

Flood for Thought

2020 RPM Virtual Seminar

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Flood Modeling

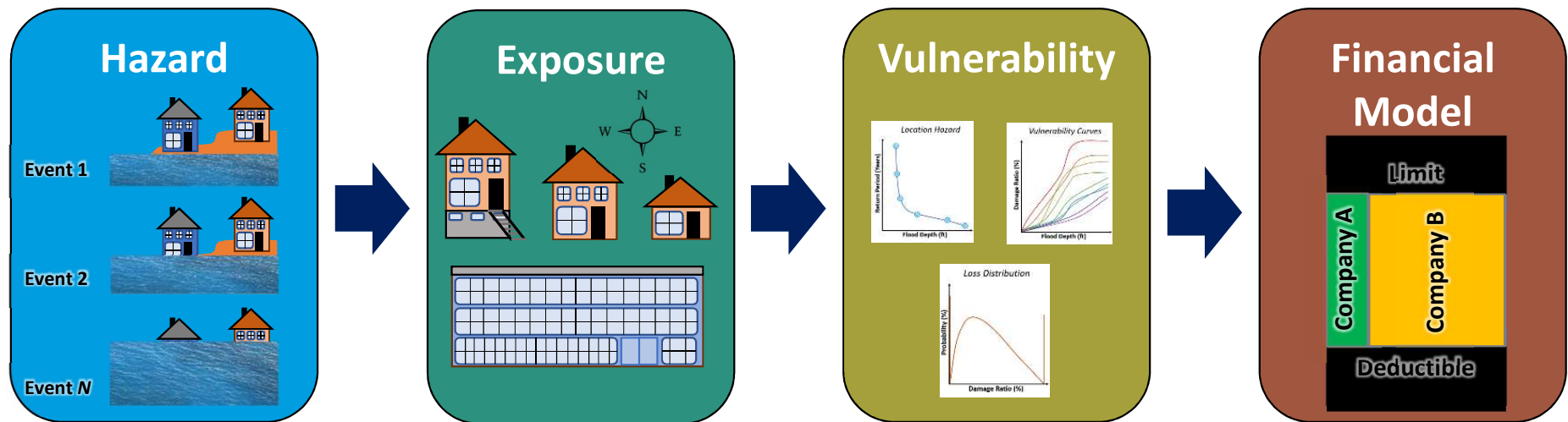
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Questions to Answer

1. How are flood catastrophe models composed and what is different about flood vs other hazard models?
2. How will climate change influence Flood Catastrophe Models

Flood Catastrophe Modelling



Flood Catastrophe Modelling

Hazard



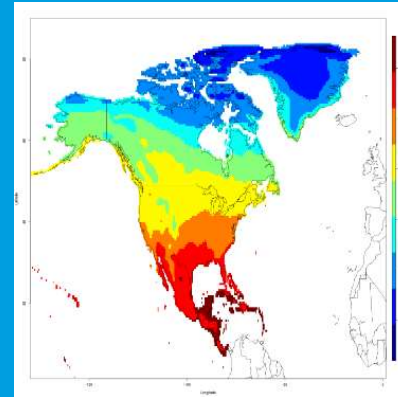
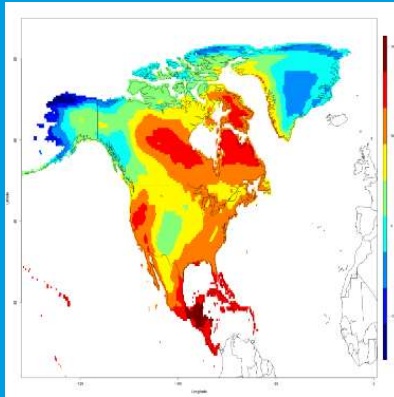
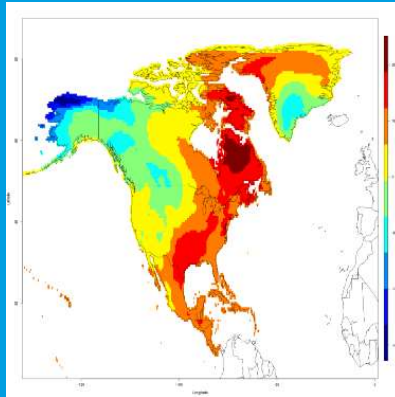
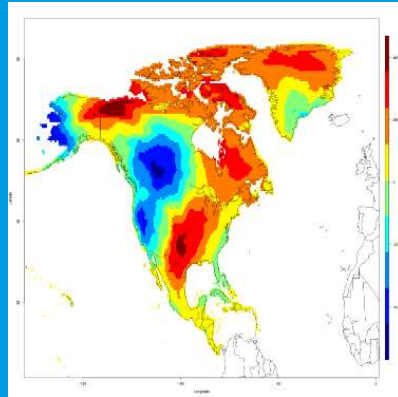
Create stochastic inputs, sub-daily temperature, precipitation, etc. for thousands of years

Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

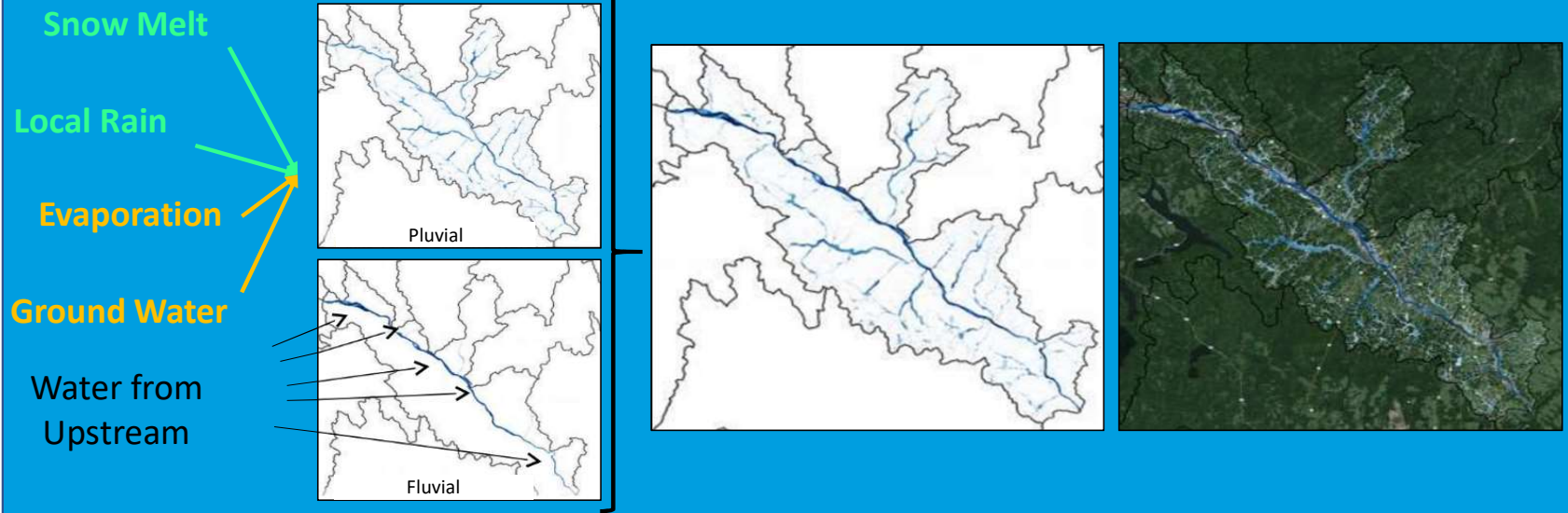
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Flood Catastrophe Modelling



Daily inputs drive hydraulic/Hydrologic models, resulting in thousands to millions of flood pluvial and fluvial events

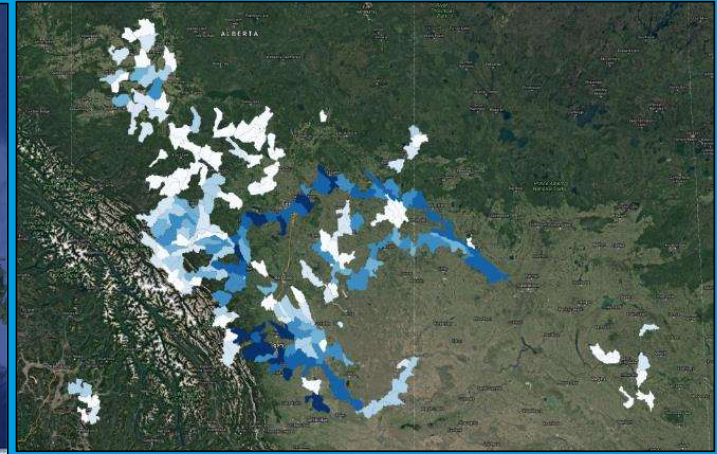
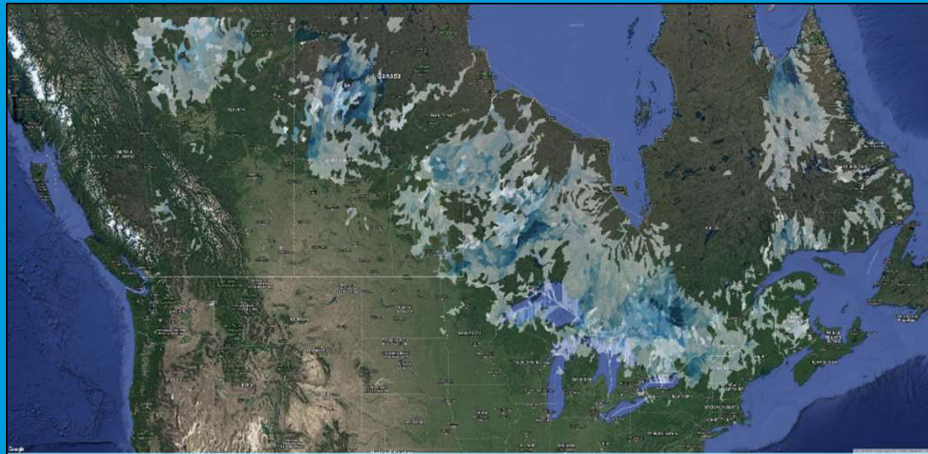


Flood Catastrophe Modelling

Hazard

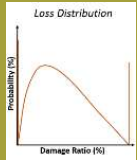
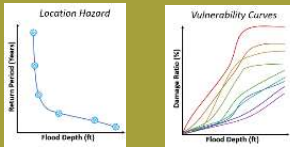


Generate Events from Simulations

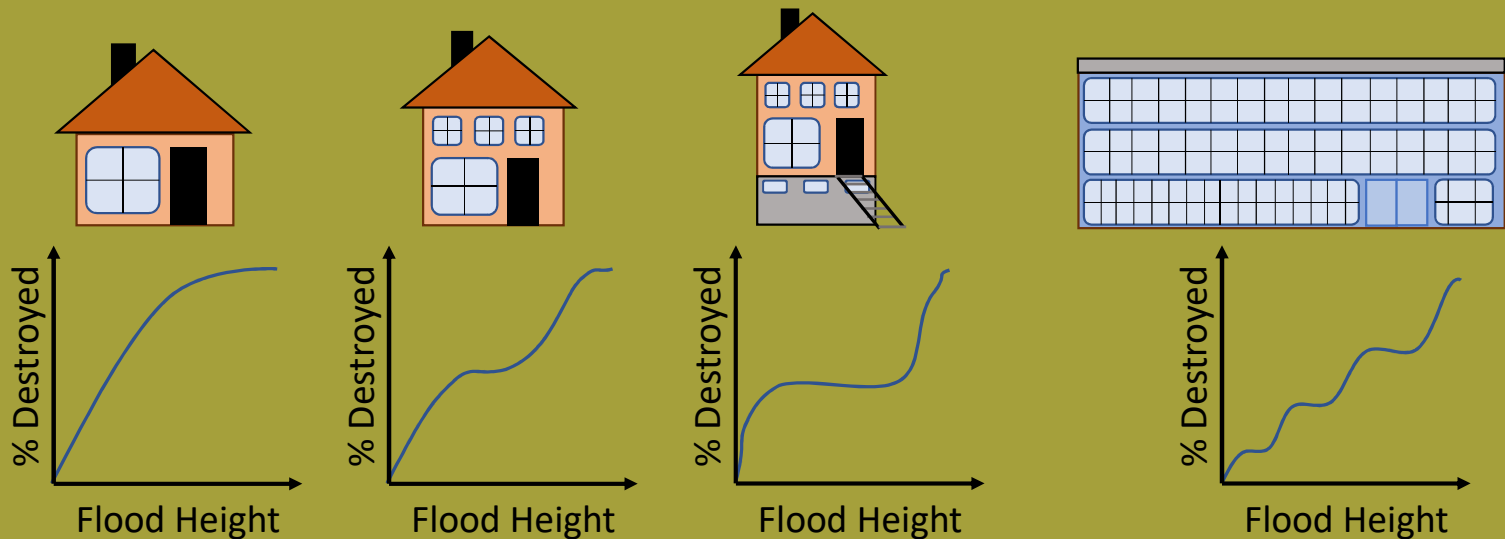


Flood Catastrophe Modelling

Vulnerability



Vulnerability tells us how damaged a structure will be given a hazard (ex/ 1 vs 2 feet of flood)



Flood Catastrophe Modelling

Financial Model



The financial model can be as straightforward or as complex as required

Single Location

- Limit
- Deductible

Single Location

- Limit
- Deductible
- Coverage Deductible
- Earthquake Deductible
- Windstorm Deductible

Portfolio with Reinsurance

- Limits
- Deductibles
- Coverage Deductibles
- Earthquake Deductibles
- Windstorm Deductibles
- Site Limits
- Site Deductibles
- Blanket Deductibles
- Quota Share Reinsurance Treaties
- Etc.

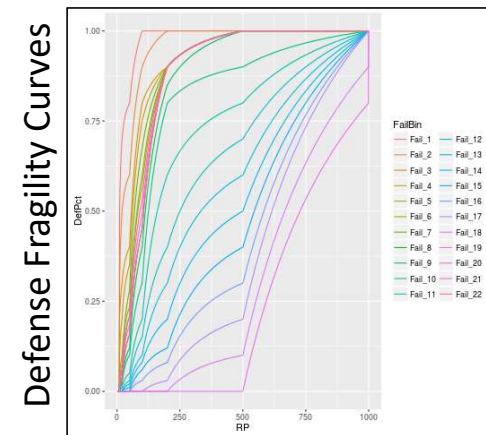
Flood Catastrophe Modelling

Loss Model (Defense, Vulnerability, Uncertainty)

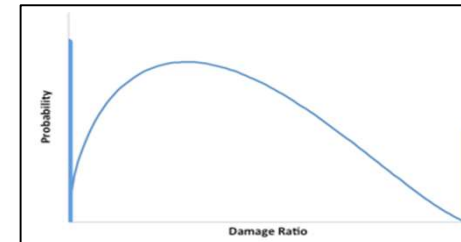
1. Determine Defense
2. Map Vulnerability Curves
3. Sample Vulnerability Loss Curve

KatRisk Vulnerability Modifiers

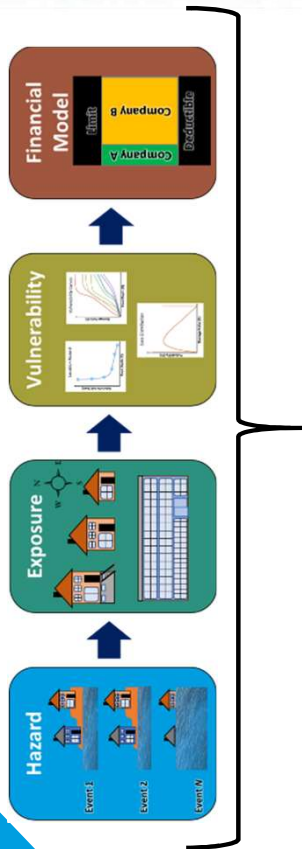
First Flood Elevation		Unit Start/End Floor		Basement Only	
Occupancy	Construction	Number of Stories	Basement	Mobile Home Tie Down	Finished Basement
Residential	Wood	1	Yes	Yes	Yes
Commercial	Masonry	2	No	No	No
Industrial	Concrete	3	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Auto	Steel	>3			
Unknown	Light Metal	Unknown			
	Mobile Home				
	Unknown				



4-Parameter Beta Distribution



Flood Catastrophe Modelling



Event Loss Table (ELT)

Event ID	Loss
1574425	51,235
1574625	65,412
1000215	51,581
988878	0
...	
TOTAL	\$10B

Loss Statistics

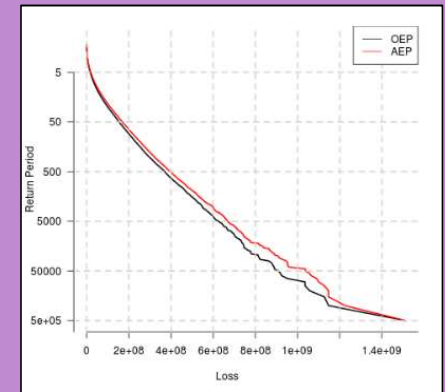
Average Annual Loss (AAL)
[aka Pure Premium]

Assuming 10k years of events:

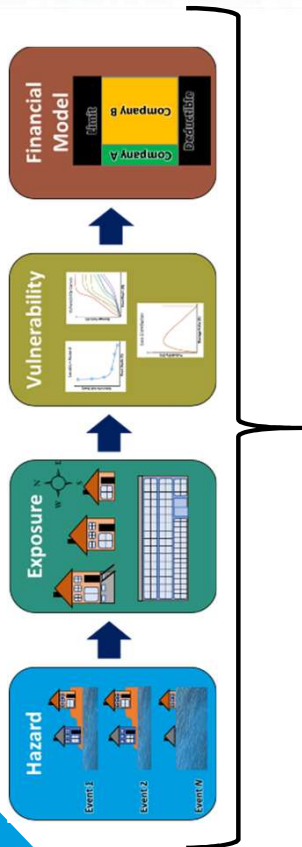
$$AAL = \frac{\$10B}{10k}$$

\$10,000

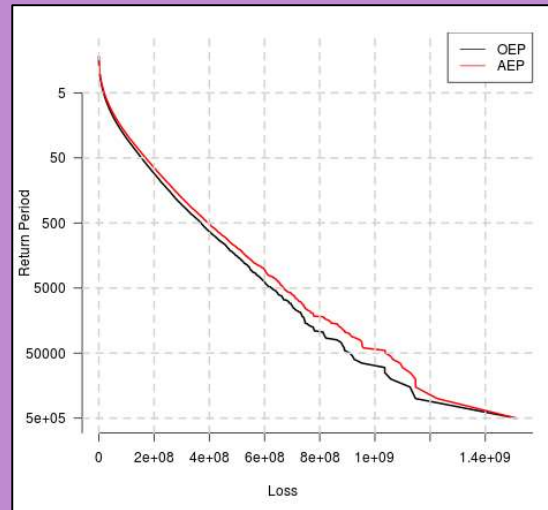
Exceedance Probability Curve (EP)



Flood Catastrophe Modelling



Loss Statistics - OEP vs AEP



OEP

Occurrence Exceedance Probability

- If you have, say 500k years of events:
 - Take the event with the highest loss every year and order the losses

AEP

Aggregate Exceedance Probability

- If you have, say 500k years of events:
 - Sum all the events for each year and order the losses

Flood vs. Other Hazards?

Resolution

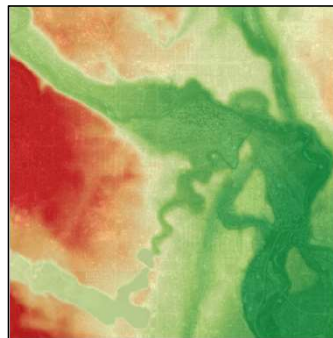
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- Run Time
- Geospatial Accuracy

Data Availability

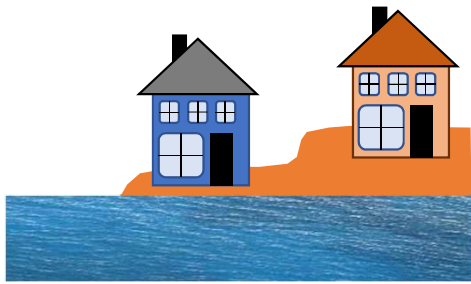
- High Resolution Input Data
- Historic Loss Data

Demand

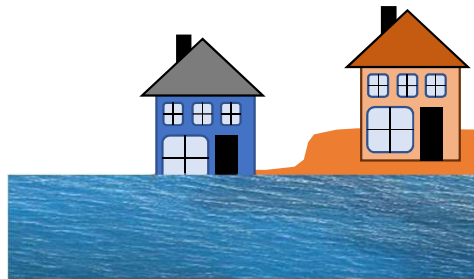
- NFIP



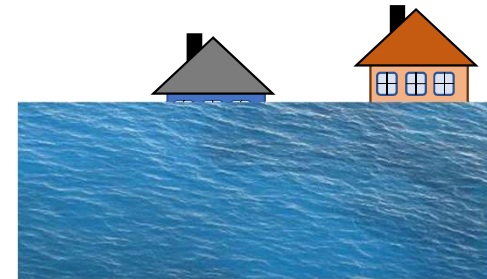
Climate Uncertainty (Storm Surge)



- X cm Current Day Mean Sea Level



Current Day Mean Sea Level



+ X cm Current Day Mean Sea Level

Change Global Sea Level

Increases/Decreases loss due to TC Storm Surge

Change Local Sea Level

Raster Lookup, mean sea level change can be different by location

Society of Actuaries Study by



<https://www.soa.org/resources/research-reports/2020/soa-flood-report/>

Figure 6: Storm Surge Losses by MSA and Sea Level Rise Scenario

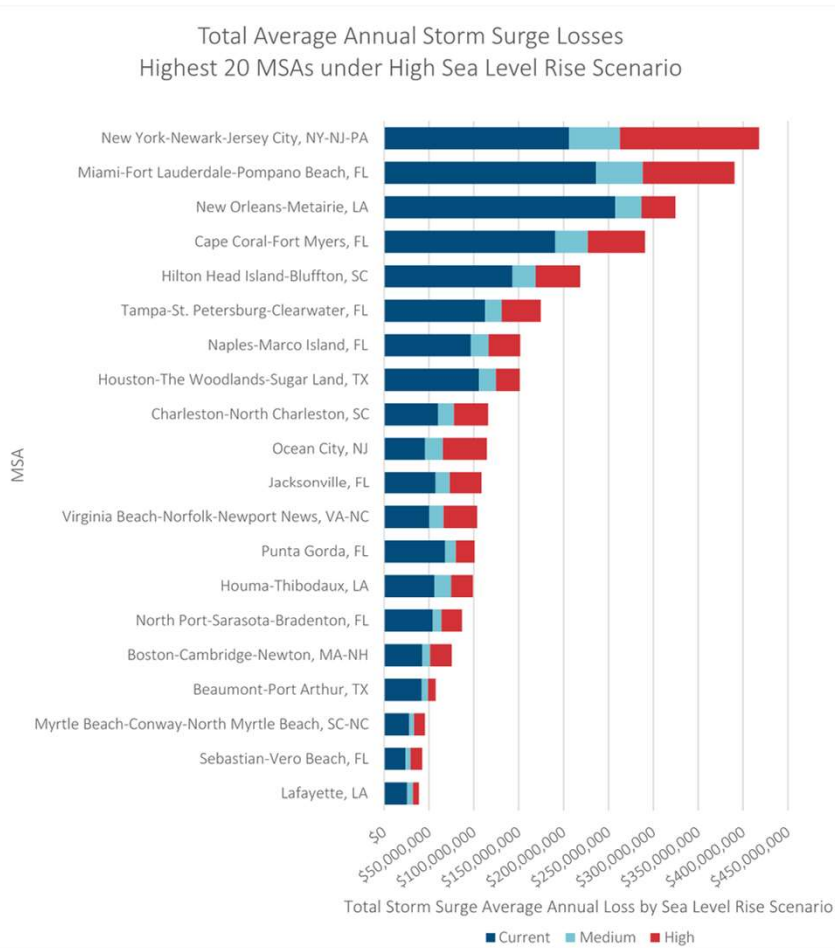
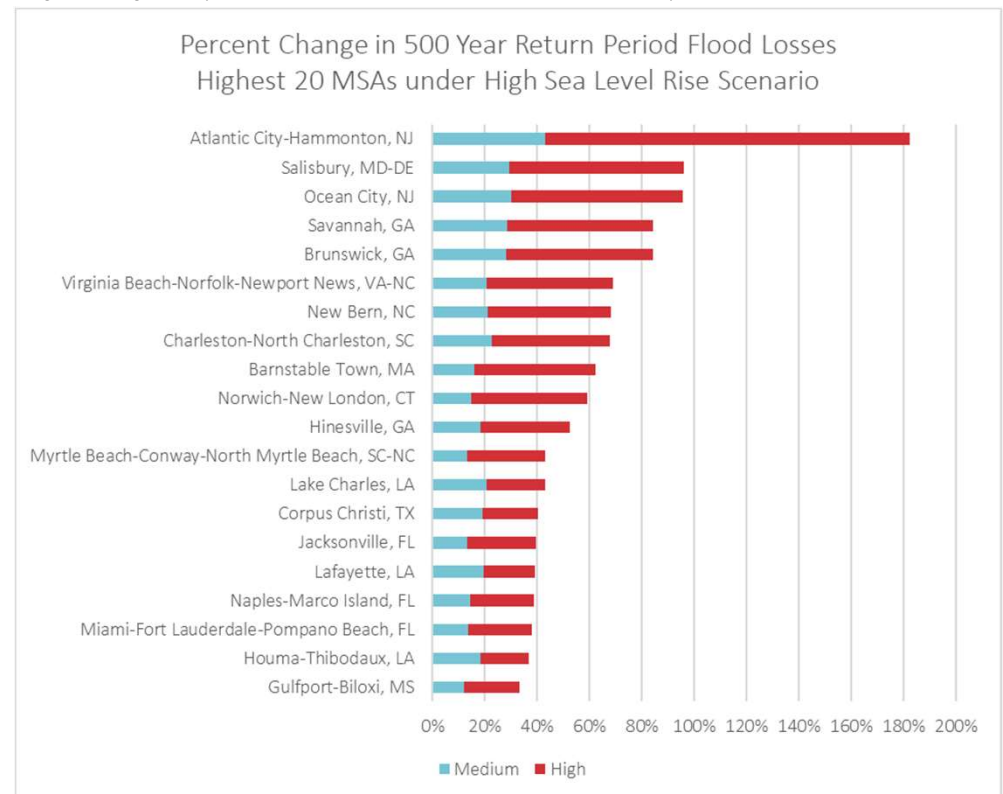


Figure 8: Change in 500-year Return Period Flood Losses for Sea Level Rise Scenarios Compared to Current Sea Levels



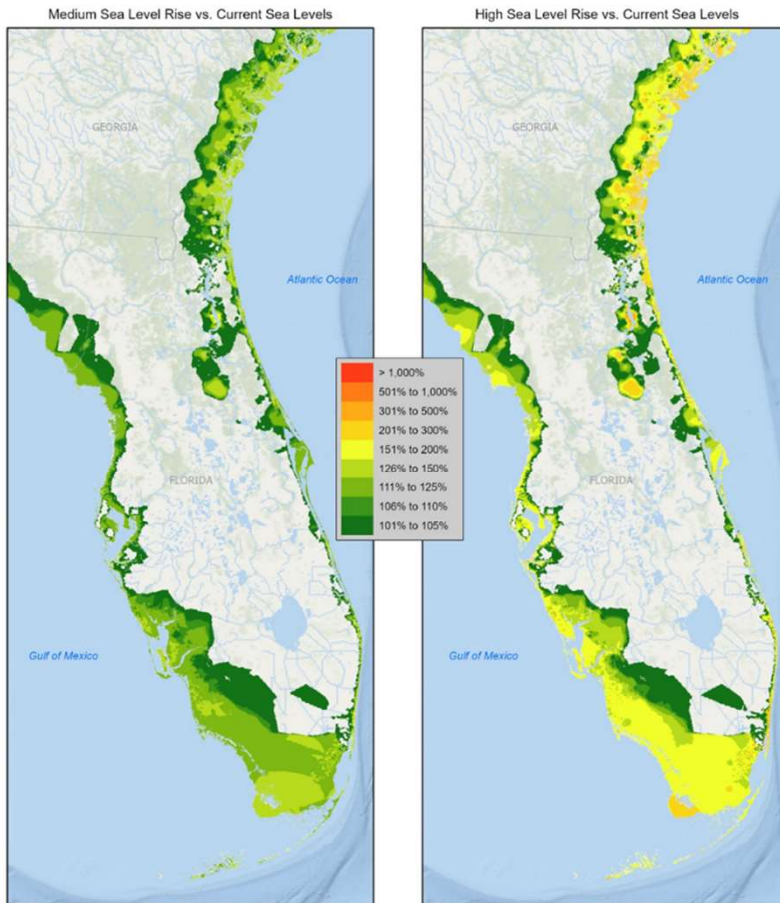
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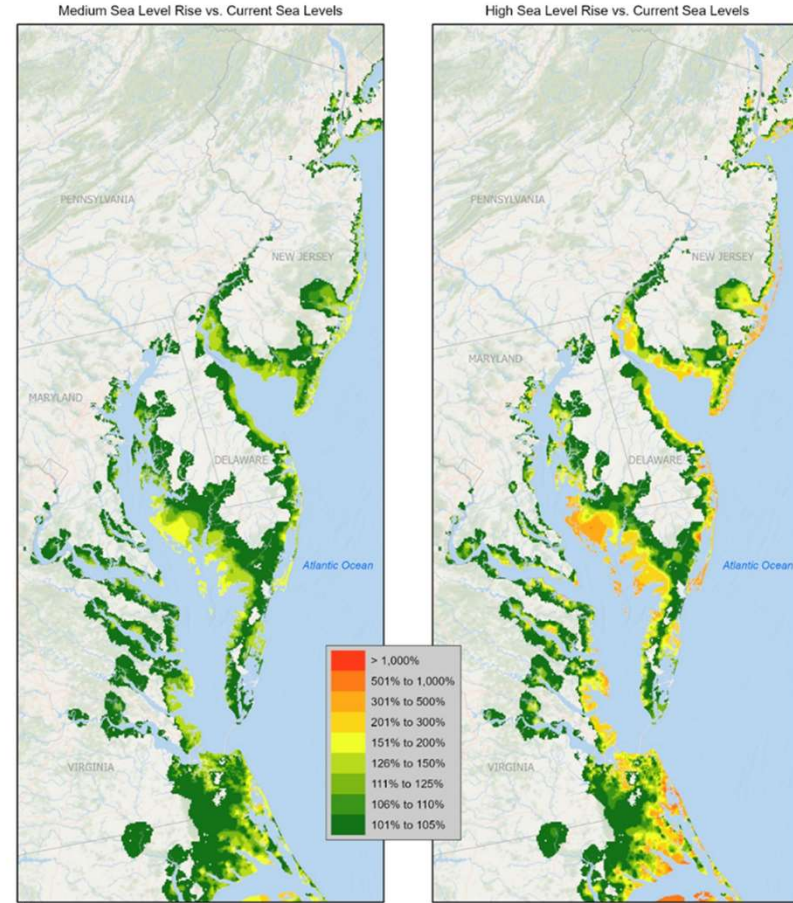
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Map 2: Expected Flood Losses; Sea Level Rise Scenarios to Current Sea Level - Florida to Georgia

Map 4: Expected Flood Losses; Sea Level Rise Scenarios to Current Sea Level - Mid-Atlantic



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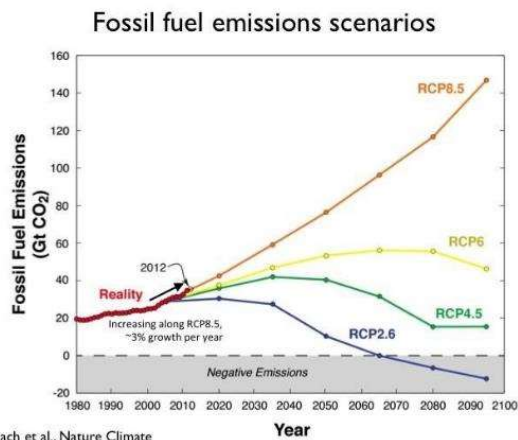


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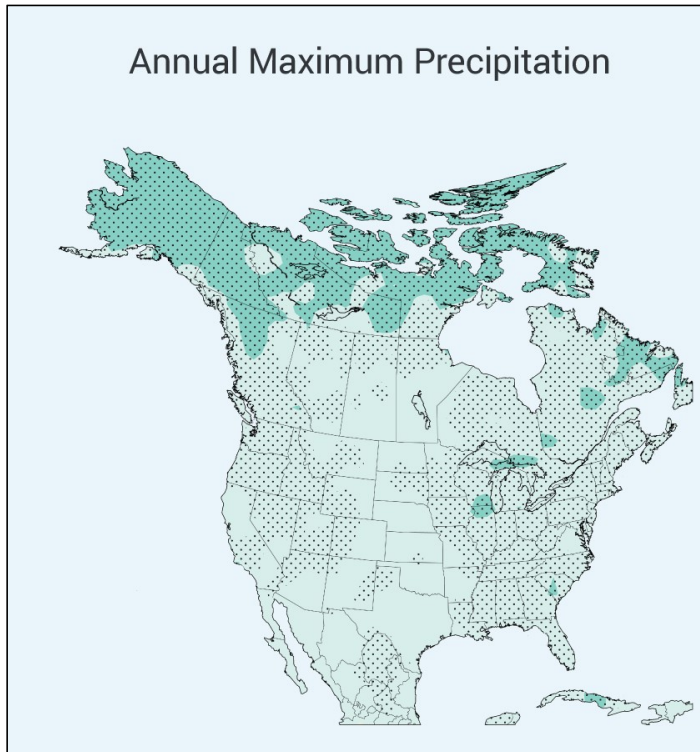
RCP 2.6 Scenario - 2050

RCP 8.5 Scenario - 2050

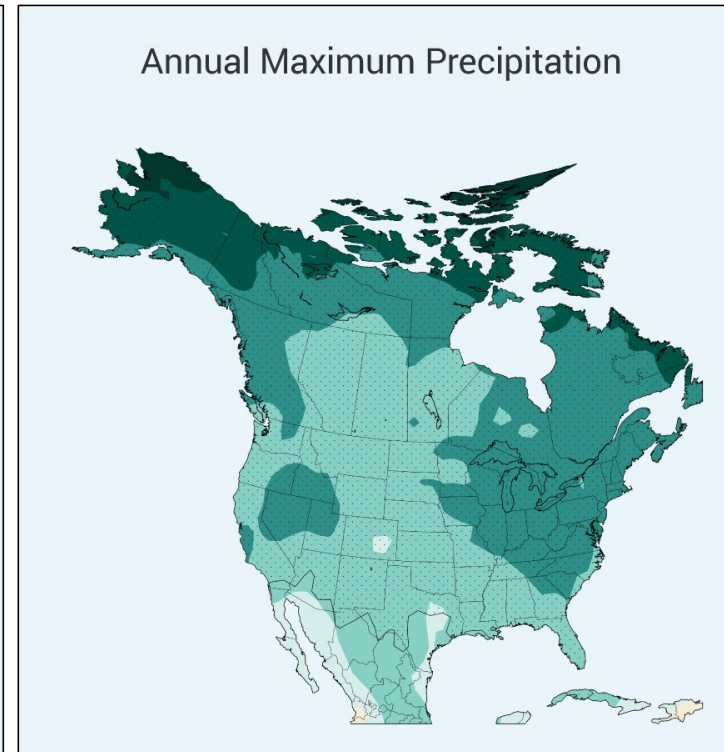


Raupach et al., Nature Climate Change - Steve Davis, UC Irvine

Annual Maximum Precipitation



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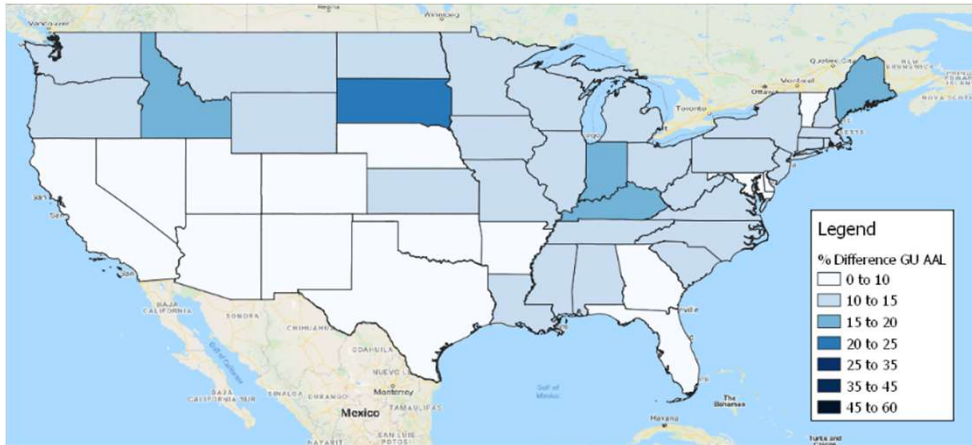


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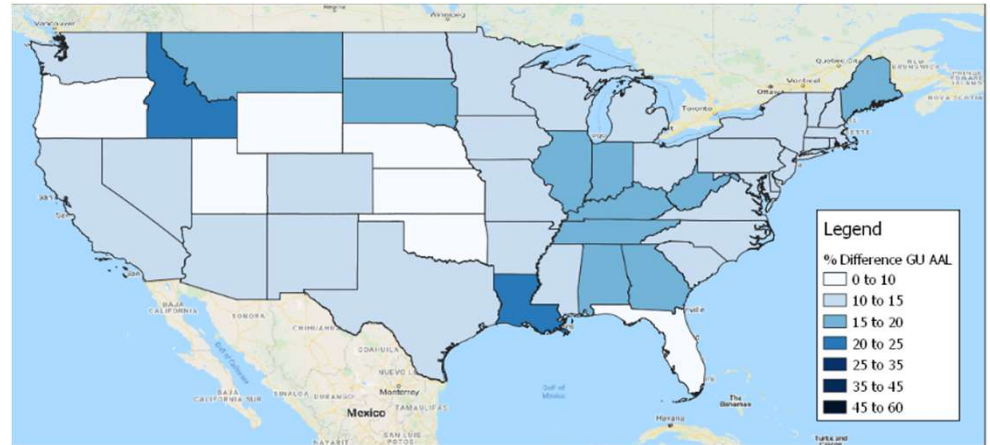
Confidential - 17

Climate Uncertainty (Inland Flood)

RCP 4.5 Scenario - 2050

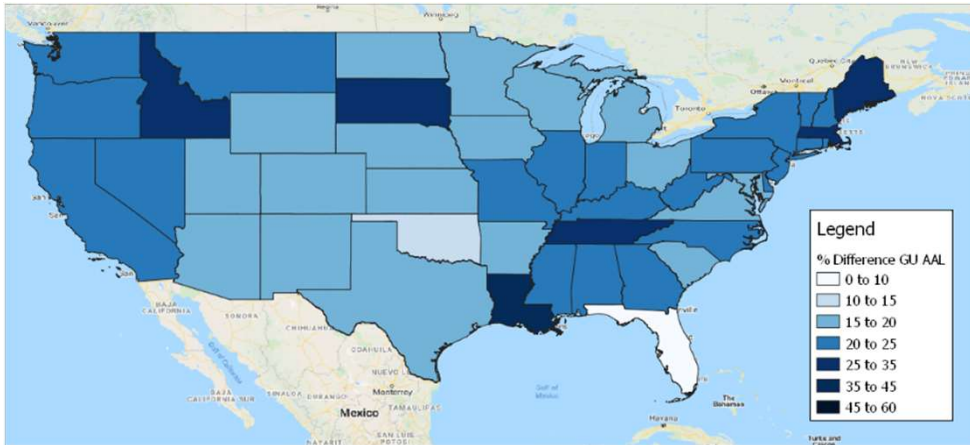


RCP 8.5 Scenario - 2050

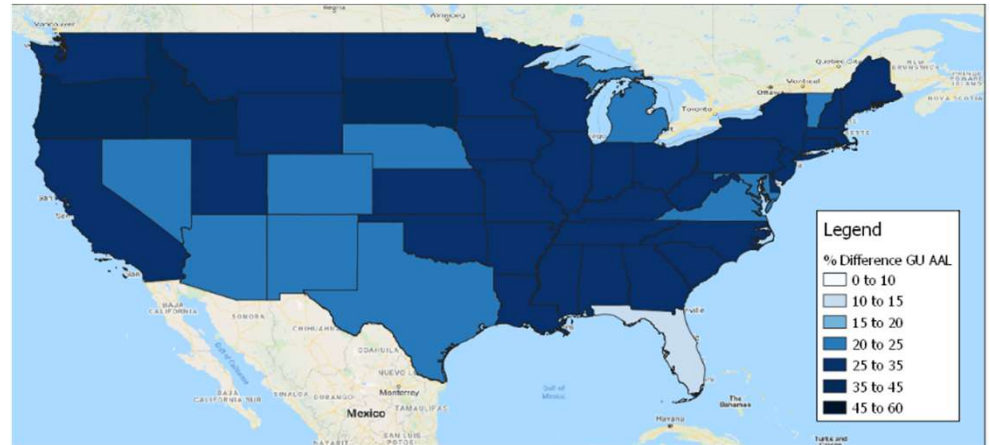


Climate Uncertainty (Inland Flood)

RCP 4.5 Scenario - 2100

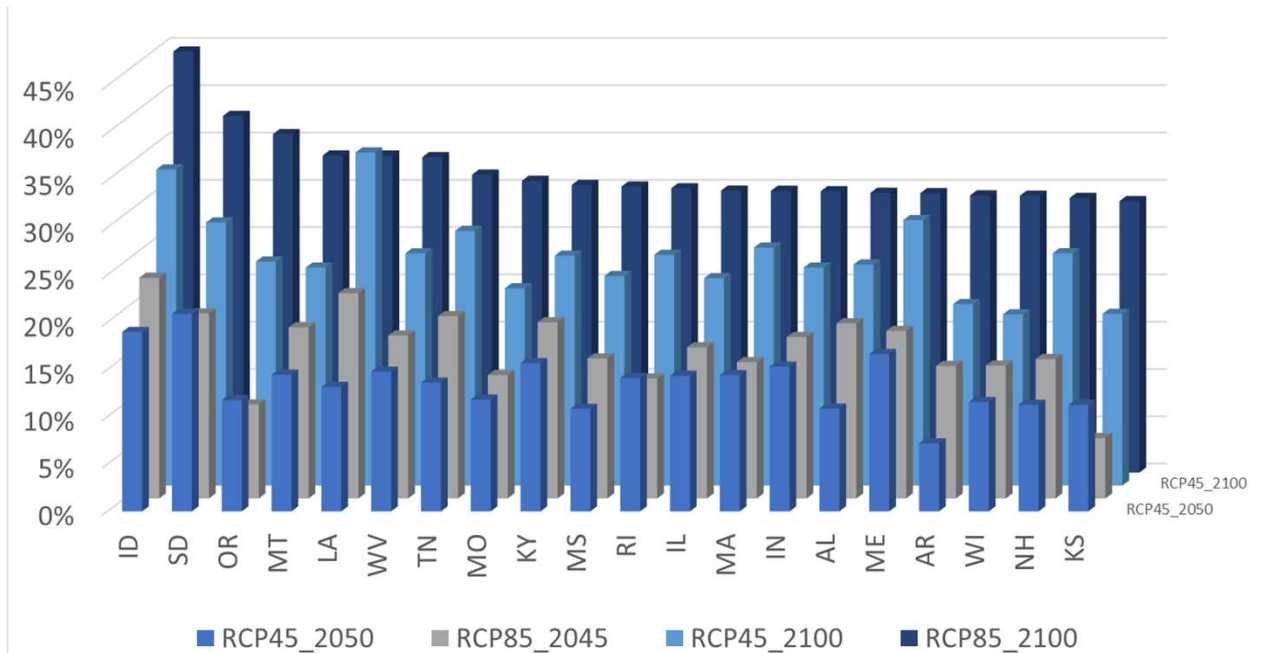


RCP 8.5 Scenario - 2100



Climate Uncertainty (Inland Flood)

Percent Change in Ground Up Average Annual Loss By State (Top 20 by % Change)



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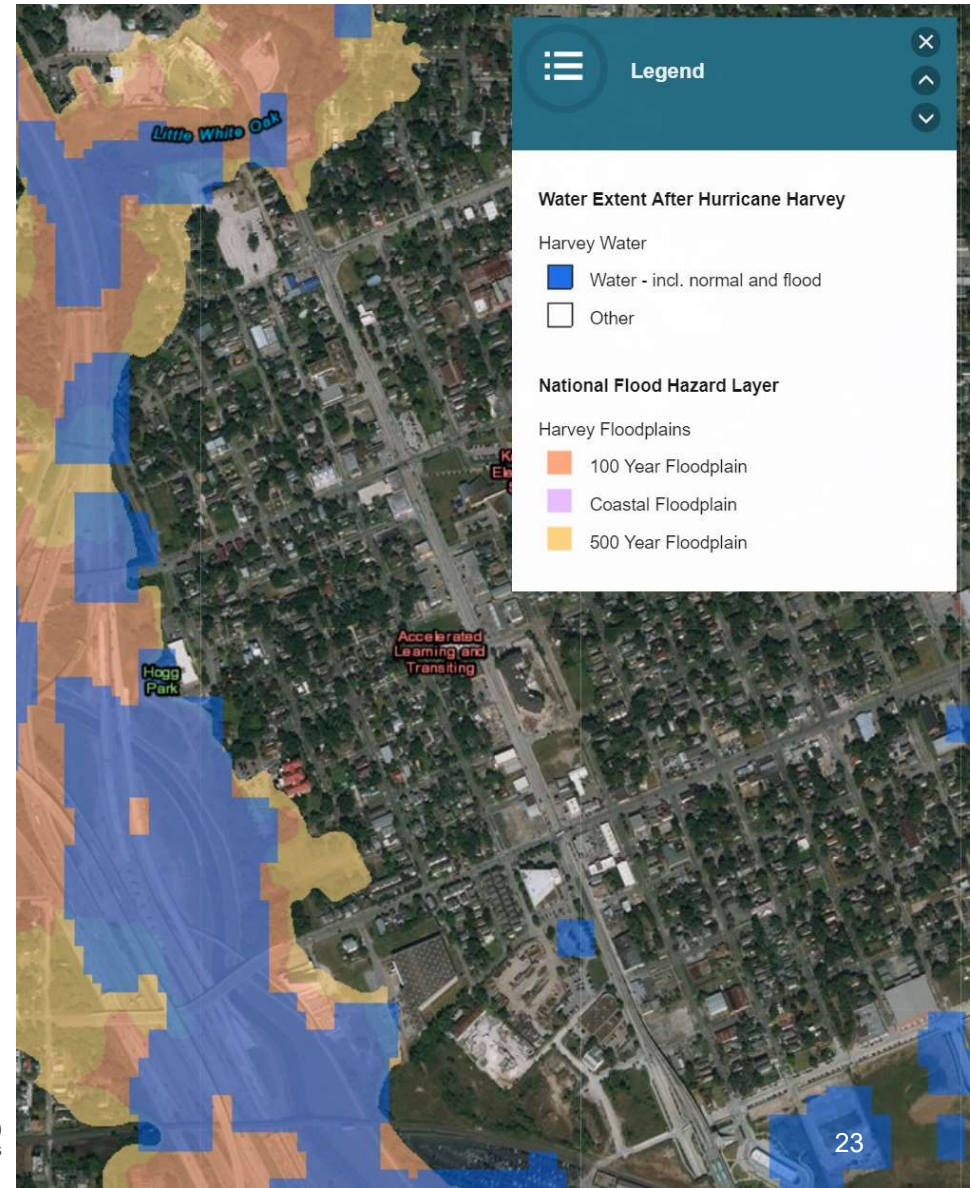
Current state and trends of the Private Flood Market

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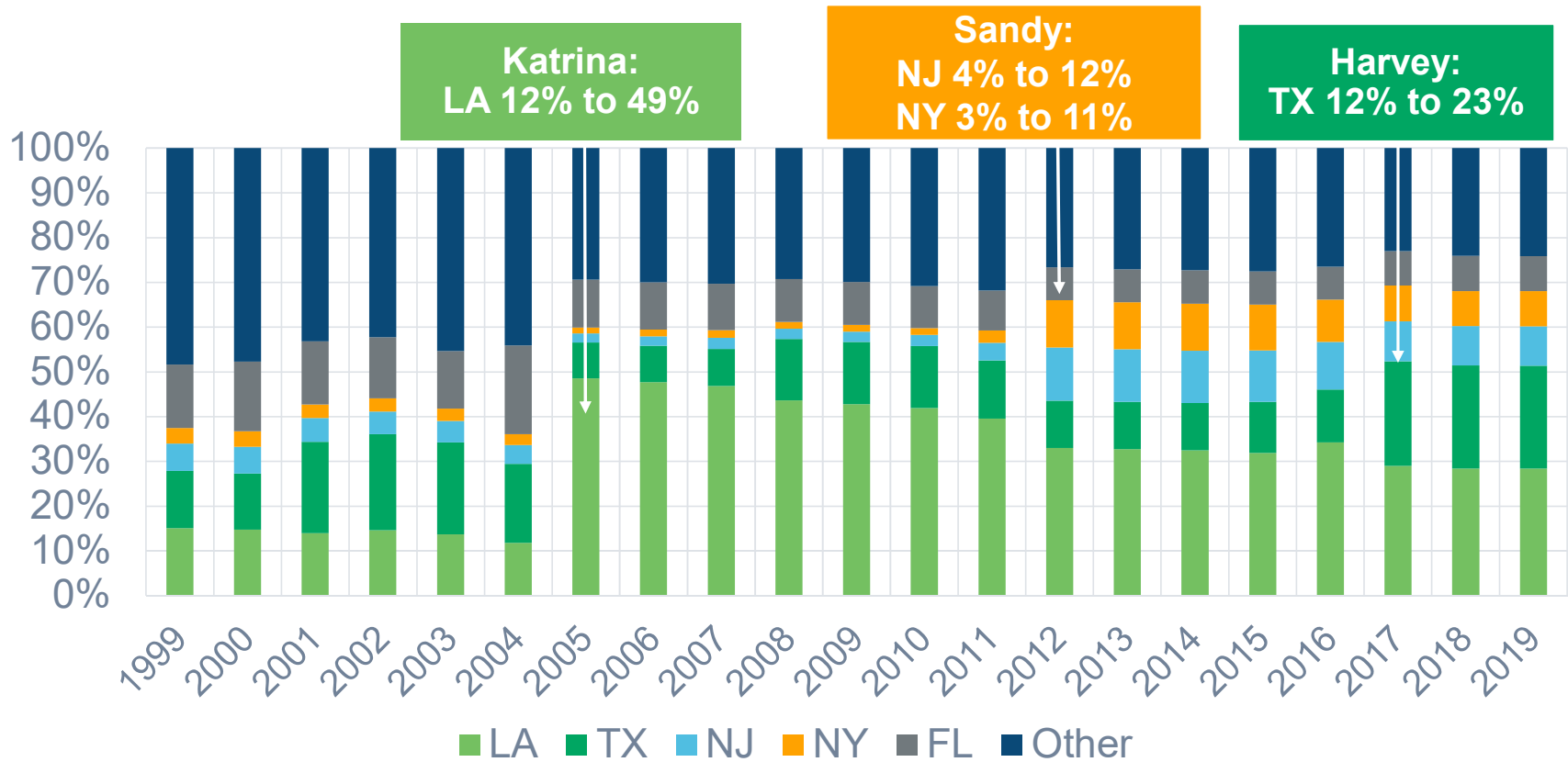
Traditional obstacles for private flood insurers

- Flood risk varies significantly over a short distance
- Lack of data and experience
- Catastrophic potential and interaction with wind
- High potential for a small number of risks to drive losses
- Fragmented state regulatory market

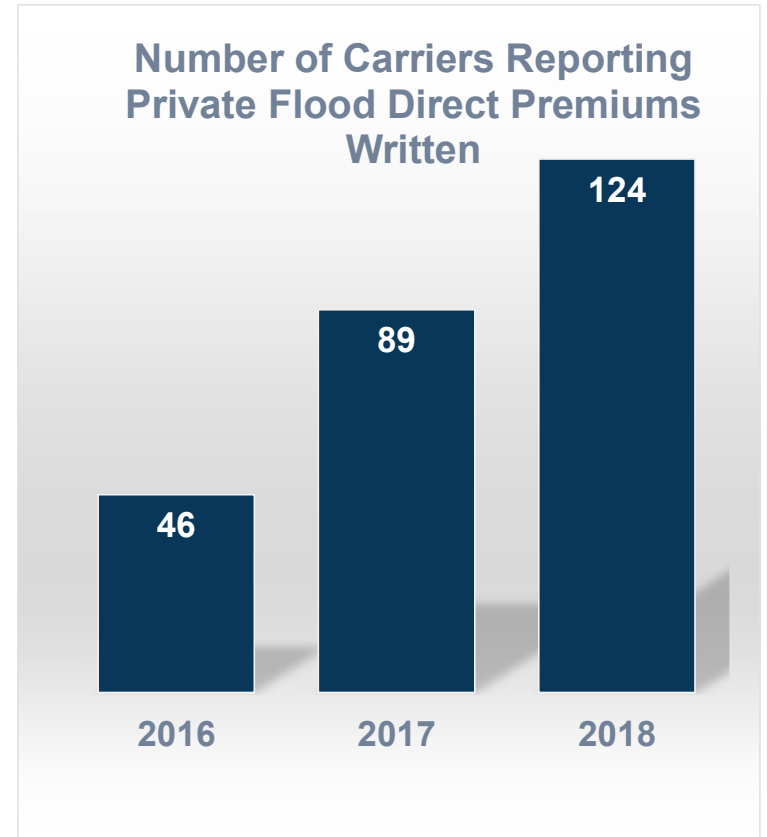
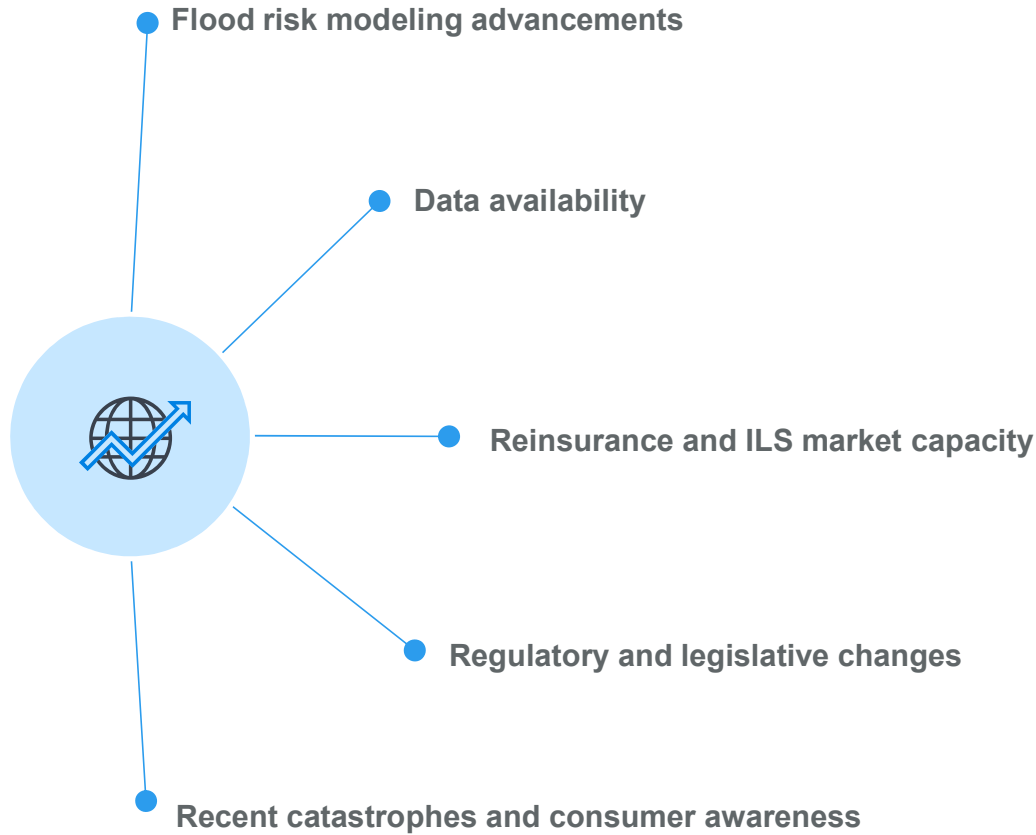


Historical data is too volatile for flood ratemaking

Percentage by state of cumulative NFIP paid loss since 1980



Why are insurance companies starting to insure flood?



Source: Carrier Management

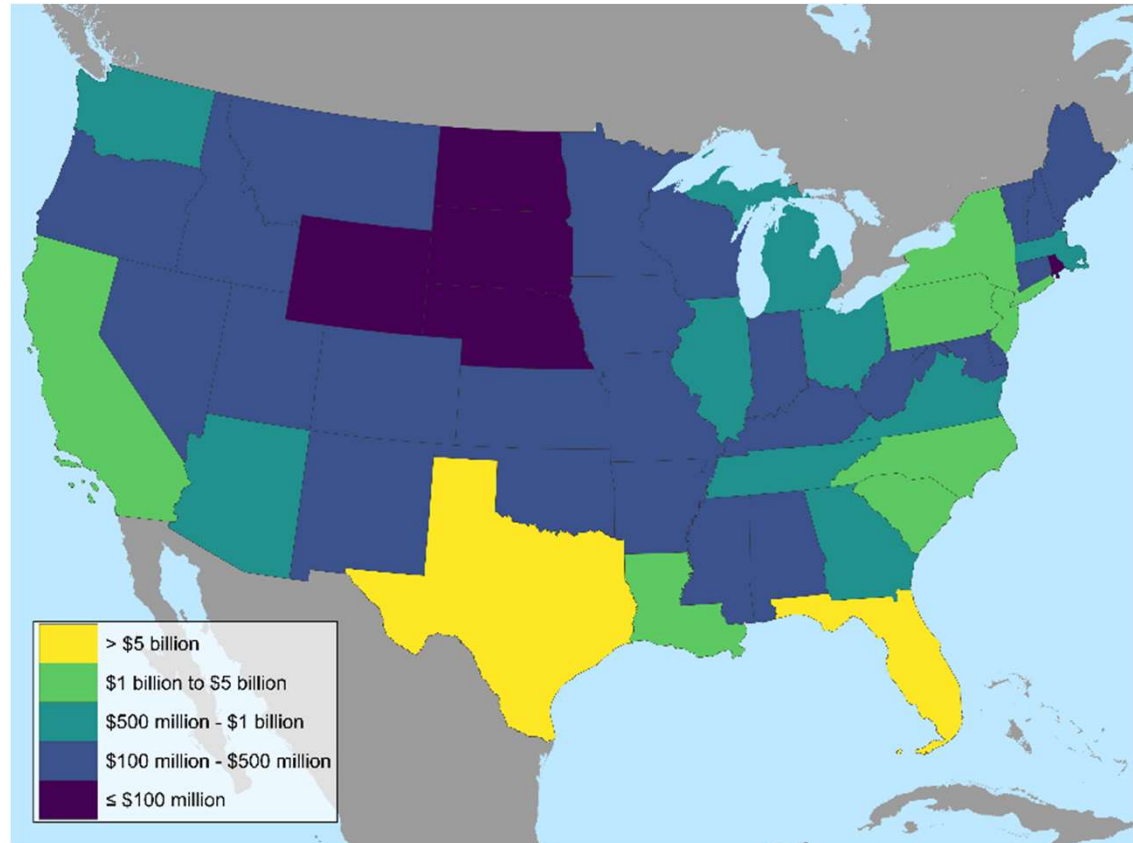
Flood insurance by the numbers

Statistics on the U.S. residential flood market

- 2019 Homeowners Direct Written Premium (DWP) was \$103B
- **Milliman estimate: the potential U.S. residential flood insurance market is _____ of DWP**
 - A) \$37M to \$47M
 - B) \$370M to \$470M
 - C) \$3.7B to \$4.7B
 - D) \$37B to \$47B

Potential market is magnitudes larger than the current

- Milliman estimate: the potential U.S. residential flood insurance market is **D) \$37B to \$47B** of DWP.
- Estimate includes insured losses, expenses and profit. Expenses includes costs of reinsurance.
- Estimate does not include minimum premium
- Policy terms assumed similar to homeowners
- Estimate assumes flood insurance purchased at a rate similar to residential property insurance today



Flood insurance by the numbers

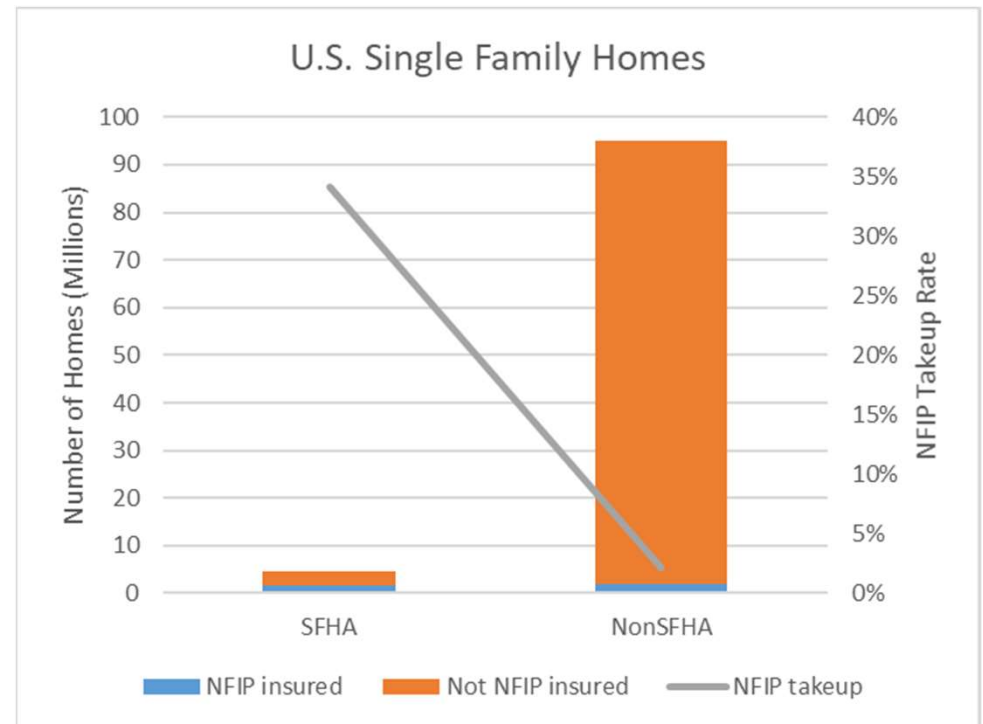
Statistics on the U.S. residential flood market

- **2018 NFIP and Private Flood reported Earned Premium for personal and commercial lines combined was:**
 - A) \$4B
 - B) \$14B
 - C) \$24B
 - D) \$40B

Flood insurance by the numbers

Statistics on the U.S. residential flood market

- **2018 NFIP and Private Flood reported Earned Premium for personal and commercial lines combined was A) \$4B**
- 2018 NFIP Earned Premium was \$3.3B, with about \$700M reported for Private Flood line
- Additional flood market estimates:
 - Only 5% of U.S. single-family homes had a flood insurance policy in 2018
 - From SOA study: 87% of single-family flood losses are uninsured



Take-up rate challenges

Protection gap between current and potential market driven by low take-up rates

National take-up rates (those with flood coverage)

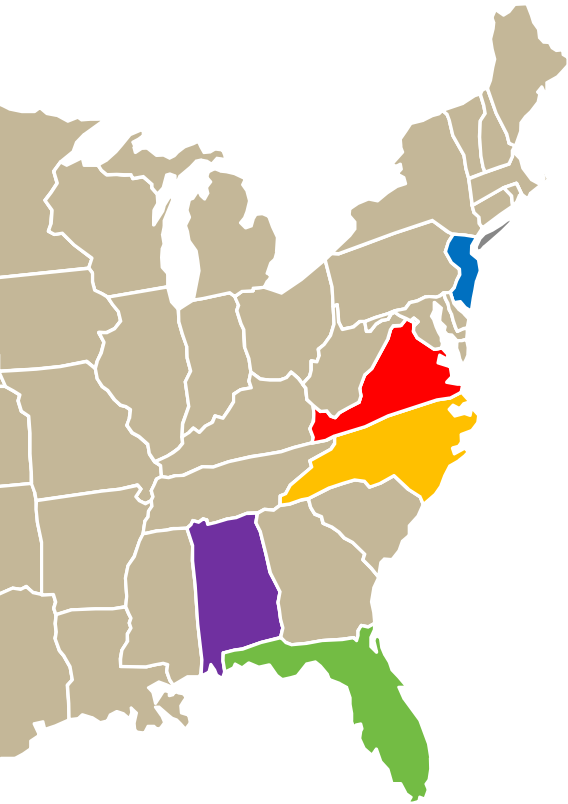
Possible explanations

- Approximately one-third of single-family homes in Special Flood Hazard Area have an NFIP policy.
- This is only about 2% outside the SFHA
- Flood coverage is perceived to be too expensive
- Many people believe that if flood insurance is not required as a condition of a mortgage, they are not at risk of a flood
- Some believe flood coverage is only available for properties in flood zones
- Others believe flood coverage is a standard inclusion in their homeowners policy
- This is supported by a disconnect in consumer surveys vs. take-up data

Sources: Milliman estimates, NAIC CIPR Study on Flood Risk and Insurance, April 2017

States taking action to encourage private flood

States are encouraging companies to close the protection gap



New Jersey

Recognized need for robust private flood market post-Sandy

Action: Deregulated rates, rules, and forms by putting flood on export list

Virginia

Regulations required all models or final rates to be filed

Action: Issued administrative order in 2019 suspending rate and support filing requirements through 2025

North Carolina

Rates and forms must be promulgated by rating bureau

Action: NCRB developed state of the art flood program; approved by DOI in February 2020

Florida

Property rate regulations were too burdensome for flood, and flood model standards were not yet established

Action: Passed SB 542 allowing freedom in flood rating and use of cat models subject to informational filings, future model review

Alabama

State is exposed to significant flood risk, but consumers have limited choices to purchase flood insurance outside NFIP

Action: Commissioned survey of insurers, reinsurers, MGAs, other stakeholders to identify actions the state could take to encourage private flood market

Thank you!



FEMA

National Flood Insurance Program

Casualty Actuarial Society

RPM Conference

July 27, 2020

NFIP History



National Flood Insurance Act of 1968

- Unavailability of private flood insurance. Viewed as an uninsurable risk.
- Provide more complete and dependable coverage than relying solely on federal disaster assistance.

Property owner must be in a participating community that has adopted floodplain management regulations and a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) that indicates relative riskiness of different areas by zone: AE, V, X, etc.

Main NFIP Products



Flood Insurance Policies, including Standard Risk and Preferred Risk Policies (PRP).

<https://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program>

Flood Plain Management, Minimum Building Standards.

<https://www.fema.gov/floodplain-management>

Flood Risk Identification

Flood Map Service Center

<https://msc.fema.gov/>

NFIP Relationship with Industry



Write Your Own (WYO) Program

- Great majority of NFIP policies are sold and handled (including claims) by industry partners. NFIP ultimate risk bearer.

Private Flood Insurers

- Private insurers gradually gaining an appetite for flood insurance.
- Driven by catastrophe modeling and sophisticated analytical methods.

NFIP buys private reinsurance and places Insurance Linked Securities (ILS) in the capital markets. (Fairly recent development)

NFIP Relationship with Industry (cont'd)



FEMA encourages greater private market participation. Our hope is to close the flood insurance “gap”---too few Americans are protected by flood insurance. Only about 20% of homes flooded in Hurricane Harvey had flood insurance.

OpenFEMA: FEMA publishes policy and claims data for anyone to use. See <https://www.fema.gov/openfema>. Data is not available at precise location level in order to protect privacy, but is available at census tract, county, zip code, and latitude/longitude to 1 decimal place levels.

Risk Rating 2.0 aims to deliver several key benefits:



Provide rates that are easier to understand for agents and policyholders.



Simplify and standardize the quoting process across the country.



Create a more individualized picture of a property's risk.

Communicating Local Flood Risk

Mexico Beach Flood Maps and Hurricane Michael Damage



BEFORE

AFTER



NFIP Transformation (cont'd)



Risk Rating 2.0 premiums will more accurately reflect flood risk by considering a broader range of variables.

Current Rating Methodology

FEMA-sourced data

Rating Variables

- Flood Insurance Rate Map Zone
- Base Flood Elevation
- Foundation Type
- Structural Elevation (Special Flood Hazard Area Only)

1% Annual Chance of Flooding
(Frequency)

Fees and Surcharges

Risk Rating 2.0 Methodology

(Additional Variables Not Shown)

FEMA-sourced data

Additional data sources: Federal government-sourced data, commercially available third-party

Cost to Rebuild

Rating Variables

- Distance to Coast/Ocean/River
- Drainage Area
- Flood type - Fluvial/Pluvial
- Ground Elevation
- First Floor Height
- Construction Type/Foundation Type

Broader Range of Flood Frequencies

Fees and Surcharges

Recommended Take-Aways for Actuaries



- Try to Retain Skills from your Advanced Ratemaking Exam.
- Learn about GLM's, from exams, self-teaching, or other sources.
- Get yourself up-to-date in statistical learning methods, through the CAS or through outside learning.
- Familiarize yourself with the assumptions and the outputs of modern catastrophe models.
- If you work in Property Insurance (esp. Property CAT), learn about GIS mapping.



Building a Complete Flood Insurance Program

Underwriting and Risk Management

March 24, 2020 | Howard A. Kunst, FCAS MAAA CCRMP

Agenda

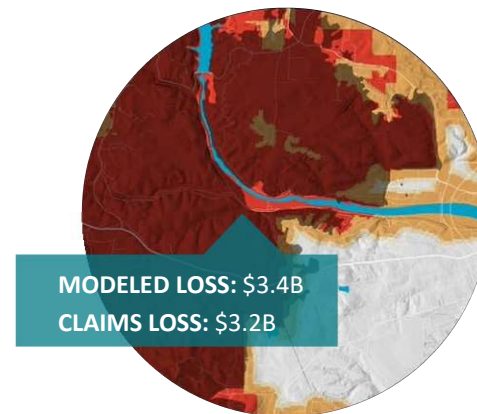
- Different types of natural catastrophe models
- How models may be used to assist with underwriting and risk selection
- Using the models to understand portfolio risk management

Types of Natural Catastrophe Models



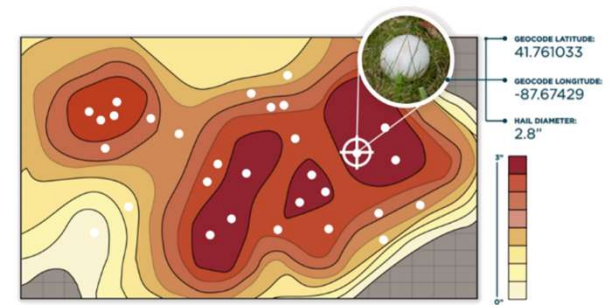
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What could happen?



PROBABILISTIC

What if it happened?



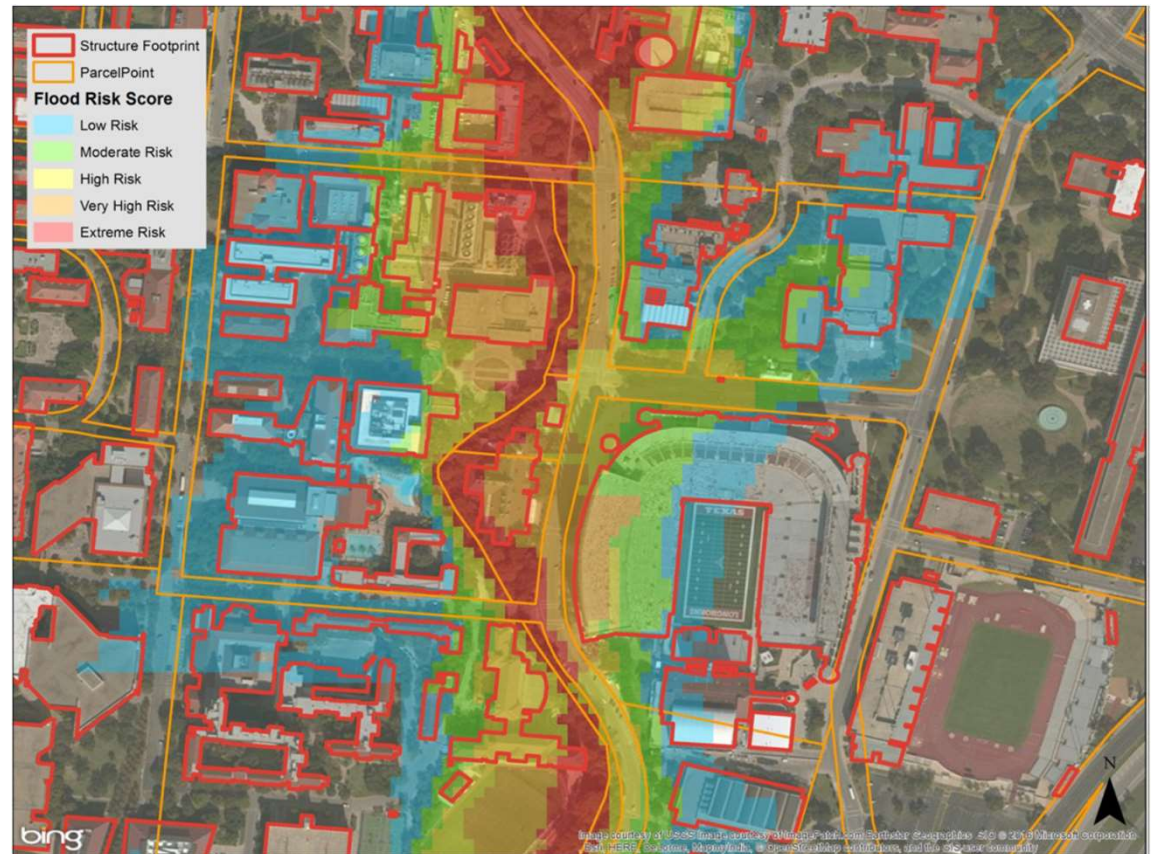
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What did happen?

Underwriting Considerations

Using Deterministic Models in Underwriting

- Risk selection is important to consider along with proper rates (based on exposure to risk)
 - Hazard risk scores provide a good representation of relative risk



Underwriting Considerations

Using Deterministic Models in Underwriting

- Use to set thresholds/underwriting rules
- Scores can be easily implemented/imported into U/W work stream, particularly for homogenous lines of business
- Understand nuances in the rating structure
- Inability to charge actuarially sound rates due to regulation

Underwriting Considerations

Using Probabilistic Models in Underwriting

- More complicated risks (e.g. larger, commercial structures) may require more information
- EP curve considerations (impacts of tail events)
- Aggregation of risk
- Impact on reinsurance / capital management
 - Correlations to current book

Risk Management Considerations

Using Natural Catastrophe Models

- Deterministic Risk Scores provide a method to look at the distribution of risk across various geographies
 - Compare risk exposure distribution for a company vs industry total exposures
- Probabilistic model results have many uses in managing exposures to catastrophe losses
 - AAL's and PML's provide necessary information for senior management to make a number of financial decisions
 - Aggregations / Reinsurance
 - Scenario testing
 - Capital allocation (AAL's, PML's, Tvar)



Thank you

