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Socio-economic effects of forest fires: Antalya Serik Taşağıl region case

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Abstract: Forest fires are among the major problems for Mediterranean countries. The south and west of Turkey is at risk from forest fires. Especially large forest fires negatively affect forest villages. The aim of this paper is to determine the socio-economic impacts of the forest fire in Antalya Serik-Taşağıl Turkey in 2008. Within the scope of the study, survey studies were conducted to determine the perceptions of the villagers who suffered from fire and the size of the damage and forest fires. As a result, the damage to the forest villages of fire is great in economic and social terms. House, tools, equipment, animals etc. were damaged by fire in the region. From the social point of view, most children are affected by fire. After the fire there has been a migration from the region.

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