

Santa Fe National Forest – 10 Year Fire History

From 2014-2023 – Fires over 1,000 acres

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Year	Name of Fire	Total Acres Burned	Cause of Ignition
2022	Cerro Pelado Fire	45,605	Escaped prescribed burn
2022	Hermits Peak / Calf Canyon Fire	341,471	Escaped prescribed burns
2021	Cuervito Fire	1,621	Lightning
2020	Medio Fire	4,010	Lightning
2018	Venado Fire	4,150	Lightning
2017	Cajete Fire	1,412	Human, campfire
2017	Ojitos Fire	3,306	Lightning
2017	Palmer Fire	1,032	Fireworks
2017	Deer Creek Fire	1,022	Lightning
2015	Commissary Fire	2,536	Lightning
2014	Pino Fire	4,313	Lightning
2014	Diego Fire	3,614	Lightning
Total acres burned by wildfire ignited by escaped prescribed burns			387,076
Acres burned from all other causes			27,016
Total acres burned			414,092

Notes–

1) This chart originally included the decade from 2013-2022. In order to keep it up-to-date, it was changed to 2014-2023. This greatly affected the totals however, and decreased the total for acres burned by all other causes than ignitions by the US Forest Service.

2) This chart only considers actual acres burned. It does not take into account any differences in the time required for the Forest Service to suppress fires due to the nature of differing fire ignitions. For example, it's possible that a lightening strike fire could be suppressed more quickly than an escaped broadcast prescribed burn.