# **FIRE SAFETY**



# FACTS ABOUT FIRES IN THE U.S.



Almost 75% of fire related-injuries occur at home



Children under 5 have the greatest risk of suffering burn injuries needing ED treatment



Children, elderly and the disabled are especially vulnerable to burn injuries



Most common causes of burn injury are flames, scalds, electrical and chemicals



Almost every 3hrs, one person dies from a fire-related injury

### FACTS ABOUT FIRES IN MA



**SMOKING** 



COOKING



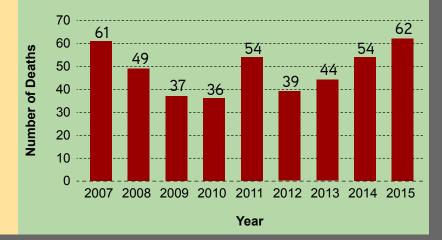


**CANDLES PROPANE** 



**UNDETERMINED** 

### NUMBER OF FIRE-RELATED DEATHS BY YEAR



## FIRE & BURN PREVENTION TIPS



Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms near all sleeping areas



Cooking is the #1 cause of home fires. Turn off the stove if you leave the kitchen.



Replace electrical cords if damaged or too hot to touch



When in the sun, wear sunscreen and protective clothing when possible



Set your water heater at 120° F or just below the medium setting



Keep matches, lighters and candles away from children and out of their sight



Create and practice an escape plan with everyone in the home



Do not heat your home with the oven



Wear rubber gloves