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The **USFA** has released their annual report of Firefighter Fatalities in the United States in 2010.

Eighty-seven on-duty firefighters from 31 states lost their lives as the result of 83 fatal incidents (with 50 being heart attacks) that occurred in 2010. **This is the second consecutive year of substantially fewer firefighter deaths in the United States.**

During the previous six-year period of 2004-2009, the average number of annual on-duty firefighter deaths was 112. Illinois experienced the highest number of fatalities with nine firefighters killed; New York and Ohio had the next highest totals with eight firefighter deaths each.

**HERE is an overview of the 87 firefighters that died while on duty in 2010:**

- The total breakdown included 56 volunteer, 28 career, and 3 wildland agency firefighters.
- There were 4 firefighter fatality incidents where 2 firefighters were killed in each, claiming a total of 8 firefighters.
- 11 firefighters died in duties associated with wildland fires. Along with 11 such deaths in 2007, it was the lowest number of annual firefighter deaths associated with wildland fires in a decade. Activities related to emergency incidents resulted in the deaths of 48 firefighters.
- 22 firefighters died while engaging in activities at the scene of a fire.
- 16 firefighters died while responding to or returning from 15 emergency incidents. 9 of the firefighters killed while responding to incidents died from heart attacks (8) or stroke (1).
- Heart attacks were the most frequent cause of death with 50 firefighter deaths.
- 12 firefighters died while they were engaged in training activities.
- 15 firefighters died after the conclusion of their on-duty activity.

**HERE IS THE REPORT:** [http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/ff\\_fat10.pdf](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/ff_fat10.pdf)

**REMINDER: The above Firefighters will all be honored in Emmitsburg, MD at the NFA/NETC during the NFFF Memorial Weekend: MORE HERE: [www.FireHero.org](http://www.FireHero.org)**

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Every once in a while, we get some current or "vintage" video that shows those rare occasions where we must take extreme risks to make a positive difference. This would definitely be one of those videos.

**Check this out:** [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3gFKIsmY7c&feature=youtube\\_gdata\\_player](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3gFKIsmY7c&feature=youtube_gdata_player)

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