

MEFIRS 2004 ANNUAL REPORT

Data Sources and Analysis

The data used for this report was received from fire departments throughout the State of Maine. The data was imported into the MEFIRS database. Imported fire department data is validated for NFIRS compliance and provided quality assurance assessment by the Office of State Fire Marshal. Upon complete validation, data is then exported to the United States Fire Administration. As data analysis by the Office of State Fire Marshal provides quality assurance of known statewide issues, it is assumed that the integrity of each data element was reviewed at the local level.

During 2004, usable MEFIRS data was received by 175 fire departments. This data provided a total of 74,117 incidents. Of this total, the breakdown of this data consisted of 3,792 fire related incidents, 29,718 EMS incidents, and 17,244 non-Fire & non-EMS incidents. It should be noted that these counts exclude "No Activity" incidents.

The departments reporting in this report experienced the following losses:

Incident Loss

Property Loss = \$22,903,238.00
Contents Loss = 8,330,455.00
\$31,233,693.00

Pre-Incident Value

Property Value = \$95,457,046.00
Contents Value = 19,273,681.00
\$114,730,727.00

The amounts above of Pre-Incident Value and Incident Loss reflect the fact that the Fire Departments in the State of Maine saved \$83,497,034.00 in property and contents last year as a result of their department's response and actions taken.