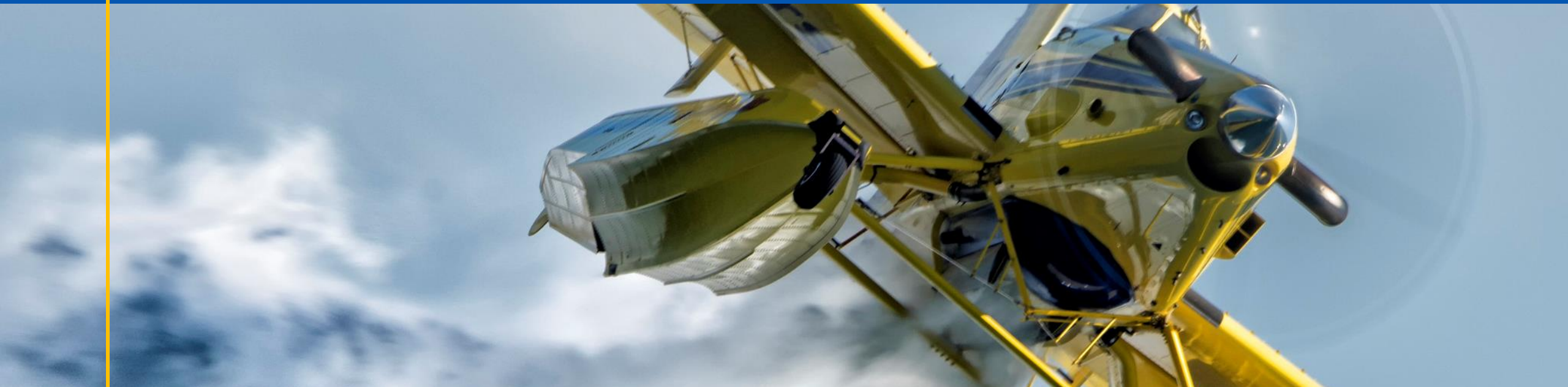




EU wildfires preparedness 2025

EU Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations





The EU's Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ERCC)

Launched in May 2013, the ERCC:



Monitors disasters
around the globe



Maps disaster
risks



Provides real-time
information



Coordinates joint European
response operations

The EU Civil Protection Mechanism



Upon activation,
the **EU Civil Protection Mechanism**
enables a coordinated emergency assistance offered by



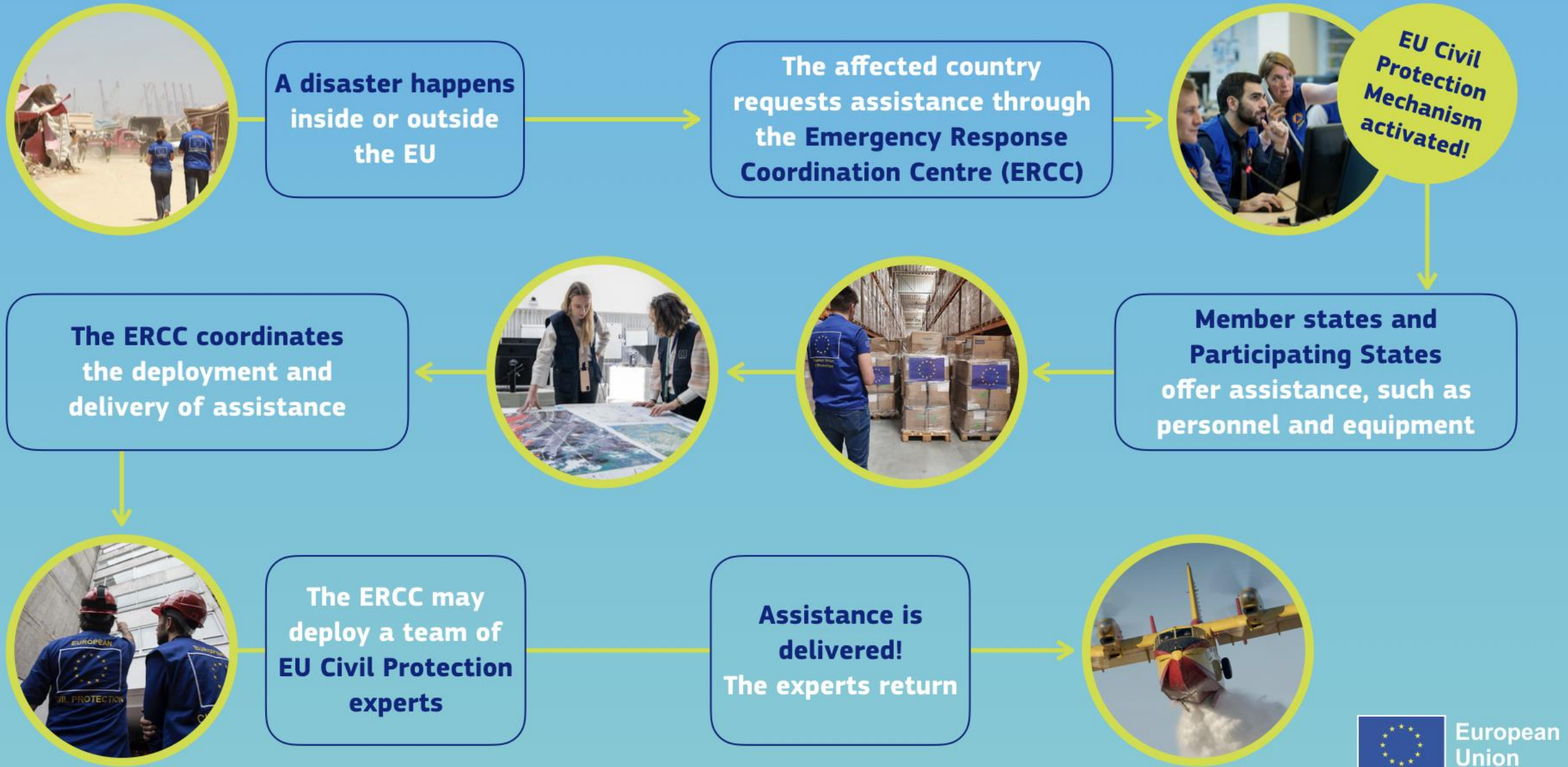
all 27 EU Member States



10 Participating States



Do you know how the **EU Civil Protection Mechanism** works?



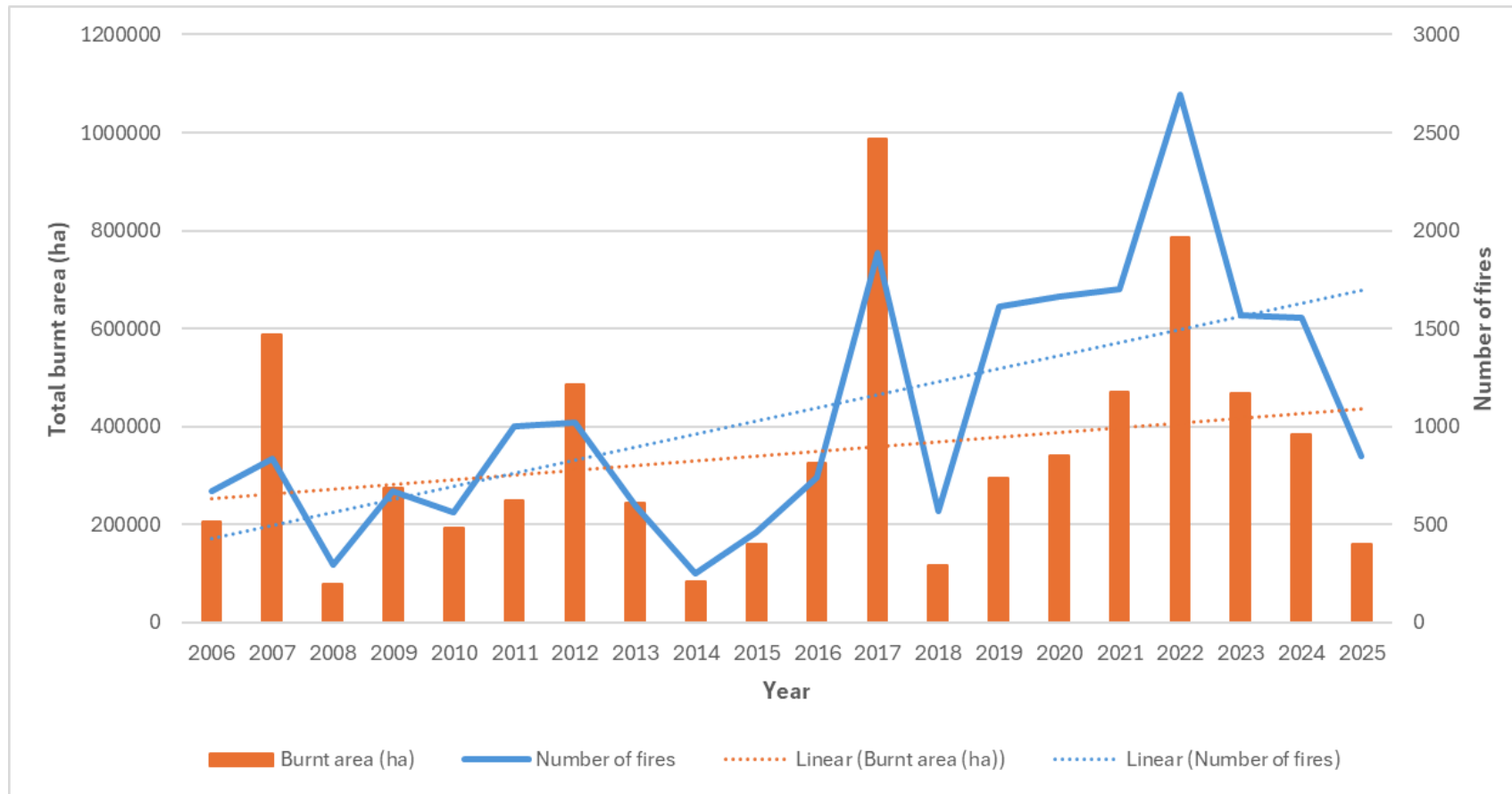
The EU Civil Protection Mechanism response layers



A photograph of a forest where many trees have been charred by fire. The trunks are dark and vertical, standing closely together. The ground is covered in dark, charred wood and debris. A blue rectangular box with white text is centered in the middle of the image.

Situation overview

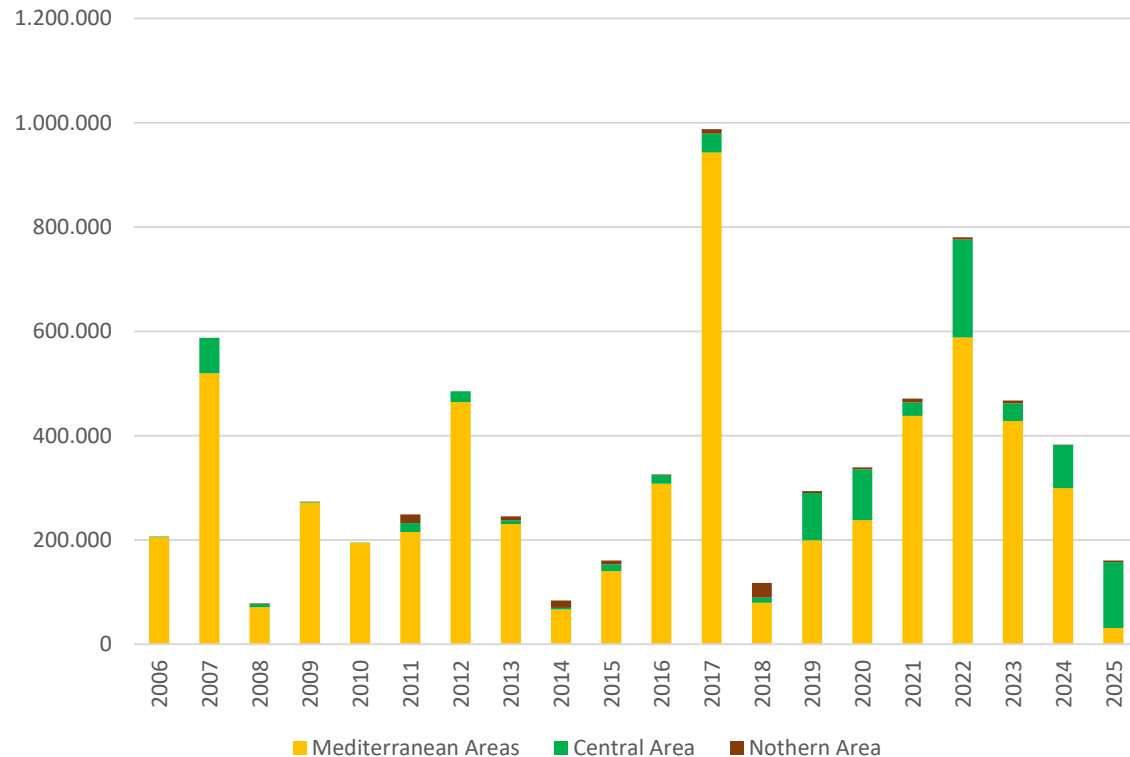
Burnt areas and number of fires in the EU



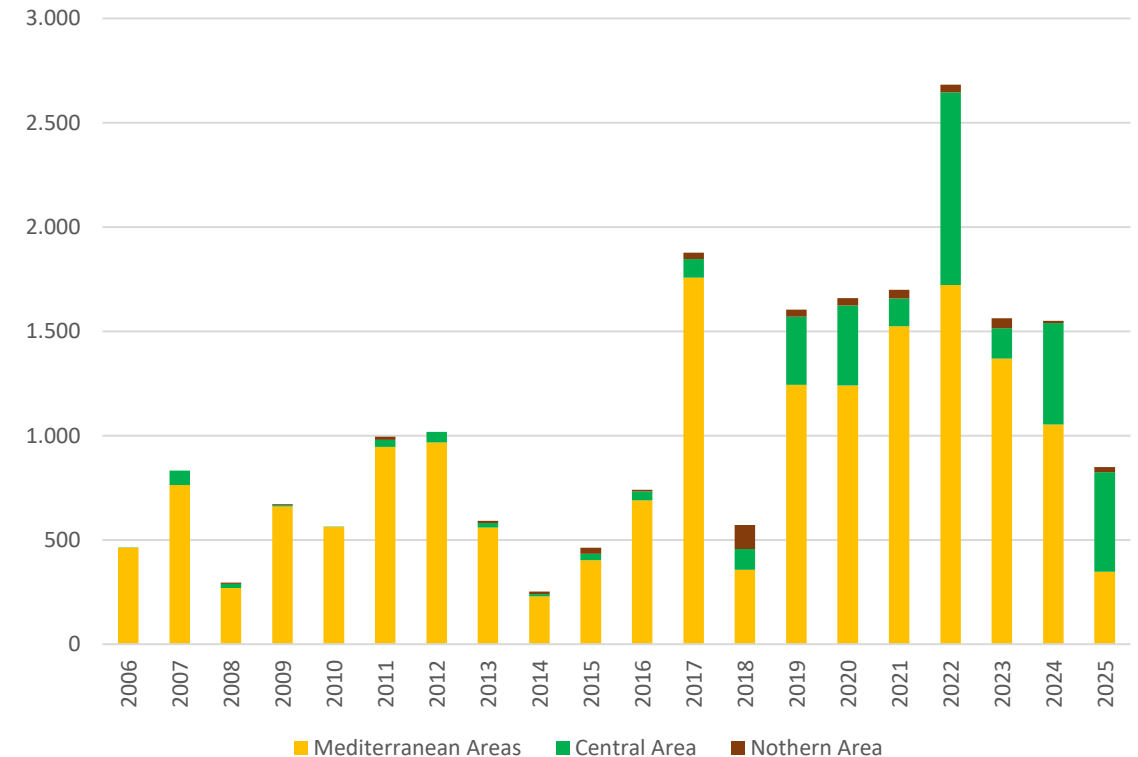
Amount of burnt areas and number of events (over 30 ha) recorded by EFFIS since 2006.

Burnt areas and number of fires in the EU

Burnt Area in EU

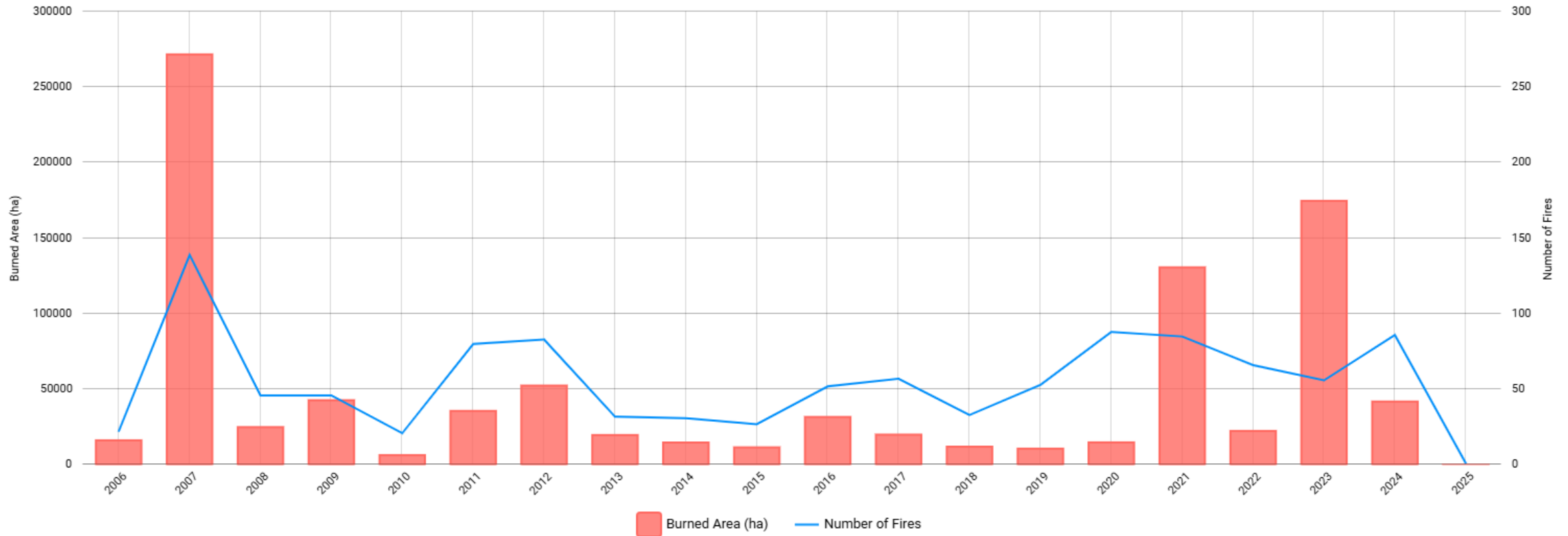


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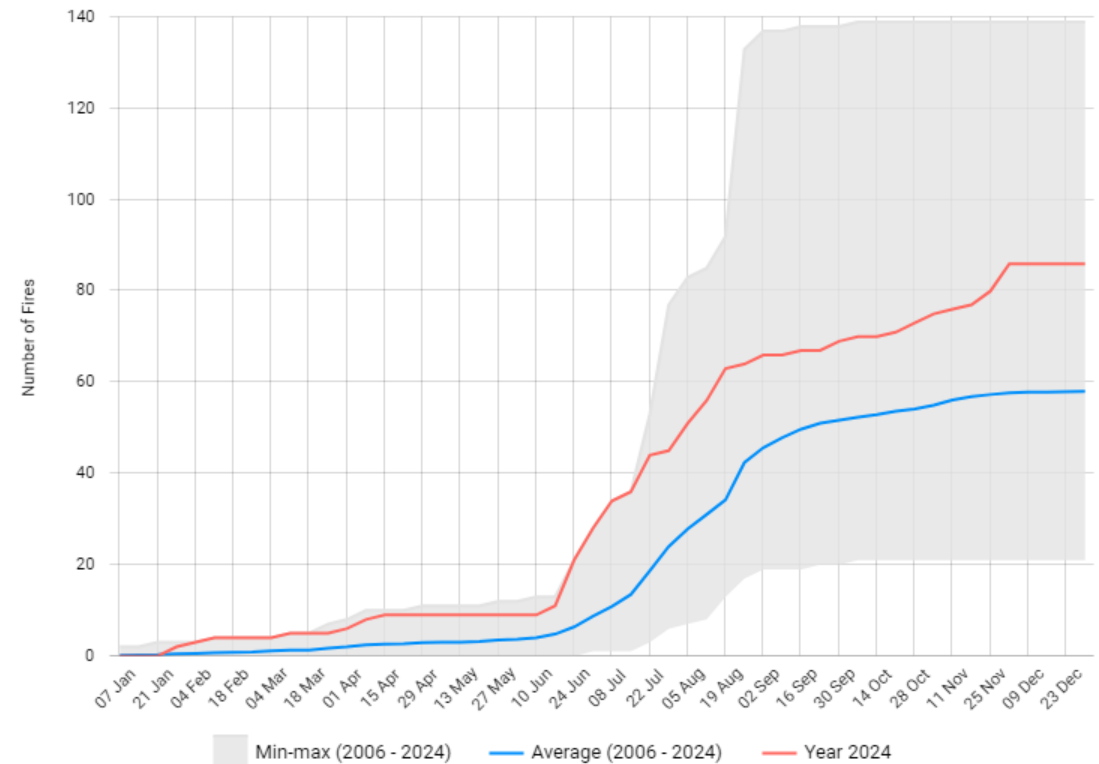
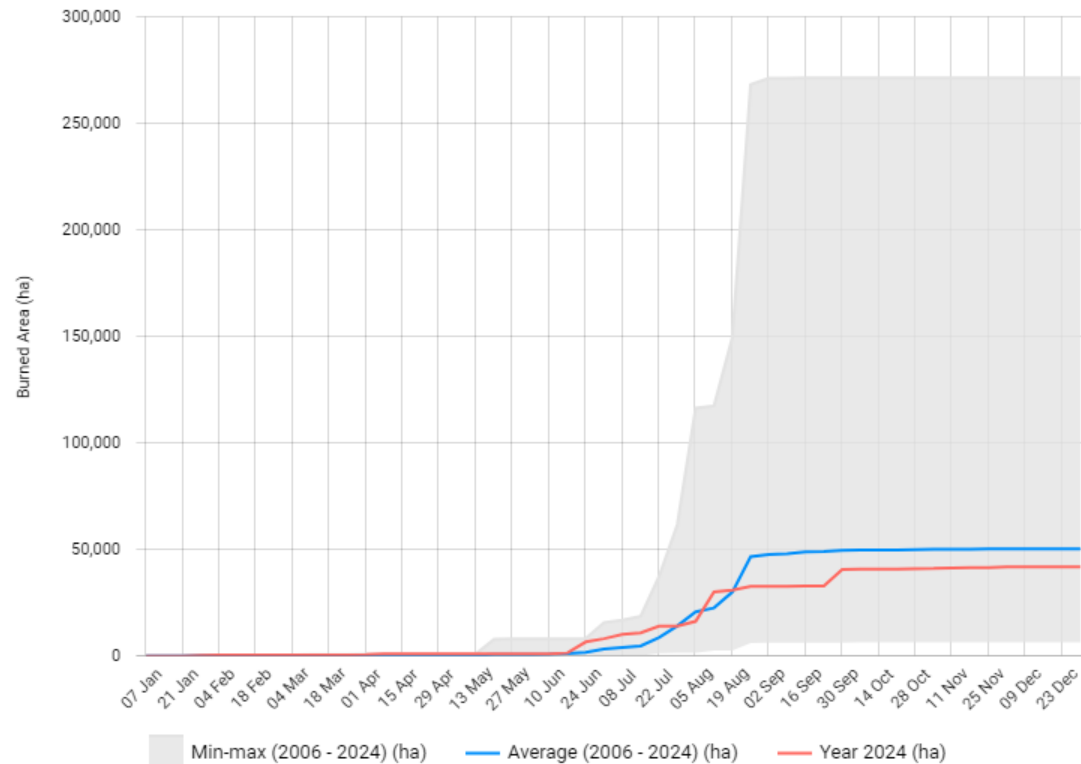


Total burnt area and number of events recorded by EFFIS since 2006 by year and region.

Burnt areas and number of fires in Greece

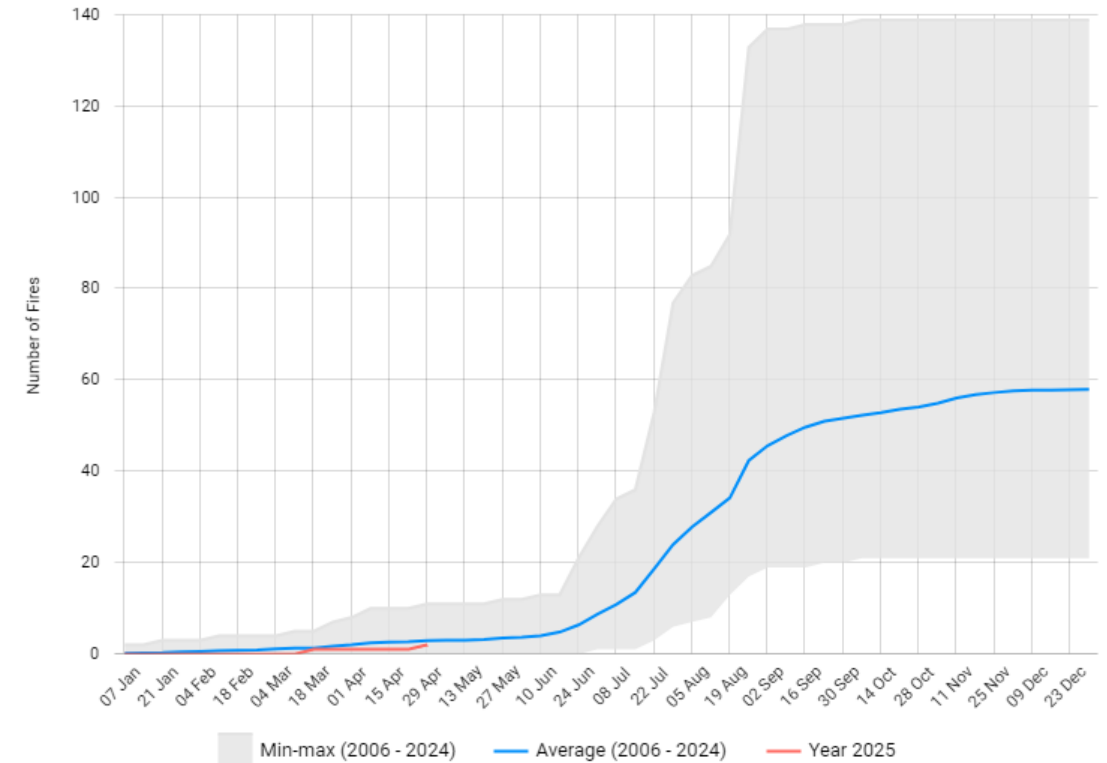
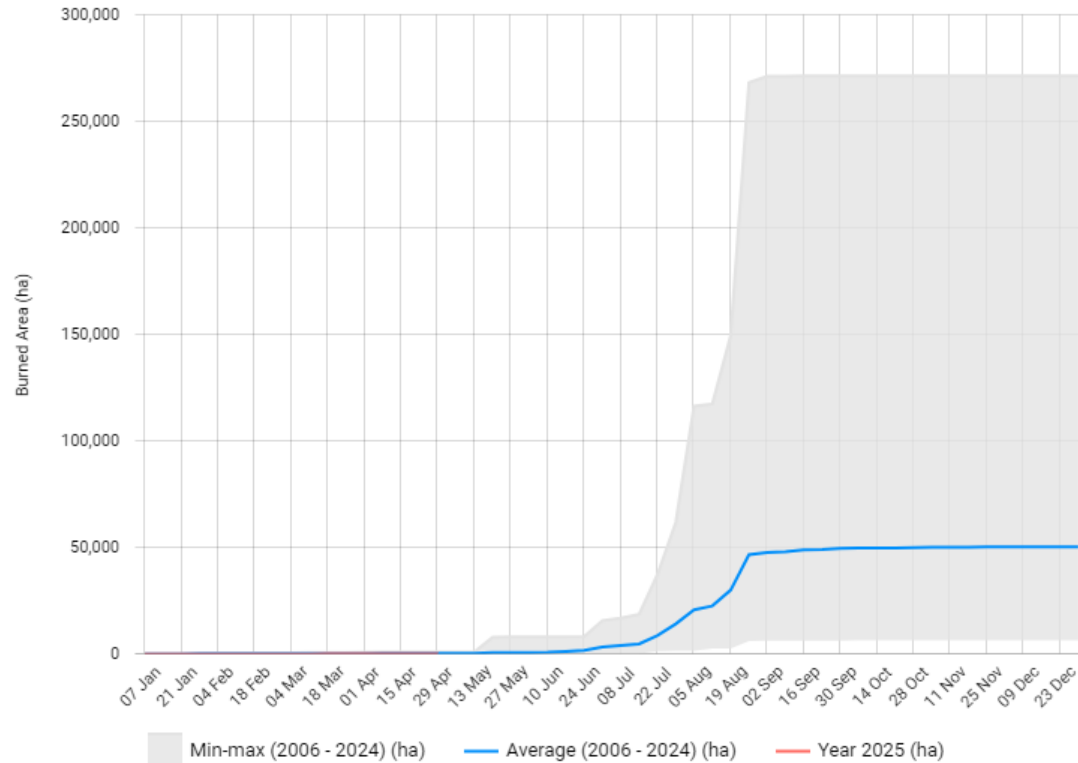


2024 burnt area and number of fires in Greece



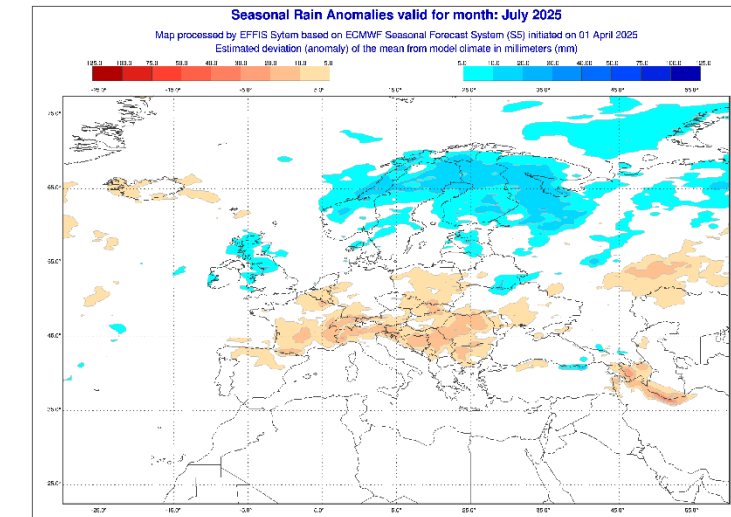
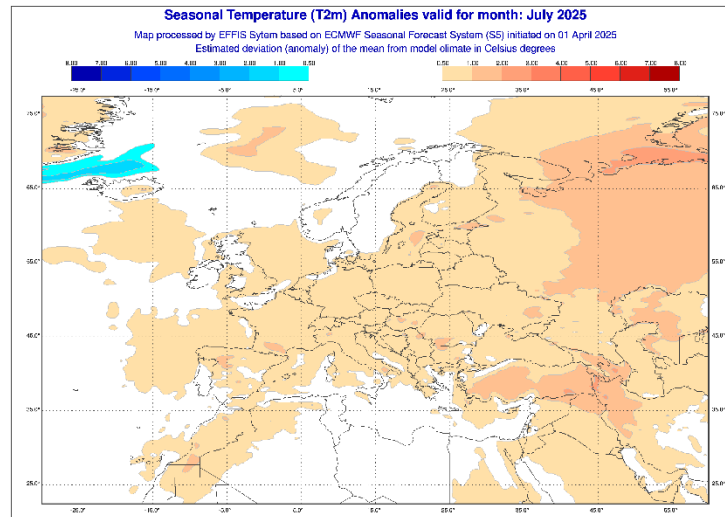
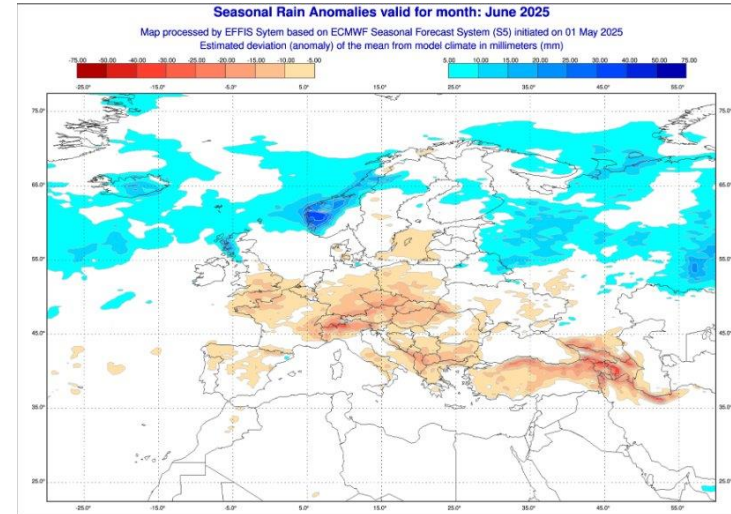
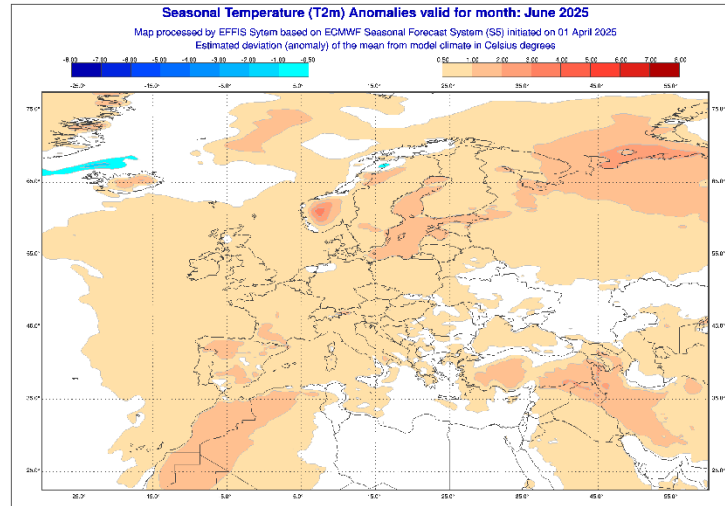
Greece – 2024 weekly burnt areas and number of fires

2025 burnt area and number of fires in Greece



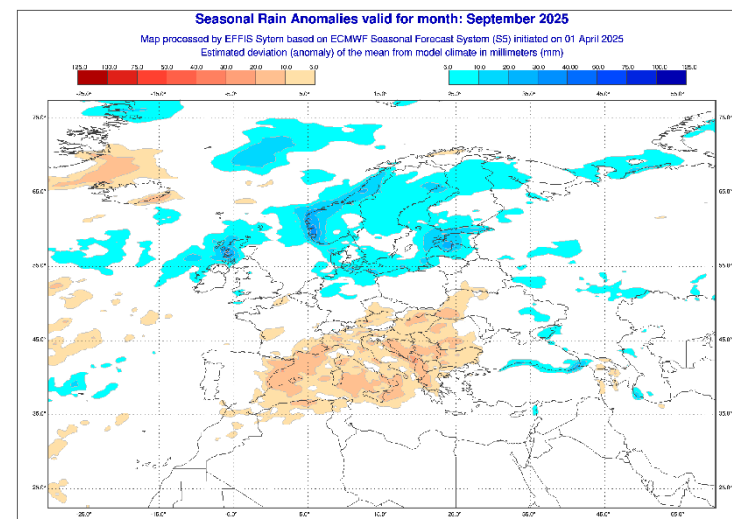
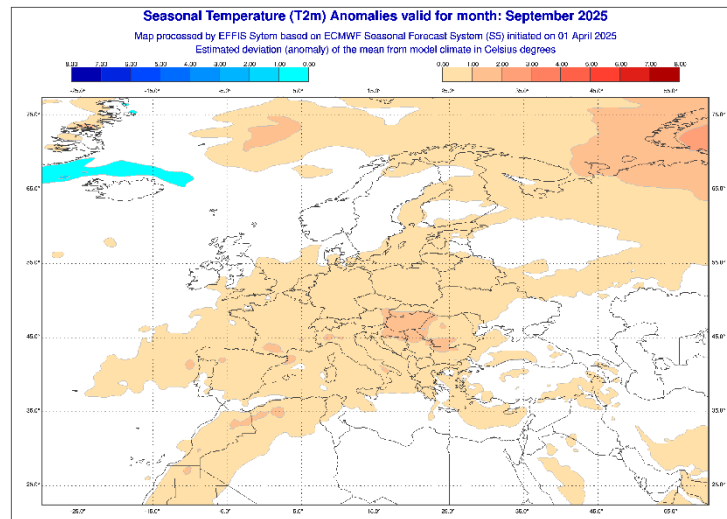
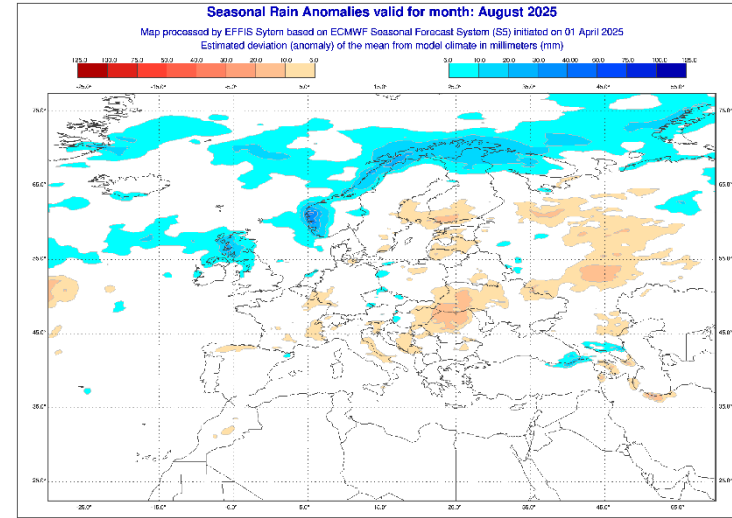
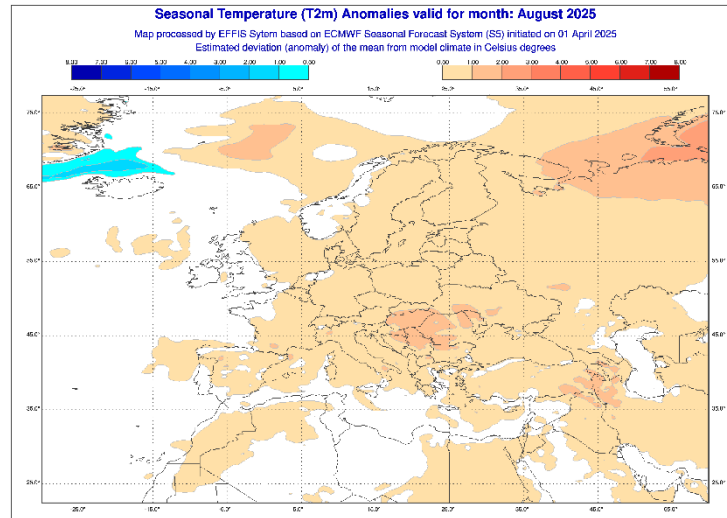
Greece – 2025 (until 30 April) weekly burnt areas and number of fires)

2025 season – Temperature and rain anomalies



Seasonal Forecast of Temperatures and Rain Anomalies, June – July 2025.

2025 season – Temperature and rain anomalies



Seasonal Forecast of Temperatures and Rain Anomalies, August – September 2025.



1. Firefighting fleet

rescEU and European Civil Protection Pool

FIREFIGHTING FLEET

22 Airplanes

4 Helicopters

Hosted by:





Future aerial firefighting capacities



12 airplanes



5 helicopters

2. Ground firefighting teams prepositioned via the EU Civil Protection Mechanism





Prepositioned Ground Forest Firefighting teams through UCPM in 2025



Prepositioning 2025

For 2025 the EU has put together **641 firefighters from 14 countries** that will be strategically prepositioned across key locations in Europe this summer, such as in **France, Greece, Portugal and Spain**. They will stand ready to support local fire brigades, when the scale of a wildfire overwhelms the response capabilities of a country.

Prepositioning capacities

-  Ground Forest Firefighting
-  Ground Forest Firefighting with vehicles

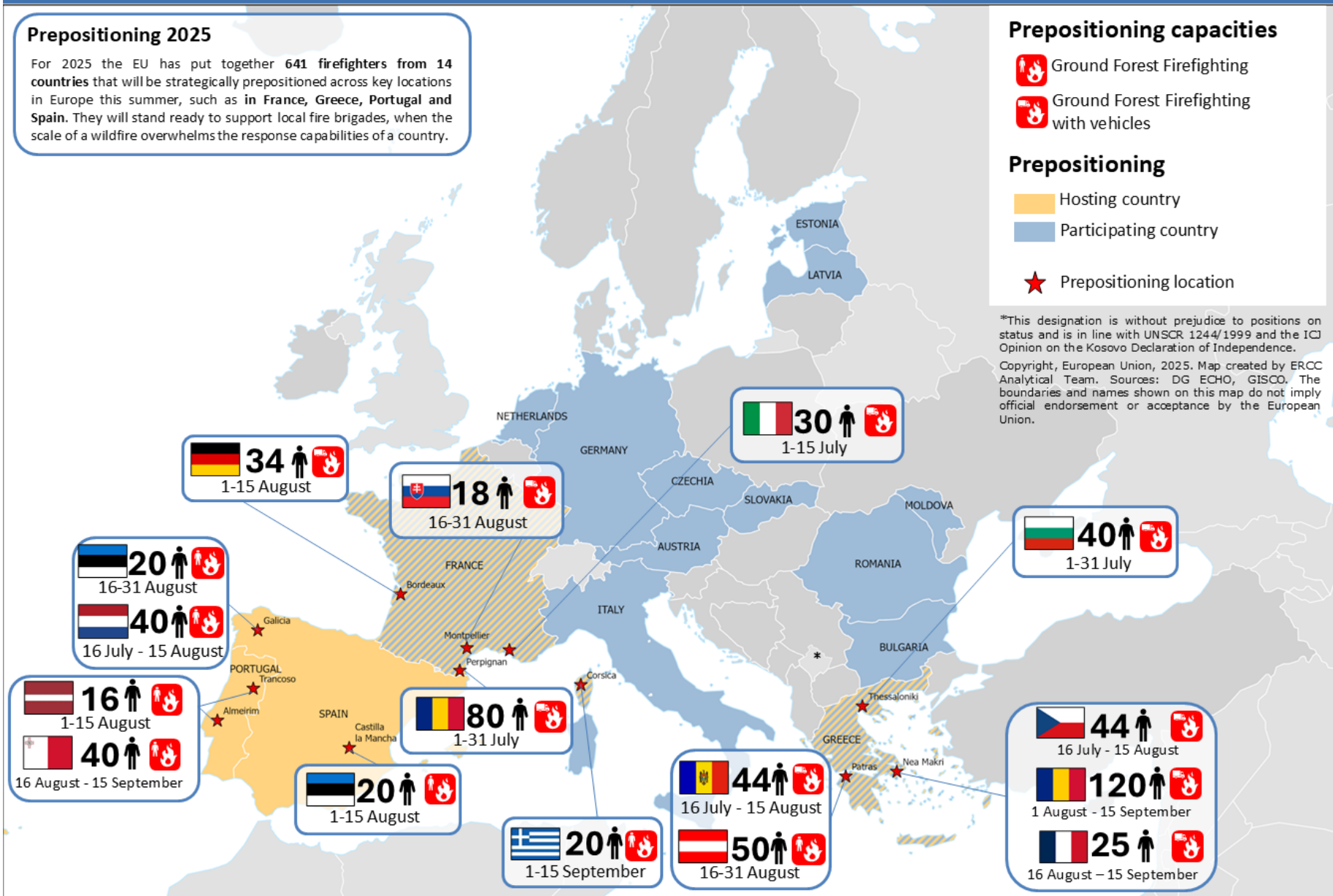
Prepositioning

-  Hosting country
-  Participating country

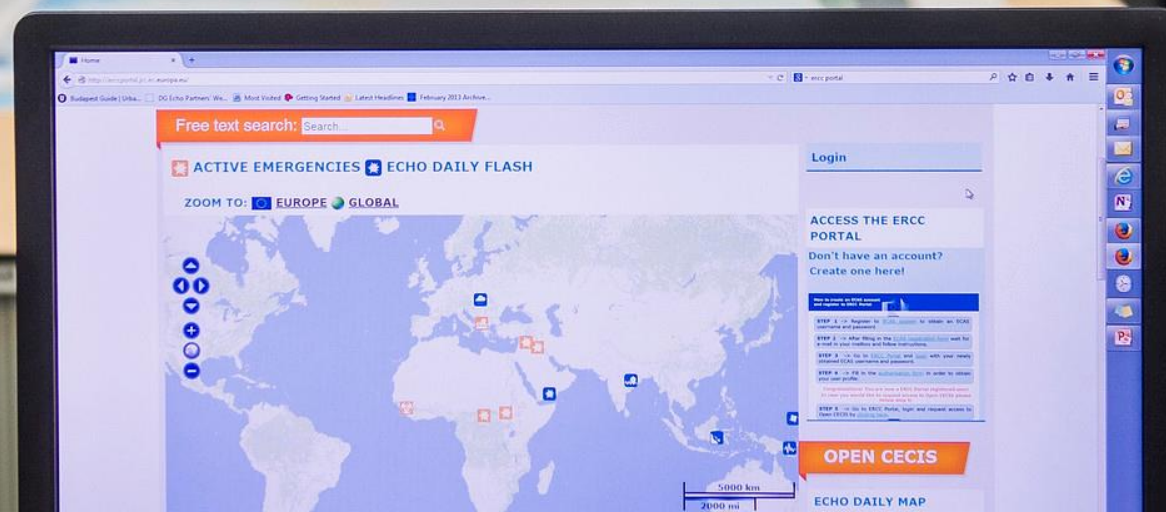
-  Prepositioning location

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3. EU wildfire support team



EU wildfire support team at the ERCC



29 experts



From EU Member States, UCPM Participating States, ERCC staff and scientific experts from the European Natural Hazard Scientific Partnership (ARISTOTLE)



16 June – 19 September



National contribution

Greece



rescEU: 2 airplanes



European Civil Protection Pool: 2 airplanes, 1 ground forest firefighting module, 1 ground firefighting module with vehicles



Pre-positioning: Hosting and sending teams

Prevention



EU Preparedness Union Strategy



30 key actions and further 33 actions to enhance the EU's ability to anticipate, prevent, and respond to threats and crises.

More information:

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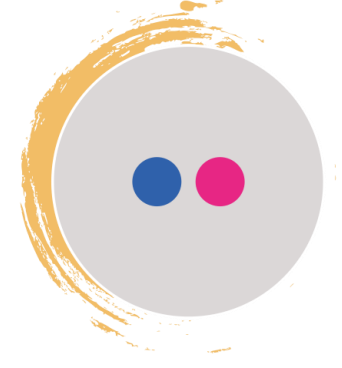
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Thank you



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