South America fires

- Over 75,000 wildfires recorded in Brazil in the first eight months of 2019, an increase of more than 80 per cent compared with last year.
- Forest fires tend to intensify during the dry season, which usually ends in late October/ early November.
- The WWF has blamed this year's increase on accelerating deforestation in the Amazon.

NOTE: As of Aug 21

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