

Fires by Cause in North Carolina, 1970-2015

YEAR	FIRES	ACRES	LIGHTNING	CAMPING	SMOKING	DEBRIS BURNING	INCENDIARY	MACH. USE	RAILROAD	CHILDREN	MISC.
2015	3,886	10,588	77	32	82	1671	444	416	0	223	941
2014	4,593	13,327	53	41	90	2237	706	460	30	210	766
2013	3,374	9,451	20	37	102	1,492	580	344	14	200	583
2012	3,550	11,992	129	46	91	1,221	715	384	36	228	668
2011	5,265	63,547	200	28	216	2,102	1012	522	40	298	803
2010	4,053	14,703	71	36	166	1,642	801	435	24	268	602
2009	3,291	12,328	56	38	186	1,309	618	283	26	246	528
2008	4,378	49,929	197	36	246	1,565	758	384	58	332	802
2007	7,260	36,850	215	105	503	2,461	1,476	614	98	614	1,174
2006	5,767	23,364	98	60	360	2414	1031	489	53	452	810
2005	4,078	14,981	49	47	278	1,697	764	347	45	311	540
2004	4,406	14,221	29	49	255	2,046	693	337	36	335	626
2003	2,041	31,843	10	21	121	864	355	187	15	154	314
2002	5,655	27,678	261	73	369	2,250	975	397	65	501	764
2001	8,240	28,576	82	110	708	3,227	1593	635	121	749	1,015
2000	5,039	24,660	57	60	358	2,049	956	372	118	443	626
1999	6,341	27,389	110	75	439	2,629	1,195	412	107	598	776
1998	4,377	15,083	80	40	297	1,753	943	322	63	387	492
1997	4,663	16,037	127	50	273	1,890	929	350	86	477	481
1996	4,312	15,338	49	35	300	1,838	807	262	81	428	512
1995	5,296	21,253	48	58	457	2,165	1,134	277	49	559	549
1994	5,810	26,659	100	73	474	2,472	1,188	302	61	525	615
1993	4,793	25,334	204	59	397	1,690	1,086	303	56	430	568
1992	5,721	23,952	54	52	622	2,322	1,237	340	57	444	593
1991	5,051	24,336	49	60	483	1,945	1,178	282	51	394	609
1990	4,037	26,193	129	41	354	1,352	1,199	251	36	291	384
1989	2,660	14,440	32	32	260	1,008	664	134	47	188	295
1988	4,581	23,795	151	48	496	1,636	1159	216	74	313	488
1987	3,908	17,834	89	55	374	1,517	880	239	62	266	426
1986	5,580	113,479	188	66	652	1,794	1,366	318	92	458	646
1985	7,320	162,473	92	80	834	2,861	1,674	345	172	487	775
1984	3,569	19,771	30	53	317	1,453	829	216	95	236	340
1983	2,900	12,579	99	24	276	1,001	648	270	128	195	259
1982	3,734	74,269	23	40	349	1,557	817	163	179	228	378
1981	8,746	108,253	58	122	996	3,023	2,231	352	444	572	948
1980	4,420	62,705	107	52	492	1,513	1,072	225	301	281	377
1979	3,563	30,767	12	41	403	1,433	809	127	244	237	257
1978	4,865	36,137	29	50	604	1,735	1,093	175	326	329	524
1977	5,836	38,295	129	48	627	2,141	1,177	208	409	385	712
1976	6,355	69,805	26	60	736	2,007	1,705	233	342	447	799

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1975	2,710	16,321	24	38	332	852	591	88	139	253	393
1974	3,407	33,836	8	35	433	1,198	749	111	220	244	409
1973	3,649	29,658	17	55	540	1,218	743	156	154	227	539
1972	2,524	37,715	16	22	261	886	601	81	193	189	275
1971	4,015	79,864	26	40	528	1,208	784	105	410	241	673
1970	5,291	72,747	64	45	722	1,752	1,084	191	454	265	714

