

LOSS OF ANIMAL LIVES BY FIRES – January, 2009

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
2	Oregon OH	1:00 AM – under investigation	150 goats and more than 300 chickens, rabbits and geese
4	St. Narcisse de Rimouski CANADA	11:30 PM – not reported	300 cows died
6	Norfolk UK	10:45 PM – under investigation	20 sheep and lambs died
12	Barnesville PA	6:30 AM – under investigation	1000 quails
12	Brantley County GA	1:17 PM – possibly electrical	9 horses died, 1 pig saved
13	Door County WI	6:20 AM – under investigation	1 horse and several chickens died
13	Marysville WA pet store	5:30 AM – under investigation	SPRINKLER SYSTEM SAVED ALL ANIMALS EXCEPT A FEW FISH
13	Leacock Township PA	4:30 AM – ARSON	1 cow died, but 45 others escaped
17	Middlebury IN	9:00 PM – heat lamp	2 dogs, 2 horses, chickens died
16	Norwood WI	Evening – electrical problem	2 just-weaned colts, 50 chickens and ducks
16	Green Bay WI	5:30 AM – heat lamp fell on bedding	4 pigs died
17	Randall WI	3:00 AM – not reported	“A few” pigs died
17	Auburn WI	4:35 AM – possible start in hayloft	30 cows were evacuated but 35 others died
18	Sacramento CA pet store	11:00 PM –under investigation	A few animals saved but all others died
18	Antioch Township IL	9:30 AM – under investigation	Evacuated animals included 4 llamas, 1 donkey, 12 mountain goats, 2 pigeons, 1 turkey
19	London CANADA	10:45 AM – under investigation	17 beef cattle died
21	Covington LA	9:40 AM – under investigation	horses and other animals were rescued but family dog perished
22	Napanee IN	10:10 AM – heat lamp	only a third of the calves in the barn were able to be saved
23	Lincoln CA	2:43 AM – under investigation	12 horses died
23	Naples NY	Early AM – electrical	8 chickens died
25	Springwater Twp Ontario CANADA	8:30 PM – undetermined	20 dogs died

***Time started, discovered, or reported**

DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED \$ AMOUNT OF DAMAGE
25	Caldwell OH	3:54 PM – under investigation	3 goats, 2 pigs, and 2 horses died
25	Cookeville TN	6:00 AM – electrical	11 goats perished
25	Kewaunee County WI	9:00 PM – under investigation	Animals were in barn, but unknown if they had been evacuated
26	Broken Arrow OK	4:00 AM – undetermined	Several pigs in barn were killed because firefighters had trouble getting into barn to save them
27	Jasmin, Sask CANADA	11:00 PM –under investigation	4 large hog barns burned to the ground with all animals lost
28	Umpqua OR	7:30 AM – heat lamps	26 sheep were killed

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
04	Nova Scotia CANADA	2:30 AM – undetermined	36 dairy cows were evacuated but 3 calves died
06	Brainerd MN	7:00 AM – under investigation	70 dairy cows died
23	Greater Manchester UK	Afternoon – ARSON	4 horses died, 3 horses, dog were led to safety
27	Woodbury TN	Midnight - ARSON	2 horses died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
02	Janesville WI	11:31 AM – undetermined	2 goats died, 3 sheep escaped
02	Kirkwood NY	2:00 PM – under investigation	5 horses led to safety
04	Surry County NC	8:45 AM – undetermined	20,000 3-week old chickens, 1 may have survived
04	Memphis TN	9:40 PM – appeared to be electrical	19 horses died
06	Houston TX	2 show sheep were killed when the trailer they were being hauled in caught fire, possibly from a carelessly tossed lit cigarette . A ram was saved.	
09	Cape Cod Animal Hospital MA	8:00 PM – under investigation	3 cats and 1 dog died, 12 dogs were saved
11	Red Hill Farm, Leesburg VA	Morning – faulty refrigerator	17 dogs, including 10 puppies, and 3 horses died. 60 dogs survived
20	West Reading UK	11:05 PM – electrical fault	5 horses died, 3 horses rescued

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
07	Braceville OH	5:30 AM – under investigation	horses, llamas, goats and lambs died
09	Callander CANADA	1:00 AM – undetermined	4 horses and a dog died
11	Pittsylvania County VA	Unreported time – possibly electrical	9 horses died, 1 survived
11	Muskogee OK livestock auction barn	Unreported time – under investigation	37 cattle killed, 9 survived
22	Timberline Hog Farm - Littleton IL	7:30 PM-under investigation	11,00 pigs, including 9,000 piglets, died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
04	Thibodaux LA	10:00 AM – undetermined	5 horses evacuated safely
18	Circle L Riding Club, Fort Worth TX	6:00 AM – undetermined	6 horses died in fire, 2 euthanized later
28	Wrexham UK	7:50 PM – “accidental” –embers from smouldering manure pile blew onto barn	2 horses died
29	Riegel Farmstead, University Park IL	Night – under investigation	Two dozen cows, horses, chickens, rabbits and fowl evacuated but fire killed 2 horses, t bulls, a goat and many chickens
30	Martin Dairy Farm, Kantz PA	12 Midnight – under investigation	A bull and 3 horses died but 50 cows were evacuated

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
02	National Food Corp Farm, Stanwood WA	Before Midnight – under investigation	180,000 chickens were killed
05	Peterson Turkey Hatchery, Cannon Falls MN	Daytime – propane heater	25,000 turkeys died
05	Westmoreland UK	11:35 AM – undetermined	3 pigs died and 23 others were being treated by vets
19	Seneca SC	Late Night – electrical malfunction	22, 000 chickens died
22	Newcastle UK	No time stated – undetermined	350 Racing Pigeons died
22	Sacramento County CA	Morning – undetermined cause of grass fire	A horse died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
01	Four Pines Farm MANITOBA	under investigation	7,500 pigs died
06	Maribel WI	9:21 PM – under investigation	3 horses, a cow, and a goat were killed, other horses escaped
09	Pink Star Equestrian Center, Oley Township PA	10:50 PM – under investigation	4 horses were injured
09	Cumberland MD	11:20 PM – possible spontaneous combustion	Several cattle and a dog died
09	Cal-Main Foods, Farwell TX	5:30 PM – ATF assisting in investigation of cause	800,000 hens died. Company said, “the financial impact of the fire will be minimal (\$20m).”
11	Clint TX	Time not stated – under investigation	A horse was killed
15	Double D Farm, Medina County OH	Early AM – cause not stated	60 horses escaped, but one broodmare died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
4	Newmarket UK	7:30 PM – possibly caused by stray spark from nearby bonfire	8 horses evacuated successfully
5	Marion Township PA	6:45 PM – probable spontaneous combustion	50 cows were led to safety but one cow died
8	Greenfield Center NY	9:00 PM – electrical problem	3 horses escaped
10	Gouverneur NY	Midnight – possibly spontaneous combustion	All cows were evacuated
17	West Paris ME	No time given – possibly caused by a malfunctioning conveyor belt	6 horses evacuated successfully
22	Cluny Hutterite Colony, Alberta CANADA	No time given – possibly caused by a slipping mechanical belt	15,000 pigs died
25	Munchies Farm, Oneida WI	Noon – possible that a thrown rock (from blowing straw into the barn) caused a spark	All 90 cows were evacuated
28	Kyle Batz farm, Marion Twp PA	6:35 PM – spontaneous combustion	All 40 cows were evacuated

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
01	Kentucky State Fair & Exposition Center, Louisville KY	2:30 AM – ARSON	No animals injured when 4 barns were destroyed
11	Sneaton Castle Farm, Whitby UK	9:28 PM – ARSON	Horses safely evacuated
12	Ryerss Farm for Aged Equines, Chester County PA	12:30 PM – accidental	2 horses in barn were led to safety
12	Shawano County WI	1:26 AM – under investigation – propane tanks were stored in barn	100 three-four month old calves were killed
13	Medford OR	11:00 PM – possibly cigarette discarded between stalls	3 horses died, one injured
20	Kugita Chicken Farm, Kagoshima JAPAN	12:40 PM – possibly spread to barn from burning grass	20,000 chickens died
27	Royal Equestrian Center, Chesapeake City MD	3:30 AM – under investigation	7 horses died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
04	East Smithfield PA Dairy Farm	11:40 PM – under investigation	All cows evacuated
04	Preble County OH	8:00 PM - undetermined	At least 100 animals died: sheep, chickens, ducks, geese
08	Addison NY Dairy Farm	5:00 PM – undetermined	Unknown number of cows were trapped
12	Lewis County NY Dairy Farm	Overnight – undetermined	120 milk cows and 40 calves died
15	Sanilac County MI Horse Barn	12:18 AM – under investigation	6 horses died
18	Union County MS Sale Barn	8:30 PM – under investigation	14 horses died, several others suffered smoke inhalation and burns
18	Tails B Waggin Kennel, MO	1:15 AM – undetermined	16 dogs were saved
26	Middlefield OH Dairy Farm	7:00 PM – under investigation	Over 100 cows were evacuated
29	Bloomer WI Horse Barn	3:51 PM – possible cause heat lamp used to keep baby goat warm	The baby goat died
30	Myerstown PA Dairy Farm	10:00 AM – accidental	116 dairy cows evacuated

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12	Bainbridge Twp OH	4:10 AM – heat lamp	11 chickens died

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DATE	LOCATION	TIME*/CAUSE	ANIMALS INVOLVED
01	Forsyth County GA Poultry Farm	4:00 PM – under investigation	20,000 chickens died
02	Miami-Dade FL	9:45 AM – undetermined	Parrots, snakes, and a lemur died
03	Windsor Twp PA Dairy Farm	10:45 AM – under investigation	90 cows were safely evacuated
05	Warren County Fairgrounds – Lebanon Raceway	4:50 AM – under investigation	45 horses, 2 humans died
06	North Middlesex ONT CANADA	3:30 AM – under investigation	1200 pigs died, 300 were rescued
07	Kippen, Scotland UK	1:00 AM – under investigation	1 horse safely evacuated
11	Zorgwijk Stables, Mt. Pleasant CANADA	11:00 AM – tractor may have caught fire	2 horses were led to safety
11	Riverside PA Dairy Farm	Morning – possible heat lamp ignited bedding	60 cows and calves died, 20 cows were saved
12	Louden NH	Morning – under investigation	5 dogs rescued, 3 missing
13	West Hills Animal Hospital, Los Angeles CA	1:00 AM – under investigation	2 dogs, 2 cats died, a puppy was saved
14	Cecil Twp PA Boarding Stable	9:00 PM – undetermined	All the horses survived
16	Greenville TN	3:00 AM – under investigation	6 horses, 3 cats escaped the fire
15	Salem Twp MI Horse Barn	Evening – under investigation	All 10 horses died
17	Miller Dairy Farm, Copake NY	3:00 PM – undetermined	115 cows were trapped in 2 barns and perished
19	Frita CO (2 barn fires)	Unstated time – overturned heat lamp and bales of hay	2 chickens and 2 pheasants died
21	Lewis County NY	6:21 PM – undetermined	All 50 dairy cows died
23	New Horizon Stable NY	PM – heater left near some combustible material	All 40 horses rescued
27	Norway IA	4:00 PM – under investigation	All the sows in one building died, some were rescued from another building
28	Owens Cross Roads AL	2:00 AM – under investigation	7 horses and 2 cows died
30	Lone Oak Stables, Kendall NY	1:30 AM – under investigation	All 3 horses died
?	Petsmart, Roanoke VA	1:00 PM – under investigation	All animals were saved

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