



Fire Services Examinations Board

REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY
PRIME MINISTER AND THE SCOTTISH MINISTERS ON THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR
PROMOTION TO THE RANK OF STATION OFFICER 2002

1. The examination was set on the syllabus of study published in May 2001. This was the sixteenth occasion on which the qualifying examination for promotion to the rank of Station Officer was conducted by the Board.
2. Assessors responsible for the setting of question papers, the preparation of notes for the guidance of examiners and for the co-ordination of marking were appointed as follows:

Lead Assessor: Mr H E Wright
General Assessor (Scotland): Mr L I Ibbotson
General Assessor Designate: Mr A J Early

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| PAPER 1 | Operations | Mr S McGuirk (CFO Cheshire) |
| PAPER 2 | Fire Safety, Education & Enforcement | Mr P Young (CFO Devon) |
| PAPER 3 | Human Resource Management | Mr A D Martin (DCFO South Wales) Mr J Singh (DCFO Bedfordshire & Luton) Assessor Designate |
| PAPER 4 | Business Administration | Mr P Coles (DCFO North Wales) |

3. Examination centres at 62 locations were arranged by the local examination boards.
4. The examination was held on Thursday and Friday 21 and 22 February 2002.
5. 1288 candidates initially entered for the examination at the Board's closing date for entries (1 December). However, the final number of candidates entering the examination was 1208 after late entries and withdrawals had both been accepted. 173(14.3%) absented themselves from the examination. Thus, the number of candidates who attended the examination was 1035. Of these, 316 attempted all four papers.
6. A total of 35 officers attended the marking session together with the Assessors, Assessor Designate, the General Assessor (Scotland), and the Lead Assessor.
7. The marking of scripts took place at Daventry from 17 – 22 March 2002.

RESULTS

8. Of the 1035 candidates who attempted the examination, 253(24.4%) were awarded a pass. Appendix B shows the cumulative results for all candidates entered.
9. 20 female candidates entered the examination of whom 8 passed the whole examination.
10. The top candidate, Sub-Officer Andrew Gillingham, Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue Service, attained 75% in Paper 1, 79% in Paper 2, 94% in Paper 3 and 74% in Paper 4.
11. 173 candidates were absent from the whole examination and 66 candidates absent from individual papers. With the changes affecting the Restriction of Entry Scheme, under the revised examinations, only candidates whose appeals related to their final year of their three year period were heard. In this respect, 34 candidates appealed to the Board. Under the delegated authority given to the Chairman all appeals were individually considered and 33 were upheld. These candidates will have one further year to complete their examination.

GENERAL COMMENTS

12. The qualifying examination for promotion to the rank of Station Officer was the sixteenth to be held under the auspices of the Fire Services Examinations Board covering the whole of the United Kingdom.
13. 1288 candidates initially entered the examination. However, the final number of candidates entering the examination was 1208 after late entries and withdrawals had both been accepted. 173(14.3%) absented themselves leaving 1035 actually attempting the examination.
14. Of the 1035 who sat the examination 253 (24.4%) were awarded a pass and are now qualified for promotion to the rank of Station Officer.
15. The flexible method of taking the examination, which enables candidates to take two, three or four papers in their first attempt continues. Consequently, only 316 (30.5%) attempted all four papers, 231 (22.3%) attempted three, 366 (35.4%) attempted two, and 122 (11.8%) attempted one.
16. Having previously noted that 253 candidates achieved a pass in all four papers, it will also be noted from the detail provided that of those who attempted the examination, 147 have now achieved passes in three papers, 223 in two, and 226 in one. Thus, there are 596 candidates within the examination system with credit passes who may continue to work to achieve this qualification.
17. The number of candidates entering the examination was 1208, a slight reduction when compared to last year's figures. Of these 173, (14.3%) absented themselves, compared to 13% last year, leaving 1035 actually taking the examination, a decrease of 24 (-2.7%). The number of candidates achieving a pass and becoming qualified for promotion to the rank of Station Officer reduced by 106 (-7.8%).
18. As this was the second examination to use the changed system and syllabuses, comparisons may be made with the results achieved last year. Paper 1 (Operations) provided a reduced pass rate of 38.2% compared to 43.1% last year; Paper 2 (Fire Safety, Education and Enforcement) an improved pass rate of 44.4% from 39.2%; Paper 3 (Human Resource Management) a reduced pass rate of 32.7% compared to 38.2%; and Paper 4 (Business Administration) a reduced pass rate of 55.7% from 65.2%.
19. As in previous years, there were extremes in the quality of scripts submitted by candidates, some being outstanding in their quality, whereas others suggested that those candidates were ill-prepared for the examination and most certainly for the rank to which they wished to aspire.
20. There were no problems associated with the format of the examination, the venues or the instructions to candidates in the various question papers.

EXAMINERS' REPORT

21. Detailed comments of the assessors and examiners in connection with the answering of individual questions have been prepared and issued to brigades.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

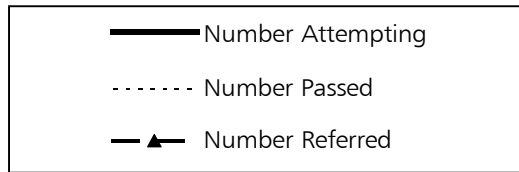
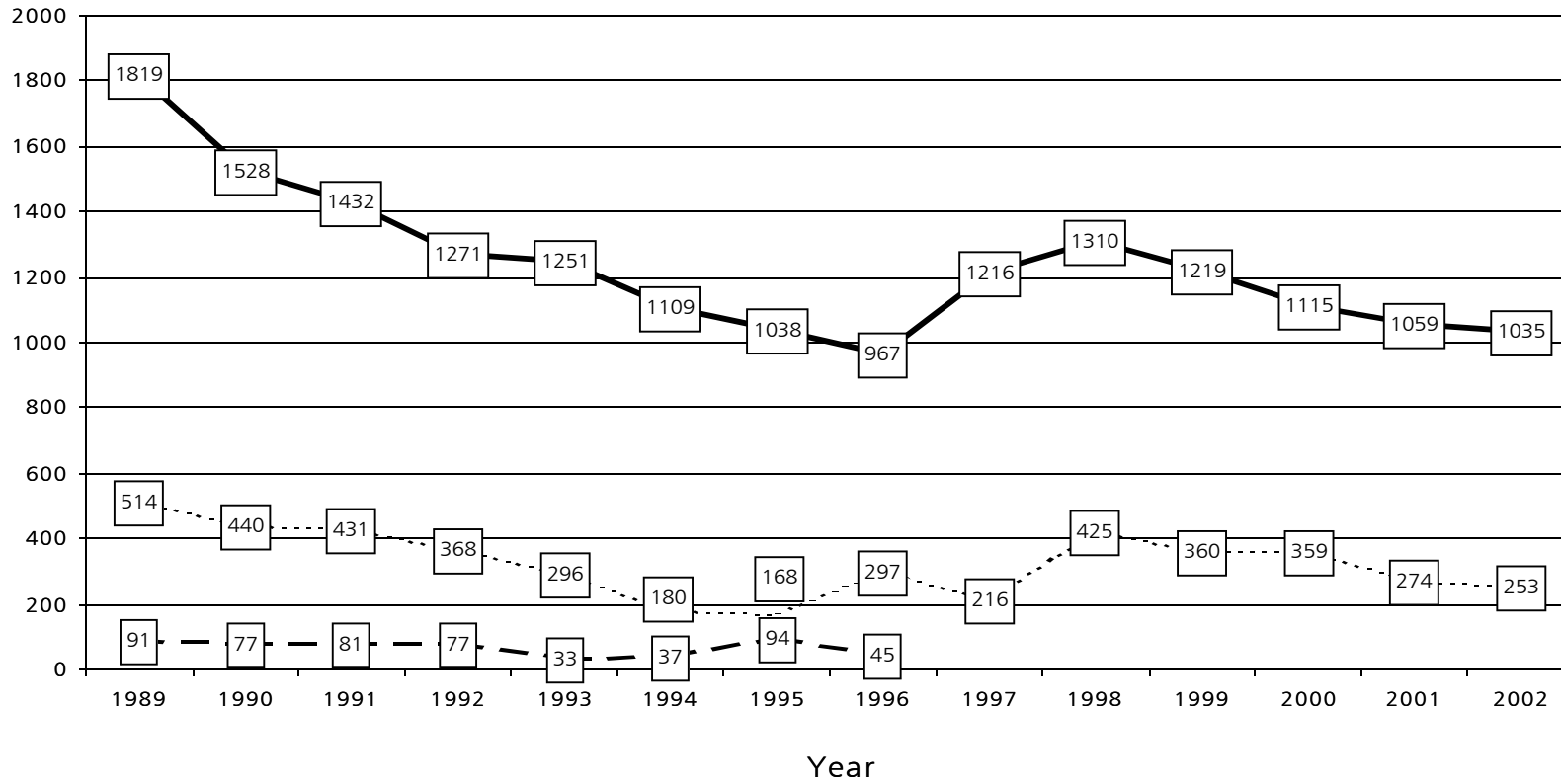
22. The following tables show the results in the examination as a whole, in both graphical and tabular format. A graph showing the numbers attempting the examination and the numbers passing it is attached at Appendix A. A summary of statistics is attached at Appendix B and a full statistical report for the examination, including an analysis by brigade, is attached at Appendix C.

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Chairman

D J Stanley
Secretary

Station Officers' Examination 1989 to 2002

Number of Candidates



Appendix A



Fire Services Examinations Board

Qualifying Examination for Promotion to the Rank of Station Officer 2002 Written Examination

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Examination Board: ALL

Entry Summary

The following table provides a breakdown of candidates by the number of papers they have entered for the above examination.

Table I

| Quantity of Papers | Overall Total | | | | |
|--------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Entered | Absent | | Sat | |
| | No | No | % | No | % |
| 1 | 125 | 3 | 2.40 | 122 | 97.60 |
| 2 | 421 | 55 | 13.06 | 366 | 86.94 |
| 3 | 263 | 32 | 12.17 | 231 | 87.83 |
| 4 | 399 | 83 | 20.80 | 316 | 79.20 |
| TOTAL | 1208 | 173 | 14.32 | 1035 | 85.68 |

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| Overall Cumulative Results |
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The following table shows the cumulative results for candidates entered (including absentees) for the above examination.

Table II

| Paper Passes | Overall Total | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | No | % |
| Passed All Papers | 253 | 20.94 |
| Passed 3 Papers | 147 | 12.17 |
| Passed 2 Papers | 223 | 18.46 |
| Passed 1 Paper | 226 | 18.71 |
| Passed 0 Papers | 222 | 18.38 |
| Absent With No Cumulative Credits | 137 | 11.34 |
| Total Candidates Entered | 1208 | 100.00 |

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| Paper Summary |
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The following table provides a breakdown of the number of candidates entered for a particular paper in the above examination and the respective results.

Table III

| Paper Number | Overall Total | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|--------|-------|-----|-------|--------|-------|
| | Entered | Absent | | Sat | | Passed | |
| | No | No | % | No | % | No | % |
| Paper 1 | 835 | 164 | 19.64 | 671 | 80.36 | 256 | 38.15 |
| Paper 2 | 887 | 176 | 19.84 | 711 | 80.16 | 316 | 44.44 |
| Paper 3 | 936 | 165 | 17.63 | 771 | 82.37 | 252 | 32.68 |
| Paper 4 | 694 | 127 | 18.30 | 567 | 81.70 | 316 | 55.73 |

Note: Passed percentage is calculated against the number of candidates who sat the paper.



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Qualifying Examination for Promotion to the Rank of Station Officer 2002 Written Examination

FULL STATISTICAL REPORT

ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY AGE GROUP

The following table shows the distribution of candidates by age and their cumulative performance in the above examination.

Table I

| Age Group | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No |
| Up To 20 Years | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| 20 To 24 | 3 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| 25 To 29 | 33 | 28.95 | 15 | 13.16 | 24 | 21.05 | 20 | 17.54 | 10 | 8.77 | 12 | 10.53 | 114 |
| 30 To 34 | 71 | 21.58 | 50 | 15.20 | 66 | 20.06 | 53 | 16.11 | 47 | 14.29 | 42 | 12.77 | 329 |
| 35 To 39 | 92 | 23.29 | 40 | 10.13 | 66 | 16.71 | 79 | 20.00 | 75 | 18.99 | 43 | 10.89 | 395 |
| 40 To 44 | 45 | 15.79 | 38 | 13.33 | 58 | 20.35 | 56 | 19.65 | 64 | 22.46 | 24 | 8.42 | 285 |
| 45 To 49 | 9 | 11.84 | 4 | 5.26 | 9 | 11.84 | 16 | 21.05 | 24 | 31.58 | 14 | 18.42 | 76 |
| 50 + | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 6 |
| TOTALS: | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 |

ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY RANK

The following table shows the distribution of candidates by rank and their cumulative performance in the above examination.

Table II

| Rank | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No |
| Firefighter | 49 | 21.49 | 22 | 9.65 | 40 | 17.54 | 40 | 17.54 | 39 | 17.11 | 38 | 16.67 | 228 |
| Leading Firefighter | 80 | 19.18 | 61 | 14.63 | 67 | 16.07 | 83 | 19.90 | 79 | 18.94 | 47 | 11.27 | 417 |
| Station Officer | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Sub-Officer | 124 | 22.06 | 64 | 11.39 | 116 | 20.64 | 102 | 18.15 | 104 | 18.51 | 52 | 9.25 | 562 |
| TOTALS: | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 |

ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY GENDER

The following table shows the distribution of candidates by gender and their cumulative performance in the above examination.

Table III

| Gender | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No |
| Female | 8 | 40.00 | 4 | 20.00 | 4 | 20.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 2 | 10.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 20 |
| Male | 245 | 20.62 | 143 | 12.04 | 219 | 18.43 | 225 | 18.94 | 220 | 18.52 | 136 | 11.45 | 1188 |
| TOTALS: | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 |

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| ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY LENGTH OF SERVICE |
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The following table shows the distribution of candidates by length of service and their cumulative performance in the above examination.

Table IV

| Length of Service Years | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered No |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|------------------------|-------|---------------------|
| | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | |
| 0 | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 |
| 2 | 1 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 33.33 | 1 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| 3 | 9 | 33.33 | 4 | 14.81 | 7 | 25.93 | 2 | 7.41 | 2 | 7.41 | 3 | 11.11 | 27 |
| 4 | 19 | 36.54 | 4 | 7.69 | 10 | 19.23 | 8 | 15.38 | 4 | 7.69 | 7 | 13.46 | 52 |
| 5 | 15 | 27.27 | 8 | 14.55 | 13 | 23.64 | 3 | 5.45 | 8 | 14.55 | 8 | 14.55 | 55 |
| 6 | 14 | 21.21 | 9 | 13.64 | 15 | 22.73 | 12 | 18.18 | 11 | 16.67 | 5 | 7.58 | 66 |
| 7 | 22 | 22.68 | 17 | 17.53 | 10 | 10.31 | 21 | 21.65 | 15 | 15.46 | 12 | 12.37 | 97 |
| 8 | 12 | 20.69 | 7 | 12.07 | 11 | 18.97 | 10 | 17.24 | 13 | 22.41 | 5 | 8.62 | 58 |
| 9 | 18 | 19.15 | 18 | 19.15 | 20 | 21.28 | 15 | 15.96 | 9 | 9.57 | 14 | 14.89 | 94 |
| 10 | 13 | 20.63 | 13 | 20.63 | 8 | 12.70 | 10 | 15.87 | 10 | 15.87 | 9 | 14.29 | 63 |
| 11 | 15 | 20.83 | 5 | 6.94 | 18 | 25.00 | 11 | 15.28 | 20 | 27.78 | 3 | 4.17 | 72 |
| 12 | 25 | 28.74 | 6 | 6.90 | 17 | 19.54 | 13 | 14.94 | 18 | 20.69 | 8 | 9.20 | 87 |
| 13 | 11 | 14.67 | 10 | 13.33 | 13 | 17.33 | 19 | 25.33 | 12 | 16.00 | 10 | 13.33 | 75 |
| 14 | 8 | 15.38 | 5 | 9.62 | 11 | 21.15 | 15 | 28.85 | 10 | 19.23 | 3 | 5.77 | 52 |
| 15 | 17 | 26.98 | 6 | 9.52 | 7 | 11.11 | 15 | 23.81 | 13 | 20.63 | 5 | 7.94 | 63 |
| 16 | 13 | 20.31 | 5 | 7.81 | 16 | 25.00 | 11 | 17.19 | 11 | 17.19 | 8 | 12.50 | 64 |
| 17 | 9 | 16.36 | 10 | 18.18 | 12 | 21.82 | 10 | 18.18 | 9 | 16.36 | 5 | 9.09 | 55 |
| 18 | 8 | 21.62 | 5 | 13.51 | 8 | 21.62 | 8 | 21.62 | 4 | 10.81 | 4 | 10.81 | 37 |
| 19 | 2 | 8.33 | 1 | 4.17 | 6 | 25.00 | 5 | 20.83 | 6 | 25.00 | 4 | 16.67 | 24 |
| 20 | 2 | 8.70 | 4 | 17.39 | 6 | 26.09 | 4 | 17.39 | 6 | 26.09 | 1 | 4.35 | 23 |
| 21 | 3 | 37.50 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 25.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 1 | 12.50 | 1 | 12.50 | 8 |
| 22 | 9 | 23.68 | 3 | 7.89 | 2 | 5.26 | 9 | 23.68 | 9 | 23.68 | 6 | 15.79 | 38 |
| 23 | 4 | 8.51 | 2 | 4.26 | 7 | 14.89 | 11 | 23.40 | 17 | 36.17 | 6 | 12.77 | 47 |
| 24 | 2 | 11.76 | 2 | 11.76 | 1 | 5.88 | 3 | 17.65 | 4 | 23.53 | 5 | 29.41 | 17 |
| 25 | 2 | 12.50 | 1 | 6.25 | 1 | 6.25 | 4 | 25.00 | 7 | 43.75 | 1 | 6.25 | 16 |
| 26 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 33.33 | 1 | 16.67 | 2 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 16.67 | 6 |
| 27 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 6 |
| 28 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 33.33 | 1 | 33.33 | 1 | 33.33 | 3 |
| TOTALS: | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 |

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| ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY ETHNIC ORIGIN |
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The following table shows the distribution of candidates by ethnic origin and their cumulative performance in the above examination.

Table V

| Ethnic Origin | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No |
| Black-African | 1 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Black-Caribbean | 1 | 16.67 | 3 | 50.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 16.67 | 1 | 16.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 |
| Black-Other | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 33.33 | 2 | 66.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 |
| Chinese | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 100.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 |
| Declined To Say | 8 | 17.78 | 4 | 8.89 | 14 | 31.11 | 8 | 17.78 | 8 | 17.78 | 3 | 6.67 | 45 |
| Indian | 2 | 40.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 20.00 | 1 | 20.00 | 1 | 20.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 5 |
| Other | 2 | 33.33 | 1 | 16.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 33.33 | 1 | 16.67 | 6 |
| White | 239 | 20.95 | 139 | 12.18 | 207 | 18.14 | 213 | 18.67 | 210 | 18.40 | 133 | 11.66 | 1141 |
| TOTALS: | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 |

ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES BY BRIGADE

The following table shows the cumulative results achieved in each brigade (grouped in local examination boards). The percentage figure for absentees is calculated on the number of candidates entering the examination.

Table VI

| Board | Brigade | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered | Total Absent | |
|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | No | % |
| A | Cleveland | 1 | 12.50 | 2 | 25.00 | 2 | 25.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 2 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 1 | 12.50 |
| A | Durham & Darlington | 4 | 30.77 | 2 | 15.38 | 4 | 30.77 | 1 | 7.69 | 2 | 15.38 | 0 | 0.00 | 13 | 0 | 0.00 |
| A | Northumberland | 2 | 20.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 40.00 | 3 | 30.00 | 10 | 3 | 30.00 |
| A | Tyne & Wear | 7 | 28.00 | 2 | 8.00 | 2 | 8.00 | 4 | 16.00 | 8 | 32.00 | 2 | 8.00 | 25 | 2 | 8.00 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 14 | 25.00 | 6 | 10.71 | 9 | 16.07 | 6 | 10.71 | 16 | 28.57 | 5 | 8.93 | 56 | 6 | 10.71 |
| B | Humberside | 3 | 8.57 | 1 | 2.86 | 5 | 14.29 | 9 | 25.71 | 8 | 22.86 | 9 | 25.71 | 35 | 13 | 37.14 |
| B | North Yorkshire | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 11.11 | 3 | 33.33 | 3 | 33.33 | 2 | 22.22 | 9 | 2 | 22.22 |
| B | South Yorkshire | 8 | 25.00 | 5 | 15.63 | 6 | 18.75 | 6 | 18.75 | 5 | 15.63 | 2 | 6.25 | 32 | 3 | 9.38 |
| B | West Yorkshire | 12 | 30.77 | 3 | 7.69 | 9 | 23.08 | 8 | 20.51 | 5 | 12.82 | 2 | 5.13 | 39 | 4 | 10.26 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 23 | 20.00 | 9 | 7.83 | 21 | 18.26 | 26 | 22.61 | 21 | 18.26 | 15 | 13.04 | 115 | 22 | 19.13 |
| C | Cumbria | 3 | 17.65 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 | 35.29 | 4 | 23.53 | 2 | 11.76 | 2 | 11.76 | 17 | 6 | 35.29 |
| C | Greater Manchester | 14 | 20.59 | 7 | 10.29 | 14 | 20.59 | 9 | 13.24 | 19 | 27.94 | 5 | 7.35 | 68 | 7 | 10.29 |
| C | Lancashire | 6 | 17.65 | 5 | 14.71 | 7 | 20.59 | 7 | 20.59 | 7 | 20.59 | 2 | 5.88 | 34 | 5 | 14.71 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 23 | 19.33 | 12 | 10.08 | 27 | 22.69 | 20 | 16.81 | 28 | 23.53 | 9 | 7.56 | 119 | 18 | 15.13 |
| D | Cheshire | 4 | 21.05 | 4 | 21.05 | 4 | 21.05 | 5 | 26.32 | 1 | 5.26 | 1 | 5.26 | 19 | 3 | 15.79 |
| D | Isle of Man | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 40.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 40.00 | 1 | 20.00 | 5 | 1 | 20.00 |
| D | Merseyside | 1 | 7.14 | 3 | 21.43 | 4 | 28.57 | 2 | 14.29 | 1 | 7.14 | 3 | 21.43 | 14 | 5 | 35.71 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 5 | 13.16 | 7 | 18.42 | 10 | 26.32 | 7 | 18.42 | 4 | 10.53 | 5 | 13.16 | 38 | 9 | 23.68 |
| E | Shropshire | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 16.67 | 5 | 83.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 | 0 | 0.00 |
| E | Staffordshire | 3 | 21.43 | 1 | 7.14 | 4 | 28.57 | 1 | 7.14 | 2 | 14.29 | 3 | 21.43 | 14 | 3 | 21.43 |
| E | Warwickshire | 1 | 8.33 | 1 | 8.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 1 | 8.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 1 | 8.33 | 12 | 2 | 16.67 |
| E | West Midlands | 13 | 27.08 | 3 | 6.25 | 6 | 12.50 | 14 | 29.17 | 9 | 18.75 | 3 | 6.25 | 48 | 7 | 14.58 |
| E | Hereford and Worcs | 2 | 28.57 | 1 | 14.29 | 1 | 14.29 | 2 | 28.57 | 1 | 14.29 | 0 | 0.00 | 7 | 1 | 14.29 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 19 | 21.84 | 6 | 6.90 | 15 | 17.24 | 19 | 21.84 | 21 | 24.14 | 7 | 8.05 | 87 | 13 | 14.94 |
| F | Derbyshire | 3 | 25.00 | 2 | 16.67 | 3 | 25.00 | 3 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 8.33 | 12 | 2 | 16.67 |
| F | Leicestershire | 3 | 21.43 | 1 | 7.14 | 3 | 21.43 | 3 | 21.43 | 3 | 21.43 | 1 | 7.14 | 14 | 2 | 14.29 |
| F | Nottinghamshire | 3 | 42.86 | 2 | 28.57 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 14.29 | 1 | 14.29 | 7 | 1 | 14.29 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 9 | 27.27 | 5 | 15.15 | 6 | 18.18 | 6 | 18.18 | 4 | 12.12 | 3 | 9.09 | 33 | 5 | 15.15 |
| G | Cambridgeshire | 2 | 15.38 | 3 | 23.08 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 23.08 | 5 | 38.46 | 13 | 5 | 38.46 |
| G | Lincolnshire | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 42.86 | 1 | 14.29 | 2 | 28.57 | 1 | 14.29 | 0 | 0.00 | 7 | 0 | 0.00 |
| G | Norfolk | 4 | 21.05 | 1 | 5.26 | 3 | 15.79 | 3 | 15.79 | 4 | 21.05 | 4 | 21.05 | 19 | 6 | 31.58 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 6 | 15.38 | 7 | 17.95 | 4 | 10.26 | 5 | 12.82 | 8 | 20.51 | 9 | 23.08 | 39 | 11 | 28.21 |
| H | Bedfordshire & Luton | 2 | 20.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 30.00 | 3 | 30.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 10 | 1 | 10.00 |
| H | Northamptonshire | 1 | 9.09 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 | 54.55 | 3 | 27.27 | 1 | 9.09 | 0 | 0.00 | 11 | 3 | 27.27 |
| H | Oxfordshire | 2 | 18.18 | 1 | 9.09 | 0 | 0.00 | 5 | 45.45 | 3 | 27.27 | 0 | 0.00 | 11 | 1 | 9.09 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 5 | 15.63 | 1 | 3.13 | 9 | 28.13 | 11 | 34.38 | 5 | 15.63 | 1 | 3.13 | 32 | 5 | 15.63 |
| I | Essex | 6 | 25.00 | 1 | 4.17 | 2 | 8.33 | 7 | 29.17 | 1 | 4.17 | 7 | 29.17 | 24 | 9 | 37.50 |
| I | Hertfordshire | 1 | 8.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 1 | 8.33 | 2 | 16.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 12 | 1 | 8.33 |
| I | Suffolk | 2 | 20.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 3 | 30.00 | 2 | 20.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 10 | 4 | 40.00 |
| Sub-Totals: | | 9 | 19.57 | 6 | 13.04 | 9 | 19.57 | 10 | 21.74 | 4 | 8.70 | 8 | 17.39 | 46 | 14 | 30.43 |

| Board | Brigade | Passed Complete Exam | | Passed 3 Papers | | Passed 2 Papers | | Passed 1 Paper | | Passed 0 Papers | | Absent With No Credits | | Total Entered | | Total Absent | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|--------------|--|
| | | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | % | No | No | % | |
| J | London | 32 | 22.54 | 19 | 13.38 | 26 | 18.31 | 23 | 16.20 | 28 | 19.72 | 14 | 9.86 | 142 | 21 | 14.79 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 32 | 22.54 | 19 | 13.38 | 26 | 18.31 | 23 | 16.20 | 28 | 19.72 | 14 | 9.86 | 142 | 21 | 14.79 | |
| K | East Sussex | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 50.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 16.67 | 2 | 33.33 | 6 | 2 | 33.33 | |
| K | Kent | 3 | 16.67 | 2 | 11.11 | 6 | 33.33 | 1 | 5.56 | 5 | 27.78 | 1 | 5.56 | 18 | 2 | 11.11 | |
| K | Surrey | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 50.00 | 1 | 16.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 33.33 | 6 | 3 | 50.00 | |
| K | West Sussex | 2 | 14.29 | 1 | 7.14 | 1 | 7.14 | 5 | 35.71 | 3 | 21.43 | 2 | 14.29 | 14 | 4 | 28.57 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 5 | 11.36 | 6 | 13.64 | 11 | 25.00 | 6 | 13.64 | 9 | 20.45 | 7 | 15.91 | 44 | 11 | 25.00 | |
| L | Berkshire | 4 | 40.00 | 2 | 20.00 | 2 | 20.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 1 | 10.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 10 | 2 | 20.00 | |
| L | Buckinghamshire | 2 | 11.11 | 2 | 11.11 | 7 | 38.89 | 2 | 11.11 | 3 | 16.67 | 2 | 11.11 | 18 | 3 | 16.67 | |
| L | Hampshire | 7 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 14.29 | 4 | 19.05 | 3 | 14.29 | 4 | 19.05 | 21 | 6 | 28.57 | |
| L | Isle of Wight | 1 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 33.33 | 1 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 0 | 0.00 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 14 | 26.92 | 4 | 7.69 | 13 | 25.00 | 8 | 15.38 | 7 | 13.46 | 6 | 11.54 | 52 | 11 | 21.15 | |
| M | Cornwall | 1 | 7.14 | 2 | 14.29 | 2 | 14.29 | 4 | 28.57 | 4 | 28.57 | 1 | 7.14 | 14 | 3 | 21.43 | |
| M | Devon | 4 | 23.53 | 4 | 23.53 | 3 | 17.65 | 2 | 11.76 | 3 | 17.65 | 1 | 5.88 | 17 | 2 | 11.76 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 5 | 16.13 | 6 | 19.35 | 5 | 16.13 | 6 | 19.35 | 7 | 22.58 | 2 | 6.45 | 31 | 5 | 16.13 | |
| N | Dorset | 1 | 12.50 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 2 | 25.00 | 3 | 37.50 | 1 | 12.50 | 8 | 1 | 12.50 | |
| N | Somerset | 2 | 15.38 | 3 | 23.08 | 2 | 15.38 | 3 | 23.08 | 2 | 15.38 | 1 | 7.69 | 13 | 2 | 15.38 | |
| N | Wiltshire | 2 | 22.22 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 33.33 | 3 | 33.33 | 1 | 11.11 | 9 | 2 | 22.22 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 5 | 16.67 | 3 | 10.00 | 3 | 10.00 | 8 | 26.67 | 8 | 26.67 | 3 | 10.00 | 30 | 5 | 16.67 | |
| O | Avon | 1 | 6.25 | 3 | 18.75 | 3 | 18.75 | 5 | 31.25 | 3 | 18.75 | 1 | 6.25 | 16 | 2 | 12.50 | |
| O | Gloucestershire | 6 | 50.00 | 1 | 8.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 8.33 | 3 | 25.00 | 1 | 8.33 | 12 | 1 | 8.33 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 7 | 25.00 | 4 | 14.29 | 3 | 10.71 | 6 | 21.43 | 6 | 21.43 | 2 | 7.14 | 28 | 3 | 10.71 | |
| P | Mid & West Wales | 4 | 12.90 | 7 | 22.58 | 9 | 29.03 | 4 | 12.90 | 3 | 9.68 | 4 | 12.90 | 31 | 11 | 35.48 | |
| P | North Wales | 4 | 22.22 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 5.56 | 6 | 33.33 | 2 | 11.11 | 5 | 27.78 | 18 | 6 | 33.33 | |
| P | South Wales | 5 | 16.67 | 2 | 6.67 | 4 | 13.33 | 8 | 26.67 | 6 | 20.00 | 5 | 16.67 | 30 | 8 | 26.67 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 13 | 16.46 | 9 | 11.39 | 14 | 17.72 | 18 | 22.78 | 11 | 13.92 | 14 | 17.72 | 79 | 25 | 31.65 | |
| Q | Strathclyde | 20 | 18.69 | 19 | 17.76 | 13 | 12.15 | 20 | 18.69 | 19 | 17.76 | 16 | 14.95 | 107 | 30 | 28.04 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 20 | 18.69 | 19 | 17.76 | 13 | 12.15 | 20 | 18.69 | 19 | 17.76 | 16 | 14.95 | 107 | 30 | 28.04 | |
| R | Fife | 2 | 25.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 2 | 25.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 25.00 | 8 | 2 | 25.00 | |
| R | Grampian | 2 | 16.67 | 1 | 8.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 1 | 8.33 | 4 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 12 | 1 | 8.33 | |
| R | Highlands and Islands | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 2 | 33.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 6 | 1 | 16.67 | |
| R | Tayside | 8 | 34.78 | 1 | 4.35 | 3 | 13.04 | 5 | 21.74 | 4 | 17.39 | 2 | 8.70 | 23 | 5 | 21.74 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 14 | 28.57 | 5 | 10.20 | 11 | 22.45 | 7 | 14.29 | 8 | 16.33 | 4 | 8.16 | 49 | 9 | 18.37 | |
| S | Central Scotland | 2 | 15.38 | 3 | 23.08 | 4 | 30.77 | 3 | 23.08 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 7.69 | 13 | 4 | 30.77 | |
| S | Dumfries & Galloway | 2 | 25.00 | 1 | 12.50 | 1 | 12.50 | 3 | 37.50 | 1 | 12.50 | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 0 | 0.00 | |
| S | Lothian and Borders | 10 | 27.78 | 6 | 16.67 | 7 | 19.44 | 7 | 19.44 | 2 | 5.56 | 4 | 11.11 | 36 | 10 | 27.78 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 14 | 24.56 | 10 | 17.54 | 12 | 21.05 | 13 | 22.81 | 3 | 5.26 | 5 | 8.77 | 57 | 14 | 24.56 | |
| T | Northern Ireland | 9 | 45.00 | 3 | 15.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 4 | 20.00 | 2 | 10.00 | 20 | 2 | 10.00 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 9 | 45.00 | 3 | 15.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 4 | 20.00 | 2 | 10.00 | 20 | 2 | 10.00 | |
| U | Guernsey | 2 | 50.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 0 | 0.00 | |
| Sub-Totals: | | 2 | 50.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 25.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 0 | 0.00 | |
| TOTALS: | | 253 | 20.94 | 147 | 12.17 | 223 | 18.46 | 226 | 18.71 | 222 | 18.38 | 137 | 11.34 | 1208 | 239 | 19.78 | |

APPEALS AGAINST EXAMINATION RESULTS

1. REPORT

- 1.1 Following the introduction of the Appeals against Examination Results, candidates were given 28 days from the date of their result letter to appeal in writing direct to the FSEB if they were not satisfied with their results.
- 1.2 Candidates were asked to state the grounds for their appeal and give reasoned arguments and not rely upon their expectations of passing the examination. In the majority of cases candidates were able to provide detail, although in some cases further information was sought. The Secretary has agreed to look at how the guidance can be strengthened to ensure that future appeals received contain fuller information to assist the Appeals Panel.
- 1.3 A total of 32 appeals were received from candidates asking for their failed paper(s) to be re-marked. This represented a total of 52 examination scripts to be re-marked across the four papers.

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| Paper 1 | 25 |
| Paper 2 | 12 |
| Paper 3 | 9 |
| Paper 4 | 6 |
| <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> TOTAL | <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> 52 |

- 1.4 Four experienced examiners were asked to re-mark the above scripts and this process took place on Wednesday 12 June at the Hilton Hotel, Leicester. Examiners were not allowed to re-mark an examination paper previously allocated at the marking session.
- 1.5 Following the re-mark, examiners were asked to provide a brief report, together with reasons where the re-mark had proved significant.

- 1.6 The Appeals Panel, consisting of the Secretary of the FSEB, the Lead Assessor and the General Assessor for Scotland reviewed all appeals in the light of the examiners re-mark and comments, and the candidate's original submission. The decision of the Appeals Panel was:

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| Appeals Successful and Examination Result now 'Passed' overall | 2 |
| Appeals Successful but change to Examination 'Grade' only | 9 |
| Appeals Unsuccessful | 21 |
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| TOTAL | 32 |
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- 1.7 Candidates and Chief Officers have been notified of the decision of the Appeals Panel.

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