



The U.S. Fire Department Profile Through 2009

There are **1,148,100** firefighters in the United States

- 29% (335,950) are career firefighters.
- 71% (812,150) are volunteer firefighters.
- Firefighters in smaller communities are more likely to be volunteers.
- Departments protecting larger communities tend to have a higher proportion of firefighters in the age groups 30-39 and 40-49 than smaller communities.

28% 0.3 26% 22% 0.25 0.2 16% 0.15

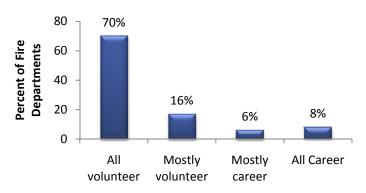
Number of Firefighters in the U.S. by Age Group, 2009

Percent of Firefighters 0.1 6% 4% 0.05 16-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60 and over

30,165 fire departments protected the United States in 2009

•	All career	2,457
•	Mostly career	1,752
•	Mostly volunteer	5,099
•	All volunteer	20,857

Fire Departments by Type, 2009



Fire Department Provision of Emergency Medical Service, 2007-2009 Annual Averages



