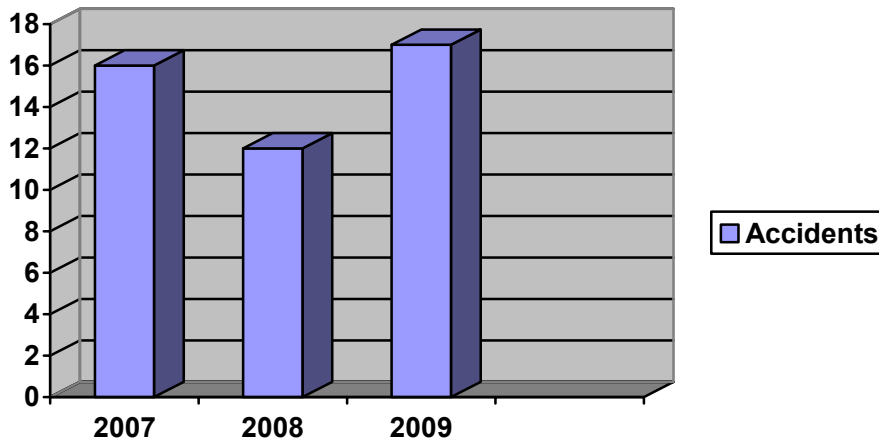


# Volusia County Fire Services Safety Gram



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## VCFS Apparatus Accidents

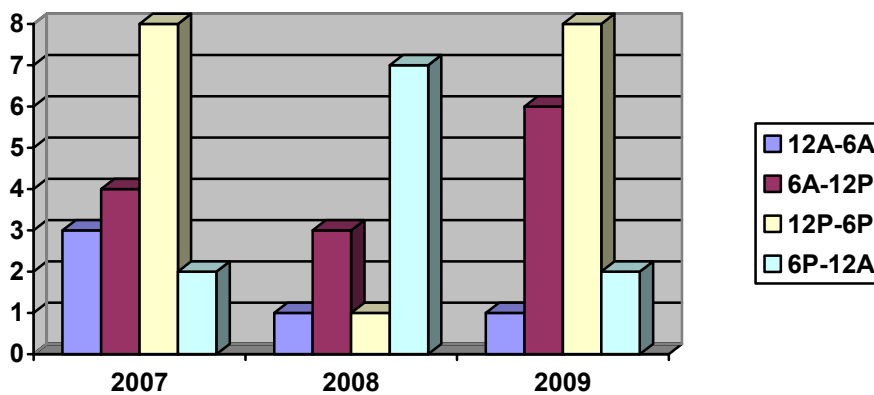


Be aware that these are the most common accidents:

- Stationary objects
  - Fence posts
  - Gates
  - Other vehicles
  - Station walls

Between 2007 and 2008 there was a 25% decrease.  
Between 2008 and 2009 there was a 29% increase.

## Time of Day



After lunch it seems that alertness is declining. Proper nutrition is a good prevention.

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### Dispersion level Chart

Dispersion Range 0-40 is stable air, low fire intensity, less long range spotting.

Dispersion Range 41-70 is moderate unstable air, increased fire intensity and long range spotting.

Dispersion Range 70+ is unstable air, high amount of upper lifting, intense fire activity, potential for long range spotting and plume dominated wildfires.

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**Fight fire aggressively, but provide for safety first.**

**Initiate all action based on current and expected fire behavior.**

**Recognize current weather conditions and obtain forecasts.**

**Ensure instructions are given and understood.**

**Obtain current information on status.**

**Remain in communication with crewmembers, your supervisor, and adjoining forces.**

**Determine safety zones and escape routes.**

**Establish lookouts in potentially hazardous situations.**

**Remain in control at all times.**

**Stay alert, keep calm, act decisively.**

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