

California Disasters Since 1950

Hazard Type	Disaster Name	Disaster #	Year	Counties and Cities Declared	State Declaration	Federal Declaration	# of Deaths	# of Injuries	Cost of Damage
Flood	Floods	OCD 50-01	1950	Statewide	11/21/1950	Not declared	9		\$32,183,000
Flood	Fire, Flood, and Erosion	DR-28	1954	Los Angeles, San Bernardino	2/5/1954	2/5/1954			Not Avail
Flood	Floods	DR-47	1955	Statewide	12/22/1955	12/23/1955	74		\$200,000,000
Fire	Fires	DR-65	1956	Los Angeles (Malibu area), Ventura		12/29/1956	1	Several hundred	\$70,000,000
Fire	Fires	CDO 58-01	1958	Los Angeles	1/3/1958	Not declared	1	23	Not available
Flood	Storm & Flood Damage	N/A	1958	Statewide	4/2/1958	82	13		\$24,000,000
Flood, Landslide	Potential Flood Damage and Landslides as a Result of Fires	CDO 59-01	1959	Los Angeles	1/8/1959	Not declared			Not applicable
Fire	Major and Widespread Fires	N/A	1960	Los Angeles, San Bernardino	7/21-22/60	Not declared		12	\$10,000,000
Fire	Bel Air Fires	DR-119	1961	Los Angeles		11/16/1961		103	Between \$50,000,000 - \$100,000,000
Flood	Flood and Rainstorm	DR-122	1962	Los Angeles, Ventura	2/16/62 & 2/23/62	3/6/1962			Not available
Flood	Baldwin Hills Dam Failure	DR-161	1963	Los Angeles	12/16/1963	12/21/1963			\$5,233,203
Fire	Major Widespread Fires (Weldon Fire)	N/A	1964	Los Angeles	3/16/1964	Not declared			\$2,000,000
Flood	Storms	N/A	1964	Los Angeles	4/3/1964	Not declared			1,610,300
Civil Unrest	Riots	N/A	1965	Los Angeles	8/14/1965	Not declared	32	874	\$44,991,000
Flood, Landslide	Flooding and Hill Slides Caused by Heavy Rains	N/A	1965	City of Burbank, Los Angeles	1/5/1965	Not declared			Not Available
Landslide	Slide Damage	N/A	1965	City of Los Angeles	6/21/1965	Not declared			\$6,488,600
Fire	Major and Widespread Fires	N/A	1967	Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Ventura	1/7/1967	Not declared			\$11,345,000
HazMat	Major Oil Spill	N/A	1969	Coastal Areas of Southern California		Not declared			Not available
Landslide	Slide Damage Caused by Heavy Rains and Storms	N/A	1970	City of Los Angeles	3/10/1970	Not declared			\$8,500,000
Fire	Statewide Fires		1970	City of Oakland, Los Angeles, Ventura, San Diego, Kern, San Bernardino, Monterey, Riverside	9/24/70, 9/28/70, 10/1/70, 10/2/70, 10/20/70, 11/14/70	9/29/1970	19		\$223,611,000
Earthquake	San Fernando Earthquake	DR-299	1971	Los Angeles	2/9/1971	2/9/1971	58	2,000	\$483,957,000
Agricultural	Exotic Newcastle Disease Epidemic	N/A	1972	Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura, Santa Barbara	4/10/72, 5/22/72	Not declared			\$10,000,000
Fire	Fires	N/A	1973	Los Angeles	7/16/1973	Not declared			\$1,300,000
Fire	Fires	N/A	1975	Los Angeles	11/24/1975	Not declared			\$19,486,960
Drought	Drought	N/A	1976	Alpine, Calaveras, Colusa, Fresno, Glenn, Madera, Merced, San Diego, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tuolumne, Alameda, Butte, Contra Costa, Kings, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Luis Obispo, Tulare, Yolo, Amador, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, San Benito, San Bernardino, Tehama, San Mateo, Marin	2/9/76, 2/13/76, 2/24/76, 3/26/76, 7/6/76	Not declared			\$2,664,000,000
Fire	1978 Los Angeles Fire	EM-3067	1978	Los Angeles	10/24/1978	10/29/1978	1		\$61,279,374

Severe Storm	Storms	Unknown	1978	Inyo, Mono, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Kings, Monterey, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Tulare, Ventura	3/9/78, 2/27/78, 2/13/78	2/15/1978	14	21	\$117,802,785
Economic	Gasoline Shortage Emergency	N/A	1979	Alameda, Contra Costa, Los Angeles, Marin, Monterey, Orange, Riverside, San Francisco, San Diego, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, Ventura, San Bernardino, Sonoma, Contra Costa, Los Angeles, Orange, Santa Clara	5/8/79 - 11/13/79	Not declared			
Fire	Fires	N/A	1979	Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, El Dorado	9/28/79, 9/21/79, 9/20/79	Not declared			\$9,970,119
Flood	1980 Winter Storms	DR-615	1980	Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, Ventura, San Bernardino, San Diego	2/21/80, 2/7/80	2/21/1980			
Fire	Southern California Fires	DR-635	1980	San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside	11/18/1980	11/18/1980			\$64,795,200
Economic	Mediterranean Fruit Fly Infestation	N/A	1981	Contra Costa, Los Angeles, San Benito, Stanislaus, Santa Cruz, San Mateo	8/8/81 - 9/25/81	Not declared			\$22,000,000
Flood, Severe Storm	1982-83 Winter Storms	DR-677		Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Sacramento, Marin, San Mateo, Los Angeles, San Diego, Alameda, Orange, San Benito, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sonoma, Ventura, Trinity, Colusa, Lake, Mendocino, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Solano, Yolo, Butte, Glenn, Kern, Kings, San Bernardino, Sutter, Tehama, Merced, Del Norte, Fresno, Madera, Napa, Placer, Riverside, Stanislaus, Tulare, Humboldt, Mariposa, Nevada, Yuba	1982, 1983	2/9/1983	0	0	\$523,617,032
Fire	Dayton Hills Fire	N/A		Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura	10/10/1982	Not declared	0		\$19,277,102
Flood	Winter Storms	Unknown		Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Sacramento, Marin, San Mateo, Los Angeles, San Diego, Alameda, orange, San Benito, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sonoma, Ventura, Trinity, Colusa, Lake Mendocino, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Solano, Yolo, Butte, Glenn, Kern, Kings, San Bernardino, Sutter, Tehama, Merced, Del Norte, Fresno, Madera, Napa, Placer, Riverside, Stanislaus, Tulare, Humboldt, Mariposa, Nevada, Yuba	12/8/82-3/21/83	2/9/1983			\$523,617,032
Economic	Mexican Fruit Fly	N/A		Los Angeles	11/4/1983	Not declared			
Fire	Statewide Fires	DR-739	1985	San Diego, City of Lost Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Ventura	7/1/85 - 7/11/85	4/25/1984	3	470	\$64,845,864
Miscellaneous	Plane Crash	N/A	1986	City of Cerritos	8/31/1986	Not declared	67	2	
Earthquake	Whittier Earthquake	DR-799	1987	Monterey park, City of Whittier, Los Angeles, Orange	10/2/87 - 10/5/87	10/7/1987	9	200	\$358,052,144
Economic	Mediterranean Fruit Fly	N/A	1987	Los Angeles	8/25/1987	Not declared			
Severe Storm	Coastal Storms	DR-812	1988	Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego	1/21/1988	2/5/1988	0		
Economic	Mediterranean Fruit Fly	N/A	1988	Los Angeles	7/21/1988	Not declared			
Fire, Windstorm	Fire and Wind Driven Waves	N/A	1988	City of Redondo Beach	6/15/1988	Not declared	0		\$25,000,000
Fire, Windstorm	Fires/ High Winds	N/A	1988	Los Angeles	12/9/1988	Not declared	0	2	\$12,400,000
Economic	Mediterranean Fruit Fly	N/A	1989	Los Angeles	8/9/1989	Not declared			

Fire	Santa Barbara Fires	DR-872	1990	Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Riverside, San Bernardino	6/28/90, 6/29/90	6/30/1990	3	89	\$300,000,000
Earthquake	Upland Earthquake	N/A	1990	Los Angeles, San Bernardino	3/9/90, 3/13/90	Not declared	0	38	\$12,034,150
Economic	Mexican Fruit Fly	N/A	1990	Los Angeles, San Diego	5/14/1990	Not declared			
Severe Storm	1992 Winter Storms	DR-935	1992	Los Angeles, Ventura, City of Los Angeles, kern, orange, San Bernardino	2/12/92, 2/19/92	2/25/1992	5		\$123,240,531
Civil Unrest	Los Angeles Civil Disorder	DR-942	1992	Los Angeles	4/29/1992	5/22/1992	53	2,383	\$800,000,000
Flood	1992 Late Winter Storms	DR-979	1992	Alpine, Los Angeles, Humboldt, Napa, Santa Barbara, Culver City, City of Los Angeles, Contra Costa, Mendocino, Sonoma, Fresno, imperial, Madera, Monterey, San Bernardino, Sierra, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Modoc, Orange, Riverside, Lassen, Siskiyou, Plumas, San Diego	1/7/93 - 2/19/93	1/15/1993	20	10	\$600,000,000
Fire	Southern California Firestorms	DR-1005	1993	Los Angeles, Ventura, San Diego, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino	10/27/93, 10/28/93	10/28/1993	4	162	\$1,000,000,000
Earthquake	Northridge Earthquake	DR-1008	1994	Los Angeles, Ventura, Orange	1/17/94, 1/24/94	1/17/1994	57	11,846	\$40,000,000,000
Severe Storm	Severe Winter Storms	DR-1044	1995	Los Angeles, Orange, Humboldt, Lake, Sonoma, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Glenn, Kern, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, placers, Plumas, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Tehama, Ventura, Yolo, Yuba, Alpine, Amador, Nevada, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Mateo, Shasta, Sutter, Trinity, San Diego, Alameda, Marin, Fresno, Kings, El Dorado, Madera, Solano, Siskiyou	1/6/95 - 3/14/95	1/13/1995	11		\$741,400,000
Severe Storm, Flood	Late Winter Storms	DR-1046	1995	All counties except Del Norte		1/10/1995	17		\$1,100,000,000
Fire	Southern California Firestorms	EM-3120	1996	Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego	10/1/1996			5	\$40,000,000
Flood	El Nino		1998	Alameda, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Fresno, Glenn Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Los Angeles, Marin, Mendocino, Merced, Monterey, Napa, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Ventura, Yolo, Yuba			17		\$550,000,000
Earthquake	Sierra Madre Earthquake	N/A	2003	Los Angeles	7/5/1991	Not declared	1	30	\$33,500,000
Fire	Southern California Wildfires	DR-1498	2003	Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, San Diego	10/24-26/03	10/27/2003			