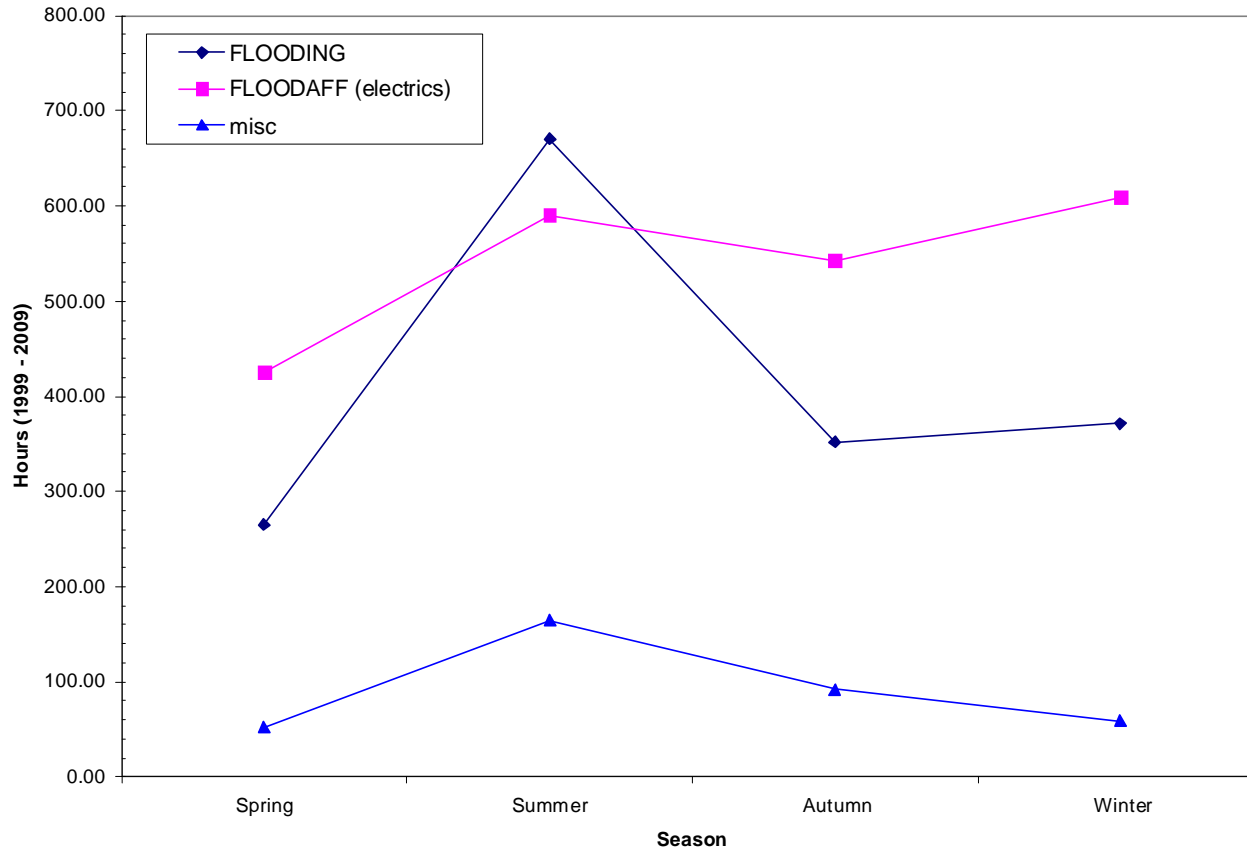
# WMFS - flooding overview - winter 1999

WMFS - Total incident minutes: autumn - winter 1999 / 2000



# WMFS - flooding incident codes

Total Flood Event Durations by Season



- 2 major codes are used, supplemented by free text with instructions about location or nature of event



# An example of incident reports

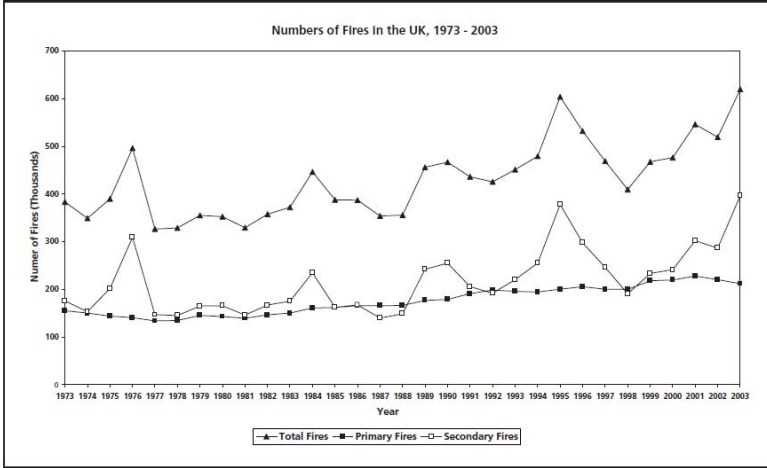
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FLOODING	FLOODING	
FLOODING	FLOODING	
FLOODING	FLOODING	
FLOODING	FLOODING	OAP
FLOODING	FLOODING	OAP IN A BUNGALOW
FLOODING	FLOODING	STREAM AND CULVERT BURSTING BANKS
FLOODAFF	FLOODING AFFECTING ELECTRICS	
FLOODING	FLOODING	NUMBER 2 --GRD FLOOR FLOODED 5 INCHES DEEP 3 FT DEEP IN BASEMENT
FLOODING	FLOODING	FLOODING FS HAVE ATTENDED - NOWHERE TO PUMP THE WATER TO
FLOODING	FLOODING	SUBSTATION NEXT DOOR 2 FT UNDER WATER, HOUSE 1 FT UNDER WATER
FLOODING	FLOODING	BASEMENT
FLOODING	FLOODING	IN BASEMENT UNDERNEATH COMMS WORKSHOP
FLOODING	FLOODING	
FLOODAFF	FLOODING AFFECTING ELECTRICS	EMPTY HOUSE NR NO 128
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FLOODING	FLOODING	FLAT NO 17 COA**
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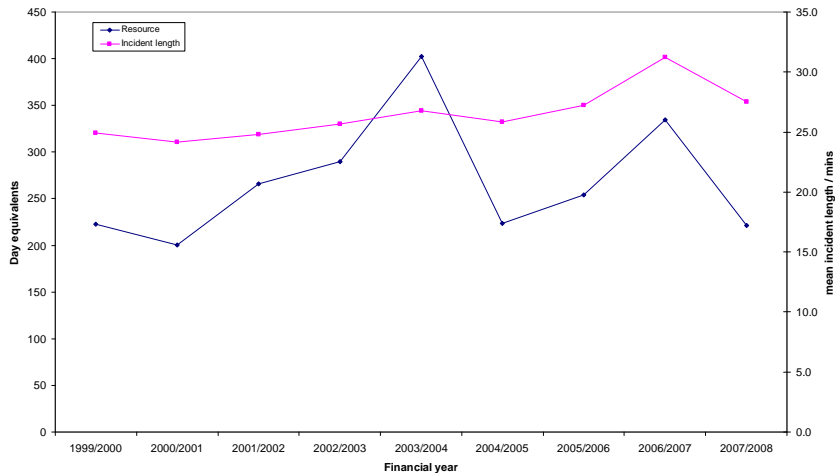
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# WMFS - secondary fires

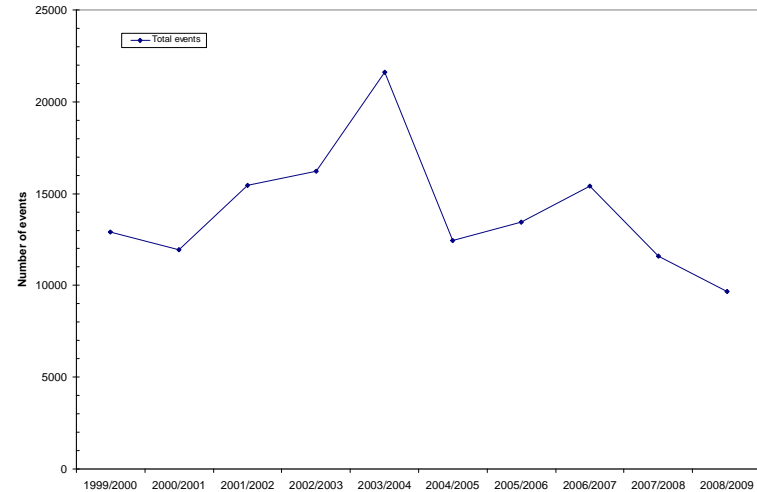
Figure 1: Adapted from: Economic Impacts of the Hot Summer and Unusually Warm Year of 1995<sup>(1)</sup> (The figure has been extended to include data from 1995 to 2003)



WMFS Secondary fires



Total WMFS Secondary Fire Events



- 2003/4 peak related to temps & drought
- Investigate relationships...

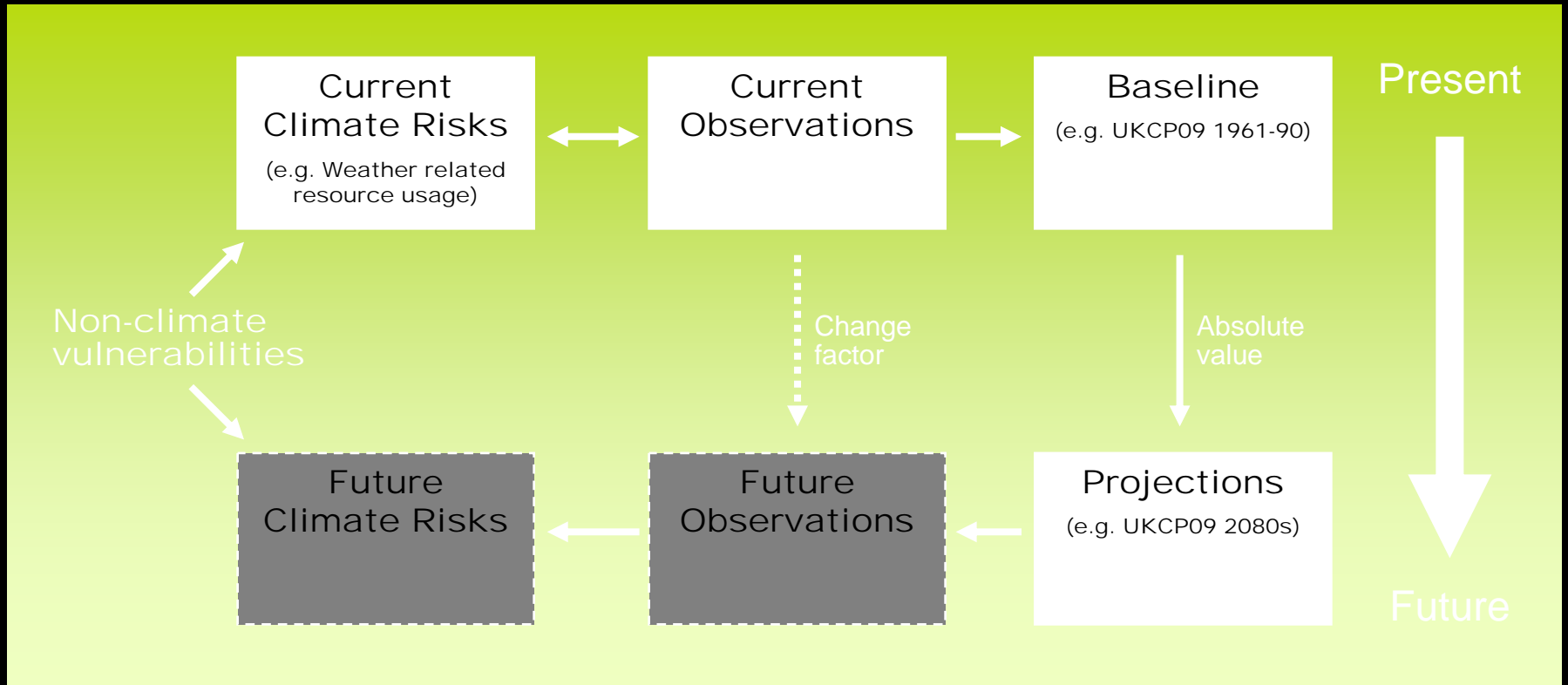


# Fire Service Climate Risk Assessment: Methodology

Fire service resources

Weather/Climate Observations

Climate Models





# IRMP & CIRF

- Fire and Rescue Services need to ensure that robust but flexible response arrangements are in place to deal with the impacts of climate change and associated changing community risks. Issues include
  - Call Demand Levels
  - Appliances and Equipment Availability
  - Training and Development of Staff
  - PPE and Welfare Issues
  - Broadening of Role
- This can be achieved by drawing on available research and climate change expertise, for guidance.



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# Questions & answers