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Fires in the United States During 2016

1,342,000 fires were reported in the U.S. during 2016.

- ▶ **3,390** civilian fire deaths
- ▶ One civilian death occurred every 2 hours and 35 minutes
- ▶ **14,650** civilian fire injuries
- ▶ One civilian injury occurred every 34 minutes
- ▶ **\$10.6 billion** in property damage
- ▶ A fire department responded to a fire every 24 seconds

Structure Fires

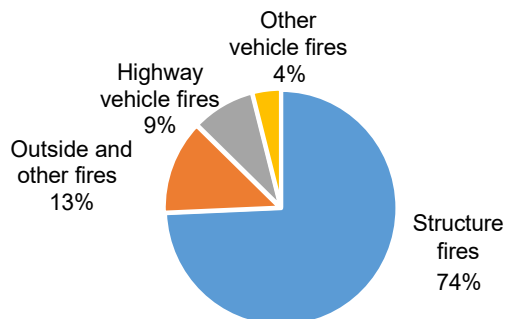
475,500 structure fires occurred in the U.S. during 2016.

- ▶ **2,950** civilian fire deaths
- ▶ **12,775** civilian fire injuries
- ▶ **\$7.9 billion** in property damage
- ▶ One structure fire was reported every 66 seconds

Highway Vehicle Fires

173,000 highway vehicle fires occurred in the U.S. during 2016.

- ▶ **280** civilian fire deaths
- ▶ **1,075** civilian fire injuries
- ▶ **\$933 million** in property damage
- ▶ One highway vehicle fire was reported every 3 minutes and 2 seconds



*based on 2016 property loss estimates

Outside and Other Fires

662,500 outside and other fires occurred in the U.S. during 2016.

- ▶ **85** civilian fire deaths
- ▶ **650** civilian fire injuries
- ▶ **\$1.4 billion** in property damage¹
- ▶ One outside fire was reported every 48 seconds

Other Vehicle Fires²

31,000 other vehicle fires occurred in the U.S. during 2016.

- ▶ **75** civilian deaths
- ▶ **150** civilian injuries
- ▶ **\$423 million** in property damage
- ▶ One other vehicle fire was reported every 16 minutes and 57 seconds

¹\$911 million in property damage occurred in one major Tennessee wildfire.

²Includes airplanes, trains, ships, construction, or farm vehicles.

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