

Age Range of Firefighters Protecting Communities with Populations of 2,500 or Less

Year	Number of FFs	Under 30	30-39	40-49	Over 50	Total % Under 40	Total % Over 40
1987	447,500	29.7% (132,908)	33.5 (149,913)	20.9 (93,528)	15.9 (71,153)	63.2 (282,821)	36.8 (164,681)
1988	418,350	27.5 (115,046)	35.0 (146,423)	21.1 (88,272)	16.4 (68,609)	62.5 (261,469)	37.5 (156,881)
1989	410,000	28.3 (116,030)	34.0 (139,400)	21.6 (88,560)	16.1 (66,010)	62.3 (255,430)	37.7 (154,570)
1990	407,300	28.1 (114,451)	33.9 (138,075)	22.2 (90,421)	15.8 (64,353)	62.0 (252,526)	38.0 (154,774)
1991	399,100	26.0 (103,766)	35.3 (140,882)	22.7 (90,596)	16.0 (63,856)	61.3 (244,648)	38.7 (154,452)
1992	400,850	27.0 (108,230)	34.8 (139,496)	22.8 (91,394)	15.4 (61,731)	61.8 (247,726)	38.2 (153,125)
1993	399,200	27.8 (110,978)	32.9 (131,337)	23.4 (93,413)	15.9 (63,473)	60.7 (242,315)	39.3 (156,886)
1994	429,100	26.2 (114,999)	33.1 (142,032)	23.5 (100,839)	17.2 (73,805)	59.3 (257,031)	40.7 (174,644)
1995	434,650	26.8 (116,486)	32.1 (139,523)	24.1 (104,751)	16.9 (73,456)	58.9 (256,009)	41.0 (178,207)
1996	418,950	26.1 (109,346)	31.6 (132,388)	24.7 (103,481)	17.6 (73,735)	57.7 (241,734)	42.3 (177,216)
1997	417,300	25.4 (105,994)	30.4 (126,859)	26.1 (108,915)	18.0 (75,114)	55.8 (232,853)	44.1 (184,029)
1998	423,250	25.3 (107,082)	29.8 (126,129)	26.7 (113,008)	18.2 (77,032)	55.1 (233,211)	44.9 (190,040)
1999	404,300	24.1 (97,436)	29.5 (119,269)	26.6 (107,544)	19.8 (80,051)	53.6 (216,705)	46.4 (187,595)
2000	412,300	24.4 (100,601)	29.9 (123,278)	26.8 (110,496)	18.9 (77,925)	54.3 (223,879)	45.7 (188,421)
2001	398,550	23.9 (95,253)	28.9 (115,181)	27.0 (107,609)	20.1 (80,109)	52.8 (210,434)	47.1 (187,718)
2002	431,650	23.3 (100,574)	29.0 (125,179)	26.5 (114,387)	21.2 (91,510)	52.3 (225,753)	47.7 (205,897)
2003	404,400	25.0 (101,088)	28.2 (114,041)	25.3 (102,313)	21.4 (86,542)	53.2 (215,129)	46.7 (188,855)
2004	402,350	24.8 (99,783)	27.2 (109,439)	26.2 (105,416)	21.9 (88,115)	52.0 (209,222)	48.1 (193,531)
2005	437,600	25.9 (113,338)	25.8 (112,901)	24.8 (108,525)	23.5 (101,520)	51.7 (226,239)	48.3 (210,045)
2006	432,000	24.5 (105,840)	25.5 (110,160)	25.9 (111,888)	24.1 (104,112)	50.0 (216,000)	50.0 (216,000)
2007	435,350	24.0 (104,484)	25.3 (110,144)	25.1 (109,273)	25.6 (111,450)	49.3 (214,628)	50.7 (220,723)
2008	409,350	22.8 (93,332)	26.3 (107,659)	24.7 (101,109)	26.2 (107,250)	49.1 (200,991)	50.9 (208,359)
2009	408,650	24.2 (98,893)	24.4 (99,711)	24.1 (98,485)	27.4 (111,970)	48.5 (198,604)	51.5 (210,455)
2010	377,550	23.7 (89,497)	24.5 (92,500)	23.1 (87,214)	28.7 (108,357)	48.2 (181,997)	51.8 (195,571)
Change From							
1987-2009	-38,850	-5.5 (-34,015)	-9.1 (-50,202)	+3.2 (+4,957)	+11.5 (40,817)	-14.7 (-84,217)	+14.7 (45,774)
2000-2010	-34,750	-7 (-11,104)	-5.4 (-30,778)	-3.7 (-23,282)	+9.8 (+30,432)		

Source: NFPA U.S. Fire Department Profiles 1987-2010