

**2017-2018 BUDGET QUESTION**  
***Response to Request for Information***

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DEPARTMENT: Austin Fire Department

REQUEST NO.: 13

REQUESTED BY: Flannigan

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REQUEST: Please provide the number and type of structure fires that have occurred over the last ten years.

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**RESPONSE:**

The Austin Fire Department utilizes the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) for the classification of fire types in order to look for trends. The tables below describe the total fires occurring over the last eleven years separated by residential, non-residential, and “other” fires.

*Please note: the data below represents what was “found” at the scene, and may not match the initial call type the dispatcher used. For example, an incident dispatched as a ‘Smoke Investigation’ would be reclassified as a specific type of structure fire if units find a building on fire when they arrive at the scene.*

**Total Fires in AFD service area**  
*(Calendar Year)*

<b>2016</b>	1,983	<b>2010</b>	2,297
<b>2015</b>	1,926	<b>2009</b>	2,462
<b>2014</b>	2,044	<b>2008</b>	2,677
<b>2013</b>	2,079	<b>2007</b>	2,257
<b>2012</b>	1,990	<b>2006</b>	2,583
<b>2011</b>	2,781		

**Residential Structure Fires**

<i>Calendar Year</i>	<b>Single family/duplex</b>	<b>Apartments</b>	<b>Hotels, motels</b>	<b>Other residential</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>
<b>2016</b>	213	196	7	12	<b>428</b>
<b>2015</b>	223	233	9	11	<b>476</b>
<b>2014</b>	245	227	4	23	<b>499</b>
<b>2013</b>	217	250	9	17	<b>493</b>
<b>2012</b>	224	261	6	15	<b>506</b>
<b>2011</b>	248	301	12	17	<b>578</b>
<b>2010</b>	245	313	8	17	<b>583</b>
<b>2009</b>	286	299	8	17	<b>610</b>
<b>2008</b>	308	298	6	23	<b>635</b>
<b>2007</b>	254	266	9	16	<b>545</b>
<b>2006</b>	261	286	12	26	<b>585</b>

## Non-Residential Structure Fires

<i>Calendar Year</i>	<b>Public assembly</b>	<b>Schools, colleges</b>	<b>Health care, prisons</b>	<b>Stores &amp; offices</b>	<b>Industry, manufacturing</b>	<b>Storage structures</b>	<b>Outdoor structures</b>	<b><i>Subtotal</i></b>
<b>2016</b>	32	8	7	28	5	13	6	<b>99</b>
<b>2015</b>	31	6	10	41	5	12	11	<b>116</b>
<b>2014</b>	36	13	6	26	5	13	10	<b>109</b>
<b>2013</b>	47	6	4	24	7	11	8	<b>107</b>
<b>2012</b>	28	5	7	34	4	10	7	<b>95</b>
<b>2011</b>	39	10	15	31	3	16	5	<b>119</b>
<b>2010</b>	28	9	10	34	6	22	14	<b>123</b>
<b>2009</b>	43	10	6	38	5	11	8	<b>121</b>
<b>2008</b>	35	8	9	44	9	25	10	<b>140</b>
<b>2007</b>	35	8	12	35	5	10	11	<b>116</b>
<b>2006</b>	31	9	6	37	3	27	19	<b>132</b>

## Other Fires

<i>Calendar Year</i>	<b>Highway vehicle fires</b>	<b>Other vehicle fires</b>	<b>Outside fires with value</b>	<b>Brush, grass, wildland fires</b>	<b>Rubbish fires</b>	<b>Other fires (national electric code)</b>	<b><i>Subtotal</i></b>
<b>2016</b>	351	19	120	211	673	82	<b>1,456</b>
<b>2015</b>	335	28	101	189	627	54	<b>1,334</b>
<b>2014</b>	356	31	116	207	659	67	<b>1,436</b>
<b>2013</b>	358	32	111	248	677	53	<b>1,479</b>
<b>2012</b>	330	28	102	226	624	79	<b>1,389</b>
<b>2011</b>	375	34	229	571	780	95	<b>2,084</b>
<b>2010</b>	375	27	130	227	776	56	<b>1,591</b>
<b>2009</b>	397	32	144	334	747	77	<b>1,731</b>
<b>2008</b>	401	32	167	444	799	59	<b>1,902</b>
<b>2007</b>	447	49	84	207	748	61	<b>1,596</b>
<b>2006</b>	479	47	134	344	772	90	<b>1,866</b>