

2003
Michigan Fire Statistics
OVERVIEW
 Bureau of Construction Codes & Fire Safety

The following information was compiled from the data provided by the 1,039 (96%) fire departments participating in NFIRS 5.0 - Michigan's fire incident reporting system.

Total Fire Departments 1,078

Paid	8,528
Volunteer Part-Paid	17,554
Volunteer Not-Paid	<u>4,962</u>
 Total Firefighters	 31,044

Michigan fire departments reported 43,509 fires for 2003.		
Property Type	# Fires	\$ Loss
Structures	18,759	233,494,082
Mobile Properties	9,475	49,092,656
Outside/Other	<u>15,285</u>	<u>239,834,807</u>
TOTAL	*43,509	\$ 522,421,545

*Counts do not include 5,821 mutual aid or exposures

Fires resulted in the deaths of **161** civilians in 2003. In addition, fires caused **624** civilian injuries and another **514** fire service on-duty injuries. No firefighters died in the line-of-duty.

The reported estimated **value** of property & contents involved in fires in 2003: **\$9.9 billion**

The reported estimated **loss** of property & contents involved in fires in 2003: **\$838.7 million**

Arson and suspicious fires accounted for **8,474** of the total number of fires. **These fires also accounted for **181** of the civilian injuries, **58** civilian deaths, and **192** fire service injuries.

Type	# Fires	\$ Loss
Arson (Incendiary)	4,868	48,962,961
Suspicious	<u>3,606</u>	<u>98,443,165</u>
TOTAL	8,474	\$147,406,126

***"Fire Cause Undetermined After Investigation": **3,748** (included in death & injury totals)

In addition to fires, many fire departments voluntarily submitted **364,417** non-fire incidents through NFIRS 5.0 which included: **224,141** EMS/rescues; **36,371** non-fire emergencies -- power lines down, gas leaks, spills, etc.; **40,891** false alarms; **63,014** public service calls -- good intent, biohazard scares, natural disasters. There were **7,596** additional mutual aid calls.

Michigan fire departments are required to report fire incidents pursuant to 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.4, the Michigan Fire Prevention Code.