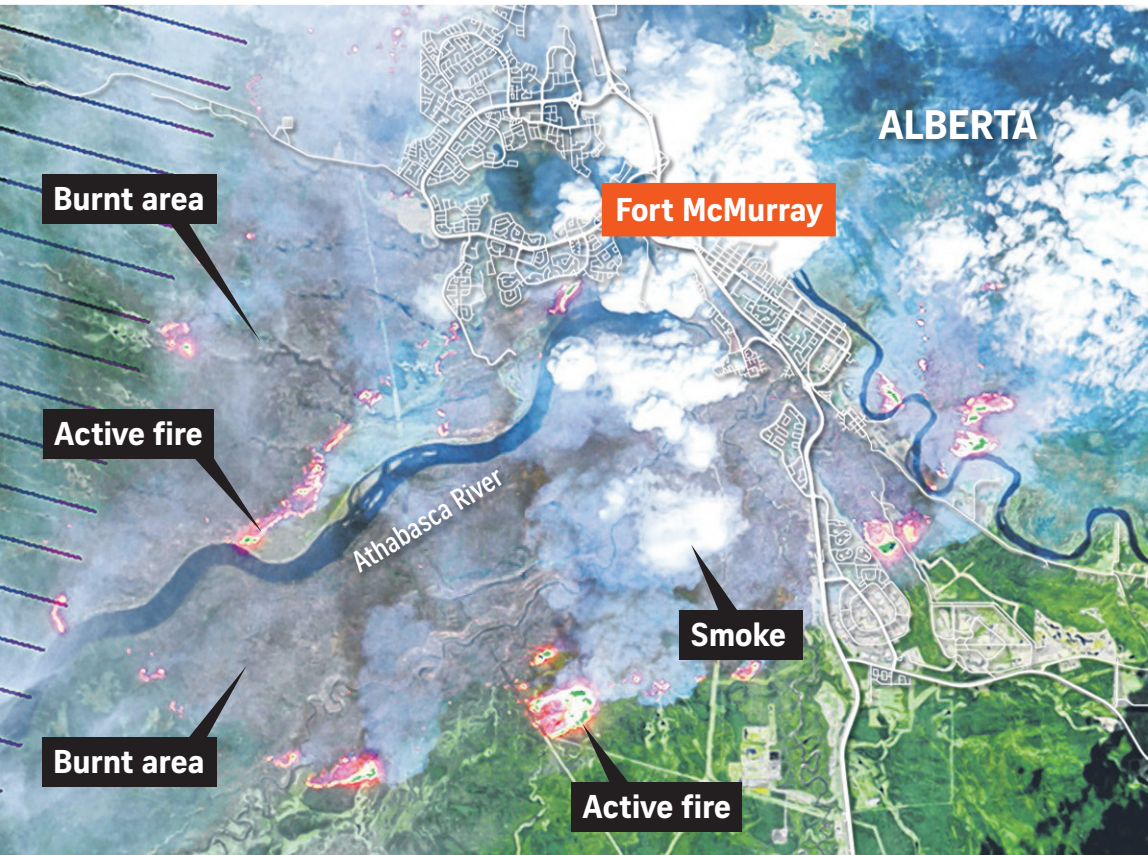


Fort McMurray wildfires

Nasa photo shows a satellite image of the wildfires that burned through Fort McMurray on Wednesday in Alberta, Canada. The imaging satellite can penetrate clouds and smoke to reveal the hot spots associated with active fires, which appear red. Smoke appears white and burnt areas appear brown.



The wildfires in numbers

- **49** wildfires in total
- **Seven** are 'out of control'
- More than **1,100** firefighters
- **145** helicopters
- **138** pieces of heavy equipment
- **22** air tankers
- **8,000** people are being airlifted by Canadian officials from Fort McMurray
- **17,000** more are in danger of becoming trapped
- The entire city - more than **88,000** people - was evacuated three days ago
- The fire has grown to **85,000ha**