

Loss events worldwide 1980 – 2013

20 costliest wildfires ordered by insured losses

Date	Event	Affected area	Overall losses in US\$ m original values	Insured losses in US\$ m original values	Fatalities
21.10-9.11.2007	Wildfires	USA: CA, San Diego, Los Angeles, Malibu, Angeles National Forest	2,700	2,300	8
21.10-4.11.2003	Forest fires	USA: CA, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura, Riverside	3,500	2,035	24
21-22.10.1991	Brush fire, Oakland firestorm	USA: CA, Oakland, Berkeley, East Bay Hills	2,500	1,700	25
27.10-3.11.1993	Brush fires	USA: CA, Laguna Canyon, Malibu-Topanga	1,000	725	10
14-17.5.2011	Wildfires	Canada: Alberta, Slave Lake	1,135	720	1
7-28.2.2009	Wildfires "Victoria" (Black Saturday fires)	Australia: Victoria, Melbourne, Marysville, Kingslake, Narbethong, Yarram, Warragul	1,100	680	173
13-24.11.2008	Wildfires	USA: CA, E of Santa Barbara, Montecito, Sylmar, Los Angeles, San Gabriel Mountains, Orange	2,000	600	2
4-19.9.2011	Wildfires	USA: TX (South), Bastrop, Cass, Grimes, Montgomery, Waller	1,000	530	5
23.6-10.7.2012	Wildfires	USA: CO, Colorado Springs, Waldo Canyon	600	450	2
11-20.6.2013	Wildfires	USA: CO, Black Forest, El Paso County, Colorado Springs	500	385	2
May-July 1998	Forest fires	USA: FL, Apalachicola National Forest, Orlando, Titusville, Brevard, Seminole, Lake, Flagler	500	300	1
27.12.2011-27.2.2012	Wildfires	Chile: Magallanes y de la Antártica Chilena, Torres del Paine National Park; Bio Bio, Quillón, Florida	400	300	9
25.12.1997	Forest fires	Malaysia: Bintulu, Sarawak	275	275	
27.6-2.7.1990	Forest fires	USA: CA; AZ; CO; TX	400	265	8
Jan-Feb 2003	Bush fires	Australia: Victoria, Bairnsdale, Gippsland, Omeo; Canberra; New South Wales; Tasmania	500	210	4
6-13.9.2010	Wildfires	USA: CO, Boulder, Fourmile Canyon, Emerson Gulch, Sunshine Canyon, Gold Hill, Sugarloaf	310	210	
16-29.10.2013	Wildfires	Australia: New South Wales, Blue Mountains	270	170	2
Aug-Sept 2003	Forest fires	Canada: British Columbia, Kelowna, Chilco Lake, Okanagan Valley, Kamloops, Barriere; Alberta	400	160	1
16-28.2.1983	Bush fires ("Ash Wednesday")	Australia: Victoria, Warrnambool, Monivae, Branxholme, East Trentham; South Australia	300	160	75
29.8-13.9.2011	Wildfires	USA: TX, Fort Worth; OK, Oklahoma City, Comanche; AR, Lafayette	300	160	2

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