

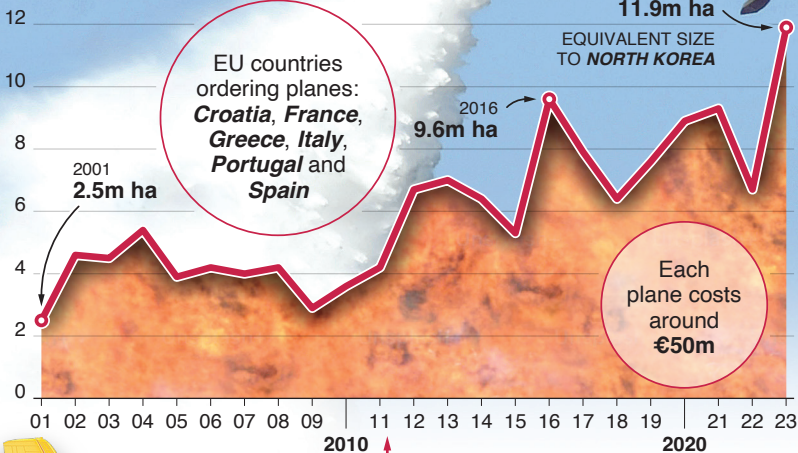
Renewed demand for firefighting plane

Retired from production in 2015, Canada's DHC-515 "Canadair", the world's best amphibious firefighting plane, is back in production after an EU order for 22 new aircraft

Canadairs in action over southern France



GLOBAL TREE LOSS FROM FOREST FIRES (hectares, millions)



Scoops water from lakes or sea, filling up in **12 seconds**. Can carry **6,137 litres** – about **34 bathtubs** full*

■ **2015:** **Bombardier** halts production of **Canadair** plane

■ **2016:** Facing financial woes, Bombardier sells Canadair unit to **De Havilland**

■ **2019:** De Havilland assess restarting production but due to high costs, need minimum number of orders

■ **2023:** EU orders enough planes to restart manufacture

*Average household bathtub holds 180 litres of water when full

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