MASSACHUSETTS FIRES IN 2013





500

400

300

200

100

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Structure arson decreased by 31% and motor vehicle arson decreased 40% from 2012 to 2013. Since 1985, motor vehicle arson has fallen 98%. For statistical purposes, a fire is considered arson when the cause is listed as intentional & age is not a factor or the person involved was over 18. This definition excludes many "suspicious" and juvenile-set fires.

Motor Vehicle Arson by Year

MASSACHUSETTS FIRE DEATHS IN 2013

Civilian Fire Deaths



Fire Deaths by Year



- 40 fatal fires killed 44 civilians 23 men, 18 women and three people under 18.
- No firefighters died in fire-related incidents.
- Forty-three percent (43%) of fatal fire victims were older adults (over 65).
- Fire deaths increased by 13% from the 39 deaths reported in 2012.
- Over two-thirds (69%) of the civilian fire victims died in their homes.
- In 2013, cooking was the leading cause of residential fire deaths; cooking caused six or 22% of home fire deaths.



Causes of Residential Structure Fire Deaths

Test your smoke detector and plan your escape! Fire doesn't wait!

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