

A firefighter in a red helmet and gear is working in a charred forest. The firefighter is positioned on the right side of the frame, facing left. The background is filled with blackened tree trunks and charred branches, indicating a wildfire impact. The overall scene is dark and smoky, with a hazy atmosphere.

# Prince George Fire Centre 2024 Season Summary for the Peace Region



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# 803,591

Number of hectares burned in the  
Prince George Fire Centre  
(of **1,073,850** province-wide)

# 447

Number of wildfires in the  
Prince George Fire Centre  
(of **1,687** province-wide)



Zone	# of Fires	Hectares Burned
Dawson Creek	43	728
Fort St. John	66	44,538
Fort Nelson	112	737,336
<b>Peace Totals</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>782,602</b>
<b>Fire Centre Totals</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>803,591</b>



# Historical Drought

## 2022 DROUGHT LEVELS AT A GLANCE

Drought Levels:	0	1	2	3	4	5	*	Not updated outside of core drought season																			
BASINS	02-May	09-May	16-May	23-May	30-May	06-Jun	13-Jun	20-Jun	30-Jun	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	04-Aug	11-Aug	25-Aug	01-Sep	08-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	06-Oct	13-Oct	20-Oct	27-Oct	03-Nov	10-Nov	24-Nov	01-Dec
Fort Nelson									0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	4
East Peace									0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
North Peace									0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
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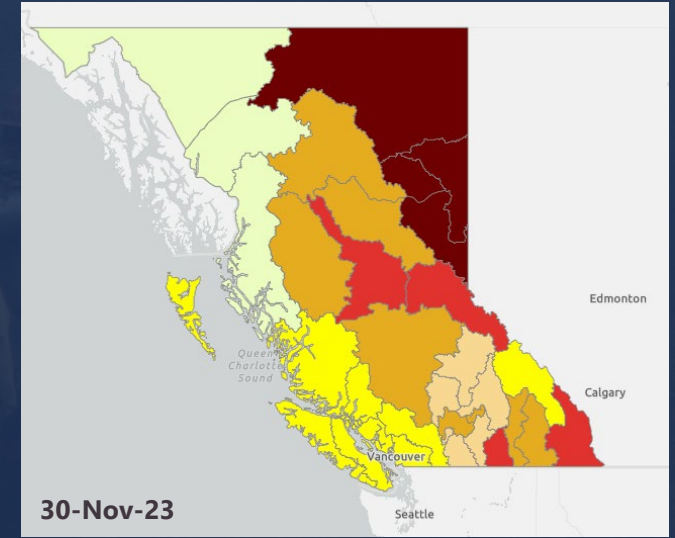
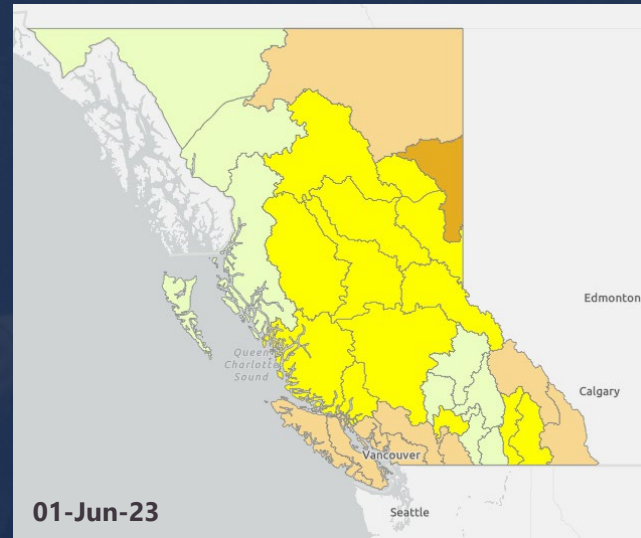
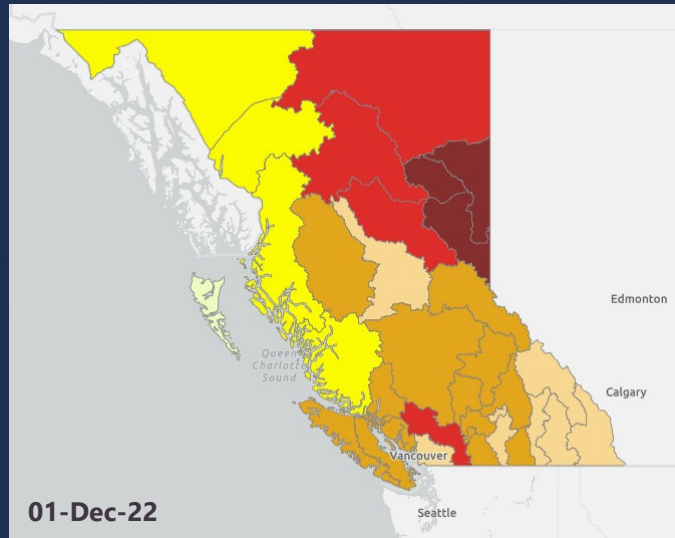
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Fort Nelson	2	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
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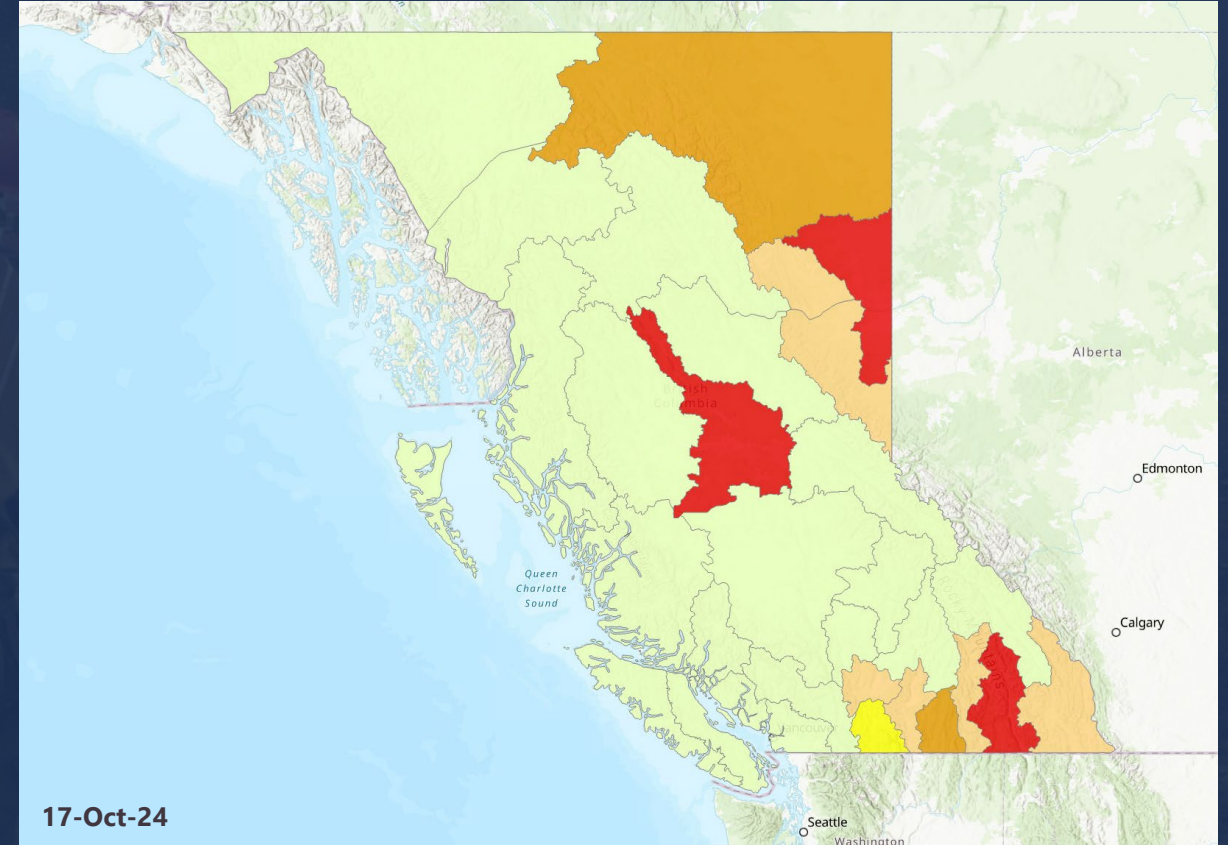
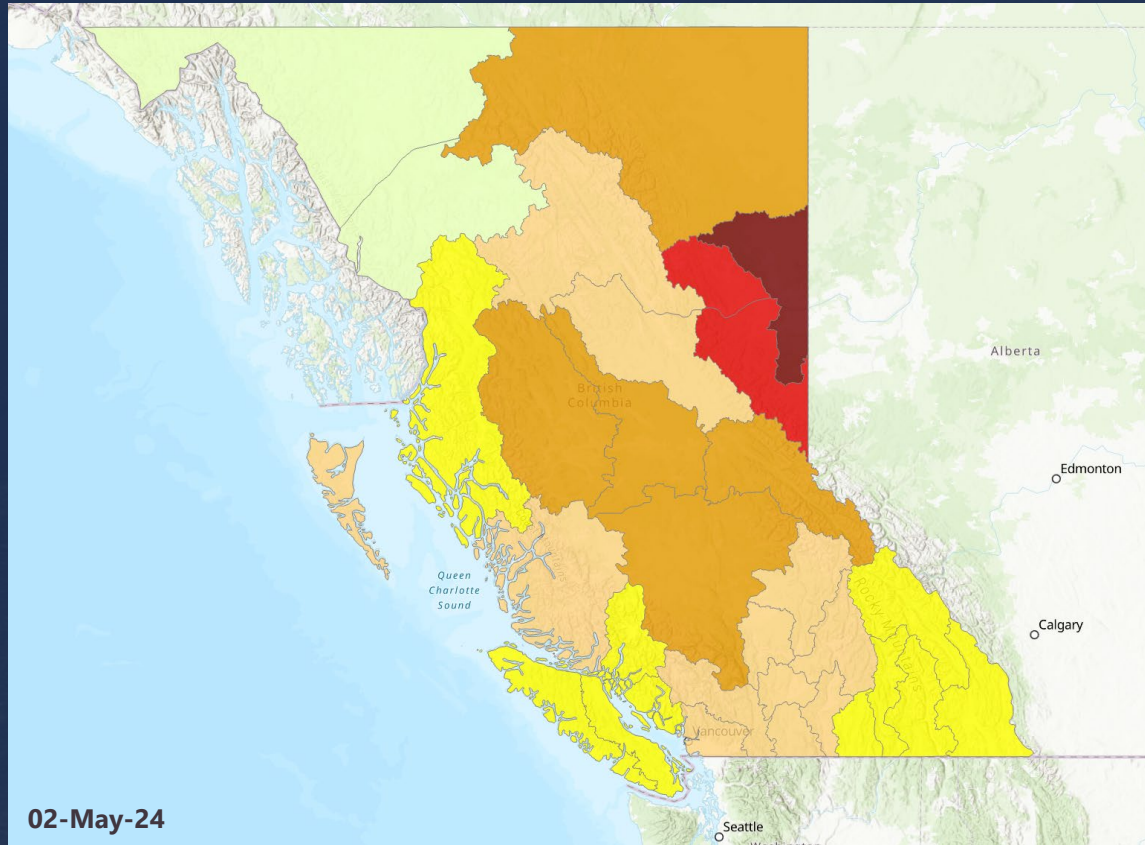
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# Holdover and drought response



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Zone	Total Days Cat 2 Ban	Total Days Cat 3 Ban	Total Days Cat 1 Ban
Prince George	186	186	21
Robson Valley	186	186	21
VanJam	186	186	21
Mackenzie	186	186	21
Dawson Creek	204	204	21
Fort St. John	204	204	21
Fort Nelson	204	204	21
<b>Average Days by Ban Type</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>10-yr Average by Ban Type</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>16</b>

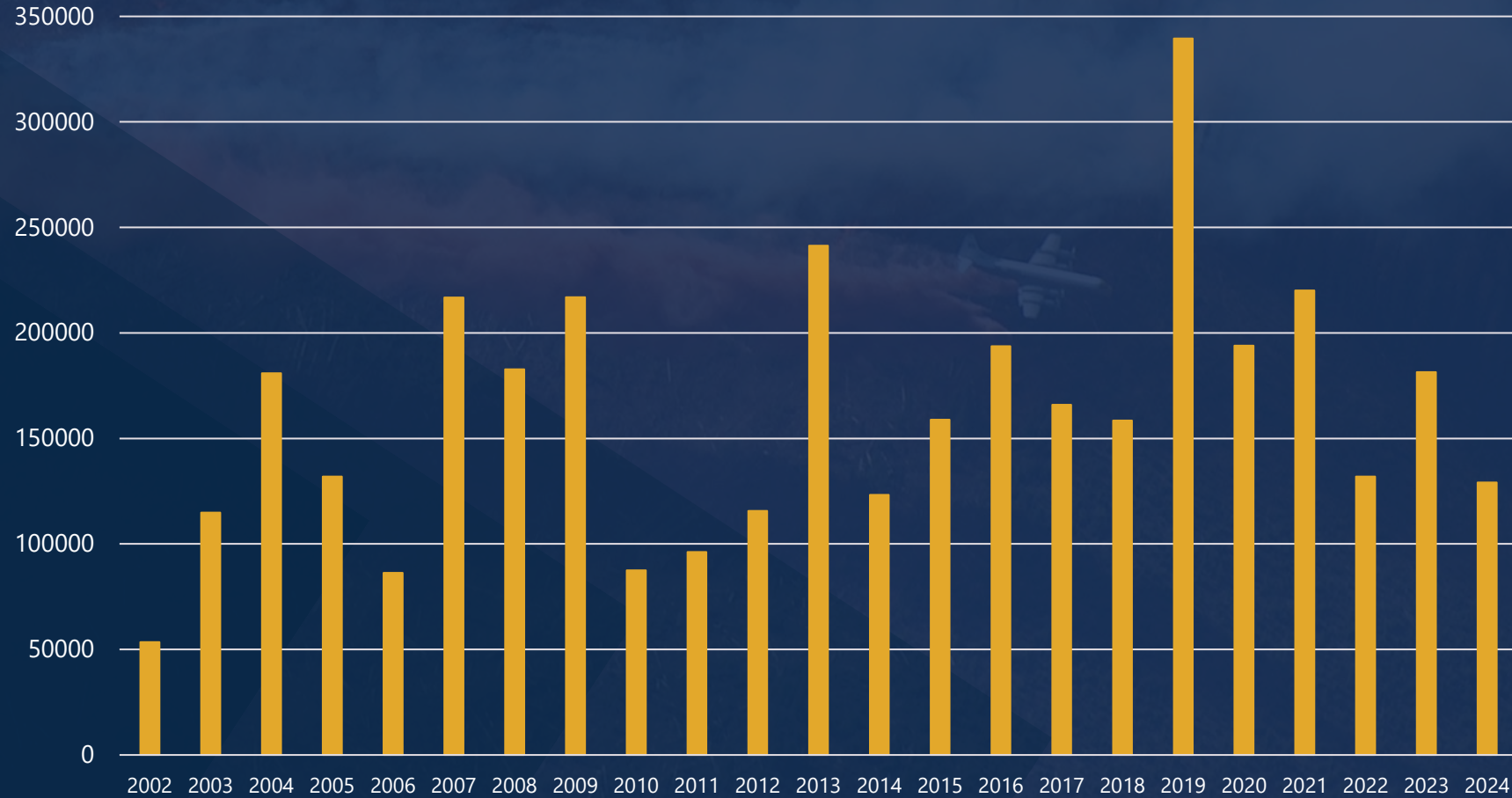
# Bans and Prohibitions

The first open fire prohibition was issued on March 28, 2024 and over triple the 10-year average of days were spent in Category 2 and 3 fire bans.



# Provincial Lightning Statistics

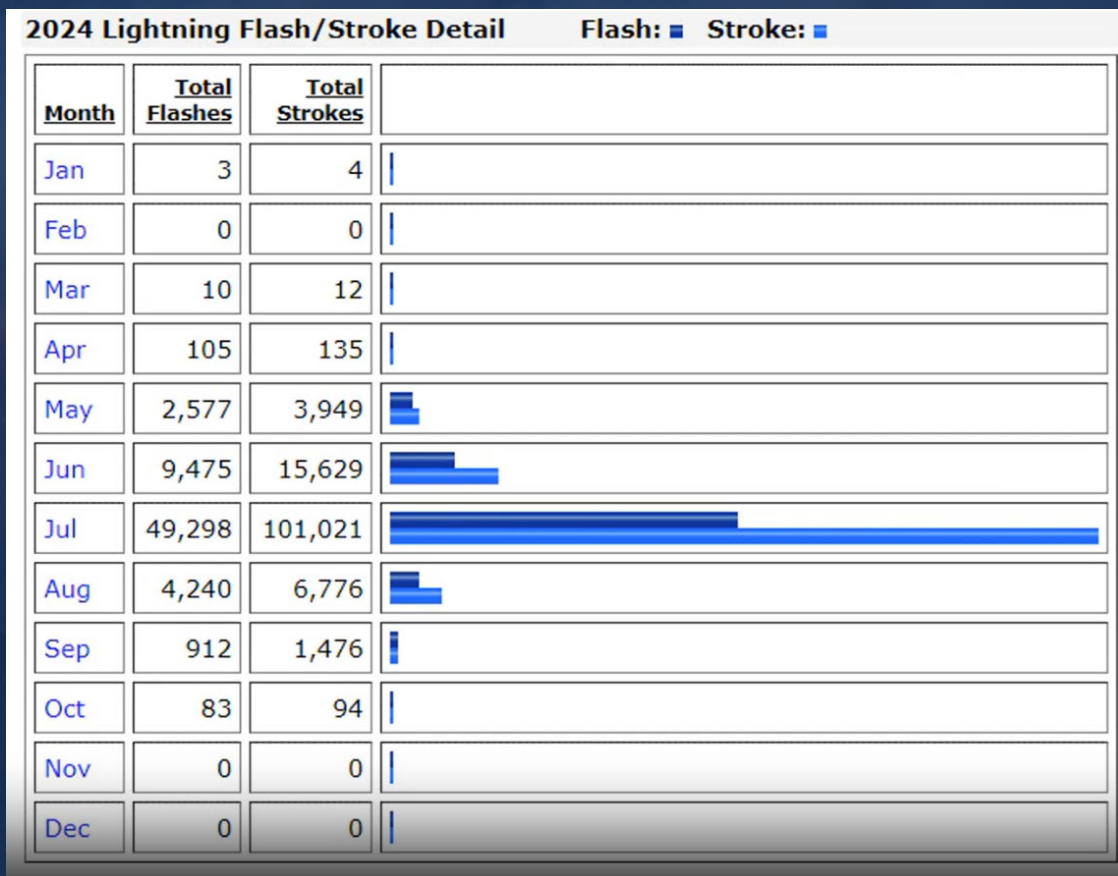
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# Local Lightning Statistics

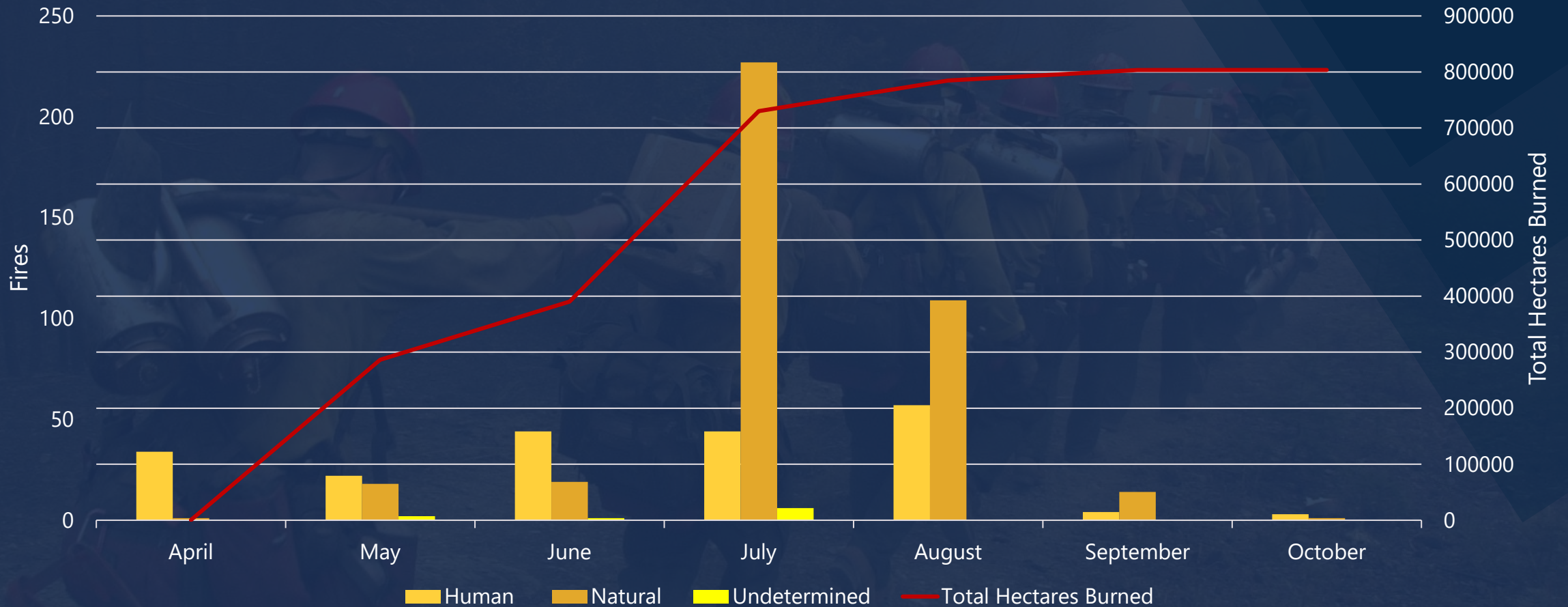
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Locally, it was not as busy of a lightning season, however the biggest “bust” in 2023 saw **38,672** lightning flashes/strokes over a seven-day period, while 2024 saw **63,095** over the same (with nearly half (**30,560**) of those recorded July 22).



# Wildfire Activity by Month

## Prince George Fire Centre



# Notable fires in the Peace region

Wildmare Creek (G70167) – April 24 (Hx) – 76 ha

Patry Creek (G90207) – **Holdover** (Lx); May 2 – 170,806 ha

Nogah Creek (G90228) – **Holdover** (Lx); May 5 – 508,453 ha

Sikanni Park (G80270) – **Holdover** (Lx); May 10 – 25,379 ha

Parker Lake (G90267) – May 10 (Hx) – 12,348 ha

Snowfall Creek (G80286) – **Holdover** (Lx); May 11 – 11,155 ha

G80305 (N side of Doig River) – May 12 (Hx) – 651 ha

G81369 (N of N Boundary Lake) – July 22 (Lx) – 165 ha

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# Questions?

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