



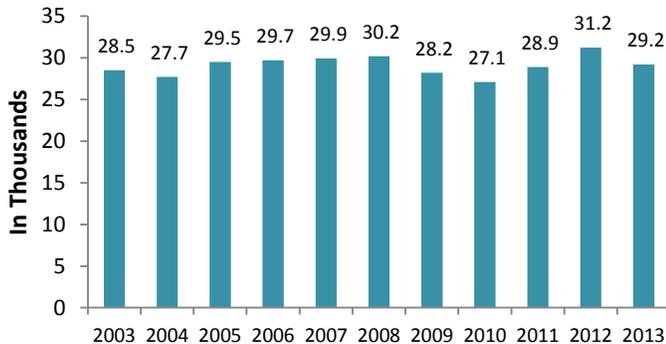
NFPA's Latest Estimates of *Intentional Home Structure Fires - 2013*

U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 29,200 home structure fires that were intentionally set in 2013. These fires caused

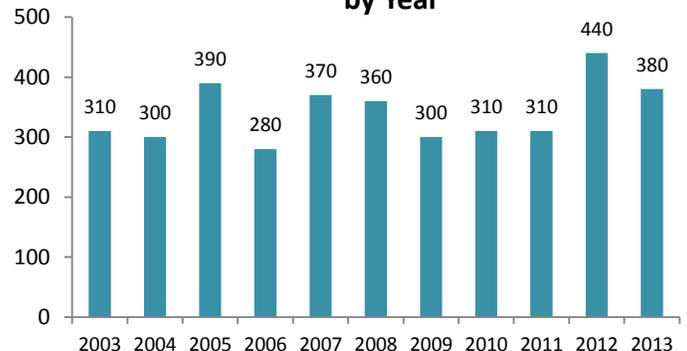
- 380 deaths
- 880 injuries and
- \$531 million in direct property damage.

Intentionally set fires accounted for 8% of reported home fires, 14% of home fire deaths, 7% of home fire injuries, and 8% of the direct property damage from home fires.

Intentional Home Structure Fires, by Year



Intentional Home Structure Fire Deaths, by Year



More about Intentional Fires

NFPA's detailed analysis of reported intentional fires through 2011 is available at www.nfpa.org/arson. Because of normal fluctuation from year to year, NFPA uses five-year annual averages in its detailed analyses.

Key findings from 2007-2011:

- Home structure fires accounted for 57% of all intentional structure fires and 87% of associated civilian deaths.
- Intentionally set home structure fires were more likely to be set between 3 p.m. and midnight.
- The bedroom and kitchen were the most common areas of origin for intentional home structure fires. Rubbish, trash, or waste was the leading item first ignited.
- Statistics from the FBI show that more than half of people arrested for arson in 2011 were under 21 years old.

What is an "intentional" fire? These statistics use detailed data from the U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Incident Reporting Systems (NFIRS). The definition of "intentional" in NFIRS 5.0 specifically includes "deliberate misuse of heat source or a fire of an incendiary nature."