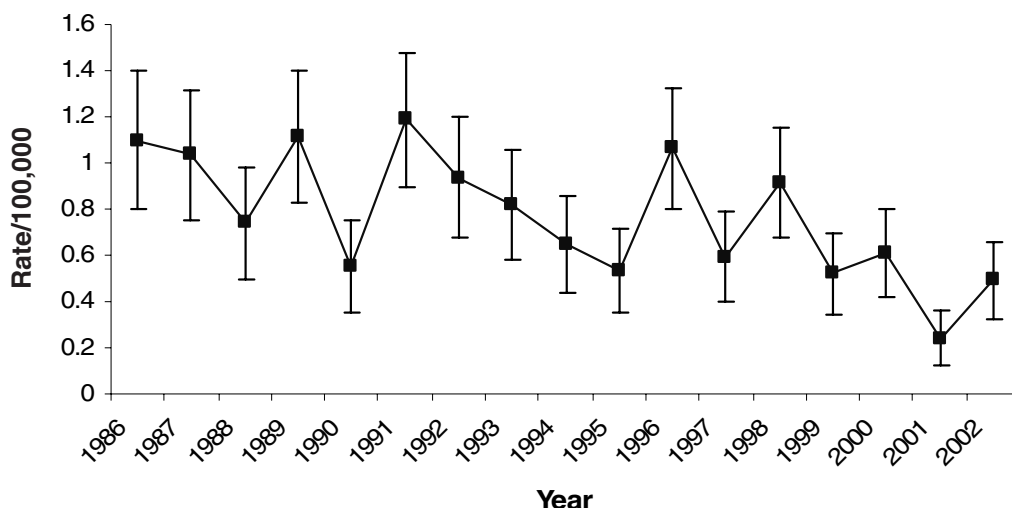


TRENDS IN FIRE/BURNS

RELATED DEATHS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

- Fire/burns were the eighth leading cause of injury death in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Between 1998 and 2002, 180 people died as a result of fire/burns in NSW.
- There was a statistically significant decline in fire/burns death rates from in NSW 1986 to 2002.

Yearly trend in death rates for fire/burns: NSW, 1986-2002



- People aged 70+ years had the highest rates of death due to fire/burns in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Males accounted for 57% of all fire/burns deaths in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- From 1998 to 2002, *private dwellings and other buildings (61%)* was the most common location of fire/burns death in NSW.



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