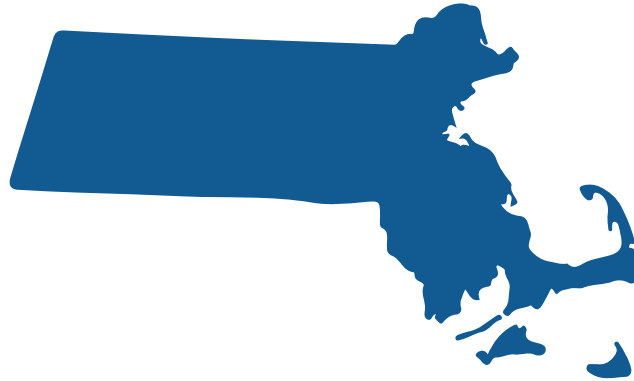


Massachusetts Fires in 2019

25,176 Fires - Down 3% From 2018

42 Civilian Deaths
 2 Fire Service Deaths
 248 Civilian Injuries
 506 Fire Service Injuries
 \$248.8 Million in Property Damage
 571 Reported Arsons



Structure Fires

16,148 Fires - Down 2%
 36 Civilian Deaths
 2 Fire Service Deaths
 192 Civilian Injuries
 446 Fire Service Injuries
 \$221 Million in Property Damage
 144 Arsons Reported



Motor Vehicle Fires

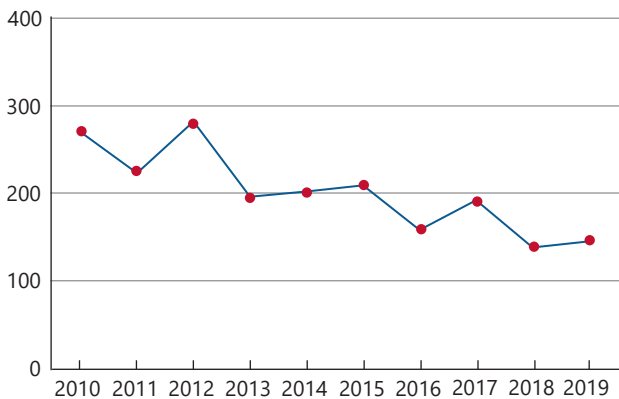
2,355 Fires - Down 6%
 4 Civilian Deaths
 34 Civilian Injuries
 35 Fire Service Injuries
 \$24.3 Million in Property Damage
 64 Arsons Reported



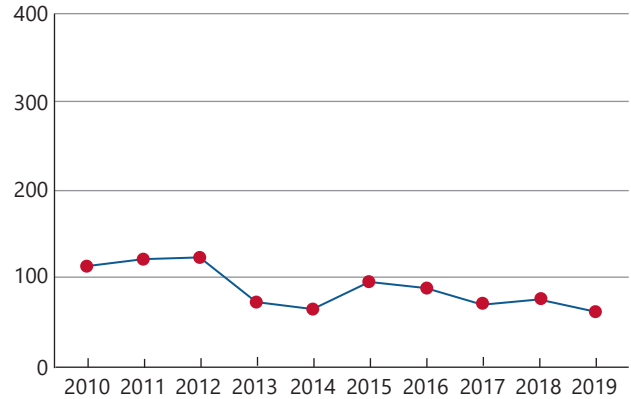
Other Fires

6,673 Fires - Down 5%
 2 Civilian Deaths
 22 Civilian Injuries
 25 Fire Service Injuries
 \$3.7 Million in Property Damage
 363 Arsons Reported

Structure Arson by Year



Motor Vehicle Arson by Year



Structure arson increased by 5% and motor vehicle arson decreased 18% from 2018 to 2019. Since 1986, motor vehicle arson has fallen 98.9%. For statistical purposes, a fire is considered arson when the cause is listed as intentional and age is not a factor or the person involved was over 18. This definition excludes undetermined and youth-set fires.

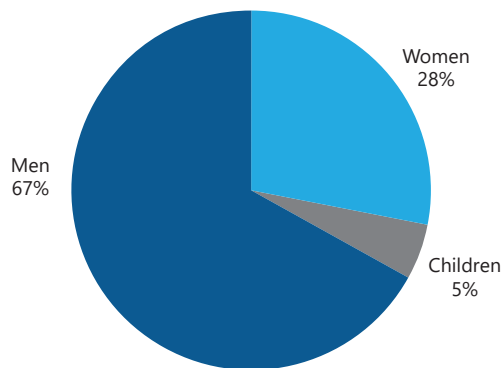


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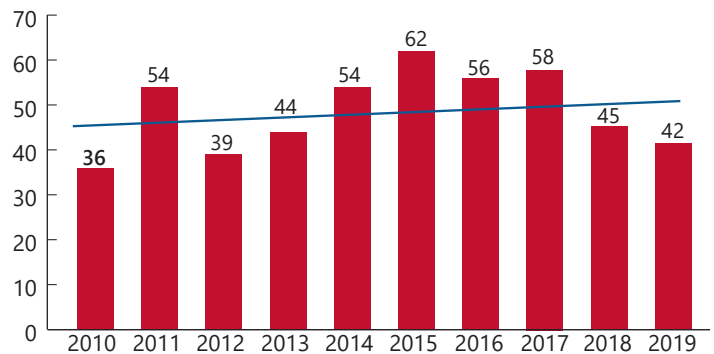
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Massachusetts Fire Deaths in 2019

Civilian Fire Deaths

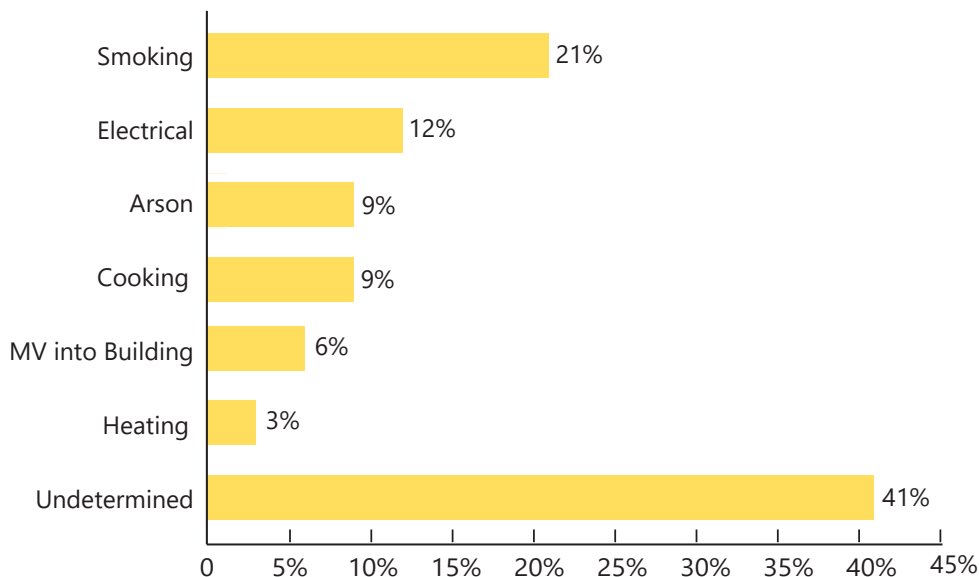


Fire Deaths by Year



- 35 fatal fires killed 42 civilians - 28 men, 12 women and 2 people under age 18.
- 2 firefighters died in fire-related incidents.
- Forty-eight percent (48%) of fatal fire victims were older adults (over 65).
- Fire deaths decreased by 7% from the 45 in 2018.
- Eighty-one percent (81%) of the civilian fire victims died in their homes.
- In 2019, smoking fires were the leading cause of residential fire deaths; smoking fires caused 7, or 21% of home fire deaths.
- One civilian died in an explosion.

Causes of Residential Structure Fire Deaths



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



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