The National Center for Fatality Review and Prevention collects fire-related information in the NFR-CRS.

From 2004-2016 there have been 1,344 fire-related deaths of infants, children, and young adults reviewed by fatality review teams.¹

### By Race/Ethnicity
- 15% Hispanic
- 33% African American
- 4% Other/Multi-racial
- 48% White

### By Sex
For every 10 fire-related deaths
- 5 are girls and 5 are boys

### By Age
Infants and children under 5 account for 49% of fire-related deaths
- ≤5: 49%
- 5-9: 27%
- 10+: 24%

### Circumstances Surrounding Deaths
- 9 in 10 occurred in a child's or relative's home
- 7 in 10 had supervision at time of incident
- 6 in 10 involved insufficient supervision* at time of incident
- 3 in 10 had history of child maltreatment prior to death
- 2 in 10 had child protective services action taken due to death

* Of children who were reported to have supervision at the time of incident. Insufficient supervision includes sleeping and distracted supervisors as well as those impaired by drugs, alcohol, disability, and illness.
PLACE OF INCIDENT

6 in 10 were rental properties

5 in 10 Single Home
2 in 10 Apartment/Duplex
2 in 10 Mobile Home
1 in 10 Others

5 in 10 fatal fires resulted in more than one child death

5 in 10 had smoke detectors present

3 in 10 were started by matches, lighters, cigarettes, or candles

2 in 10 were started by electrical

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Preventing Fire and Burns Webinar

Fire Safety Checklist


Fire and Burn Protection Guide

My House Fire Escape Checklist


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1 Includes data from deaths of children occurring from 2004 - 2016 in 37 states, recorded in the National Fatality Review Case Reporting System (NFR-CRS). These data represent approximately 70% of the cases entered into NFR-CRS. For more information about the data contained in this Quick Look, please visit https://www.ncfrp.org/wp-content/uploads/NCFRP-Docs/NCFRP_Quick_Looks_Analysis.pdf

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