



The News

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The heat wave is crossing France with 9 additional departments under orange alert from tomorrow. There will be 28 in total, from Gers to Doubs via Haute Garonne, Puy de Dôme and Savoie. Temperatures will continue to climb in the coming days, with 40 degrees expected on Sunday and up to 41 on Monday and Tuesday. These will be the two hottest days of this very late episode for the season.

The government has set up a heatwave info service information platform at the following number: 0800 06 66 66 - A toll-free number that provides advice on how to protect yourself from the heat and have the right reflexes, especially for the most vulnerable people.

Also in the news: He is the main suspect in the fire of a building which killed 3 people in Grasse on Sunday. A 47-year-old man was kept in pre-trial detention after his hearing before a judge this afternoon. He had admitted having caused the fire but involuntarily, evoking having thrown a badly extinguished cigarette in the entrance hall of the building. This version is however undermined by the last elements of the investigation. The scientific police found traces of fire accelerant at the scene of the tragedy.

They left this afternoon from Leuzay in the Deux-Sèvres for Paris. Several hundreds of people on bicycles or tractors, members of the water convoy denounce the mega basin projects. At the initiative of this mobilization are several organizations including the Soulèvements de la Terre. The court has suspended a few days ago the dissolution of the movement pronounced by the government after the incidents in Sainte Soline in March.

And to finish, a lot of people are on the roads this evening. Bison Futé classifies the day as red over a wide South-East quarter of the country in the direction of returns. Traffic is orange everywhere else. Tomorrow it will be worse, and the entirety of France will be red for returns.