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**Question for written answer E-003553/25
to the Commission**

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Subject: Natura 2000 network — surface area hit by forest fires

In the light of the serious state of affairs brought about by the forest fires that have struck protected areas of the Natura 2000 network in Galicia, and with a view to assessing the fires' impact on these ecologically important areas, I would like to know:

Taking as its basis the Copernicus programme's European Forest Fire Information System (EFFIS), what estimate can the Commission provide of the surface area that was burned in Galicia so far in 2025, and specifically since 1 August?

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Answer given by Ms Zaharieva on behalf of the European Commission

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According to the European Forest Fire Information System (EFFIS), Galicia has been impacted by 242 fire events so far in 2025, and these fires burned 121,090 hectares (ha). Since 1 August 2025, Galicia suffered 151 fires events that burned 119,870 ha.

According to EFFIS, the burned area affecting Natura 2000 sites in Galicia since 1 January 2025 was 39,257 ha, from which 39,112 ha were burned after 1 August 2025.
