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Algeria
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LOSSES IN EUROPE

AUSTRIA

FIRE IN CHEMICAL PRODUCTION TOWER IN KREMS

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [KURIER.AT](https://www.kurier.at)



A fire broke out on the evening of 2 August 2026 in a production tower on the first floor of a chemical production facility in Krems, Lower Austria. Employees extinguished the flames with fire extinguishers before firefighters arrived. No injuries occurred and no chemicals were released. Multiple works and volunteer fire brigades responded for follow-up operations. Cause remains under investigation.

AMMONIA LEAK DURING MAINTENANCE AT INDUSTRIAL FACILITY IN FEISTRITZ AN DER GAIL

August 19, 2026

Environmental Damage

Source: [KAERNTEN.ORF.AT](https://www.kaernten.orf.at)



Approximately 50 kg of ammonia leaked during maintenance on a heat pump system at an industrial plant in Feistritz an der Gail, Carinthia, on 19 August 2026. Around 50 firefighters sealed the release point. No injuries were reported and the regional chemist confirmed no ongoing environmental hazard.

FIRE AT WASTE DISPOSAL COMPANY IN KREMS INDUSTRIAL AREA

August 29, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HEUTE.AT](https://heute.at)



A fire broke out on 29 August 2026 at a waste disposal company in the industrial area of Krems, Lower Austria. A smoke detector triggered the alarm. Company staff extinguished the blaze with fire extinguishers before firefighters fully arrived. Sixty-five firefighters with 18 vehicles responded under alarm level B3 for follow-up checks with thermal imaging. No injuries reported; the incident lasted about 90 minutes.

BELGIUM

GAS EXPLOSIONS KILL FIREFIGHTER AT EU OFFICE BUILDING IN BRUSSELS

August 14, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [STANDAARD](https://standaard.be)



On 14 August 2026, two gas explosions occurred inside the Single Resolution Board building on Treurenberg near Brussels Central Station after a contractor accidentally pierced a low-pressure gas pipe. About 100 people were evacuated. Explosions during emergency response killed one firefighter and seriously injured three others (two Sibelga workers and another firefighter) with burns. Gas had accumulated inside the building.

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS STORAGE FACILITY AT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN LUBBEEK

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [VRT.BE](https://www.vrt.be)



A major fire broke out on 12 August 2026 at the André Celis construction materials and waste recycling company in Lubbeek. The blaze started spontaneously in a waste pile due to heat and drought, rapidly spreading to an adjacent storage hangar with building materials that was completely destroyed. No injuries occurred. Approximately 50 firefighters contained the fire and prevented spread to nearby structures. The on-site shop remains closed for at least a week.

ARSON ATTACK DESTROYS BATS DEFENSE COMPANY BUILDINGS IN LIÈGE

August 31, 2026

ARSON

Source: [SUDINFO](https://www.sudinfo.be)



In the night of 30-31 August 2026, an intentional fire destroyed buildings of Belgian Advanced Technology Systems (BATS), a defense electronics firm in Sart-Tilman Science Park, Liège. Fires were set at three points. No injuries reported. A group claiming responsibility cited the company's ties to Israel Aerospace Industries. Belgian authorities are investigating the arson as a possible terrorist act targeting the defense sector.

CZECH REPUBLIC

GLYCERIN TANK EXPLOSION IN OTROKOVICE INDUSTRIAL AREA

August 19, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [CNN.IPRIMA](#)



A large glycerin tank containing nearly 300 cubic meters exploded in an industrial area in Otrokovice, Czech Republic. The heavy lid was torn off and damaged a nearby truck trailer. Firefighters extinguished the burning high-temperature substance with heavy foam. About 30 people were evacuated from surrounding buildings. No injuries reported. The facility belongs to a company producing and distributing oleochemical products. Cause under investigation.

WIND TURBINE COLLAPSES NEAR POTŠTÁT IN FIRST SUCH ACCIDENT IN CZECH REPUBLIC

August 20, 2026

Machinery Breakdown

Source: [CHOSUN](#)



A 30-metre-high wind turbine with 0.15 MW capacity collapsed into a field near Potštát in the Přerov district on 20 August 2026. No injuries occurred. The turbine, out of operation since early July due to jammed blades, was likely brought down by strong winds. Owner estimated damage at 200,000 CZK. This marks the first recorded wind turbine collapse in the Czech Republic.

FIRE AT INDUSTRIAL STORAGE SITE IN OTROKOVICE

August 30, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [POZARY.CZ](https://www.pozary.cz)



A fire broke out on 30 August 2026 in the industrial zone of Otrokovice, Bahňák district, affecting an outdoor plastics and textile dump and an adjacent closed steel storage of flammable liquids in barrels. Thick black smoke was visible up to 20 km. Firefighters extinguished the blaze using foam after about four hours. Preliminary damage estimated at 1.5 million CZK. Cause determined as spontaneous combustion of stored materials. No injuries reported.

DENMARK

MAJOR SCRAP FIRE AT PORT OF KØGE INDUSTRIAL AREA

August 29, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BERLINGSKE.DK](https://www.berlingske.dk)



A large fire broke out on the evening of 29 August 2026 in a scrap and waste pile at Nordhavnsvej 22 on the industrial port of Køge. The blaze produced a significant black smoke plume that later reached parts of the Copenhagen area. Fire and police services responded; no injuries reported. Cause under investigation. Smoke initially drifted over water, limiting immediate impact on nearby residents.

FINLAND

COAL SILO FIRE AT VASKLOT POWER PLANT IN VAASA

August 8, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [YLE.FI](https://yle.fi)



A minor fire broke out in a coal silo at the Vasklot kraftverk power plant in Vaasa on 8 August 2026. Smouldering coal in the silo prompted emptying operations expected to take about 12 hours, managed by plant staff. The Ostrobothnia Rescue Department warned of non-hazardous smoke odour in the area. District heating production was unaffected. Cause under investigation; extinguishing continued into the next day.

TALL OIL TANK RUPTURE AND FIRE AT STORA ENSO KAUKOPÄÄ PLANT IN IMATRA

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [YLE.FI](https://yle.fi)



A storage tank containing tall oil ruptured explosively and caught fire at Stora Enso's Kaukopää pulp mill in Imatra early on 18 August 2026. Approximately 50 cubic metres of the substance spilled onto the tank farm area. The fire was extinguished after more than two hours by around 15 rescue units.

No injuries occurred. A small amount entered Lake Saimaa via storm drains; booms were deployed and cleanup with a vacuum truck followed. Production was temporarily halted for damage assessment.

FRANCE

FIRE AT SEVESO WAREHOUSE ON FORMER ARCELORMITTAL SITE IN GANDRANGE

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [FRANCE3-REGIONS](#)



A fire broke out on 2 August 2026 in a 500 m² warehouse containing chemical products at the SAFE company site in the industrial zone of Gandrange, Moselle, located on the former ArcelorMittal steelworks.

Around 30,000 residents of five nearby communes were ordered to shelter indoors due to smoke concerns.

The fire was controlled the same afternoon with three minor injuries among firefighters and one worker.

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS 1,300 M² WAREHOUSE AT ESSENTIAL OILS FACTORY IN CHÂTEAUNEUF-DE-GADAGNE

August 3, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ICI.FR](#)



A fire broke out overnight on 3 August 2026 at the Rosier Davenne essential oils assembly and packaging plant in Châteauneuf-de-Gadagne, Vaucluse. Fueled by flammable liquids, it destroyed a 1,300 m² warehouse and spread to a neighboring food specialties company and nearby homes. About 86 firefighters and 36 vehicles responded; 23 residents were evacuated with no injuries reported. The administrative section was saved.

FIRE DAMAGES FURNITURE FACTORY WAREHOUSE IN MONTMORILLON

August 9, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ICI.FR](https://www.ici.fr)



On August 9, 2026, a fire broke out around 7:30 p.m. at the AM2 furniture manufacturing plant in Montmorillon, Vienne.

The blaze affected approximately 2,000 m² of a 20,000 m² building used for storing cardboard and particle board. Forty-four firefighters extinguished the fire by 9:20 p.m. One employee sustained light injuries. The facility produces furniture for mobile homes, kitchens and medical centers.

WAREHOUSE FIRE DESTROYS VEHICLES NEAR PARIS CHARLES DE GAULLE AIRPORT IN LOUVRES

August 11, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [THENATIONALNEWS](https://www.thenationalnews.com)



On August 11, 2026, a fire broke out around 3 p.m. in a vehicle storage warehouse in Louvres, Val-d'Oise, near Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. Dozens of travellers' cars were destroyed. Approximately 80 to 110 firefighters responded.

Two airport runways were temporarily closed as a precaution with no impact on air traffic. Smoke was visible from Paris. The fire was quickly contained.

FIRE DESTROYS 100 CUBIC METERS OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE AT SUEZ SITE IN SAINT-QUENTIN

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [AISNENOUVELLE.FR](https://www.aisnenouvelle.fr)



On the evening of August 12, 2026, a fire broke out in approximately 100 m³ of industrial waste, consisting of pallet wood and compressed cardboard, stored outdoors at the Suez waste treatment site in Saint-Quentin, Aisne. About 71 firefighters with five hoses extinguished the blaze. No toxic materials were involved and there were no casualties. Train traffic nearby was temporarily halted. High temperatures of up to 60°C in the waste beforehand point to an accidental cause.

FIRE SPREADS FROM VEHICLES TO INDUSTRIAL BUILDING IN MONTÉLIMAR ZONE

August 28, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [LEDAUPHINE](https://www.ledauphine.fr)



A fire started in three vehicles on Friday evening in the Meyrol industrial zone of Montélimar and spread to a 1,000 m² industrial building housing several companies, including a vehicle inspection center and a garage. 28 firefighters extinguished the blaze. Five garage employees are on temporary unemployment and three residents were relocated due to smoke. An explosion of a nitrous oxide cylinder was reported.

TRANSFORMER FIRE HALTS STEEL RECYCLING PLANT AT SAM NEUVES-MAISONS

August 29, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ESTREPUBLICAIN](#)



A fire broke out on a transformer at the SAM steelworks in Neuves-Maisons, Meurthe-et-Moselle, during the night of 29-30 August 2026.

The Seveso low-threshold site, specialised in steel recycling and employing 420 people, suffered temporary shutdown of its electric steelmaking operations.

No injuries occurred and air quality checks showed no pollution. Origin remains unknown.

GERMANY

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS WAREHOUSES AT PLASTIC PROCESSING PLANT IN SPRENDLINGEN

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SWR.DE](#)



A major fire broke out on 2 August 2026 in a warehouse at Possehl Spezialbau, a plastics-processing and special construction firm in Sprendlingen industrial area, Rhineland-Palatinate. Multiple buildings were fully involved. Approximately 200-250 emergency responders fought the blaze for hours under heat-wave conditions. Nearby residences were evacuated and a rail line closed. One firefighter suffered heat exhaustion. The fire was extinguished by the morning of 3 August. Cause remains unknown; substantial material damage reported.

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS PRODUCTION HALL AT AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIER IN GOSLAR

August 3, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [NDR.DE](https://www.ndr.de)



A major fire broke out on the evening of 3 August 2026 at an automotive supplier facility in the Baßgeige industrial area of Goslar. The blaze fully destroyed a two-storey production hall and two of three production lines. Around 400 emergency personnel responded. One firefighter sustained minor injuries. The railway line was temporarily closed. Cause remains under investigation; damage estimated in the millions of euros.

WAREHOUSE FIRE DESTROYS 400 TONS OF PLASTIC GRANULES IN BAD SOBERNHEIM

August 9, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SWR.DE](https://www.swr.de)



A major fire broke out in an 840 sqm warehouse in the Pferdsfeld industrial area near Bad Sobernheim, destroying approximately 400 tons of polylactide plastic granules. Around 100 firefighters and THW personnel contained the blaze using water cannons, preventing spread to adjacent halls and a transformer station. Damage estimated at €600,000. Cause under investigation.

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS TOY WAREHOUSE IN AHLEN INDUSTRIAL AREA

August 8, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [RADIOWAF](#)



A large fire destroyed a toy warehouse in the Ost industrial area of Ahlen. Twelve employees evacuated unharmed. Up to 120 firefighters responded; exploding propane cylinders hindered access. Damage estimated at €5 million. Cause remains unknown.

MAJOR FIRE AT BEDFORD MEAT PROCESSING PLANT IN OSNABRÜCK

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [NDR.DE](#)



A machine caught fire in the dismantling hall of the Bedford meat processing plant in Osnabrück on the afternoon of 12 August 2026. The blaze spread to the production hall roof, which later collapsed. About 150 workers from the plant and a neighbouring firm were evacuated. Temporary elevated ammonia levels were detected. No injuries reported. Damage estimated in the millions of euros. Cause under investigation.

MAJOR FIRE AT SCRAP METAL HEAP ON SCHROTTINSEL IN DUISBURG PORT

August 15, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [WDR.DE](https://www.wdr5.de)



A large pile of scrap metal measuring about 10,000 cubic meters caught fire on the Schrottninsel in Duisburg-Ruhrort port on the evening of 14 August 2026. Up to 150 firefighters responded, using excavators to separate the burning material and water from the harbour basin. The fire was brought under control after more than 20 hours. No injuries occurred. Residents experienced smoke and odour but no danger. Cause remains under investigation.

MAJOR FIRE DAMAGES INDUSTRIAL HALL WITH E-WASTE IN BERGHEIM

August 21, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SUEDDEUTSCHE](https://www.sueddeutsche.de)



A large fire broke out around 18:30 on 21 August 2026 in a commercial area of Bergheim near Cologne, involving about 50 grid boxes of batteries, phones and electronic scrap.

Flames spread to an adjacent industrial hall, causing massive damage and partial collapse of the rear section. Over 100 responders worked nearly 10 hours. No injuries. Nearby A61 motorway temporarily closed due to smoke.

GREECE

MAJOR FIRE AT PLASTICS PACKAGING FACTORY NEAR LARISSA

August 16, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [KATHIMERINI](#)



A major fire broke out on the evening of August 16, 2026, at the Karatzis A.E. plastics packaging factory on the old national road between Larissa and Athens, in the Kileler municipality area. The plant was not operating due to the holiday. Thick black smoke prompted a 112 alert advising residents to stay indoors. About one quarter of the facility was damaged. Firefighters controlled the blaze after overnight operations; no injuries reported. Cause under investigation.

IRELAND

MAJOR FIRE AT CAR DISMANTLERS SCRAPYARD IN WIMBLETOWN

August 6, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [RTE.IE](#)



A large fire broke out on 6 August 2026 at a car dismantlers scrapyard in Wimbletown near Ballyboughal, north County Dublin. Eight fire units from Dublin Fire Brigade and Meath, plus airport resources, responded. The blaze was protracted with significant smoke visible city-wide and from Dublin Airport. No injuries reported. Local roads closed; operations unaffected at the airport. Fire largely extinguished by evening with damping down ongoing.

LARGE TYRE FIRE AT AGRICULTURAL SITE NEAR BALLYBOUGHAL, NORTH DUBLIN

August 24, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [THEJOURNAL.IE](https://www.thejournal.ie)



A large quantity of tyres caught fire at an agricultural site near Ballyboughal in north County Dublin on the morning of 24 August 2026. Dublin Fire Brigade deployed five engines, a water tanker and foam tender, with nearly 20 firefighters attending. The blaze was brought under control by midday. Residents were advised to close windows due to visible smoke. Cause remains unknown. No injuries reported.

ITALY

FIRE DAMAGES PAPER MILL PRODUCTION LINE IN MARLIA, CAPANNORI

August 1, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [LANAZIONES.IT](https://www.lanazioni.it)



A major fire broke out on the night of 31 July at the ICP (ex-Pieretti) paper mill in Via del Fanuccio, Marlia. Flames severely damaged over 2,000 square metres of the production facility, including a continuous machine for paper reels and electrical systems. Firefighters contained the blaze, preventing spread to other areas. No injuries reported among night-shift workers. Production restart may take significant time.

FIRE DAMAGES INDUSTRIAL WAREHOUSE WITH ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT IN ASCOLI PICENO

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ANSA.IT](https://www.ansa.it)



A fire broke out in a approximately 600 m² industrial warehouse on Strada della Bonifica in Ascoli Piceno containing electrical equipment, vehicles and a forklift. The blaze produced a dense smoke column and caused the roof to collapse. Firefighters from multiple stations contained the fire, preventing spread to solar panels and adjacent commercial activities. No injuries reported. Causes under investigation.

FIRE AT PLASTIC MATERIALS COMPANY IN CATANIA INDUSTRIAL ZONE

August 28, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [QDS.IT](https://www.qds.it)



A fire broke out on the afternoon of 28 August 2026 at a company producing and processing plastic materials on Terza Strada in the Catania industrial zone. The blaze affected external waste and scrap materials. Multiple firefighting teams responded with support vehicles. Thick black smoke was visible across the city. No injuries reported. Causes under investigation.

EXPLOSION AT KNDS AMMO ITALY MUNITIONS FACTORY IN COLLEFFERRO

August 13, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

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A powerful explosion tore through the KNDS Ammo Italy plant (ex-Simmel Difesa) at Colleferro, ~50–60 km southeast of Rome, on 13 August 2026 around 14:45–15:00. A fire in the powder-pressing department preceded the blast; first responders were already on site when the secondary detonation sent up a mushroom-like plume visible for kilometres and shattered some nearby windows.

The site makes medium- and large-calibre land and naval ammunition (including 155 mm under EDA framework contracts) and solid propellants for aerospace launchers. About 24 workers on shift were accounted for unharmed: safety layout keeps buildings more than 500 m apart, and the pressing hall was not occupied now of the explosion. The mayor, Giulio Calamita, said the scare was huge, but damage was confined to one production/storage area.

Velletri prosecutors opened a “*disastro colposo*” file against persons unknown; Carabinieri and fire investigators sampled the wreckage. Defence Minister Guido Crosetto said there is no indication of anything other than an internal failure; sabotage or a Russian link has not been evidenced, though media noted a similar depot blast at EMCO in Bulgaria three days earlier. Cause remains open (early accounts mention a press failing during processing). No environmental or off-site casualty report. Production impact and rebuild of the pressing line were not quantified.

FIRE AT WASTE STORAGE FACILITY IN AIROLA INDUSTRIAL ZONE

August 31, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SALERNO.CORRIERE](https://www.salerno.corriere.it)



A fire started on 31 August 2026 at a waste storage and processing plant operated by Falzarano Ecologia in the industrial zone of Airola. It involved large volumes of plastic waste and tyres, generating thick black smoke. Firefighters used earth-moving equipment and specialised robots. Operations continued for days. Local authorities suspended nearby industrial activities due to air quality concerns. Causes under investigation, possible arson.

NETHERLANDS

LARGE FIRE AT VAN LEEUWEN METAL RECYCLING WASTE PILE IN ROTTERDAM

August 7, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [NOS.NL](https://www.nos.nl)



A large fire broke out on the evening of 7 August 2026 at Van Leeuwen Metaal Recycling on Doklaan in Rotterdam-Charlois. The blaze involved a waste pile of construction debris, wood and household waste estimated at 50-100 tonnes. Thick black smoke led to closure of the Maastunnel and NL-Alerts advising residents to stay indoors. No injuries reported. Firefighting continued overnight with drones and additional water supply.

MAJOR FIRE AT PALLET COMPANY WAREHOUSE IN LELYSTAD INDUSTRIAL PARK

August 11, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [OMROEPFLEVOLAND](https://www.omroepflevoland.nl)



A very large fire broke out at a pallet company in the Oostervaart business park in Lelystad on 11 August 2026. Tens of thousands of wooden pallets were stored at the site, with explosions heard possibly from gas cylinders.

No injuries reported. Multiple regional emergency services contained the blaze and prevented spread. Residents warned of thick smoke.

EXPLOSION AT GUNVOR ENERGY FUEL TERMINAL KILLS ONE IN ROTTERDAM PORT

August 13, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [APNEWS.COM](https://www.apnews.com)



An explosion at a petroleum products storage facility operated by Gunvor Energy in the Europoort section of Rotterdam port killed one person and injured several others on 13 August 2026. The incident occurred during maintenance work on a storage tank. Police are investigating all possible causes, with no immediate signs of sabotage. A separate unrelated power outage affected parts of the port.

NORWAY

FIRE NEAR FUEL TANKS AT INDUSTRIAL SITE IN HAMMERFEST

August 19, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [NRK.NO](https://www.nrk.no)



A fire broke out on an industrial site in Brenneriveien, Hammerfest, close to tanks holding up to 2 million litres of diesel and solar fuel.

The blaze, likely started in a compressor during painting work or a generator, was quickly contained by firefighters with Coast Guard assistance. No injuries or fuel leaks reported. Authorities confirmed the situation under control shortly after 16:00.

POLAND

MAJOR FIRE AT WASTE PROCESSING PLANT IN CHLEWNICA, POLAND

August 15, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [TVPWORLD](https://www.tvpworld.pl)



A large fire broke out on 15 August 2026 at the ELWOZ waste processing plant in Chlewnica near Potęgowo, northwestern Poland. Several halls covering thousands of square meters and outdoor waste heaps were involved. Over 200 firefighters from more than 50 units fought the blaze. Residents were advised to stay indoors and close windows due to smoke. Seven firefighters required medical assistance. No civilian injuries were reported. The facility handles municipal and non-hazardous waste.

FIRE DAMAGES KNITTING PLANT MACHINERY AND MATERIALS IN PABIANICE, POLAND

August 26, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [EPAINFO](#)



On 26 August 2026, a fire started in a knitting machine at a production hall on Kapliczna Street in Pabianice, Poland, spreading to nearby nylon bales and materials. About 30 firefighters from PSP and OSP units extinguished the blaze after nearly three hours. Several machines, 10 tons of material and 5 tons of yarn were damaged, with losses exceeding 1 million PLN. Four people evacuated; no injuries.

MAJOR FIRE AT SHOWER TRAY PRODUCTION HALL IN BIELSKO, POLAND

August 27, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [WYDARZENIA](#)



A major fire broke out on 27 August 2026 at a production hall manufacturing shower trays in Bielsko near Międzychód, Greater Poland. The approximately 3,000 m² facility was engulfed, requiring 32 fire units and 129 firefighters.

An RCB alert was issued advising residents to close windows due to heavy smoke. A chemical-ecological rescue group monitored air quality. No injuries reported. Cause under investigation.

FIRE DESTROYS PRODUCTION-WAREHOUSE HALL WITH PLASTIC TOYS IN GDYNIA

August 30, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [GOSPODARKAMORSKA](https://gospodarkamorska.pl)



On the night of 29-30 August 2026 a fire fully engulfed a 200 by 50 metre production-warehouse hall on Chwaszczyńska Street in Gdynia, Poland. The facility contained plastic toys. About 53 firefighters responded. Part of the structure collapsed. Residents advised to close windows due to toxic combustion products. No occupants reported inside. Chemical monitoring ongoing.

SUSPECTED ARSON AT WB ELECTRONICS DRONE COMPONENTS PLANT IN SKARŻYSKO-KAMIENNA

August 31, 2026

ARSON

Source: [TVPWORLD.COM](https://tvpworld.com)



A fire broke out shortly after midnight on 31 August 2026 at the WB Electronics plant in Skarżysko-Kamienna, a major Polish defense firm producing drone components for Polish and Ukrainian forces. The blaze, started deliberately by a flammable charge according to prosecutors, destroyed warehouse facilities causing at least 15 million PLN in damage. No injuries occurred as the site was closed. Authorities are investigating it as a terrorist act involving foreign intelligence.

PORTUGAL

CRANE COLLAPSE KILLS TWO WORKERS IN BELAS, SINTRA

August 19, 2026

Collapse / Impact

Source: [PORTUGALRESIDENT](#)



A large crane toppled onto a public road in Belas, Sintra, killing two Brazilian construction workers aged around 30-40 who were painting a residential building. The men fell from approximately six to seven storeys. A third worker was unharmed. The collapse damaged nearby vehicles. Authorities are investigating licensing and safety conditions at the site.

FIRE AT SCRAP RECYCLING FACILITY INVOLVING LITHIUM BATTERIES IN ALFERRAREDE, ABRANTES

August 24, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SAPO.PT](#)



A fire broke out on the morning of 24 August at RSA – Reciclagem de Sucatas Abrantina, a scrap recycling company in Alferrarede, Abrantes. The blaze was confined to the lithium batteries storage area. Approximately 60 firefighters responded. Due to smoke, 14 nearby residents and employees of adjacent companies were temporarily evacuated. National Road 2 was closed preventively. The fire entered the mop-up phase by early afternoon with no injuries reported.

ROMANIA

MAJOR FIRE AT PLASTIC COLLECTION CENTER IN LUMINA, CONSTANȚA

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [CT100.RO](https://www.ct100.ro)



A major fire broke out on 12 August 2026 at a plastic materials collection centre between Lumina and Năvodari in Constanța County. Flames affected about 5,000 m² of an oils warehouse and a nearby roof, generating massive smoke that triggered a RO-Alert. Firefighters from Constanța and Tulcea extinguished the blaze after roughly 12 hours. No injuries reported.

FULL SHUTDOWN OF CERNAVODA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT DUE TO LOW DANUBE LEVELS

August 13, 2026

Natural Hazards

Source: [ALJAZEERA](https://www.aljazeera.com)



Romania's sole nuclear plant at Cernavoda fully shut down on 13 August 2026 after the second reactor was taken offline due to record-low Danube water levels affecting cooling. Unit 1 had already been offline since late July. The plant normally supplies about one-fifth of national electricity. Mitigation efforts including rock blasting and barge sinking proved insufficient. Restart not expected within 10 days.

FIRE AT THINNERS WAREHOUSE NEAR LUKOIL REFINERY IN PLOIEȘTI

August 19, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BTA.BG](https://bta.bg)



A fire broke out on 19 August 2026 at a warehouse storing thinners near the Lukoil refinery in Ploiești, Romania. Flames engulfed about 1,000 square metres. Three workers inside escaped unharmed and no casualties occurred. Thick smoke triggered a RO-ALERT warning for residents. Firefighters brought the blaze under control with no further spread risk. The warehouse lies opposite Gate 3 of the refinery but is not owned by it. The cause remains unknown.

FIRE ON ORE CARGO SHIP AT PORT OF MIDIA

August 21, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [MARINEINSIGHT](https://marineinsight.com)



A fire broke out on 21 August 2026 on a cargo ship carrying ore docked at the Port of Midia, north of Constanta, Romania. The blaze engulfed the ship's stern. Firefighters from ISU Constanta responded with multiple units including CBRN teams. The crew was safely evacuated with no injuries reported. The fire was contained and extinguished; no fuel leak or pollution occurred. The vessel was under repair after a prior drone strike.

FIRE DESTROYS BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE HALL IN STÂLPU, BUZĂU

August 26, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [DIGI24.RO](https://www.digi24.ro)



A major fire broke out on the evening of 26 August 2026 at a approximately 500 m² hall used for battery energy storage (BESS) in Stâlpu, Buzău County. The facility, linked to a photovoltaic park, contained industrial accumulators. Firefighters from three counties intervened defensively from 200 m due to high temperatures and explosion risk. The fire was extinguished with no injuries reported. Probable cause: defective electrical conductor.

SPAIN

FIRE DESTROYS MACHINERY IN INDUSTRIAL WAREHOUSE IN PINSEQUE

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ELESPAÑOL](https://www.elespanol.com)



A major fire broke out on the afternoon of 2 August 2026 in an industrial warehouse at the entrance to Pinseque, Zaragoza. The flames destroyed the machinery and stored deposits inside the building. No injuries were reported.

The fire remained confined to the interior of the warehouse and was controlled by firefighters from the Provincial Diputation of Zaragoza and Zaragoza City Council using three urban pumpers and three tanker trucks.

FIRE DAMAGES 14 BOATS IN PORT STORAGE DEPOT IN EL PUERTO DE SANTA MARÍA

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [EUROPAPRESS](#)



A fire declared on the evening of 2 August 2026 in the boat storage area of the port facility in El Puerto de Santa María, Cádiz, affected 14 vessels of various sizes. The blaze was controlled before spreading to the rest of the approximately 4,500 m² depot or to boats stacked over six metres high. Nine vehicles and 14 firefighters from local stations responded. No injuries were reported.

FIRE AT WOODEN PALLETS FACTORY IN ALGAR DE PALÀNCIA INDUSTRIAL AREA

August 17, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [LASPROVINCIAS](#)



A fire broke out on 17 August 2026 at a wooden pallets and packaging company in Algar de Palància. The blaze affected external materials and spread to adjacent forest land covering about 2,000 m². Multiple firefighting units from Valencia and Castellón consortia plus aerial support controlled it within hours. A van was burned. No injuries reported as the factory was closed for holidays.

FIRE AFFECTS DHL WAREHOUSES IN SESEÑA INDUSTRIAL PARK

August 19, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [112.CASTILLALAMANCHA](#)



A fire broke out affecting three warehouses in the industrial park of Seseña, Toledo, involving DHL logistics facilities. Firefighters from the Toledo Provincial Consortium and Madrid Community responded to a large smoke plume reported at 17:54. Emergency medical services, Civil Guard, local police and civil protection volunteers were also mobilized. No injuries or detailed damage reports available from sources.

FIRE AT TEXTILE FACTORY IN ALCOY INDUSTRIAL PARK

August 30, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [INFORMACIÓN.ES](#)



A fire broke out overnight on 30 August 2026 at a textile factory in the northern industrial park of Alcoy, Alicante province. Firefighters from Cocentaina and Ibi controlled the blaze by 06:45 after more than seven hours. No injuries occurred, though the factory owner required medical attention for a nervous crisis. Adjacent warehouses were unaffected.

FIRE DESTROYS TV PRODUCTION WAREHOUSE IN FUENTE EL SAZ DEL JARAMA

August 29, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ELDEBATE](#)



On 29 August 2026 a major fire affected an industrial warehouse used for television production in Fuente el Saz del Jarama, Madrid. Ten fire crews extinguished the blaze that destroyed a recording set and offices. No injuries were reported. The facility houses production of programmes including Maestros de la Costura.

SWEDEN

MAJOR FIRE AT RECYCLING CENTER PAPER BALES IN ROSERSBERG

August 7, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SVT.SE](https://svt.se)



A major fire broke out on the evening of 7 August 2026 at a recycling center in Rosersberg, Sigtuna municipality, Sweden. Large quantities of compressed paper bales ignited, requiring a significant response from multiple fire stations. Emergency services focused on preventing spread to an adjacent larger building. The fire was brought under control by the following afternoon with no injuries reported and only minor sooting of nearby vehicles.

FIRE IN SILICON MIXTURE AT NAMMO AMMUNITION FACTORY IN LINDESBERG

August 21, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SVT.SE](https://svt.se)



A fire broke out in a silicone mixture at the Nammo ammunition production facility in Lindesberg, Sweden.

The automatic alarm was triggered just before 13:00 on 21 August 2026. Seven fire service units responded to a smaller uncontrolled fire that risked spreading.

The fire was contained and extinguished within about an hour. Police opened an investigation into a possible workplace safety violation. No injuries were reported and no ambulance was needed.

MAJOR FIRE AT CHEMICAL INDUSTRIAL FACILITY IN GAMLESTADEN, GOTHENBURG

August 27, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SWEDENHERALD](#)



A major fire erupted on the evening of 27 August 2026 in an industrial building housing chemicals in the Alelyckan area of Gamlestaden, Gothenburg.

The fully developed blaze generated heavy toxic smoke, leading to a public warning (VMA) for residents in Gamlestaden and Backa to remain indoors with windows and ventilation closed. The building was evacuated with no reported injuries.

Fire services battled the fire overnight; it was brought under control early on 28 August. Police have opened an investigation into public endangerment.

SWITZERLAND

CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE LEAK AT PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTION PLANT IN BUBENDORF

August 7, 2026

Environmental Damage

Source: [NAU.CH](#)



On 7 August 2026, a substance leak occurred during a production process at a pharmaceutical plant in Bubendorf, Basel-Landschaft. Vapor formation triggered the fire alarm. Automatic isolation caused residual substances in pipes to leak in small amounts inside the building. The facility was evacuated. Fire and chemical services quickly contained the material. No injuries, no external release and no environmental risk.

FIRE AT TRIDEL WASTE TREATMENT PLANT IN LAUSANNE

August 24, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [24HEURES](#)



A fire broke out on 24 August 2026 at the Tridel waste treatment plant in the La Sallaz neighbourhood of Lausanne, Switzerland. The blaze started around 13:45 in a waste processing pit, producing significant smoke and unpleasant odours. Firefighters controlled the fire by 14:45 and fully extinguished it by 19:00. No injuries or risks to the population were reported. The cause remains under investigation.

MAJOR FIRE AT THÉVENAZ-LEDUC METAL RECYCLING WAREHOUSE IN ECUBLENS

August 28, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [RTS.CH](#)



A large fire broke out on the evening of 28 August 2026 at the Thévenaz-Leduc metal and industrial waste recycling warehouse in Ecublens, near Lausanne. The blaze, likely started by a car wreck possibly involving a lithium battery, spread through dense stocks of waste, vehicles, metals, plastics and foams. Over 200 firefighters and specialised equipment including a train extinguisher and a high-power chemical plant truck fought the fire for more than 24 hours. The A1 motorway and local rail lines were temporarily closed; smoke prompted health precautions across the Lausanne area. No injuries reported.

MAJOR FIRE AT METAL RECYCLING WAREHOUSE IN ECUBLENS NEAR LAUSANNE

August 28, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SWISSINFO](#)



A major fire broke out on the evening of 28 August 2026 at the Thévenaz-Leduc metal and industrial waste recycling facility in Ecublens, Vaud. The blaze, likely started by a lithium battery in a car wreck, spread through stored vehicles and materials under a large canopy, producing thick smoke. Over 200 firefighters with 50 vehicles responded. The A1 motorway and Lausanne-Geneva railway were closed; residents were advised to stay indoors. No injuries reported. Fire fully controlled by evening of 29 August.

UNITED KINGDOM

MAJOR SCRAPYARD FIRE ON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN HATFIELD, DONCASTER

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC](#)



Nine fire engines tackled a major blaze at a scrapyard on Bootham Lane in Hatfield near Doncaster. The fire started among scrap cars and tyres before spreading to nearby vegetation. Explosions were reported and a large plume of smoke was visible. Operations were scaled back after containment. No casualties reported.

MAJOR FIRE DESTROYS UNITS AT STAR TRADING ESTATE IN CAERLEON

August 1, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC](#)



A large-scale fire erupted overnight at Star Trading Estate in Caerleon near Newport, Wales. Ten fire engines responded after reports around 2:40am. The blaze led to evacuation of the industrial estate and destroyed a fashion business unit holding substantial clothing stock. Residents reported smoke and popping sounds. Firefighters contained the incident with no reported casualties.

FIRE AT WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE IN STOURTON, LEEDS

August 8, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC](#)



A fire broke out at a waste management centre on Valley Farm Road in Stourton, Leeds, in the early hours of 8 August 2026. Twelve crews from West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service attended the incident. Six crews and two aerial appliances remained on site into the afternoon. Residents were advised to avoid the area and keep doors and windows closed due to smoke. No injuries were reported.

FIRE AT SMITH RECYCLING CENTRE IN MILTON KEYNES INVOLVING UP TO 100 TONNES OF WASTE

August 11, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC.CO.UK](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-58111111)



Fire crews tackled a blaze at Smith Recycling in Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, involving 50 to 100 tonnes of waste. Six fire engines and specialist appliances attended from around 02:34 BST. Teams remained on site to damp down hotspots and monitor conditions. Smoke was visible across the city. No injuries reported.

LARGE FIRE AT BIFFA WASTE TRANSFER STATION IN ST NEOTS

August 11, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC.CO.UK](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-58111111)



A major fire developed at Biffa's waste management transfer station on Marston Road in Eynesbury, St Neots, Cambridgeshire. Around 200 tonnes of recyclable materials were involved. More than 25 firefighters from Cambridgeshire and Bedfordshire responded. All employees evacuated safely with no injuries. The site is on an industrial estate near the railway line.

MAJOR FIRE AT RECYCLING FACILITY ON CORBY INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

August 10, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC.CO.UK](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-68111111)



A large fire broke out at a recycling centre on Earlstrees Industrial Estate in Corby, Northamptonshire, involving approximately 500 tonnes of waste. The blaze spread to shipping containers at a neighbouring commercial site, with explosions reported. About 50 firefighters and multiple appliances responded. No injuries occurred. The cause remains under investigation and the road stayed closed during operations.

AMMONIA LEAK FROM RUPTURED PIPELINE AT BERNARD MATTHEWS PLANT NEAR HALESWORTH

August 14, 2026

Environmental Damage

Source: [EADT.CO.UK](https://www.eadt.co.uk/news/2026/08/14/bernhard-matthews-ammonia-leak/)



Around 3,500 litres of anhydrous ammonia leaked from a ruptured pipeline in a plant room at the Bernard Matthews site near Halesworth, Suffolk. Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service responded at 03:34 on 14 August 2026 with multiple crews. Site engineers isolated the leak while firefighters used monitoring and breathing apparatus. Readings dropped significantly; the incident was scaled back by 06:22 and handed over by 07:22. No public risk; contained on site with no reported injuries.

MAJOR WAREHOUSE FIRE ON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN BARKING CLOSES A13

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [LONDON-NOW](https://www.london-now.com)



A large fire affected a two-storey warehouse at an industrial estate on Ripple Road in Barking. Around 125 firefighters and 20 engines responded after calls from 12:47 on 12 August 2026. Cylinders were removed and cooled due to explosion risk. The building was evacuated with no injuries reported. Part of the A13 was closed causing disruption. Fire under control by 18:10; cause under investigation.

INDUSTRIAL FIRE AT SACHETS FACTORY FORCES EVACUATION OF 45 HOMES IN GREENFIELD

August 16, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC.CO.UK](https://www.bbc.co.uk)



A large fire erupted at an industrial building identified as the Sachets factory unit on Chew Valley Road in Greenfield near Oldham. Treated as a hazardous materials incident, it prompted evacuation of 45 homes on Wellington Road and Knoll Close plus temporary closure of a nearby Tesco. More than 10 fire engines and specialist appliances responded; residents later returned after air monitoring confirmed safety. No injuries reported.

WAREHOUSE FIRE CAUSES COMPLETE COLLAPSE AT PREMIER LABELLERS IN HARWICH

August 16, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [BBC.CO.UK](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-68000000)



A major fire broke out in the early hours at the Premier Labellers warehouse on Stour Road in Harwich, Essex. The facility, a manufacturer of self-adhesive labelling systems containing cardboard boxes, forklifts and machinery, suffered a complete structural collapse. Over 30 firefighters attended; the blaze was brought under control by mid-morning with no evacuations required as smoke rose vertically. No injuries reported.

MAJOR FIRE SEVERELY DAMAGES RECYCLING FACILITY IN DEPTFORD

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [EXPRESS.CO.UK](https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/16800000)



A major fire broke out on 18 August 2026 at a waste and recycling facility on Landmann Way in Deptford, south-east London, involving around 50 tonnes of household waste. Approximately 100 firefighters and 15 engines responded. The structure was severely damaged. Rail services between London Bridge and New Cross were disrupted. The fire was brought under control early on 19 August. Cause unknown; second incident at the site this summer.

SCRAP METAL FIRE ON BULK CARRIER AT CARDIFF DOCKS

August 25, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ITV.COM](https://www.itv.com)



A fire broke out on 25 August 2026 aboard the Marshall Islands-registered bulk carrier Federal Welland at Queen Alexandra Docks in Cardiff. The vessel was carrying approximately 20,000 tonnes of scrap metal. All crew members were accounted for and safe. South Wales Fire and Rescue Service deployed specialist resources including firefighting tug and drone. Significant smoke affected Cardiff Bay and city centre; no public risk reported beyond smoke.

LOSSES IN AFRICA

ALGERIA

GAS WELL FIRE AT SONATRACH TIGUENTOURINE FIELD NEAR IN AMENAS

August 2, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ALGERIE360](#)



A gas release occurred on 2 August 2026 during workover maintenance on well TG-16 at Sonatrach's Tiguentourine gas field in the In Amenas production division, southeastern Algeria. The uncontrolled gas flow ignited around 18:20 local time. Security perimeter was established and mutual assistance plan activated. No casualties reported. Experts deployed to secure the well.

MOROCCO

MAJOR FIRE DAMAGES FOAM MANUFACTURING PLANT IN SEBT ZINAT NEAR TANGIER

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [FR.LE.360.MA](#)



A fire broke out on the evening of 18 August 2026 at a foam manufacturing plant in Sebt Zinat near Tangier. Highly flammable materials caused rapid spread and significant damage to equipment and infrastructure. Civil protection teams quickly contained the blaze with no casualties reported. A judicial investigation has been opened to determine the cause.

NIGERIA

FIVE TRANSMISSION TOWERS COLLAPSE DUE TO VANDALISM ON IKOT ABASI-EKET LINE IN AKWA IBOM

August 15, 2026

ARSON

Source: [PUNCHNG](#)



Vandals removed critical structural bracing members from five transmission towers on the Ikot Abasi-Eket 132kV double-circuit line in Akwa Ibom State, causing their collapse. The damage was discovered on 9 August 2026 during a TCN line patrol. Seven additional towers were compromised by stolen members. Network was reconfigured, leaving Ibom Power without supply. Reconstruction is underway and security agencies notified.

SOUTH AFRICA

FATAL SULPHUR DIOXIDE LEAK AT IMPLATS MINERAL PROCESSING PLANT IN RUSTENBURG

August 6, 2026

Environmental Damage

Source: [IOL.CO.ZA](#)



A sulphur dioxide gas leak occurred at Impala Platinum's Mineral Processing Plant in Rustenburg due to a valve failure at the sulphuric acid plant.

Eight employees were exposed; a 45-year-old plant cleaner collapsed and later died, while seven others received medical treatment. The incident followed a recent safety reset at the operations after previous fatalities.

TAILINGS DAM WALL COLLAPSE AT SAMANCOR DIKWENA CHROME MINE NEAR BRITS

August 13, 2026

Collapse / Impact

Source: [BUSINESSDAY](#)



The northern wall of a tailings storage facility compartment at Samancor's Dikwena Chrome mine near Brits collapsed on 13 August 2026, releasing almost all stored tailings and slimes.

The spill damaged mine infrastructure, a railway line and Eskom power lines, and polluted an unnamed tributary. No casualties were reported. Authorities are investigating the cause and have directed the mine to halt further deposition pending assessment.

LOSSES IN THE MIDDLE EAST

EGYPT

GAS LEAK AND PARTIAL EXPLOSION CONTAINED ON PIPELINE UNDER ISMAILIA CANAL

August 8, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [EGYPTTODAY](#)



Authorities contained a gas leak and partial explosion on a natural gas pipeline running beneath the Ismailia Canal in Abu Suweir.

Town Gas shut the valve and secured the area. Nearby water intakes were temporarily closed as a precaution while samples were tested. Investigation into the rupture cause is underway with no major disruption to supplies reported.

FIRE AT ORANGE PACKING FACTORY IN SHARQIA INJURES 14 WORKERS

August 20, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [DARELHILAL](#)



A major fire broke out at an orange and citrus packing and export factory in Qamruna village, Minya al-Qamh, Sharqia governorate. The blaze damaged part of the facility and agricultural products inside. Civil protection teams with multiple fire engines controlled the fire and prevented spread to nearby areas. Fourteen workers suffered injuries including burns and smoke inhalation and were taken to hospital. No fatalities were reported.

SAUDI ARABIA

FIRE AT ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION DISRUPTS TILE PRODUCTION LINE AT SAUDI CERAMICS PLANT IN RIYADH

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

[SAUDIEXCHANGE](#)

Sources:

[BACKUP.ARABNEWS](#)



On the evening of 18 August 2026, a fire broke out at an electrical substation supplying one of the tile production lines at Saudi Ceramics Company's factories in the Second Industrial City in Riyadh.

Civil Defense teams fully contained the blaze with no injuries reported. Production on the affected line was disrupted. The company has comprehensive insurance coverage and is assessing the technical, operational and financial impact while carrying out repairs and safety works.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION AT INDUSTRIAL WASTE FACILITY KILLS SIX IN JUBAIL

August 24, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [ALEQT](#)



A fire and explosion erupted at a fuel tank holding mixed gasoline and diesel at the Adco Environment industrial waste disposal facility in Jubail Industrial City 2 during welding maintenance work. Six foreign workers were killed. Civil Defense teams extinguished the blaze after approximately four hours, with one firefighter injured. The Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu confirmed full control of the incident.

FIRE AT ARAMCO BERRI GAS PLANT NEAR JUBAIL

August 09, 2026

ARSON

Source: [EN.YENISAFK](#)



On 9 August 2026 a large thermal event was reported at Saudi Aramco's Berri Gas Plant near Jubail on the Gulf coast. Open-source satellite data (NASA FIRMS) showed fire radiative power around 125 MW. Media cited a blast heard in Jubail Industrial City; some outlets linked it to Houthi activity. Saudi authorities did not issue a matching official confirmation for Berri. Extent of damage, injuries and production impact were not independently verified.

TURKEY

FIRE AT PALLET PRODUCTION FACTORY IN TURGUTLU, MANISA

August 8, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SODAKIKA](#)



A fire broke out around 01:00 on 8 August 2026 at a pallet production factory in Atatürk Mahallesi, Koşukırı Mevkii, Turgutlu, Manisa. Likely caused by an electrical short, the flames quickly spread to the storage area. Firefighters from multiple teams extinguished the blaze after 1.5–2 hours. No deaths or injuries occurred. The facility sustained material damage and an investigation into the cause is underway.

FIRE AT CHEMICAL PRODUCTS FACTORY IN GEBZE INJURES TWO WORKERS

August 12, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HABERLER](#)



A fire broke out on 12 August 2026 at a chemical products manufacturing factory in the Balçık Mahallesi Kumtepe area of Gebze, Kocaeli province. The blaze, accompanied by occasional explosions and thick black smoke, was extinguished after about one hour of firefighting. Two workers sustained injuries and were hospitalized. A section of the facility became unusable, and two horses at the site died. An investigation into the cause has been launched.

MAJOR FIRE DAMAGES COTTON YARN TEXTILE FACTORY IN GAZIANTEP OSB

August 11, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HABERLER](#)



A fire started at approximately 04:26 on 11 August 2026 at Üniteks Tekstil, a cotton yarn production plant covering 17,500 m² in the 3rd Organized Industrial Zone of Şehitkamil, Gaziantep. About 3,000 m² was affected. Firefighters deployed 39 vehicles and 81 personnel, extinguishing the blaze after roughly 12 hours of intense efforts. No casualties occurred. Cooling works continued, and the cause remains under investigation.

EXPLOSION AND FIRE AT OXYGEN FILLING PLANT IN SALIHLI KILLS TWO

August 15, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HURRIYET](#)



An explosion followed by a fire occurred on 15 August 2026 at the Kavas Oxygen Filling Facility in Atatürk Mahallesi, Salihli, Manisa province. The blast at the gas cylinder refilling plant killed the facility owner Nazif Kavas and worker Servet Ekiz. Two others were injured and treated in hospital. Firefighters controlled the blaze; three vehicles were damaged. An investigation into the cause is underway.

FIRE AT POMACE OIL FACTORY IN ANTAKYA, HATAY

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HAERLER](#)



A fire broke out at a kûspe yağ (pomace oil) factory in Serinyol Mahallesi, Antakya, Hatay province. Emergency teams responded promptly and brought the blaze under control quickly. No casualties or injuries were reported. Safety measures were implemented in the area following the incident.

MINE COLLAPSE AT CAYIRHAN COAL MINE IN ANKARA KILLS ONE WORKER

August 21, 2026

Collapse / Impact

Source: [DUNYA](#)



A roof collapse at the Cayirhan Enerji coal mine in Beypazari district, Ankara, on 21 August 2026 caused a pressure wave that killed one miner and injured up to 12 others, with four in serious condition. About 20 workers were affected. Emergency teams including AFAD and medical units responded; the body was recovered and injured treated in hospital. An investigation was opened by prosecutors.

EXPLOSION INJURES TWO AT YEŞILYURT STEEL PLANT CONTROL ROOM IN SAMSUN

August 23, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [SEE.NEWS](#)



An explosion occurred around 5:30 a.m. on August 23, 2026, in the furnace control room of the Yeşilyurt iron and steel plant in Tekkeköy organized industrial zone, Samsun. Two workers were injured while activating systems and electronic equipment. The blast shattered windows, damaged doors and the room structure. Cause under investigation; workers treated at hospital with no life-threatening injuries reported.

FIRE AT INSULATION FACTORY IN ELAZIĞ OSB INJURES FIVE WORKERS

August 26, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [YENISAFK](#)



A major fire erupted at the Megaboard insulation materials factory in Elazığ Organized Industrial Zone. Dense smoke was visible across the city and occasional explosions occurred. Emergency teams including firefighters from neighboring areas extinguished the fire after about 3.5 hours. Five workers sustained light injuries and received treatment. Cooling operations continued; cause under investigation.

FIRE DESTROYS FIBER FACTORY IN GAZIANTEP 5TH OSB

August 26, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HABERLER](#)



A fire broke out at around 03:30 at the Günteks Elyaf fiber factory in Gaziantep's 5th Organized Industrial Zone. Firefighters responded with 47 vehicles and 75 personnel, extinguishing the blaze after several hours. Two workers were affected by smoke. The factory suffered major material damage and became unusable. The cause remains under investigation.

FIRE AND EXPLOSIONS AT RUBBER SHOE SOLE FACTORY IN ADANA

August 27, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HABERLER](#)



A nighttime fire at a rubber shoe sole factory in Adana's Seyhan district caused chemical explosions and the collapse of the zinc roof. Firefighters controlled the blaze in about two hours using foam and water, preventing spread to adjacent facilities. Cooling operations and investigation into the cause are ongoing. No injuries reported.

GRASS FIRE SPREADS TO PAPER FACTORY IN TURGUTLU INDUSTRIAL SITE

August 28, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [HABERLER](#)



A grass fire in the open area behind Erbillir Sanayi Sitesi in Sevilitepe Mahallesi, Turgutlu, Manisa, spread due to wind to a nearby paper factory on 28 August 2026. Firefighters controlled the blaze within about one hour. Partial damage occurred to the paper factory. Two workers affected by smoke were taken to Turgutlu State Hospital. Investigation into the cause is ongoing.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

WAREHOUSE FIRE CONTAINED IN SHARJAH INDUSTRIAL AREA 5

August 18, 2026

Fire and/or Explosion

Source: [GULFNEWS](#)



A fire broke out in a warehouse in Sharjah's Industrial Area 5. Sharjah Civil Defence teams responded and worked to contain the blaze and prevent spread to neighbouring premises. Sharjah Police established a security cordon. No injuries were reported. Support teams from electricity, water, gas and municipality authorities assisted.

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