

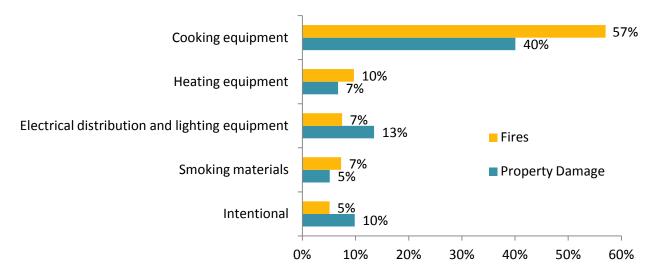


Structure Fires in Eating and Drinking Establishments Fact Sheet

During 2006-2010, an estimated average of 7,640 structure fires in eating and drinking establishments were reported to U.S. fire departments per year, with associated annual losses of:

- Two civilian deaths
- 115 civilian injuries
- \$246 million in property damage

Structure Fires in Eating and Drinking Establishments: By Major Cause: 2006-2010 (Top 5 shown)



- Seven out of ten (71%) of fires in eating and drinking establishments stay relatively small, and do not spread beyond the object of origin.
- In eating and drinking establishments, direct property damage per fire was 75% lower when wet pipe sprinklers were present, compared to fires with no automatic extinguishing equipment present
- Failure to clean was a factor in 21% of these fires

CODES & STANDARDS RELEVANT TO EATING AND DRINKING ESTABLISHMENTS

NFPA 1: Fire Code: <u>www.nfpa.org/1</u>

NFPA 101: Life Safety Code[®]: <u>www.nfpa.org/101</u>

NFPA 13: Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems: <u>www.nfpa.org/13</u>

Additional resources can be found at www.nfpa.org

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