

## FIRE INCIDENT INFORMATION

During the Calendar Year 2009, there were 1,597 actual fires reported. Of the 655 structure fires reported, 462 of them occurred in dwellings. There were 318 vehicle fires. The total fire loss reported in Montgomery County for CY 2009 was \$43,723,649. This is a decrease of 19% over calendar year 2008. Structure fires accounted for \$38,539,007 of the loss and vehicle fires accounted for \$ 2,727,165 of the loss. In addition, there were 548 vegetation and outside fire which had a fire loss of \$ 2,389,112.

There were 3 civilian fatalities during Calendar Year 2009. Two of the fatalities occurred at the area of fire origin; one of the fatalities occurred in the building, but not in area of origin. There were no fatalities of fire service personnel during Calendar Year 2009.

There were 54 civilians who suffered fire-related injuries during Calendar Year 2009. Civilian Casualty reports were filed for 48 of the civilian casualties. According to the civilian casualty reports that were filed, only 5 of the civilian casualties were asleep at the time of injury. Most of the civilian casualties were awake and unimpaired at the time of injury. Over one-third of the injuries occurred to civilians who were attempting to control the fire. Ninety percent of the injured suffered burns and/or smoke inhalation. The ages of the civilian casualties ranged from 0 to 79 years. Twelve of the injured were less-than or equal to 20 years of age and seven of the injured were equal or over 65 years of age.

There were 56 firefighters who suffered fire-related injuries during Calendar Year 2009. All of the firefighter injuries were filed to the Fire Service Casualty reports. According to the reports that were filed, eleven of the injured suffered burns; seventeen of the fire casualties were classified as 'strain or sprain'. Of the remaining casualties, four were classified as 'Crushing', three were classified as 'contusion/bruise: minor trauma', three were classified as 'stab wound/puncture wound: penetrating', and the rest were variously classified as 'swelling', 'pain only', 'shock' and 'other'.