

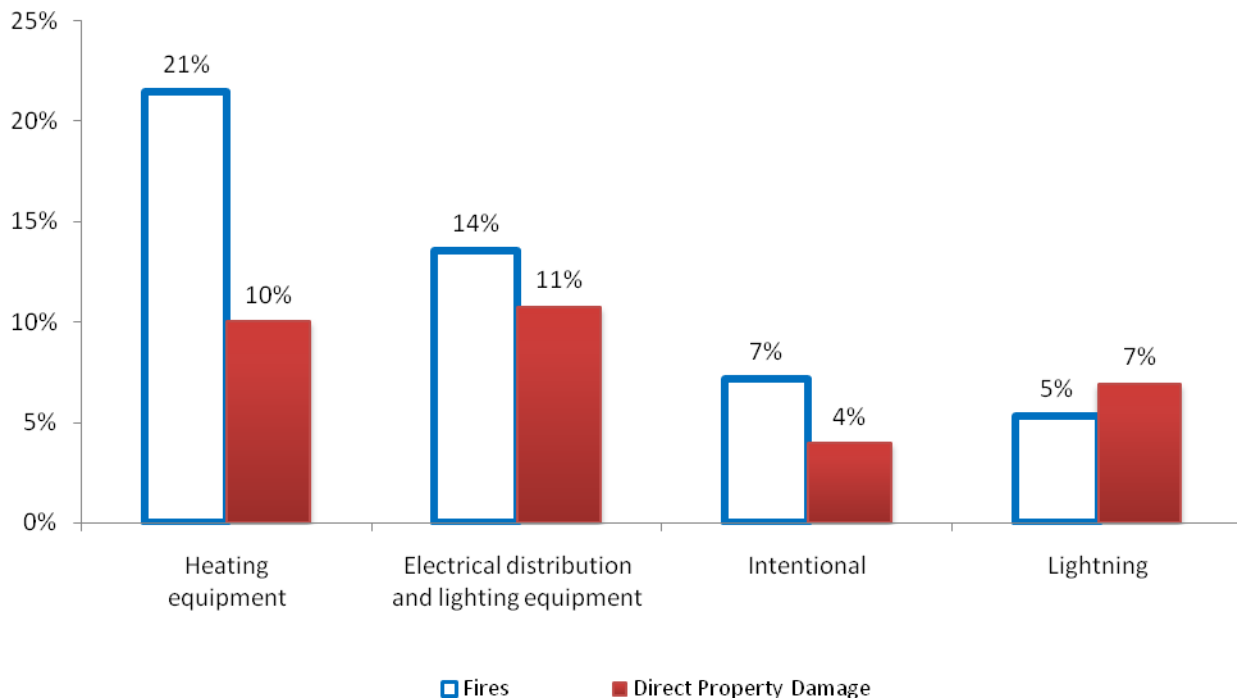


Barn Structure Fire Fact Sheet

In 2002-2005, an estimated 1,090 structure fires in livestock, poultry storage, barns, stockyards, and animal pens were reported to municipal fire departments annually. These fires resulted in:

- 2 civilian fire deaths,
- 10 civilian injuries,
- \$32.4 million in direct property damage, annually.

Leading Cause of Structure Fires and Property Damage in Barns, 2002-2005



Source: NFIRS and NFPA Survey

- Heating equipment is the leading cause of fires in barns. Heat lamps are the leading heating equipment involved in these fires.
- Barn structure fires are more frequent in late winter, early spring months.
- Barn fires are not small. Half of barn structure fires involved the entire building.
- 48% of barn structure fires occurred in the Midwest and 32% occurred in the South in 2002-2005.