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Investigative Management and Reporting System

## Annual Comparison of Fire Fatalities by Cause



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Cause of Fire	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Appliance Cord	1		1	3	1
Candle	5	16	2	3	5
Child Playing w/Matches/Lighter	4	5	5	2	11
Clothes Dryer - Electric				1	
Cooking Fire Extending to Clothing or Combustibles	4	2	2	3	3
Electrical Wiring	6	7	3	12	5
Extension Cord	6	6	3	20	4
Feeder Cable					1
Heat from Light Bulb			1		1
Heat or Sparks from Friction	1		7		1
Holiday Lighting				1	
Ignitable Liquid-Polyurethane/Varnish/PaintThinner					2
Ignitable Liquids/Gases - Fuel Oil		1			
Ignitable Liquids/Gases - Gasoline		1	3	1	1
Ignitable Liquids/Gases - Natural Gas	1			2	1
Incendiary	3	3	1		

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Incendiary - Combustible Material	1		3	4	
Incendiary - Ignitable Liquid	9	10	6	3	7
Incendiary - Self Immolation		1		2	
Incendiary - Suicide		1	4	1	
Lighting Fixture			3		
Matches/Lighter	2	1	2	3	4
Not Ascertained	1	8	4		2
Other			4		
Other - Electrical	1	1	2	1	3
Other - Hot Objects			1	1	1
Other - Ignitable Liquid/Gas		3	1	1	1
Other - Liquid			2		2
Other - Open Flame	1	4	1	1	
Other Appliance				1	
Portable Heater - Electric	2		1	2	
Power Strip	1	4	1		

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Radio/Stereo				1	
Smoking (Cigarette/Cigar)	22	23	14	20	23
Stove - Natural Gas	1	4			
Stove/Cooking - Electric	2			1	
Stove/Cooking - Other	2	1			1
Stove/Cooking - Stove	5	1	8	5	3
Surge Suppressor	1				
TV		1			
Torch - Legal Use of					3
<b>Grand Total All Causes</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>86</b>

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