

## Fires kill two people in southern Bulgaria

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SOFIA, Bulgaria - At least two people were killed during the weekend when fires swept southern Bulgaria, destroying tens of houses and acres of forests, media said Monday. Regional authorities declared a state of emergency Sunday near the towns of Topolovgrad and Svilendgrad, close to the borders with Greece and Turkey, the Bulgarian news agency SNA reported. Mentally ill patients at a facility in the Radovets village and residents of the nearby town of Filipovo were evacuated. A number of people, including firefighters, suffered minor burns, SNA said.

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