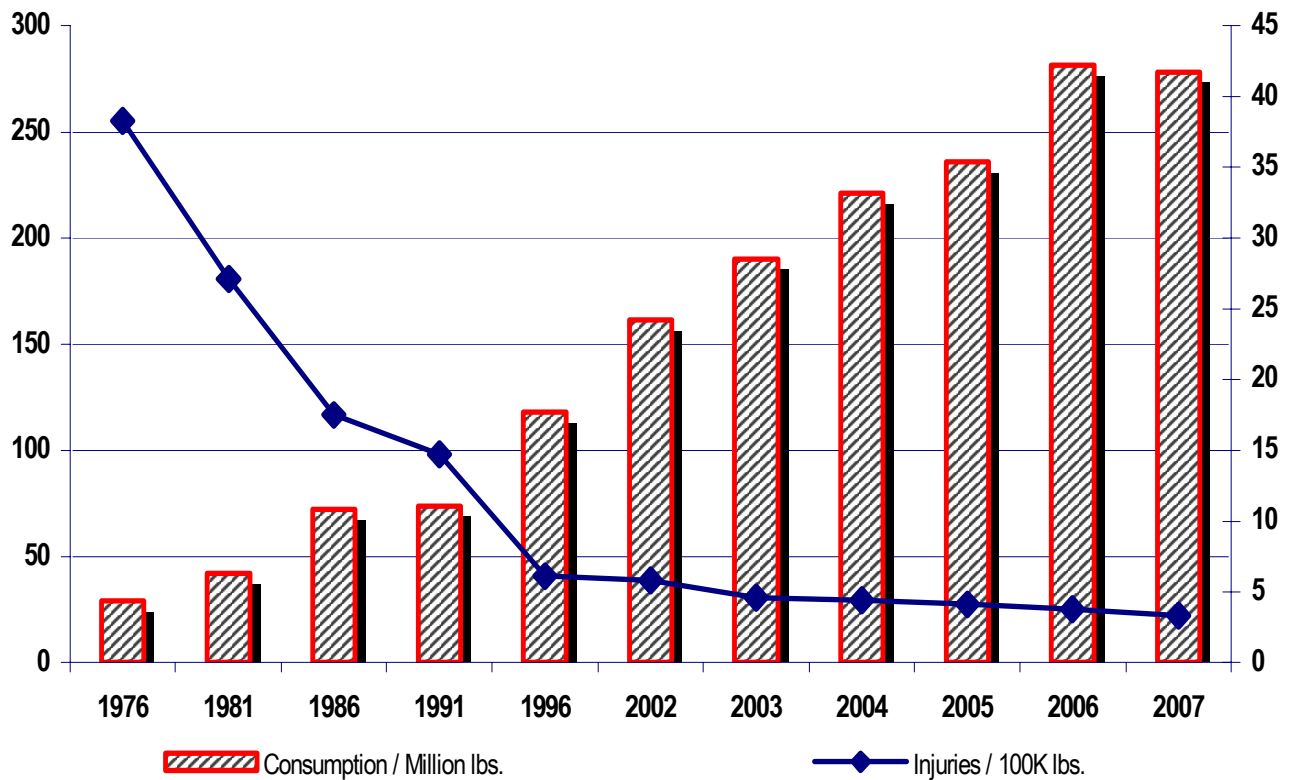


## FIREWORKS-RELATED INJURY RATES, 1976-2007

Consumption of fireworks in the United States has risen dramatically over the past two and a half decades, from 29 million pounds in 1976 to over 265.5 million pounds in 2007. While the industry has seen an almost 920% **increase** in fireworks consumption per million pounds, there has been an over 90% **decrease**<sup>1</sup> in fireworks-related injuries per 100,000 pounds.



<sup>1</sup> 1976 fireworks-related injury rate was 38.3 per 100,000 pounds, compared to 2007 rate of 3.7 per 100,000 pounds.