



Fact Sheet- Consumer Fireworks

Legal fireworks are a traditional part of many people's celebrations. They can add joy and excitement but are dangerous if not used properly!

Know the facts and Celebrate Safely:

- Consumer fireworks sales nearly doubled in the US in 2020 to \$1.9B
- Pennsylvania consumer fireworks sales more than doubled between 2019 and 2020
- Fireworks-related injuries increased from 9,992 in 2019 to 15,646 in 2020
- Hands and fingers are the most commonly injured areas of the body (28%), followed by legs (24%) and eyes (19%)
- 44% of fireworks-related injuries are burns
- Males account for two-thirds of fireworks-related injuries
- 36% of victims of fireworks-related injuries were under the age of 15
- Sparklers are the 3rd leading cause of fireworks-related injuries (13%) with firecrackers as the leading cause (28%)
- Over \$125M in property damage from fireworks was reported in 2020!

All facts above are verified by the American Pyrotechnics Safety & Education Foundation, the National Fire Protection Association and the American Burn Association.