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## INTRODUCTION

The Canadian Forest Fire Danger Rating System (CFFDRS) is the national system of rating fire danger used in Canada. The CFFDRS has been under development, by the Canadian Forestry Service (CFS), in its present form since 1968. This report is a bibliography containing 331 items (Table 1), including both published (nos. 1-198) and limited distribution (nos. 199-280) references, pertaining to the CFFDRS produced by CFS fire research staff and others during the period from 1969 to 1985; 1986 (nos. 281-300) and 1987 (nos. 301-331) supplements have also been included [the latter supplement includes two previously overlooked items]. Items are listed in alphabetical order by the author's last name; those written by the same person(s) are listed in chronological order. Although considerable care was taken to ensure completeness, there probably are omissions. Users of this bibliography are encouraged to bring these to the author's attention. Please note, however, that the final selection of references included in the "limited distribution" category remains a personal judgment on the part of the author. Certain types of material have been purposely omitted (e.g., agency training manuals, file reports, university course texts). To ensure that the bibliography is more than just a list, area and subject indexes, keyed numerically to the references, have been included (p. 30-33). A number under the index identifies the item which is contained in the alphabetical listing. A reference may appear more than once within the area index but would only be noted one time under the subject index.

Table 1. Number of references listed in the bibliography by year on the basis of the publication date.

Year	Published references	Limited distribution references
1969	4	6
1970	7	4
1971	11	10
1972	14	7
1973	13	5
1974	13	5
1975	16	2
1976	11	0
1977	16	2
1978	13	5
1979	9	5
1980	10	1
1981	2	4
1982	12	2
1983	20	8
1984	5	10
1985	22	7
1986	19	2
1987	25	4
Total	242	89

This report represents a compilation and classification of nearly all the available written information on the CFFDRS. Plans call for a 20-year (1969-1988) annotated bibliography of CFFDRS literature to be issued as a CFS Forestry Technical Report in 1989. The present bibliography should be considered as a progress report towards that end. Please note that a French version of the CFFDRS bibliography has also been prepared<sup>1</sup>.

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