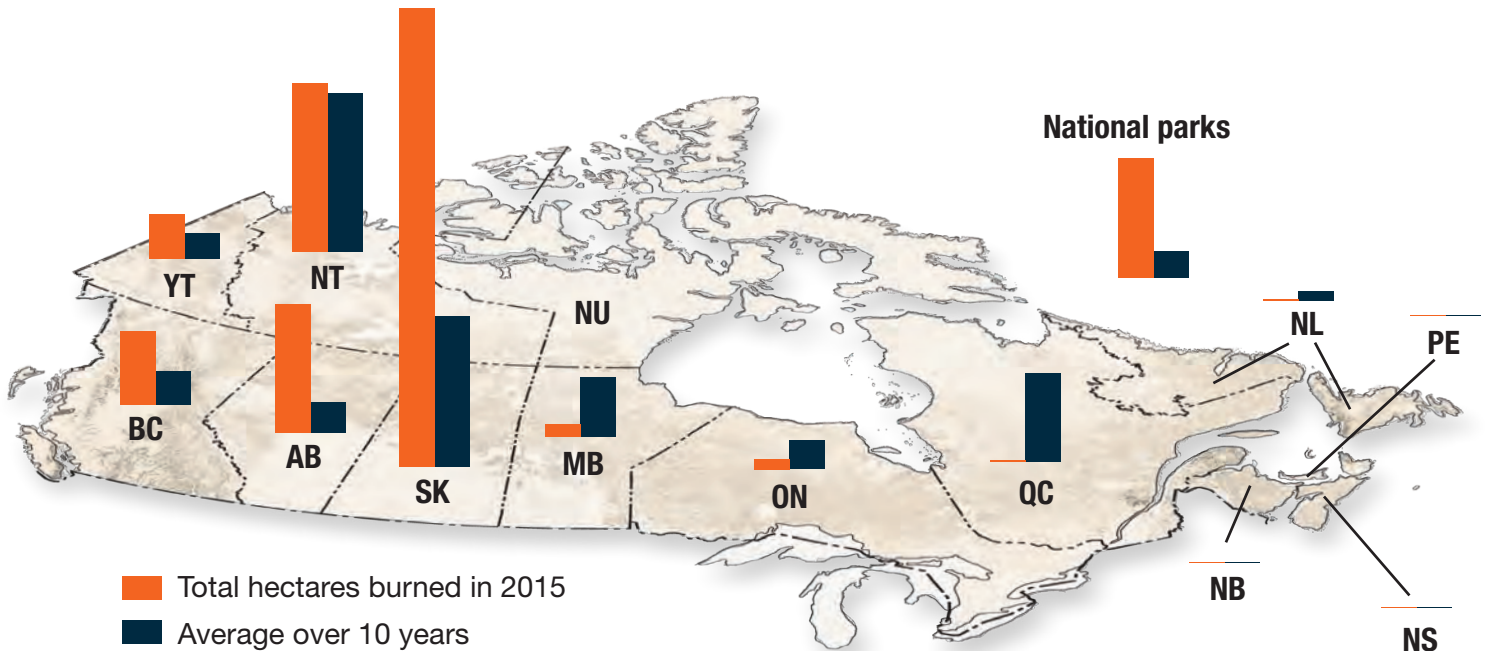




Forest fires in Canada – 2015



Area burned (hectares)

Province/territory	2015	10-year average
British Columbia (BC)	280,445	127,302
Yukon (YT)	169,841	97,991
Alberta (AB)	492,536	117,842
Northwest Territories (NT)	646,955	606,577
Saskatchewan (SK)	1,758,376	575,954
Manitoba (MB)	47,358	228,617
Ontario (ON)	39,311	110,496
Quebec (QC)	5,380	338,525
Newfoundland and Labrador (NL)	3,958	36,400
New Brunswick (NB)	262	326
Nova Scotia (NS)	517	868
Prince Edward Island (PE)	2	21
Nunavut (NU)	-	-
National parks	458,335	100,502
Total	3,903,276	2,401,481

The 2015 fire season was marked by an early and intense start. By the end of June, 4,076 fires had consumed more than 1,352,383 hectares (ha) across the country – nearly a 60% hike in area burned compared to the 10-year average. Canadian firefighters across the nation, with the help of nearly 500 firefighters from the U.S., Australia, Mexico, South Africa and New Zealand, mobilized to fight the wildfires concentrated in western Canada. About 45% of the total forest area burned in 2015 was in Saskatchewan.

Source: Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre.