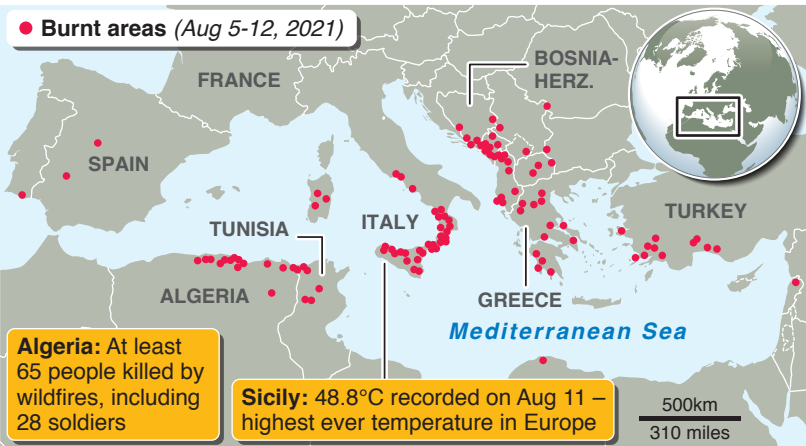


Wildfires burning across Mediterranean

A heatwave fed by hot air from North Africa has engulfed large parts of the Mediterranean region in recent days, contributing to massive wildfires and killing dozens of people in Italy, Turkey and Algeria

● **Burnt areas** (Aug 5-12, 2021)



AREA BURNED BY WILDFIRES*

Year to Aug 12 (*thousand hectares*)

■ 2021

■ 2008-2020 average

Turkey

177

Greece

113

Italy

111

Algeria

62

Bosnia-Herz.

45

France

23

Tunisia

20

*Represents about 80 percent of total area burned, as only fires larger than 30 hectares are mapped