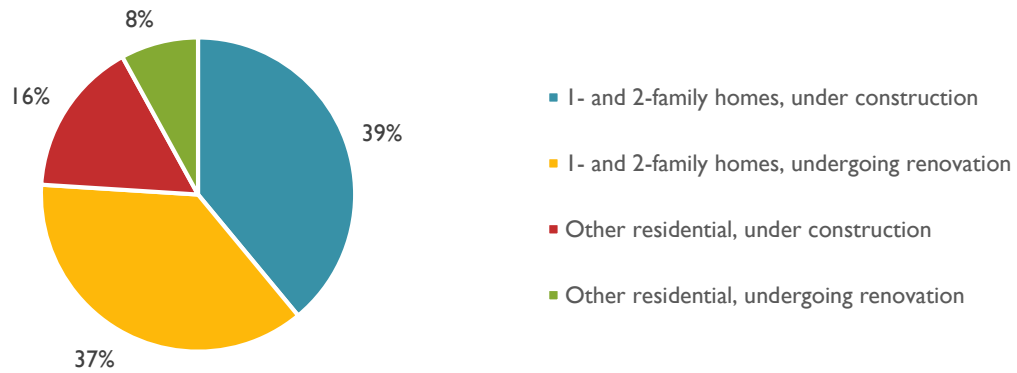


Fires in Residential Properties Under Construction or Undergoing Major Renovation Fact Sheet

In 2007 -2011, U.S fire departments responded to an estimated average of 5,120 structure fires in residential properties that were under construction or undergoing major renovation. These fires caused an average of 9 civilian deaths, 94 civilian injuries, and \$265 million in direct property damage each year. Almost two in five of fires were 1- and 2-family homes under construction (39%) and 37% were in 1- and 2-family homes undergoing major renovation. Residential properties other than 1- and 2-family homes accounted for 24% of fires – 16% in properties under construction and 8% in properties undergoing major renovation.

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Heating equipment was the leading type of equipment involved in fires in one- and two-family homes under construction and those undergoing major renovation, while cooking equipment was the leading type of equipment involved in residential properties other than one- and two-family homes under construction. A torch, burner, or soldering iron was the leading type of equipment involved in residential properties other than one- or two-family homes undergoing renovation.

Equipment Involved in Residential Fires Under Construction or Undergoing Major Renovation, 2007-2011

