

## Civilian Fire Death Summary List - 2009

	<u>Date</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Description</u> (Source)
1.	01/06/09	Sanders/ Apache	1yo male child died in a house fire (R3). Smoke detectors not reported. No automatic fire sprinklers. Accidental fire, believed to be electrical in nature.
2.	01/07/09	Bapchule/ Pinal	A person died in a fiery single vehicle accident (MVA) on I-10 near SR-587.
3.	01/12/09	Phoenix/ Maricopa	52yo female found dead in a house fire (R3) in the afternoon. Arson/Homicide Investigator are looking into the cause, but believed to be possible suicide.
4.	01/25/09	Navajo County	Triple fatal vehicle accident where a pickup truck (MVA) overturned and caught fire. All three occupants died of burns and trauma.
5.	01/28/09	Tucson/Pima	59yo male found dead in a residence (R3). He reportedly used a hotplate to for heating, the fire self-extinguished and he had been dead for a while (lividity had set in).
6.	02/14/09	Yuma/Yuma	22yo male was rescued from an apartment (R2) fire around 6am, but later succumbed at a local hospital. The fire started in the living room and was believed to be accidental.
7.	02/15/09	Forest Lakes/ Coconino	2 males, age 19 & 20 were found dead after reports of smoke coming from the cab of pickup truck (Veh). A small cooking grill was burning in the cab, fire spread to cab of the truck.
8.	03/02/09	Mesa/ Maricopa	1yo female and 29yo male died in a 2:45am residential (R3) fire. The fire was believed to be accidental electrical. There were no smoke detectors in the house.
9.	03/03/09	Phoenix/ Maricopa	Female, in her early 40's was found dead in the bedroom of her apartment (R2) after a small fire had burned itself out. The victim suffered burns and had some injuries.
10.	03/15/09	Tucson/Pima	37yo transient male died in a fire under a bridge (Oth).
11.	03/16/09	Sierra Vista/ Cochise	44yo female found near the driver's door of a burned up pickup truck (Veh), she was burned beyond recognition. County Sheriff's Office has determined this to be a suicide.
12.	03/17/09	Lake Havasu City/Mohave	9yo male passenger in an auto accident (MVA). Vehicle caught fire. Two adults were pulled out but they couldn't get the child. 31yo and 47yo males were in the burn unit.
13.	04/27/09	Surprise/ Maricopa	69yo female pulled from a 'trailer' home (R3) fire, was flown to the burn unit with burns/smoke inhalation in critical condition. Smoker on home oxygen. Expired 05/03/09.

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14.	04/30/09	Tucson/Pima	Adult male died in a house fire (R3) which started in the kitchen, reported about 10:30 pm and ruled accidental. Smoke detectors were working.
15.	05/09/09	Florence/Pinal	A 17yo, 23yo and 65yo were killed in fiery head-on vehicle (MVA) crash.
16.	06/03/09	Tucson/Pima	45yo female in the back of a DPS police car (MVA) that was struck from behind. The female died in the fiery crash.
17.	06/10/09	Mesa/ Maricopa	64yo male died at the burn unit from burns after a BBQ propane tank explosion at his home (Oth). Reportedly he had 3rd degree burns and was burned 75-100%.
18.	06/14/09	Phoenix/ Maricopa	30yo male died of burns in an arson fire of a 2-story business (M). It was reported that he was one of two arson suspects.
19.	07/12/09	Phoenix/ Maricopa	2 passengers died in an auto accident (MVA) when they hit a hole, wires came down and the vehicle caught on fire.
20.	08/14/09	Tucson/Pima	A 94yo and 66yo female died in a 'mobile home' (R3) fire. It was reported the disabled daughter was on an oxygen concentrator and smoking.
21.	09/28/09	Avondale/ Maricopa	Unknown aged male (20's?) died outside a 'mobile home' (R3) fire. The victims had burns, unknown how the fire started, under investigation.
22.	10/04/09	Tucson/Pima	76yo male died of smoke inhalation in a house fire (R3) about 9am which was ruled an accident. Possible causes of the fire are electrical or cigarette.
23.	10/09/09	Peoria/ Maricopa	91yo female died in an apartment fire (R2) that occurred around 2:35 am. No smoke detector heard.
24.	10/29/09	Lakeview/ Navajo	52yo male died in a house fire (R3). Investigation indicated either improper installation or improper maintenance of a wood burning stove. SD undetermined, no A/S.
25.	11/20/09	Maricopa/ Pinal	22yo female died in a mobile home fire (R3). Another 28yo female and a 3yo female also suffered burns. Caused by knocked over candle. SD undetermined, no A/S.
26.	11/29/09	Phoenix/ Maricopa	4yo female died in a house fire (R3). A 10yo female in critical condition with burns. Cause of the fire being investigated. A smoke detector was found in a closet, not operational.

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27.	12/03/09	Tucson/Pima	20's male died of probable smoke inhalation in an early morning house fire (R-3). Cause of the fire was under investigation.

**35** Fatalities in 27 fires for 2009\*

- **17 died in residential fires:**
  - **one believed to be a suicide**
  - **2 residential fires had double fatalities**
- **14 died in vehicular related fires:**
  - **11 died in 6 vehicle accidents with fire, two were triple fatal, one a double fatal**
  - **3 in non-accident vehicle fires, one ruled a suicide**
- **3 died outside in non-residential, non-vehicular fires**
- **1 died in a business arson fire (was one of two arson suspects)**

### Broken down by Counties:

Apache 1	Greenlee	Pima 8
Cochise 1	La Paz	Pinal 5
Coconino 2	Maricopa 12	Santa Cruz
Gila	Mohave 1	Yavapai
Graham	Navajo 4	Yuma 1

This does not include homicides as the primary means of death, carbon monoxide poisoning without fire and/or burns, electrocutions, or trauma where trauma was the primary cause of death such as a vehicle accident with fire. Totals may fluctuate based on conclusions of on-going investigation.