

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, August 5, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (148 new fires)
New large fires:	10 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	46
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	8

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Four MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard), and the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	10
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	18
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Rosebud Creek Complex (6 fires), Eastern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Benes). Sixty miles southwest of Miles City, MT. Ponderosa pine, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with single and group tree torching. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Sarpy Hills Complex (6 fires), Crow Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Fry). Eighteen miles northwest of Crow Agency, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

Elbow Pass Complex (3 fires), Lewis & Clark NF. IMT 2 (Hall). Twenty-five miles southwest of Augusta, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Butler, Lolo NF. Transfer of command from IMT2 (Kusicko) back to local unit will occur today. Twenty-seven miles northwest of Frenchtown, MT. Timber. Smoldering.

Falls Point, Lolo NF. IMT 2 (Hutton). Twenty-seven miles east of Seeley Lake, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with single and group tree torching. Area and trail closures in effect.

Chrandal Creek, Bitterroot NF. Thirty-two miles south of Darby, MT. Timber. Smoldering.

Prisoner Lake, Flathead NF. Twenty-five miles east of Condon, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

* **Salamander**, Bitterroot NF. Forty miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Rosebud Creek Complex	MT	EAS	174,237	-110	20	UNK	673	343	16	46	4	4	1.3M	ST
Sarpy Hills Complex	MT	CRA	82,000	0	50	UNK	630	291	17	47	5	14	1.5M	BIA
Elbow Pass Complex	MT	LCF	15,666	0	0	9/12	164	10	4	0	5	0	2.2M	FS
Butler	MT	LNF	70	0	75	8/14	170	-4	5	0	2	0	1.1M	FS
Falls Point	MT	LNF	152	52	N/A	N/A	54	0	0	0	1	0	177K	FS
Chrandal Creek	MT	BRF	2,562	0	90	8/7	160	-21	4	1	3	0	7.7M	FS
Prisoner Lake	MT	FNF	3,333	---	0	UNK	22	3	0	0	0	0	50K	FS
* Salamander	MT	BRF	280	---	N/A	N/A	1	---	0	0	0	0	4.5K	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 21
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 6
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Trinity Ridge**, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Sommer). Seven miles northwest of Featherville, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Area closure in effect.

Grizzly, Payette NF. Seven miles north of Cambridge, ID. Grass. Creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Halstead, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened and area closures in effect.

* **Pumpkin**, Uinta/Wasatch-Cache NF. Twenty miles east of Spanish Fork, UT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with group tree torching.

Pole, Boise District, BLM. Twelve miles southeast of Boise, ID. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Pine Canyon, Bear River Area, Utah DOF. Three miles east of Grouse Creek, UT. Timber. Crowning and torching.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Trinity Ridge	ID	BOF	300	---	0	UNK	139	---	4	5	5	0	350K	FS
Grizzly	ID	PAF	850	-150	80	8/5	89	3	2	8	1	0	259K	FS
Halstead	ID	SCF	21,915	3,393	1	10/16	375	43	10	10	3	0	1.6M	FS
* Pumpkin	UT	UWF	176	---	30	8/6	102	---	2	1	3	0	300K	FS

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Pole	ID	BOD	494	-406	95	UNK	90	53	3	6	0	0	62K	BLM
Pine Canyon	UT	BRS	375	0	15	8/6	45	5	0	7	2	0	130K	ST

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 30
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Chips, Plumas NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). Twenty miles northwest of Quincy, CA. Timber and brush. Backing fire with occasional single tree torching and short uphill runs. Structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

* **Dillon**, Klamath NF. IMT 2 (Whitcome). Fifteen miles southwest of Happy Camp, CA. Timber. Smoldering. Structures threatened and road closure in effect.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Chips	CA	PNF	6,814	1,962	0	8/18	688	186	16	30	8	0	3.0M	FS
* Dillon	CA	KNF	230	---	40	8/6	414	---	13	14	5	0	700K	FS
Salt Creek	CA	SHF	980	80	100	---	526	-304	15	31	1	1	3.1M	FS

SHF – Shasta-Trinity NF

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 32
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 3
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Piute Complex** (2 fires), Sequoia NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Twelve miles south of Lake Isabella, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Short runs with spotting.

Volcano, Riverside Unit, Cal Fire. Seven miles southwest of Murrieta, CA. Chaparral. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Piute Complex	CA	SQF	400	---	0	UNK	158	---	7	0	4	0	25K	FS
Volcano	CA	RRU	355	0	95	8/5	6	0	0	2	0	1	500K	ST

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 22
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 5

Bear Mountain Complex, Rawlins Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles north of Rawlins, WY. Timber, brush and grass. Running, crowning and torching. Structures threatened.

Wolf, White River Field Office, BLM. Five miles southeast of Elk Springs, CO. Pinyon pine, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Oil and gas facilities threatened.

Divide, White River Field Office, BLM. Ten miles south of Elk Springs, CO. Pinyon pine, brush and grass. No further information received.

Sleeper, Cheyenne River Agency, BIA. Four miles south of Takini, SD. Grass. Interior smoldering.

Keith County Complex, Nebraska DOF. Three miles west of Lemoyne, NE. Grass. Numerous structures threatened. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Bear Mountain Complex	WY	RAD	12,645	2,030	57	8/10	151	0	11	9	8	0	5.5M	BLM
Wolf	CO	WRD	4,200	3,000	10	8/10	138	70	5	7	2	0	37K	BLM
Divide	CO	WRD	250	0	50	8/6	40	29	1	4	0	0	50K	BLM
Sleeper	SD	CRA	450	-50	95	8/5	30	6	1	3	0	0	30K	BIA
Keith County Complex	NE	NES	50,000	0	90	8/5	NR	---	0	0	0	0	20K	ST
* Shirk Creek	SD	SDS	1,000	---	100	---	50	---	0	14	0	0	2K	ST
Eagle	SD	CRA	501	201	100	---	27	0	1	6	0	2	25K	BIA

SDS – South Dakota, DOF

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 4
New large fires: 4
Uncontained large fires: 8

* **McNac**, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Ten miles north of Bristow, OK. Grass. Short duration crown runs with long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

* **Botone 3**, Anadarko Agency, BIA. Three miles east of Carnegie, OK. Juniper and grass. Torching with spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

* **Lagoon Creek**, Pawnee Agency, BIA. Five miles north of Yale, OK. Grass. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened and evacuations in effect.

* **Lick Creek**, Oklahoma DOF. Two miles north of Blocker, OK. Timber. Crowing with spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Spur, Oklahoma DOF. Two miles south of Geary, OK. Timber. No new information.

Hess Knob, Ozark & St. Francis NF. Twenty-three miles northwest of Russellville, AR. Hardwood litter. No further information received.

Townley Road, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles northwest of Indianoma, OK. Timber, brush and grass. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Bills Hill, Canaveral National Seashore. Two miles south of Oak Hill, FL. Brush. No new information.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* McNac	OK	OMA	50,000	---	10	8/10	38	---	1	7	1	50	80K	BIA
* Botone 3	OK	ANA	2,208	---	30	UNK	66	---	0	28	0	0	6K	BIA
* Lagoon Creek	OK	PAA	300	---	0	UNK	23	---	0	6	0	2	15K	BIA
* Lick Creek	OK	OKS	300	---	10	8/5	21	---	0	8	1	0	2K	ST
Spur	OK	OKS	978	---	70	UNK	189	---	0	84	1	1	28K	ST
Hess Knob	AR	OZF	1,438	0	50	8/5	31	0	1	2	0	0	NR	FS
Townley Road	OK	OKS	28,800	---	95	UNK	10	---	0	5	0	3	122K	ST
Bills Hill	FL	MIR	252	---	95	UNK	19	---	0	9	1	0	70K	NPS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 6
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 3

Lava, Lakeview District, BLM. Fifteen miles northeast of Ft. Rock, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Group tree torching and smoldering.

Crane Road, Washington State. Six miles east of Brewster, WA. Timber, brush and grass. No new information.

Weissenfels Ridge, Washington State. Five miles south of Asotin, WA. Brush and grass. No new information.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Lava	OR	LAD	21,546	0	85	8/15	97	0	2	10	1	0	1.8M	BLM
Crane Road	WA	WFS	10,800	---	80	8/5	241	---	5	35	0	0	600K	ST
Weissenfels Ridge	WA	WFS	2,494	---	75	8/4	88	---	1	15	2	0	140K	ST

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 16
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Basin, Ely District Office, BLM. Twenty miles east of Alamo, NV. Pinyon pine, brush and grass. Smoldering.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% Ctn	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Basin	NV	ELD	6,057	0	90	8/5	111	-111	4	0	2	0	400K	BLM

Other Fires

(As of August 3)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	13	126,503	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0
NO	1	24	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	1	150	0	3	0	15
EB	7	93,981	6	7	2	207
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	1	213	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	7	7,711	5	18	5	127
Total	30	228,582	11	28	7	349

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. Updated weekly.

Predictive Services Discussion: Widely scattered thunderstorms will move through northern California, northern Nevada, southeastern Oregon and southwestern Idaho during the day. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will also develop across the Four Corners states. A cold front will move through the eastern U.S., producing showers and thunderstorms from New England to eastern Texas.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html>



Today's discussion is from
"This Day in History"

"This Day in History" is a brief summary of a powerful learning opportunity. You can use this summary as a foundation and launch point for further dialogue and discussion. Apply these lessons learned to yourself, your crew, your team and your unit.

The Mann Gulch Fire - August 5th, 1949

Summary: Lightning started many fires on the Helena National Forest August 4th, 1949 including one near the top of a ridge between Meriwether and Mann Gulches. At 12:55pm August 5th, the fire was observed at 6 acres. At 1:30 the call went out for smokejumpers from the Missoula jumpbase. By the time the jump plane flew over at 3pm the fire was 60 acres. The crew jumped and are scattered by a nearby thunder cell.

The crew gathers at the bottom of the gulch up-canyon of the fire. Jumper Foreman goes to scout the fire and meets up with a fire guard working alone near the head of the fire. Observing increased fire activity, the decision is made to start from the toe. While hiking to the toe, the foreman noted that there was fire below them in the gulch and that it had crossed to the other side of the canyon blocking their ability to escape to the river. They reversed direction and headed up toward the NW ridge. The fire is 500 feet behind them crowning in timber and doghair thickets.

The foreman knows that they will not outrun the fire and starts to burn off some grass for a "refuge". He gives the order for his crew to come into the black with him. The foreman stayed in his black and survived the fire passing over. It is not clear how many of the crew heard the orders over the roar of the fire or understood what the foreman was trying to do (burning out was neither taught nor common practice at this time). The crew continued running up the steep slope for the ridge. Two made it to safety in rocks at the top. 5:56pm marks the time on one firefighter's watch that stopped when the 15 Missoula Smokejumpers and one Meriwether Fire Guard were burned over. Only 5 would survive the blow-up. 2 would die from their burns the next day.

This Day in Wildland Fire History is dedicated to all those at Mann Gulch August 5th, 1949.

Predicted Fire Danger was "low" but readings from a nearby ranger station were RH=22%, fuel sticks = 5%, and wind=16mph indicating more severe fire danger. No weather was recorded at the fire, but steady SW winds were observed at the time of the jump. The Gulch runs SW down to the Missouri River. Also note the thunder cell that was in the area.

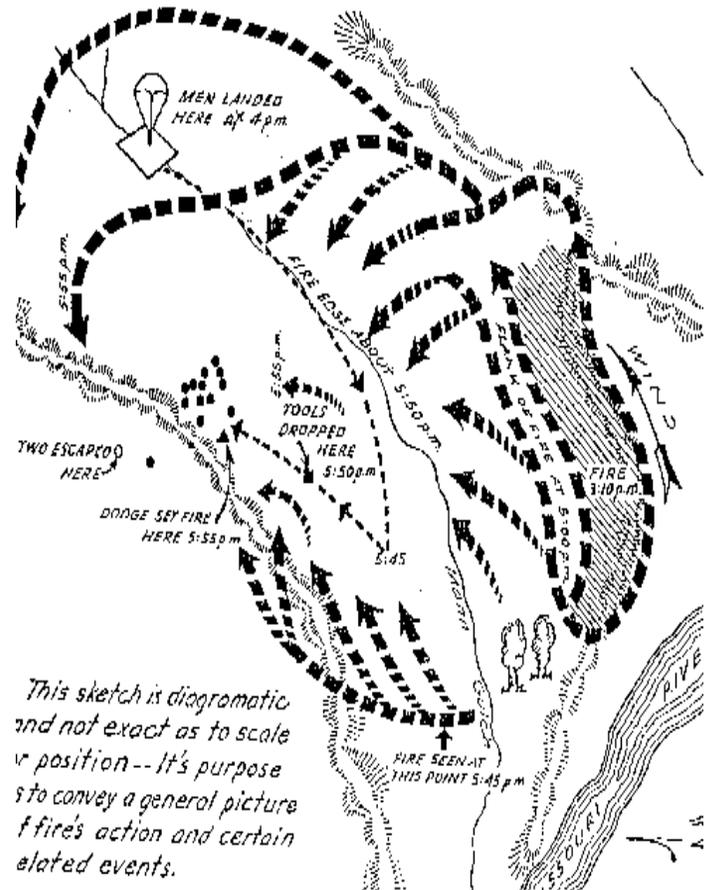
- Open your IRPG to page 1. Based on the above information coupled with the increase in fire size, use the Risk Management Process and the map (right) to discuss some of the actions you will take to ensure crew safety: as the FFT2, squad boss, crew boss, etc.

Based on initial aerial size-up, the strategy was to hold the fire on the ridge by anchoring the head of the fire and flanking down both sides to the toe. The fire was noted as "appearing relatively quiet".

- Discuss other tactics that your crew could use if presented with a similar situation. Look at the different options available at different steps of the initial attack.

Though his ability as a firefighter was well respected by his peers, the Foreman was not known by this young group of smokejumpers.

- When we find ourselves in this position (such as a Crew boss assignment) what can we do to create and encourage crew cohesion?



Resources: [Mann Gulch Fire Fatalities Report](#) [Virtual Staff Ride of Mann Gulch](#)

"This Day in History" is a collaborative project between "6 Minutes for Safety" and the [Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center](#).

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES					2	4	6
	ACRES					0	0	0
Northern California	FIRES	1				12	17	30
	ACRES	0				8	230	238
Southern California	FIRES		2			14	16	32
	ACRES		13			5	415	433
Northern Rockies	FIRES		2		1	1	6	10
	ACRES		201		2	0	333	536
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6		1	7	7	21
	ACRES		21,972		0	3,514	4,251	29,737
Western Great Basin	FIRES		13			1	2	16
	ACRES		5			0	0	5
Southwest	FIRES		1		1		4	6
	ACRES		0		0		0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	11	3			5	3	22
	ACRES	14	0			1,003	1	1,018
Eastern Area	FIRES					0	1	1
	ACRES					1	0	1
Southern Area	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					13		13
TOTAL	FIRES	12	27	0	3	46	60	148
	ACRES	14	22,191	0	2	4,544	5,230	31,981

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	28	20	236	4	326
	ACRES	43	50,159	39,270	67,906	49,840	0	207,218
Northwest	FIRES	120	134	18	16	346	294	928
	ACRES	2,074	810,005	1,787	13	3,738	671	818,288
Northern California	FIRES	82	15	2	6	1,823	316	2,244
	ACRES	120	1,476	0	8	12,633	37,812	52,049
Southern California	FIRES	24	119	9	21	2,134	296	2,603
	ACRES	27	4,473	8	507	28,634	3,016	36,665
Northern Rockies	FIRES	891	169	18	12	371	407	1,868
	ACRES	336,869	106,391	10,327	652	78,752	51,865	584,856
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	38	508		23	591	327	1,487
	ACRES	24,882	575,195		272	181,921	238,637	1,020,907
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	260	1	14	132	49	459
	ACRES	1,199	104,615	0	37	9,309	12,206	127,366
Southwest	FIRES	662	170	12	33	425	783	2,085
	ACRES	30,236	4,510	187	4,326	31,219	448,604	519,082
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	996	454	21	24	1,150	540	3,185
	ACRES	66,086	39,444	1,246	832	286,617	247,557	641,782
Eastern Area	FIRES	676		45	16	7,579	505	8,821
	ACRES	1,631		4,755	401	71,346	9,786	87,919
Southern Area	FIRES	448		43	45	13,573	524	14,633
	ACRES	38,408		19,559	16,746	170,237	80,221	325,171
TOTAL	FIRES	3,941	1,866	197	230	28,360	4,045	38,639
	ACRES	501,575	1,696,268	77,139	91,700	924,246	1,130,375	4,421,303

Ten Year Average Fires	48,787
Ten Year Average Acres	4,343,143

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					9		9
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	7	0	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	10		12
	ACRES				18	13,314		13,332
Northwest	FIRES	8	59	15			157	239
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,305			31,956	43,763
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	22	21		153	212
	ACRES	108	203	22,621	151		13,082	36,165
Southern California	FIRES		6	5	5	6	159	181
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,831	4,120	8,799
Northern Rockies	FIRES	16	9	68	3	33	192	321
	ACRES	1,822	4,745	16,495	233	1,809	20,854	45,958
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	20	42	79
	ACRES		898	188	230	324	18,824	20,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	4		13	4	29
	ACRES		2,261	419		279	221	3,180
Southwest	FIRES	31	17	12	15		131	206
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,512	109		38,954	54,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	25	91	21	18	61	239
	ACRES	2,025	2,965	19,979	2,492	8,377	10,819	46,657
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		492	41	959	149	1,678
	ACRES	22,116		78,660	9,054	57,490	57,406	224,726
Southern Area	FIRES	23		138	53	8,345	833	9,392
	ACRES	4,783		57,590	37,634	473,451	812,426	1,385,884
TOTAL	FIRES	141	148	849	165	9,404	1,881	12,588
	ACRES	35,570	28,112	203,150	50,867	556,875	1,008,662	1,883,236

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

Canada Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	681	6,719
YUKON TERRITORY	0	2	108	63,158
ALBERTA	4	0	1,091	338,917
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	7	3,140	234	229,909
SASKATCHEWAN	1	372	337	210,400
MANITOBA	2	2,661	418	191,859
ONTARIO	22	341	1,256	135,689
QUEBEC	8	2	676	70,156
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	175	137,439
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	300	355
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	313	779
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	5	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	62	274,988
TOTALS	44	6,517	5,656	1,660,376

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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