



Fire Deaths in Tennessee YTD 2007

Year-to-date in Tennessee, there have been 50 media-reported fire-related fatalities. Because all fire deaths do not make the news, this cannot be considered a “concrete” number. It is also important to note that, as Fire Prevention Week approaches, we have yet to reach what have historically been the most deadly months of the year.

While the information that can be gathered from media reports is limited, we cannot discount the value of what is there, as this is our only look at what’s happening in our state right now.

Based on information gathered from those media reports, we have been able to determine the following:

AGE

- 41 of the 50 reported deaths included age in the news story (82%)
- Average age of the victim (when reported) was 46 years old
- 10 victims were reported to be 14 years old or younger (24.4%)
- 15 victims were reported to be 65 years old or older (36.6%)

GENDER

- 46 of the 50 reported deaths included gender in the news story (92%)
- 27 (58.7%) were males, while 19 (41.3%) were females

OCCUPANCY

- 46 fatalities occurred in residential occupancies
- 3 occurred outside
- 1 occurred as the result of a barn fire

FATALITIES BY REGION

Region	# of Fatalities	Percent of Total
West	12	24%
Middle	11	22%
East	27	54%

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FATALITIES BY COUNTY

The 50 fire fatalities have occurred in 20 Tennessee counties:

Anderson:	1	Hawkins:	1
Blount:	7	Henderson:	1
Bradley:	4	Maury:	1
Carter:	1	McMinn:	2
Crockett:	1	Montgomery:	1
Cumberland:	2	Roane:	2
Davidson:	4	Rutherford:	1
Dickson:	1	Shelby:	10
Grundy:	2	Sullivan:	4
Hamilton:	3	Trousdale:	1

Total by County

