NFPA Standards



Responding to The Threat of Terrorism

Our Mission

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Our Focus

- Emergency Responders
 - -Planning, Management, Equipment, Operations, Personnel Protection, Professional Qualifications
 - Occupational Safety and Health
- General Public
 - -Life Safety, Egress, Human Behavior, Injury Prevention
- Infrastructure / Private Sector
 - Fire Safety, Property Protection, Structural Integrity, Security
 - Business Continuity/Preparedness



Utilization of Standards

- Preparedness, Response, Resiliancy:
 - -Hazardous Materials
 - -Haz Mat Incident Operations
 - –Personal Protective Equipment & Clothing
 - -Professional Qualification Standards
 - -Fire & Life Safety in the Built Environment
 - -Building Egress & Human Behavior
 - Building Construction & Safety



Legacy of Partnerships

- Actively involved since early 1990's
- Terrorism incident investigations:
 - World Trade Center Bombing -1993 & 2001
 - Participated in human behavior studies after both World Trade Center attacks
 - FEMA/BPAT "World Trade Center Building Performance Study" team member
 - Oklahoma City Bombing -1995



Legacy of Partnerships

–Active member and SME on IAB since 1999

–IAB for Equipment Standardization

InterOperability Section of IAB as member organization and SME



Post 9/11

- Influenced by needs identified through our work with IAB.
- Formed new relationship with DHS; offered to assist with first responder and infrastructure protection related standards
- NFPA 1600 recognized in 9/11 Commission's report; Homeland Security Act, 2004 and 2007 Amendments to the Homeland Security Act



DHS/ANSI Partnership

- DHS adopted 5 NFPA Standards in 2004:
- Today 27 adopted
- 15 received designation and certification by the DHS SAFETY Act Office
- Co-chair ANSI Homeland Security Standards Panel (HSSP)



T'oday

- NFPA 1561 Emergency Services Incident Management System
 Coordinated with National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- NFPA Signaling Systems Technical Committee
 - Worked with the Air Force to address mass notification systems in NFPA 72 National Fire Alarm Code



Protecting Responders

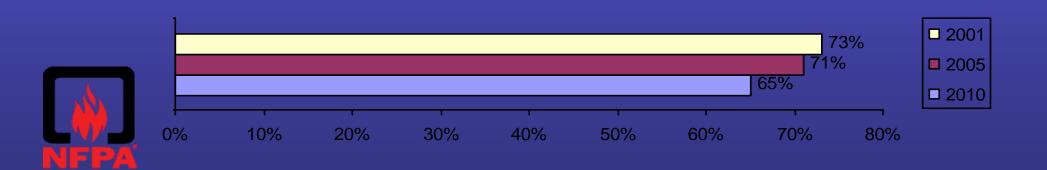




Assessing Hazardous Material Response

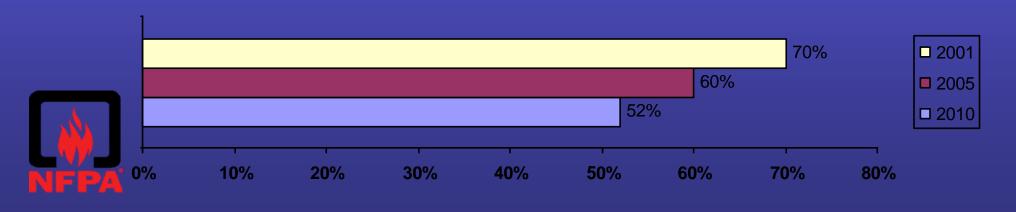
- 65% of all departments responsible for hazardous material response have not formally trained all involved personnel.
- This is down from 73% in 2001 and 71% in 2005.
- The need is decreasing but still substantial.

Percent of Departments Performing Hazardous Material Response for Which Not All Involved Personnel Are Formally Trained



Assessing Respiratory Protection

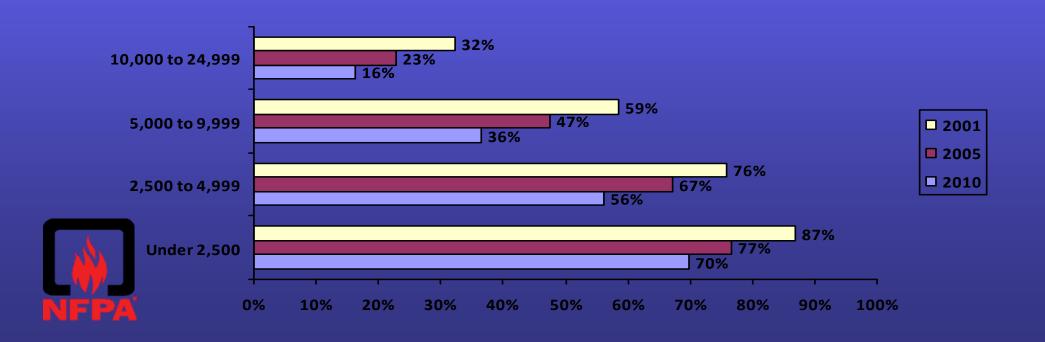
- 52% of departments do not have enough self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) to equip all firefighters.
- This is down from 70% in 2001 and 60% in 2005.
- 55% of departments have some SCBA that is at least 10 years old.
 Percent of Departments Where Not All Firefighters
 on a Shift Are Equipped With SCBA



Respiratory Protection Gap

 The percent of departments that do not have sufficient SCBA rises rapidly for smaller communities.

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Assessing Chem-Bio Incidents

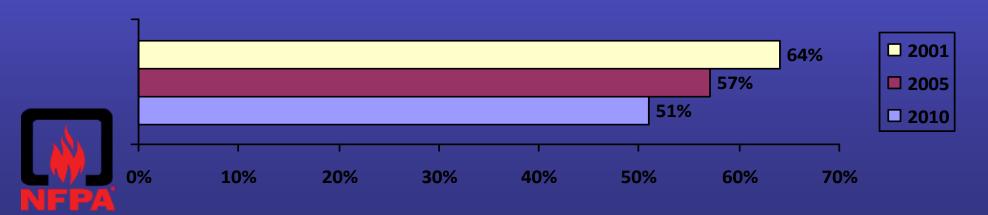
- Chemical/biological agent incident w/ 10 injuries high percentage of departments have responsibility for this challenging incident
- Very few departments can handle this using only local specially trained personnel and local specialized equipment



Assessing Haz Mat/EMS Response

 51% of departments responsible for hazardous material response and EMS at a chemical/biological agent incident with 10 injuries do not have a written agreement for working with others.

Percent of All Departments Responsible for Chemical/Biological Agent Incident With 10 Injuries That *Do Not* Have a Written Agreement for Working With Others



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THANK YOU!

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