

Top 20 Most Damaging California Destructive Wildfires

	FIRE NAME (CAUSE)	DATE	COUNTY	ACRES	STRUCTURES	DEATHS
1	TUNNEL - Oakland Hills (<i>Rekindle</i>)	October 1991	Alameda	1,600	2,900	25
2	CEDAR (<i>Human Related</i>)	October 2003	San Diego	273,246	2,820	15
3	VALLEY (<i>Electrical</i>)	September 2015	Lake, Napa & Sonoma	76,067	1,955	4
4	WITCH (<i>Powerlines</i>)	October 2007	San Diego	197,990	1,650	2
5	OLD (<i>Human Related</i>)	October 2003	San Bernardino	91,281	1,003	6
6	JONES (<i>Undetermined</i>)	October 1999	Shasta	26,200	954	1
7	BUTTE (<i>Powerlines</i>)	September 2015	Amador & Calaveras	70,868	921	2
8	PAINT (<i>Arson</i>)	June 1990	Santa Barbara	4,900	641	1
9	FOUNTAIN (<i>Arson</i>)	August 1992	Shasta	63,960	636	0
10	SAYRE (<i>Misc.</i>)	November 2008	Los Angeles	11,262	604	0
11	CITY OF BERKELEY (<i>Powerlines</i>)	September 1923	Alameda	130	584	0
12	HARRIS (<i>Under Investigation</i>)	October 2007	San Diego	90,440	548	8
13	BEL AIR (<i>Undetermined</i>)	November 1961	Los Angeles	6,090	484	0
14	LAGUNA (<i>Arson</i>)	October 1993	Orange	14,437	441	0
15	ERSKINE (<i>Under Investigation</i>)	June 2016	Kern	46,684	386	2
16	LAGUNA (<i>Powerlines</i>)	September 1970	San Diego	175,425	382	0
17	HUMBOLDT (<i>Arson</i>)	June 2008	Butte	23,344	351	0
18	PANORAMA (<i>Arson</i>)	November 1980	San Bernardino	23,600	325	3
19	TOPANGA (<i>Arson</i>)	November 1993	Los Angeles	18,000	323	0
20	BLUE CUT* (<i>Under Investigation</i>)	August 2016	San Bernardino	37,020	321	0

*"Structures" include homes, outbuildings (barns, garages, sheds, etc) and commercial properties destroyed.

**This list does not include fire jurisdiction. These are the Top 20 regardless of whether they were state, federal, or local responsibility.



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