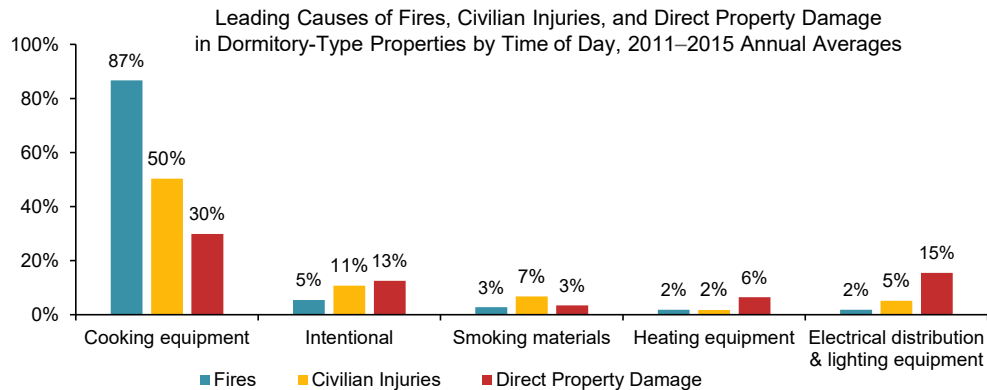




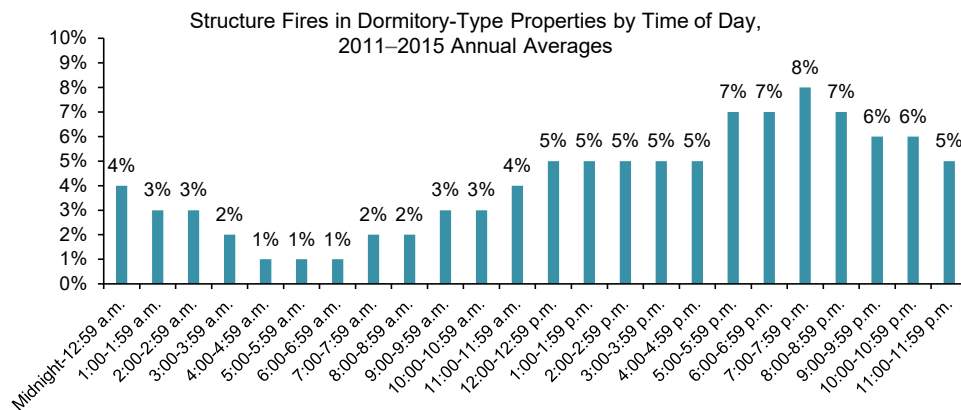
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Dormitory, Fraternity, Sorority, and Barrack Structure Fires

In 2011–2015, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated annual average of 4,100 structure fires in dormitories, fraternities, sororities, and barracks. These fires caused annual averages of 35 civilian injuries and cost \$14 million in direct property damage.



- Most fires started in the kitchen or cooking area.
- 87% of the reported structure fires involved cooking equipment. The majority of fires were reported as contained or confined to cooking equipment.
- Structure fires in dormitories, fraternities, sororities, and barracks are more common during the hours between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. and on weekends.



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