

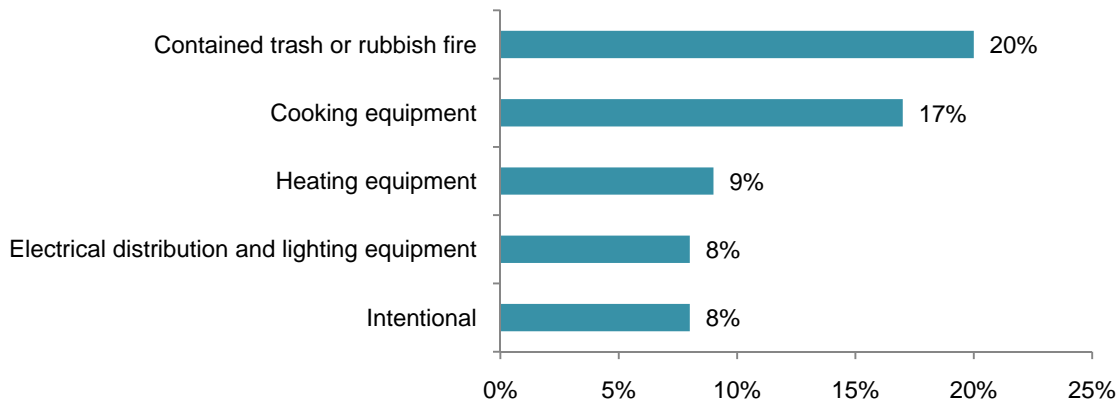


Non-Residential Structure Fires Fact Sheet

In 2003-2006, an estimated 109,300 structure fires in non-residential properties were reported to municipal fire departments annually. These fires resulted in:

- 100 civilian fire deaths,
 - 1,410 civilian injuries,
 - \$2.4 billion in direct property damage, annually.
- One out of every 5 non-residential structure fires is a contained trash or rubbish fire.

Leading Cause of Structure Fires in Non-Residential Properties, 2003-2006



Estimates are derived from the U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) Version 5.0 and NFPA's annual fire department experience survey.

Property use breakdown for structure fires in nonresidential properties during 2003-2006:

- 22% - Storage properties
 - 19% - Mercantile or business properties
 - 19% - Outside or special properties
 - 14% - Public assembly properties
 - 23% - Other non-residential properties
- One out of every 4 non-residential structure fires occurs in the afternoon, between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.