

## LOSS OF ANIMAL LIVES BY FIRES – January 2011

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
07	Camino Pet Hospital, Irvine CA	6:30 PM – undetermined	All 17 animals evacuated
07	Mt. Juliet TN	Evening – under investigation	11 horses and 1 bull died
10	Harrisonburg VA	Evening – <b>electrical short</b>	17,000 4-week-old chickens died
10	Arenzville IL	1:50 AM – undetermined	800 hogs perished, 200 survived
16	Melvin IA	6:30 AM – undetermined, but possible electrical since that part of barn was fully involved upon FD arrival	More than 1,800 baby pigs and several dogs died
19	Gardner ND	11:44 AM – undetermined	3 horses and 1 cow perished
24	West Fargo ND	9:00 AM – <b>electric heater</b>	3 horses evacuated
24	Ontario CANADA	1:00 PM – <b>skid mover muffler ignited dry hay</b>	27 beef cattle died, but 35 were rescued
25	Carlsbad Springs, Ottawa CANADA	9:30 PM – possibly <b>heater used to thaw frozen pipes</b>	1 horse and several dogs and cats were rescued
27	Miami FL	2:30 AM – possibly an <b>electrical problem</b>	5 horses died
31	Frederick County MD	7:34 PM – under investigation	5 sheep perished

\*Time started, discovered, or reported

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
08	Columbia Station OH	Night – undetermined	7 pigs and several rabbits died, 2 horses and 6 alpacas were saved
09	Clermont County OH	1:00 AM – under investigation	3 horses died
11	The Farm at Saugerties, Town of Ulster NY	5:07 PM – under investigation	5 horses died
12	Dubuque County IA	1:40 AM – cause not released	40 cattle perished
13	Ravensway Saracen Park Stables, Cypress TX	5:00 AM – <b>ARSON</b>	6 horses died, 2 horses and a mule were rescued
15	Derby Lane Kennel, Petersburg FL	2:48 AM – possibly a <b>malfunctioning heating/AC unit</b> on side of building	All 46 grehounds were rescued
20	Pine Dell Farm, Pleasant Hill KS	6:00 AM – <b>electrical</b>	6 horses died
23	Ocheyedan IA	6:43 AM – under investigation	More than 300 hogs died
23	Windham Twp, Bradford County PA	Night – under investigation	100 cows died
26	Stalwart, Sask CANADA	Time not reported – suspected <b>electrical problem</b>	7,000 five-week-old turkeys died

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05	Perryville KY	Midnight – undetermined	19 horses died
05	Oasis Farms, Colerain Twp OH	Early morning – <b>electrical equipment used for warming newborn foal</b>	Of 40 horses, only 16 survived; the newborn foal also died
18	St. Remi CANADA	Noon – <b>malfunctioning machine that ignited straw</b>	125 beef cattle perished
23	Hutterite Colony, Elton, Manitoba CANADA	12:00 PM – under investigation	8,000 chickens died
27	Love-A-Lot Farm, NB	Time not reported – <b>heat lamp fell onto hay</b>	“Dozens of sheep” rescued by Good Samaritan, non lost
30	North Hampton, NH	Morning – <b>possibly caused by heat lamps</b>	Dozens of chickens were lost
31	Outlook Port Farm, Taber CANADA	Night – <b>generator malfunction</b> was possible cause	2,000 pigs died
31	Northern Bruce Peninsula, Ontario CANADA	1:00 PM – not yet determined	75 cattle died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
04	Cecilton MD	7:20 PM – not yet determined	300,000 chickens died
04	Prince Edward Island CANADA	3:00 AM – not yet determined	20 cattle perished
05	Oasis Arabians, Cincinnati OH	5:00 AM – not yet determined – heat lamp was in use, but possible lightning	13 horses were saved, but 23 others died
09	Bromley Park Hatcheries, Tuakau NEW ZEALAND	3:15 PM – not determined but contractors were working on electrical wiring and air conditioning	850,000 one-day-old chickens died along with between 250,000 to 500,000 eggs due to hatch the next day
09	Gazipur BANGLADESH	6:00 PM – <b>electric short circuit</b>	12,000 chickens killed
13	Univ of Minnesota-Crookston campus barn	Afternoon – <b>heat lamp fell</b> in the sheep facility	4 ewes and 4 lambs died, 3 lambs survived
24	McConnelsville OH	Midnight – <b>ARSON, HATE CRIME</b>	8 horses, including a week-old colt, were killed

**Additional fire of note:** Rocky Mount NC – a **discarded cigarette from a passing vehicle** sparked a fire inside a horse trailer that killed 6 young Thoroughbred horses.

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TIME*/CAUSE</b>	<b>ANIMALS INVOLVED</b>
02	Stockbridge UK	10:00 PM – under investigation	4 horses, 20 pigs, many chickens died
04	Churubusco NY	8:30 AM – under investigation	40 dairy cows died
11	Huntington ARK	9:00 AM – possibly <b>electrical due to fan shorting out</b>	11,000 chickens perished
17	Kissenger Brothers Poultry, Versailles OH	Information unavailable	83,000 chickens perished
21	Hanover, Manitoba CANADA	2:53 AM – under investigation	more than 4,000 pigs died
24	York ME	6:00 PM – <b>lightning strike</b>	6 horses and newborn kittens were rescued
30	Custer WI	Night – under investigation	13 dairy cows saved but 26 died
31	West Marlborough Twp PA	12:30 AM – <b>possibly electrical</b>	6 horses died, 5 others receiving veterinary treatment

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
01	Beauregard ALA	Time not reported – <b>propane heaters</b>	10,000 quail died
05	Animals Shelter, Virginia Beach VA	10:21 AM – <b>extreme heat from outside transformer or cables</b>	100-200 animals safely evacuated
13	Burtchville Twp OH	6:00 PM – undetermined	6 horses rescued, 1 ran back in and died, 3 dogs died also
14	Sparks Egg Farm, Alberta CANADA	Time not reported – under investigation	30,000 hens perished
15	Alburgh VI	3:00 PM - <b>electrical</b>	100 cows safely evacuated

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
04	Chatham, Ontario CANADA	Day time – possible sparks from a grinder ignited straw	400 pigs lost, 40 saved
22	Manitoba CANADA	Time not noted – under investigation	12,000 chickens died
22	Douglas Animal Hospital, Fredricton CANADA	11:41 PM <b>ARSON</b>	Resident cat and 3 budgies died
24	Three Chimneys Farm, Woodford County, KY	Time not noted – <b>lightning strike</b>	Two horses safely evacuated
24	Over the Hill Farm, Clarks Summit PA	6:00 PM – under investigation	8 horses were saved, but 21 others perished
24	Hutterite Colony, Calgary CANADA	2:00 PM – undetermined	600 hogs died, a few were saved
25	Joe Egli's Hog Operation, Perth County CANADA	5:00 AM – <b>possibly lightning</b>	650 hogs died
25	Samuel Martin's Farm, Perth County CANADA	6:00 AM – undetermined	One cow died, but 70 other cows and 5 horses were evacuated
26	Colorado State University Equine Reproductive Lab, Fort Collins CO	1:00 AM – under investigation	All horses in nearby barn were evacuated
28	Metcalf Dairy Farm, Westville NY	4:30 AM – under investigation	140 cows and 40 calves died, 150 cows were released from a 2 <sup>nd</sup> barn that started to burn
30	Nielson Farm, Nova Scotia CANADA	4:00 AM – <b>spontaneous combustion</b>	All but 3 cows and 3 calves were saved

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01	Haddam CT	7:00 PM – <b>lightning strike</b>	One horse was saved, the other had to be euthanized due to burns
02	Grand Falls Region, CANADA	Not reported – <b>lightning strike</b>	Most cows were saved, but 40 Angora goats perished
08	Arlington, Snohomish County WA	2:00 AM – under investigation	6 horses killed, 4 horses saved
09	Goslin-Nix Stable, Magnolia TX	6:00 AM – under investigation	15 horses escaped, 13 killed
17	Lake Mead NV	11:21 AM – under investigation	1 horse and between 15-20 goats died
29	Royal Road Equestrian Centre, Fredricton CANADA	Early AM – under investigation	15 horses were saved, but 3 died



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08	Rancho Los Reyes Racing Stables, Brownsville TX	Early AM – <b>SUSPICIOUS</b>	3 horses died
23	Quarryville PA	9:45 AM – <b>child playing with propane torch in 2<sup>nd</sup> floor apt.</b>	2 horses were saved, but 2 dogs died in the fire
24	Northgate Stables, Newton NH	10:00 AM – undetermined, but started in 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor apartment	20 horses were evacuated, 10 others were in safe location in barn
25	Sumter SC	Time not reported – <b>possibly lightning strike</b>	9 horses died
27	Wood Laithes Farm, Ardsley UK	4:30 AM – undetermined but started in straw bales	Many of the 500 pigs and piglets were saved
29	Center Ring Stables, Kouts IL	5:00 AM – undetermined	3 horses died, others were saved

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03	Gadheim GERMANY	Early AM – under investigation	400 pigs and 80 cows perished
09	Springfield, PEI CANADA	Midnight – under investigation	20 young cows died
15	McHenry IL	3:05 PM – under investigation	300 chickens died
16	North Stormont Twp, Ottawa CANADA	2:00 AM – ruled accidental	2700 pigs perished
19	Chateaugay NY	Midnight – undetermined	25 cows died
22	Quispamsis CANADA	3:00 PM – undetermined	All of the donkeys, geese and horses were rescued
30	Compton ME	Late PM – ruled accidental	More than 500 sheep died
30	Animal Kington Pet Store and Zoo, Burlington County NJ	8:45 PM – under investigation	Mother giraffe and her calf, 3 dogs, 4 cats, and a number of parrots died. About 20 puppies were rescued.

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04	Circle Four Farm, Milford UT	8:30 PM – <b>electrical malfunction</b>	about 2000 pigs died
06	West Midlands UK	9:25 AM – under investigation	3 horses died, 2 escaped
14	Round The Bend Farm, Kettleby CANADA	10:00 PM – undetermined	1500 turkeys died
15	Clearview Twp CANADA	8:00 PM – under investigation	65 show cows perished
18	Foxton Raceway, North Island NZ	11:00 PM – <b>SUSPICIOUS</b>	8 horses led to safety
23	Leeds, West Yorkshire UK	5:00 AM – under investigation	Most animals were rescued but 2 sows, 16 piglets, 14 rabbits and 2 chicks died in the fire

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TIME*/CAUSE</b>	<b>ANIMALS INVOLVED</b>
03	Houston TX	4:30 AM – under investigation	11 horses died, 4 horses were rescued
04	Chance Stable Equestrian Center, Bowmanville, Ontario CANADA	8:00 AM – undetermined	a pony perished
14	Crete NB	9:00 AM – <b>portable heater</b>	2 dogs and 9 puppies died in barn, 6 other dogs were saved
18	Woodstead Farm, DeRuyter NY	7:00 AM – <b>electric block heater used to start a tractor</b>	12 young calves died
25	Tuscaloosa AL	3:00 PM – <b>electrical</b>	4 horses perished, but 2 others were rescued
26	Bangor NY	1:07 AM – <b>ARSON</b>	More than 100 cows perished
26	West Lincs UK	11:20 PM – <b>ARSON SUSPECTED</b>	17 cows and calves died
29	Farmington ME	4:00 AM – under investigation	A horse and 2 cats died