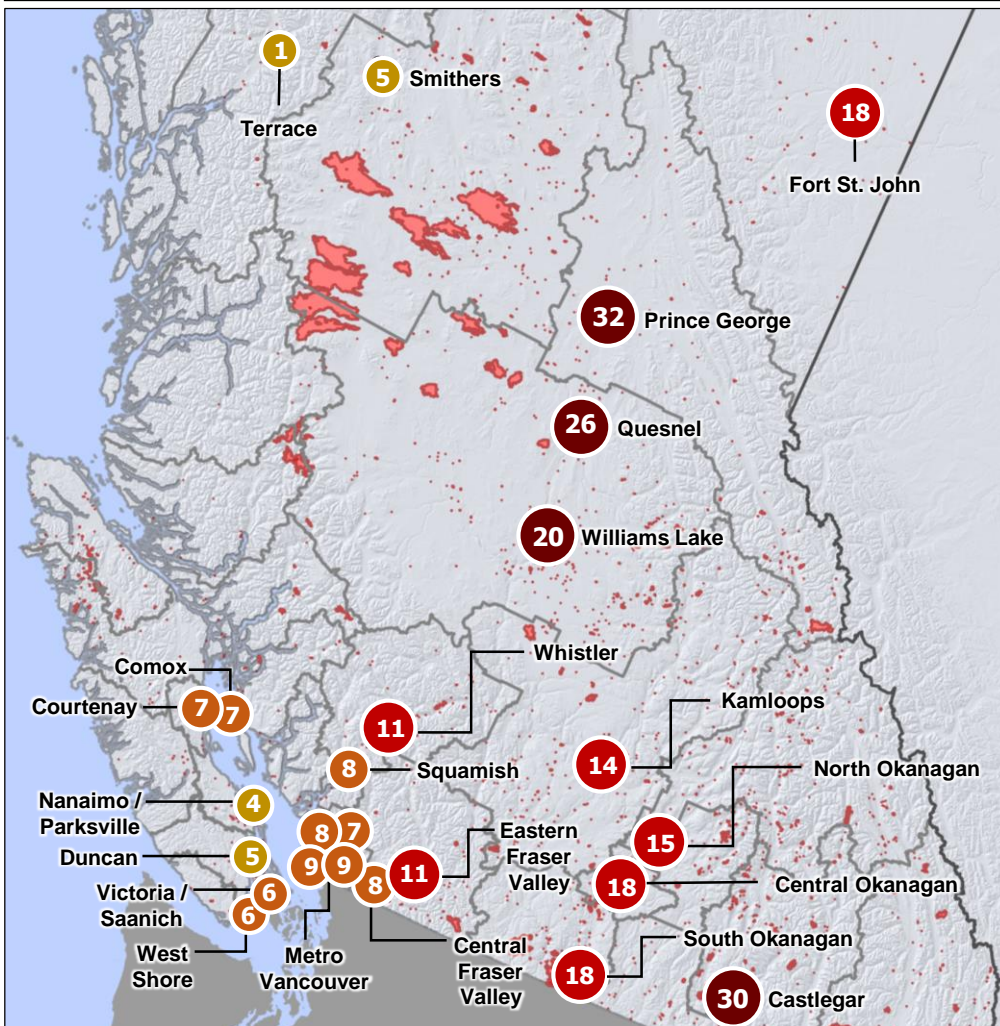


Forest fires and number of days with high health risk resulting from poor air quality



Boundaries

- Census division boundary
- Provincial boundary

Forest fires, British Columbia

■ Wildfire locations

Fire data are for April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.

Number of days with Air Quality Health Index value ≥ 7

- 1 to 5
- 6 to 10
- 11 to 19
- 20+

The Air Quality Health Index (AQHI) scale provides an indication of health risk associated with air quality. The scale ranges from 1 (low) to 10 (very high) or above. Any rating 7 or higher is considered a high health risk.

AQHI data are for April 1 to September 30, 2018.

Note: Wildfires smaller than 0.01 hectares are represented by points.

Sources: British Columbia Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, BC Wildfire Service (FLNRORD), 2019, "Fire Incident Locations – Historical" and "Fire Perimeters – Historical," *British Columbia Data Catalogue*, <https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/fire-incident-locations-historical> and <https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/fire-perimeters-historical> (accessed May 6, 2019); Environment and Climate Change Canada, 2018, "Air Quality Health Index Forecast," *Open Government*, <https://open.canada.ca/data/en/dataset/a563ea47d-6eb9-4f7f-933c-222ae49fe57f> (accessed October 9, 2018).