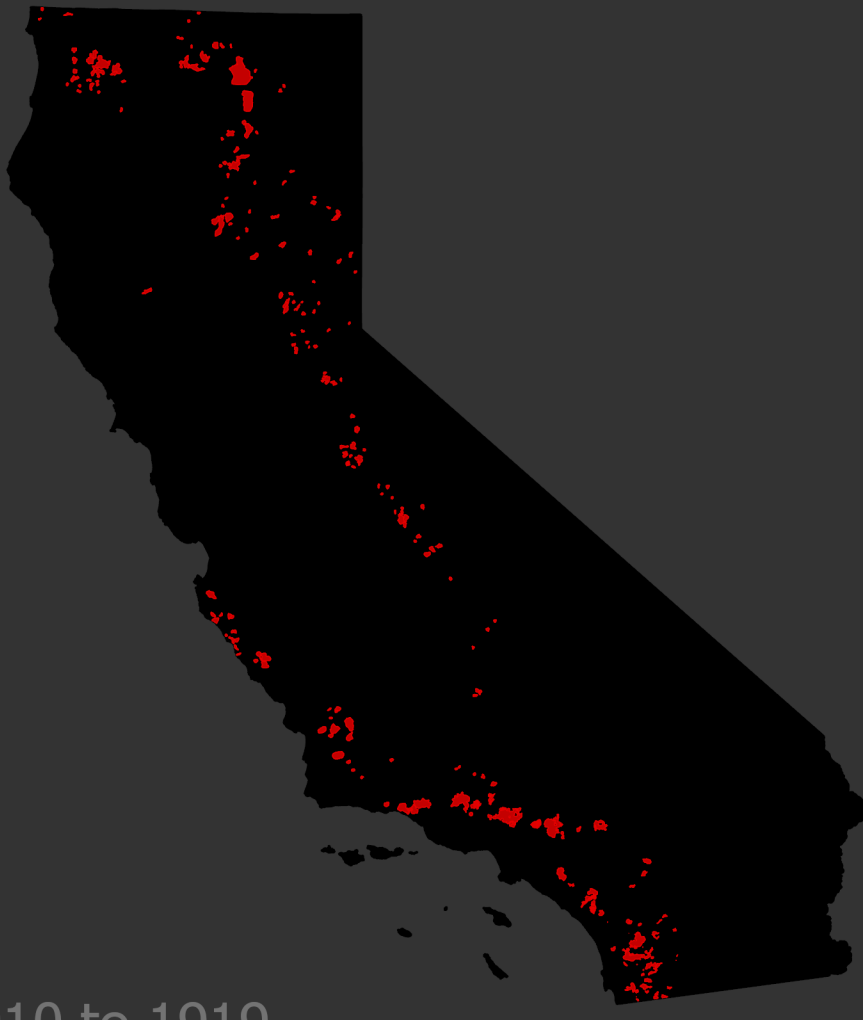


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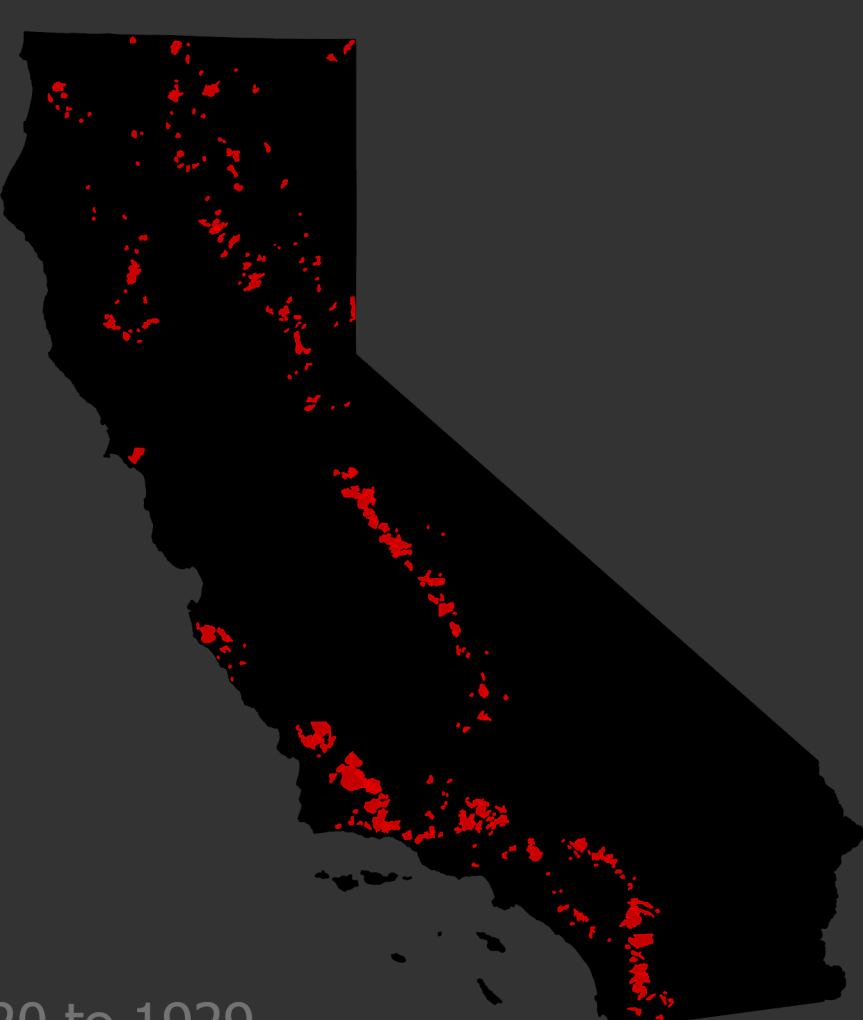
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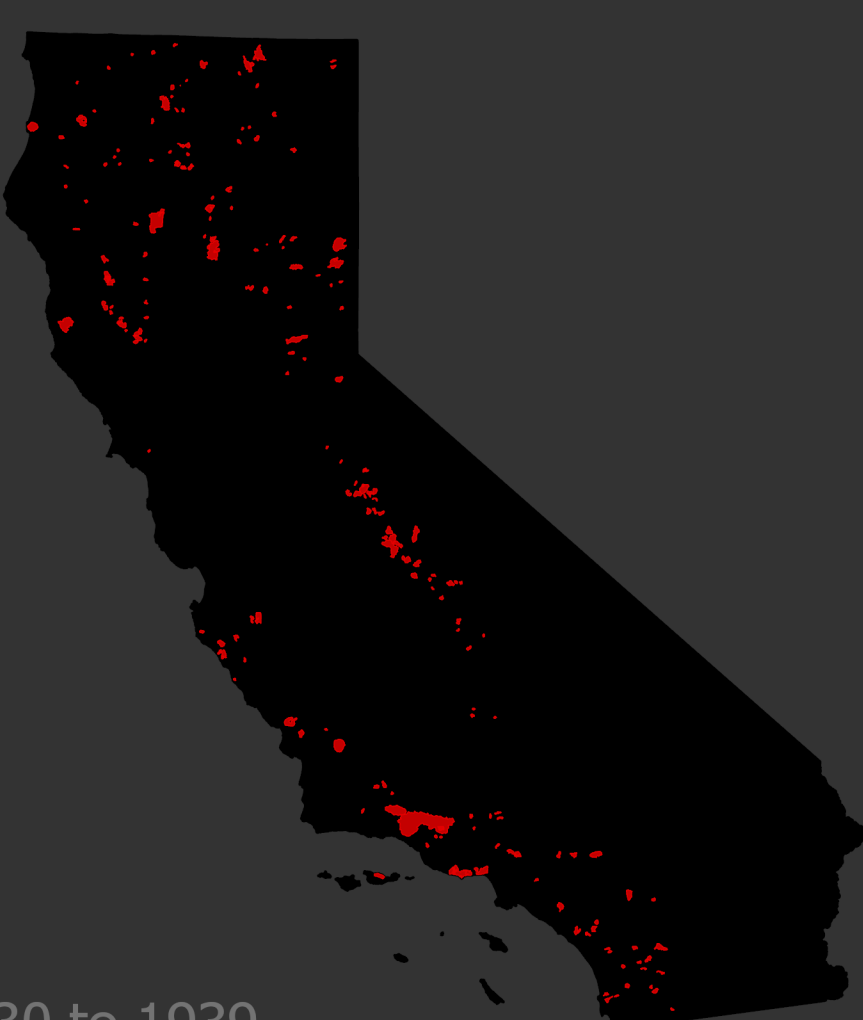
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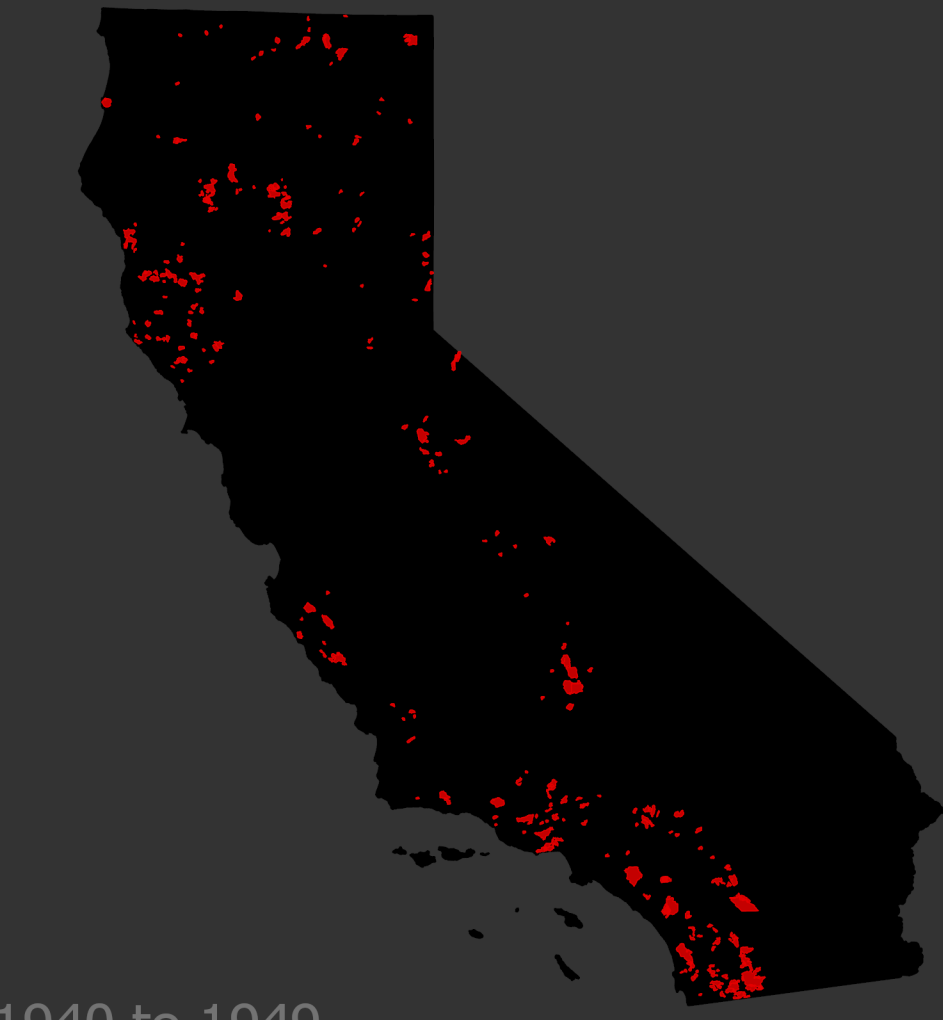
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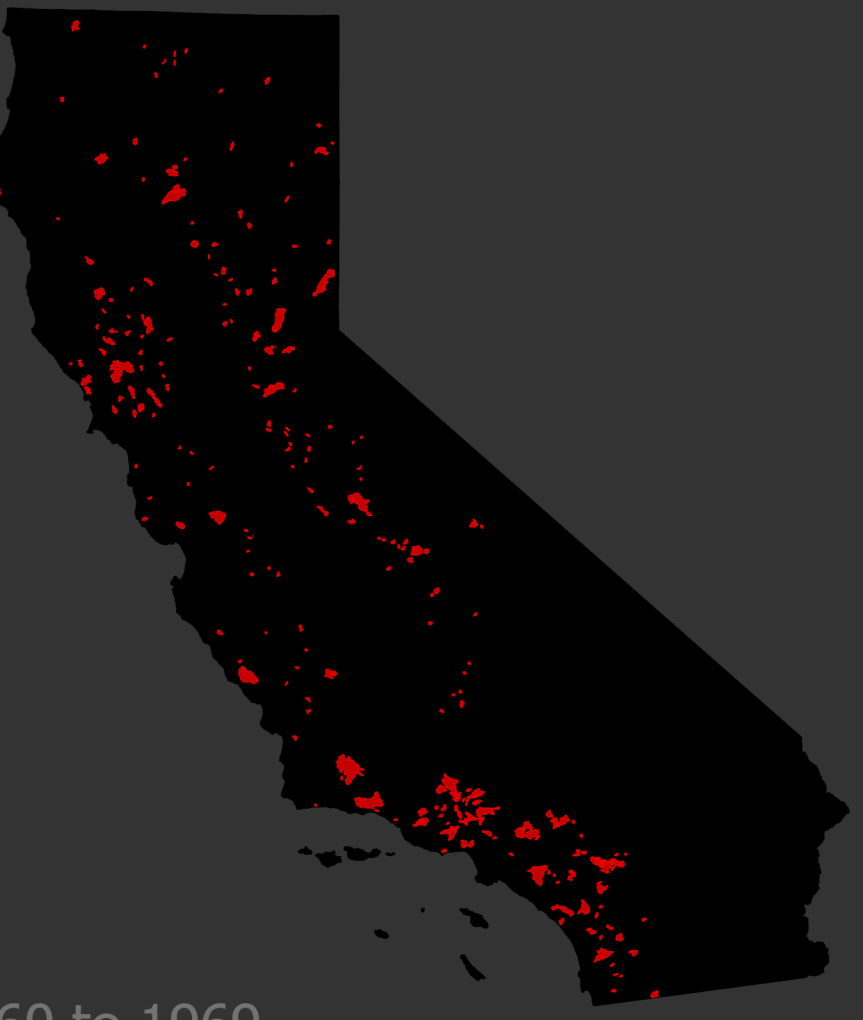
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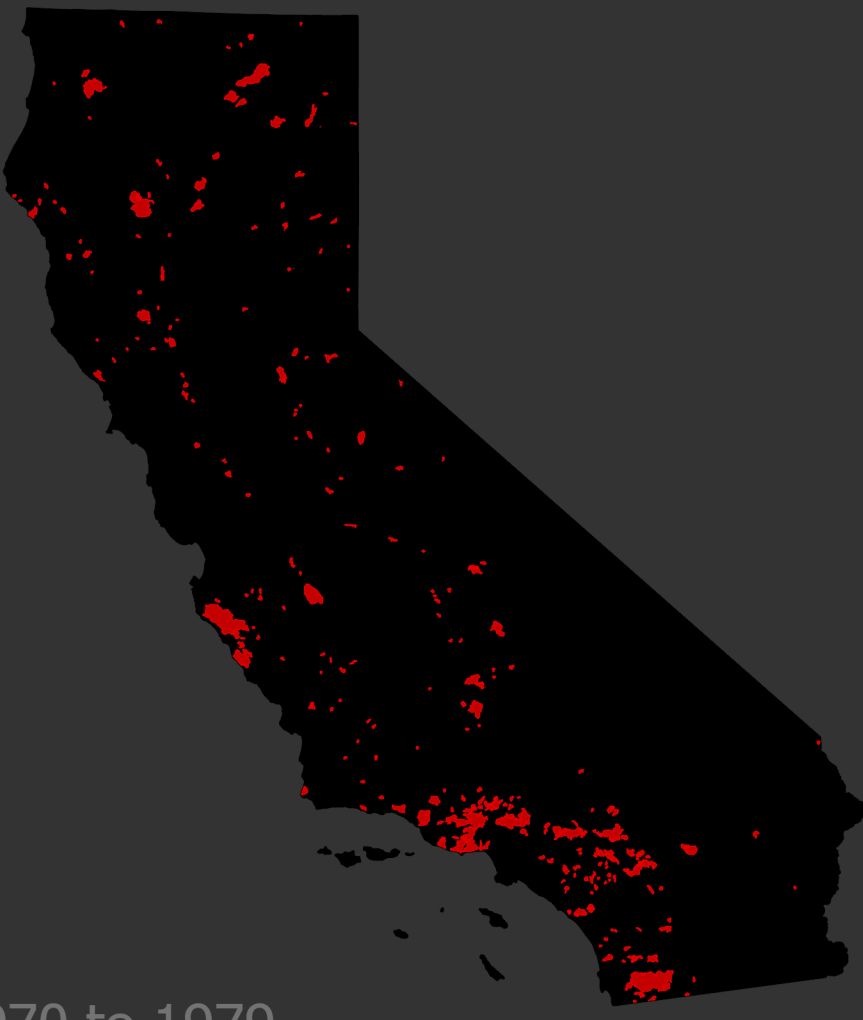
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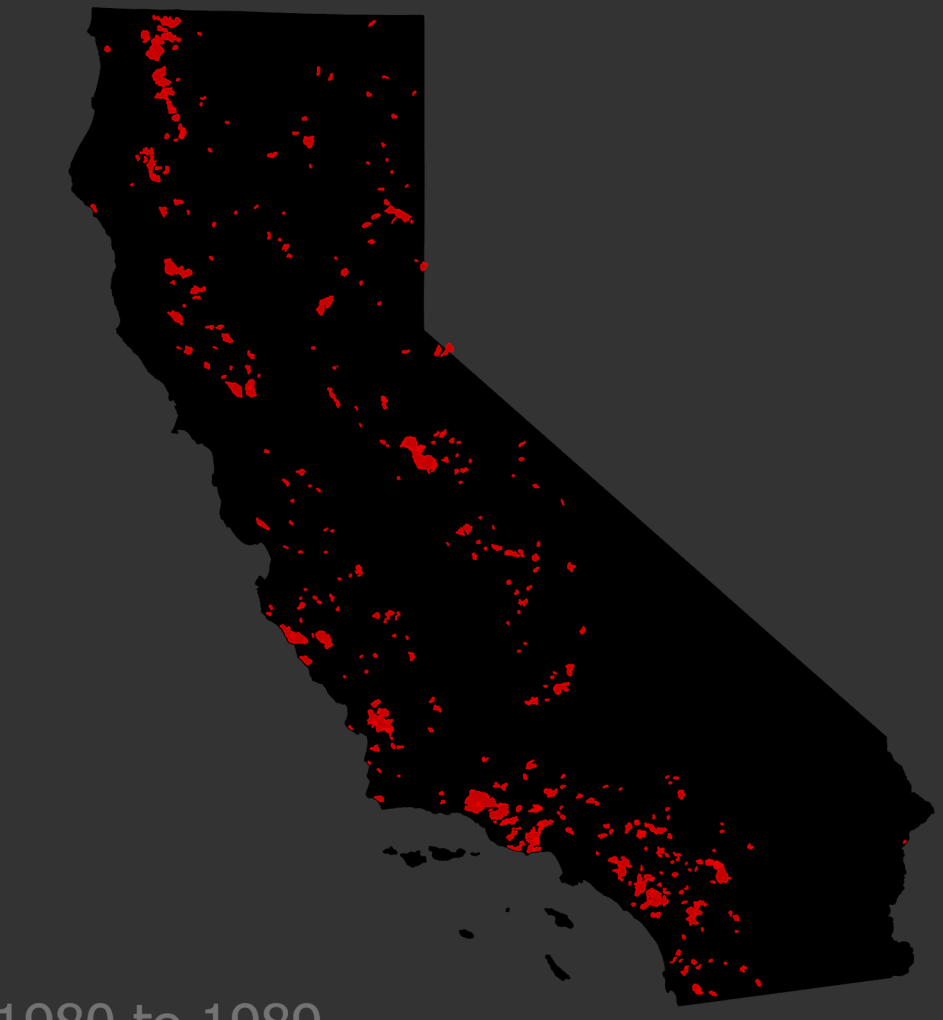
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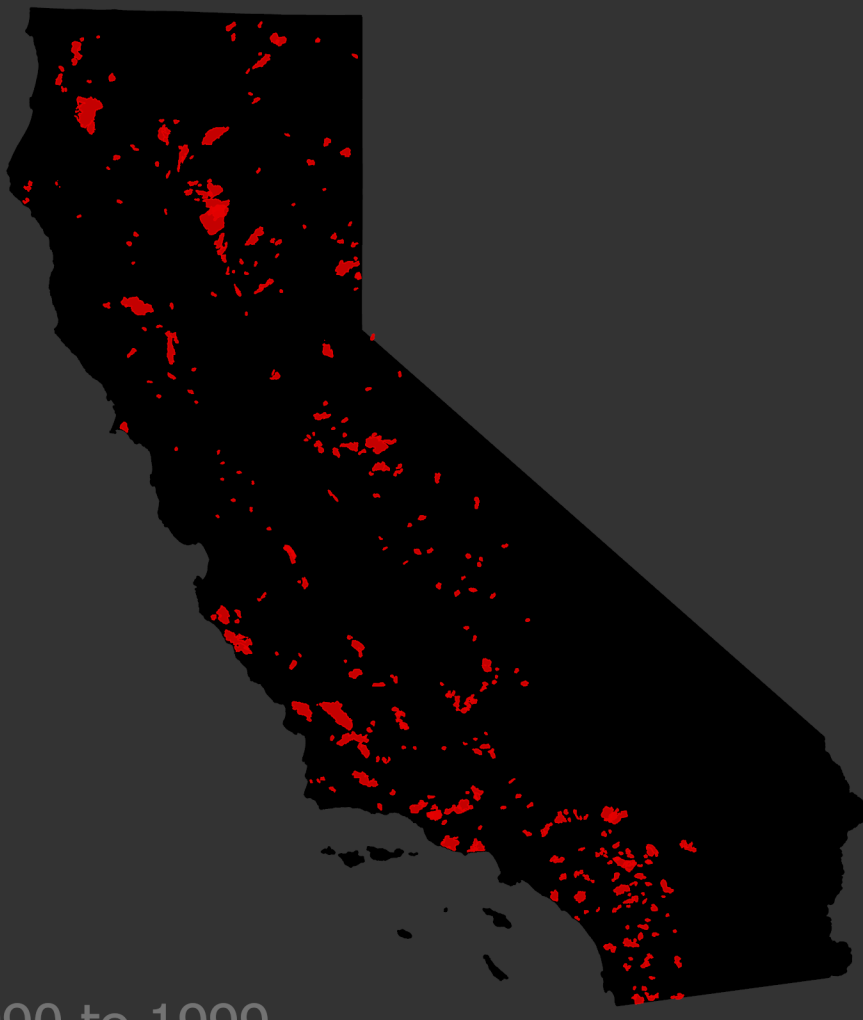
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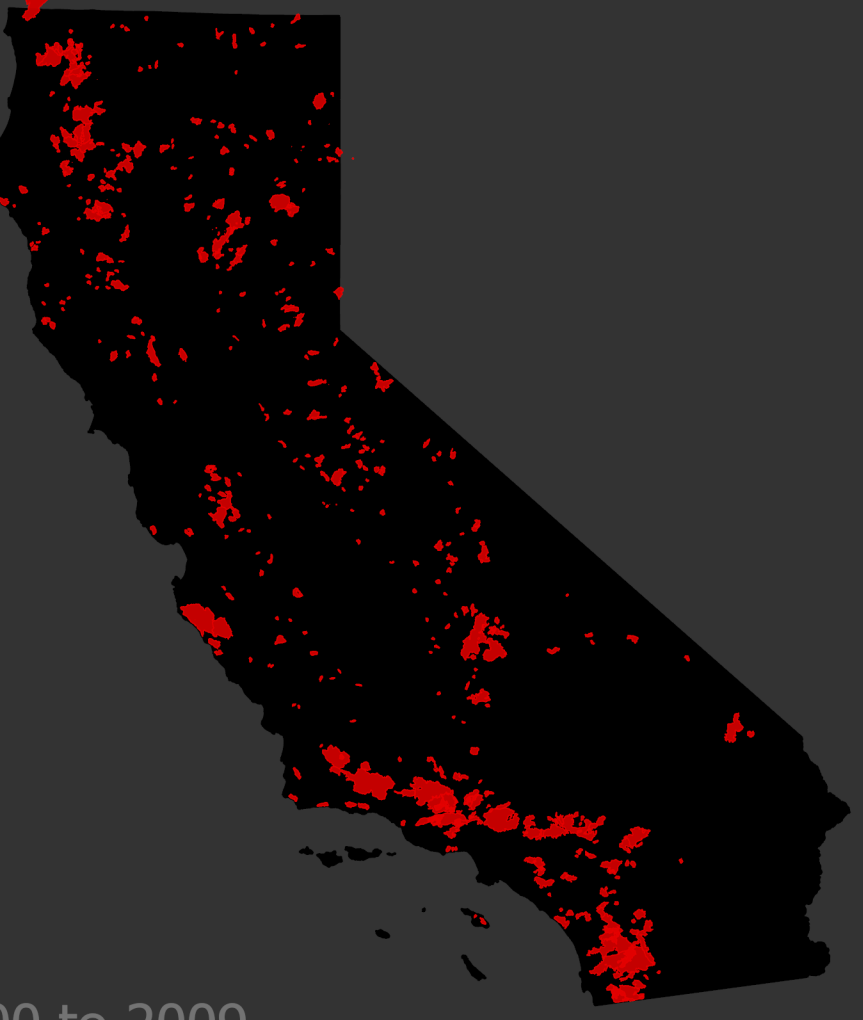
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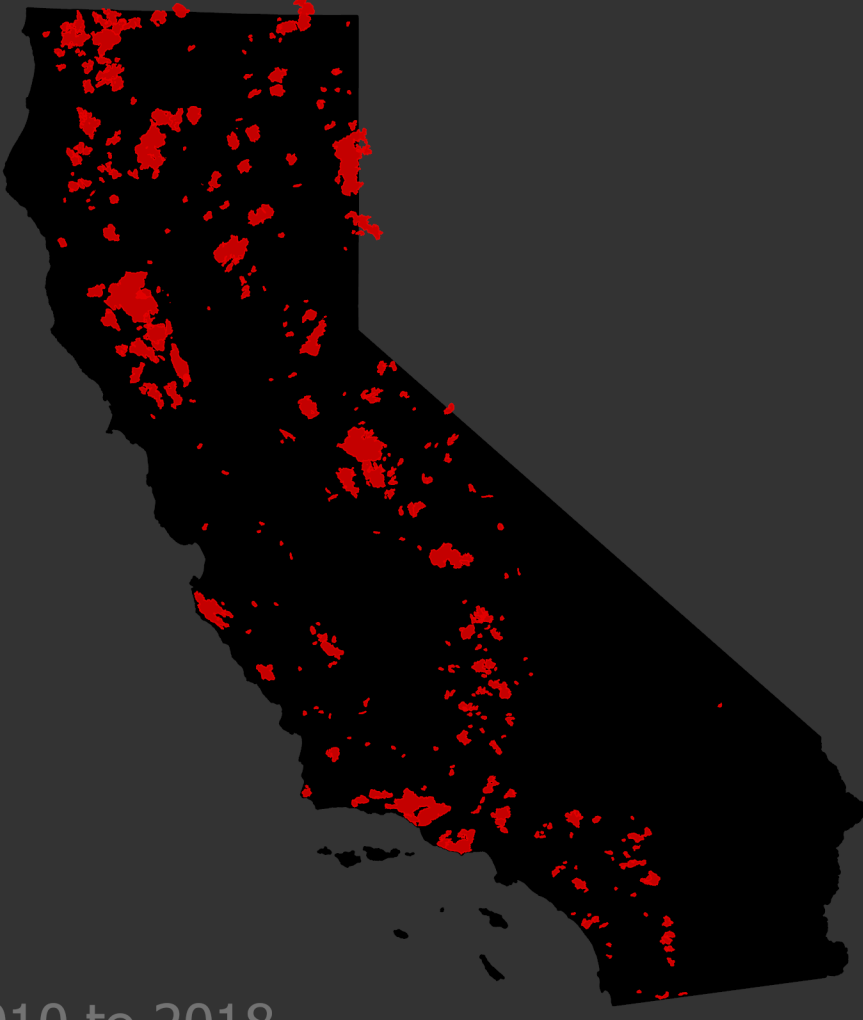
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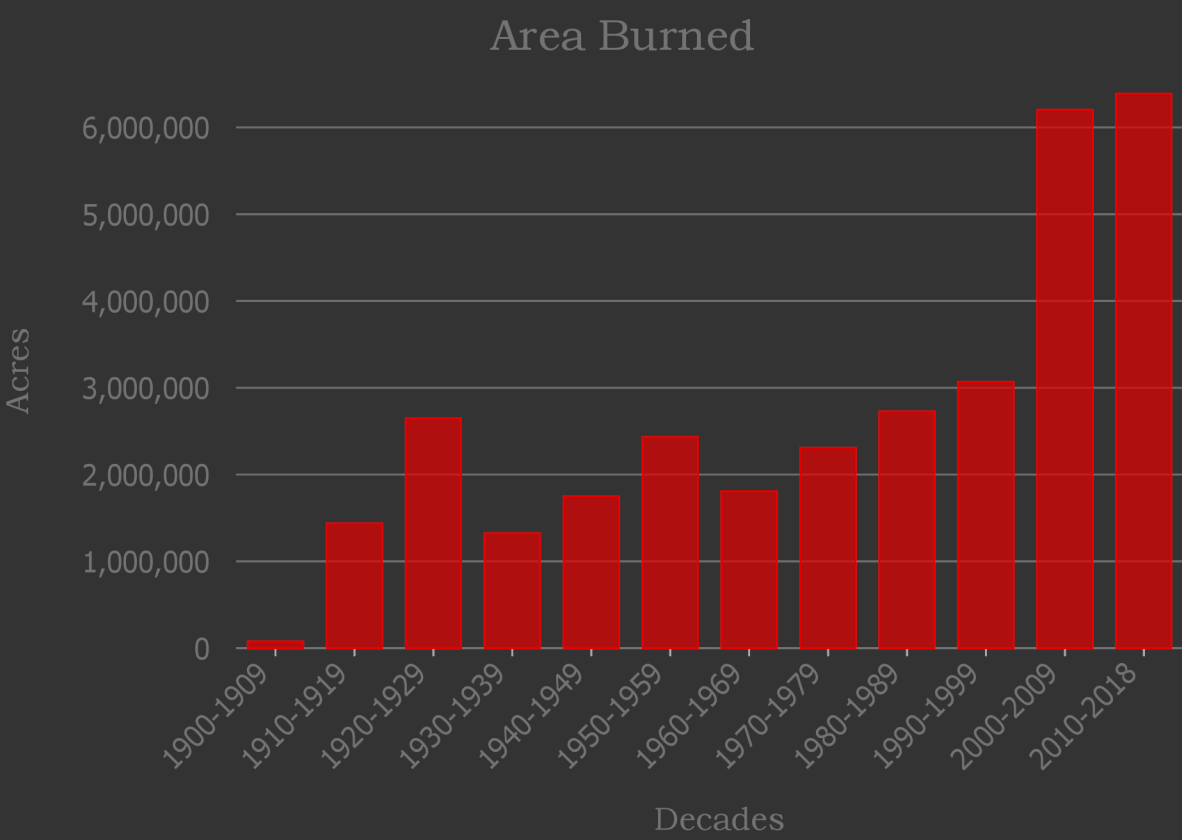
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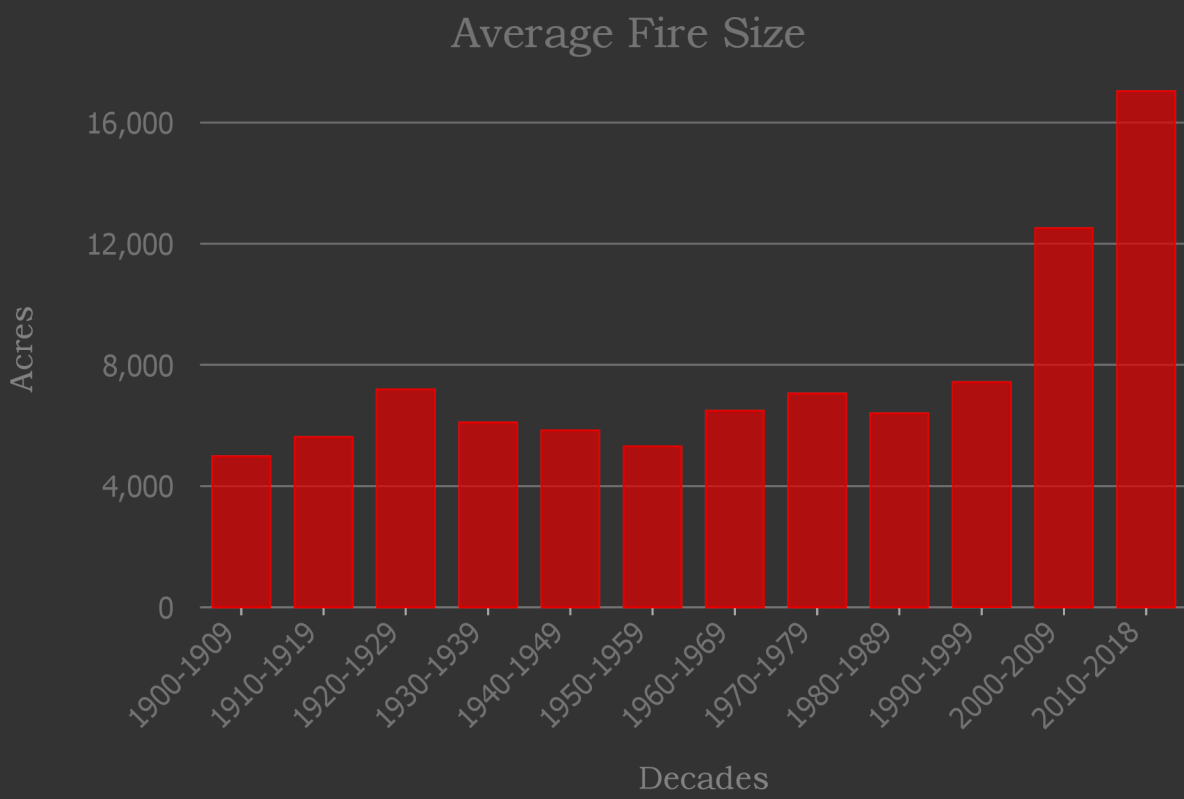
2000 to 2009



2010 to 2018



(fires >= 1,000 acres)



Wildfires in California have dramatically increased in size and total area burned over the past two decades. According to CAL FIRE, 12 of the 15 largest fires in the state's history have occurred since 2003.* The trend of increasing fire size is expected to continue. Key findings of California's Fourth Climate Change Assessment states that by 2100, the average area burned statewide will increase by 77%.**

Map by Barbara Kent, 2019.
Wildfire history from CAL FIRE's Fire and Resource Assessment Program (FRAP), Fire17_1.gdb, released April 18, 2017 <http://frap.fire.ca.gov> and the Fire18_1_UNOFFICIAL.gdb
Fire perimeters and information are published by CAL FIRE and include data contributed by several partners including USDI Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and numerous local agencies.
*<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/11/why-are-wildfires-getting-worse/>
**<http://www.climateassessment.ca.gov/state/overview/>