



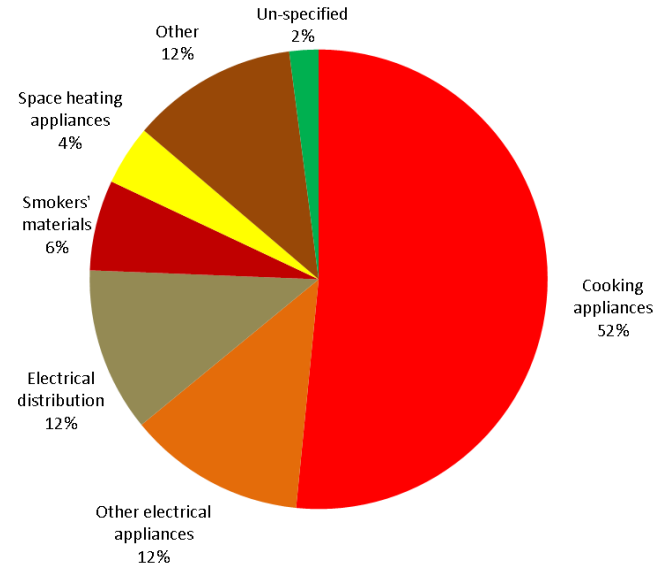
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Domestic fires

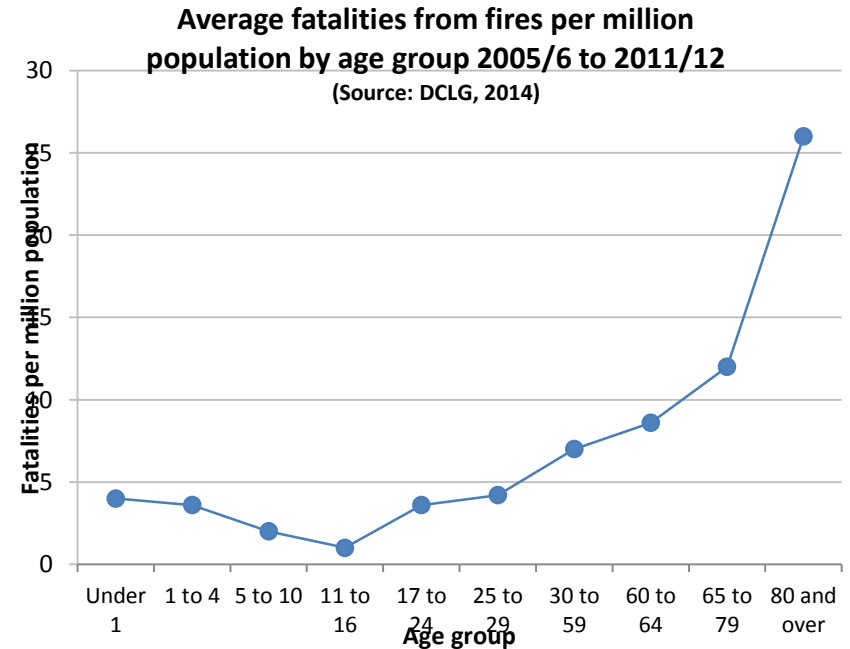
- 5 to 6000 fire fatalities, 80% of them in the domestic area
- smoking being a main cause
- soft furnishing the main fire developer

Sources of ignition in accidental fires in dwellings



Ageing society

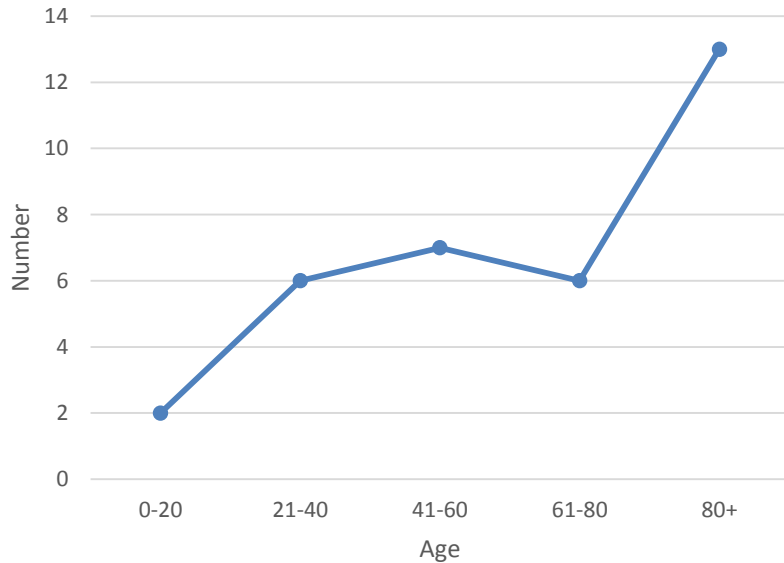
- 65+ population 3 till 4 times more at risk
- 65+ population will double between 2010 and 2050



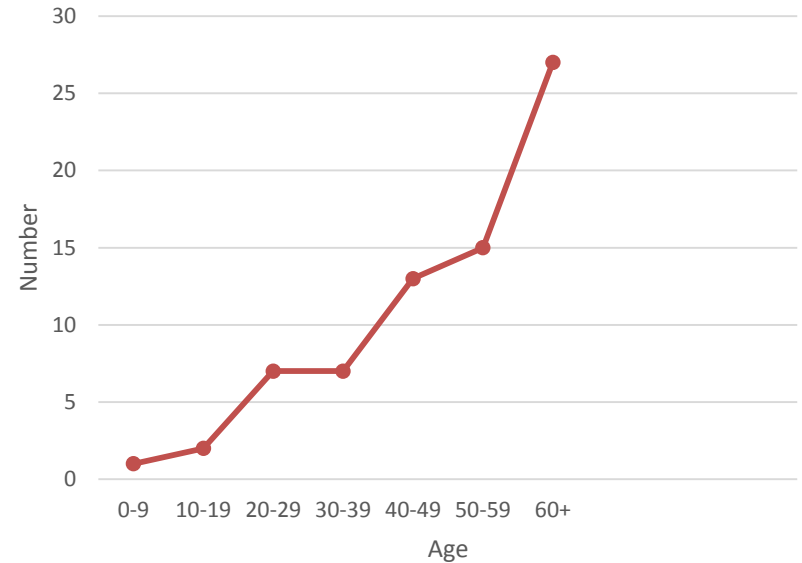


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Netherlands; Fire Fatalities 2016 by Age

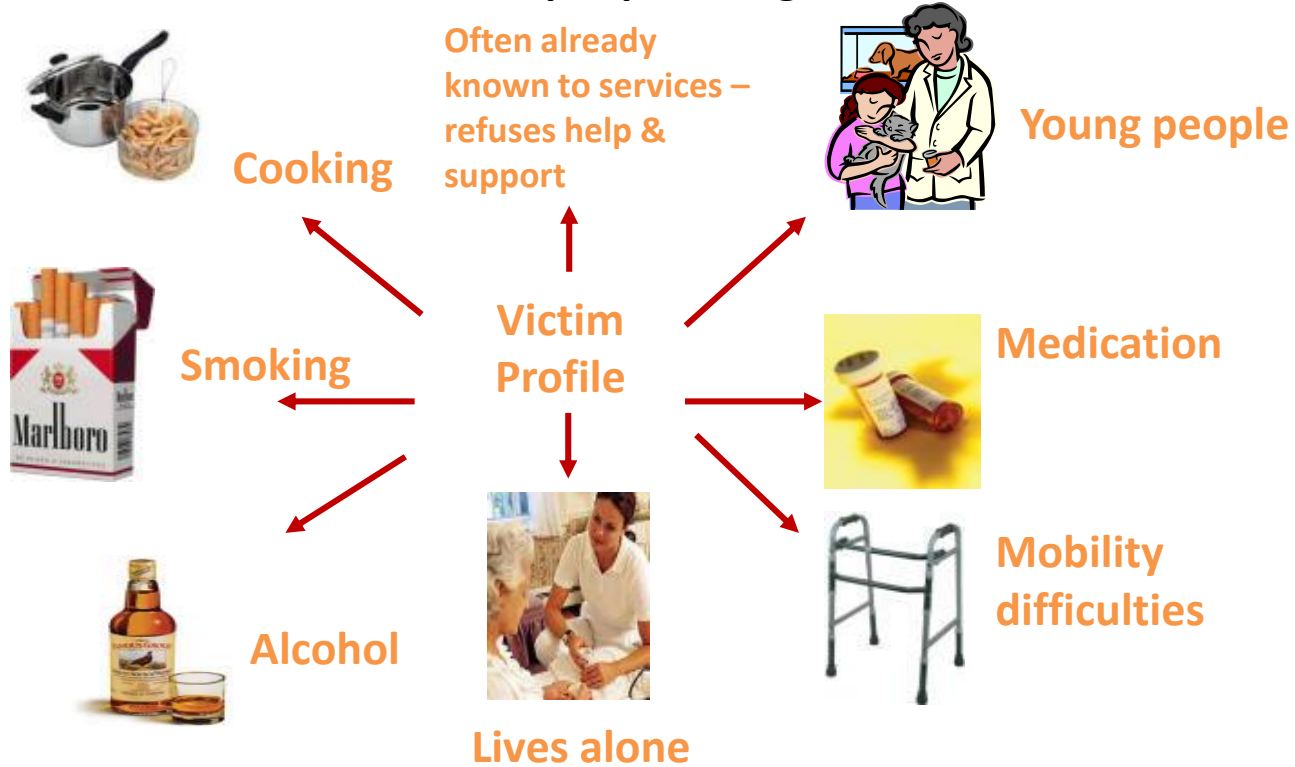


Finland Fire Fatalities - 2014



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Fire discriminates : vulnerable people living in vulnerable conditions





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- Evidence based policy making
 - data collecting and research data sharing
 - need for big data
- Fire-related R&I
 - DRMKC > FRMKC : complementary centre of excellence
 - combining practitioners fire ground research and academic research: heading to PRACADEMIC research
 - expand lab-scale testing with real-scale testing



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- *defining and determining a set of (existing or modified) test methods, in order to increase survivability and escape capabilities during domestic fires (May 2017)*





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Let's be clear:

- Life and fire safety shouldn't be about self-interest but about societal benefit for all citizens and visitors of Europe



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