

KPM #10	FIRE SAFETY TRAINING - Number of fire and life safety inspections conducted by local authorities trained by the State Fire Marshal (increases total number of inspections statewide).	Measure since: 2002
Goal	Fire Safety – Reduce loss of life and property as a result of fire and hazardous materials.	
Oregon Context		
Data source	Oregon State Fire Marshal’s Annual Resource Directory Report	
Owner	Oregon State Fire Marshal, Nancy Orr, 503-373-1540	

1. OUR STRATEGY

Increase fire code enforcement to reduce fire risk through fire and life safety inspections.

Fire departments and districts are our key partner for this measure.

2. ABOUT THE TARGETS

Where the fire code is regularly enforced, fires are less likely to occur. For example, very few fires occur in child care centers, which are inspected annually by the state or local fire marshal.

3. HOW WE ARE DOING

The numbers of inspections conducted is steadily increasing. We are increasing competency standards for those who enforce the State Fire Code.

4. HOW WE COMPARE

Comparing the number of inspections performed by the fire service against the number of new business applications registered with the Secretary of State’s Office, the increase in inspections (90.67%) exceeds increased business applications (13%).

5. FACTORS AFFECTING RESULTS

Limited staffing at community level; increased competency expectations for those conducting inspections and giving plans review input to building officials.

6. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE

Provide local fire officials with low cost or free training at the regional or local level to increase local fire code enforcement capacity.

7. ABOUT THE DATA

Inspection data is reported by local fire authorities annually. New business application data is derived from the Secretary of State’s monthly business reports.

