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Race and Insurance Pricing: Industry Developments & CAS Research

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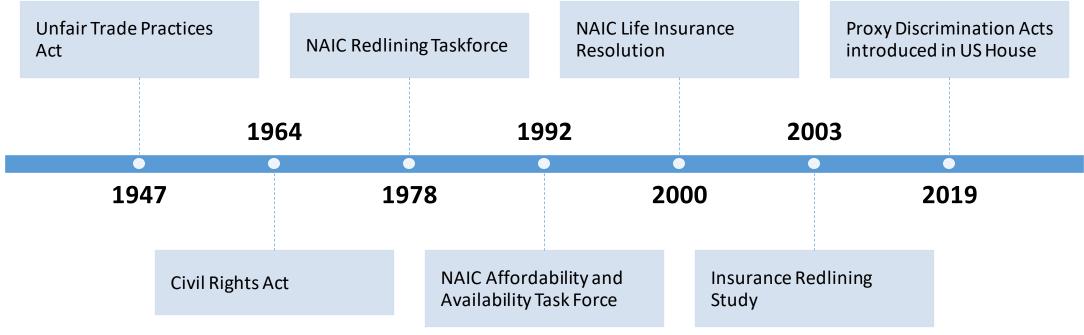
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CAS Approach to Race and Insurance Pricing

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Race – A Recurring Focus

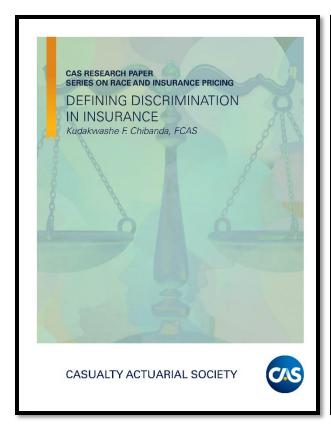


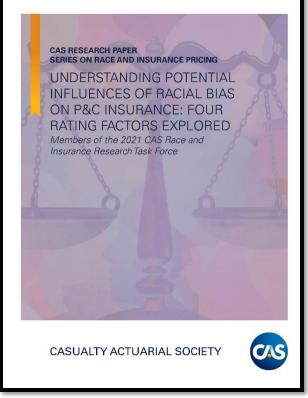


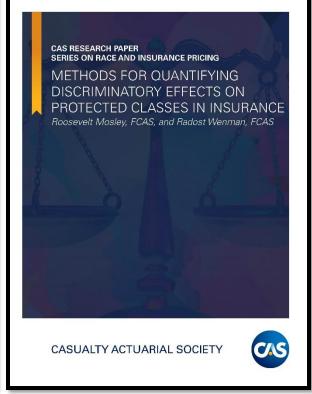


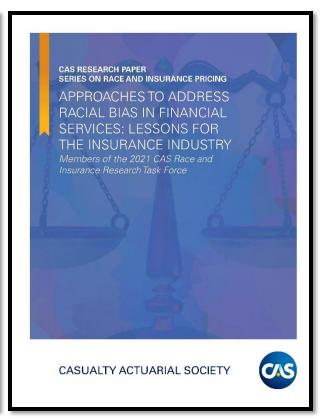
CAS Research Series on Race and Insurance Pricing

https://www.casact.org/publications-research/research/research-paper-series-race-and-insurance-pricing









Defining Discrimination in Insurance

By: Kudakwashe Chibanda, FCAS

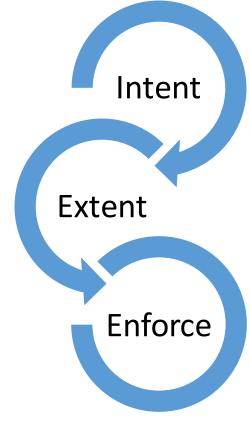
Purpose: To provide clarity on new and old terminology being used in insurance industry discussions on racial bias.



Defining Discrimination in Insurance

Report explores history, context, definitions and inconsistencies in usage of common terms.

- Protected Class
- Unfair Discrimination
- Proxy discrimination
- Disparate impact
- Disparate treatment
- Disproportionate impact







Understanding Potential Influences of Racial Bias on P&C Insurance: Four Rating Factors Explored

By: 2021 CAS Race and Insurance Research Task Force

Purpose: Explore the impacts of racially biased policies and practices outside of the system of insurance as it relates to commonly used insurance rating factors.



Understanding Potential Influences of Racial Bias on P&C Insurance: Four Rating Factors Explored

Credit-Based Insurance Scores

Lending Discrimination

Geographical Location

Segregation

Homeownership

Pre-Textual Traffic Stops

Motor Vehicle Records



Approaches to Address Racial Bias in Financial Services: Lessons for the Insurance Industry

By: 2021 CAS Race and Insurance Research Task Force

Purpose: Learn from solutions implemented in (non-insurance) financial services sectors to address racial bias.



Approaches to Address Racial Bias in Financial Services: Lessons for the Insurance Industry

Mortgage Lending

Personal Lending

Commercial Lending

Credit Scoring System

Government Intervention

Bias Testing & Monitoring

New Product Innovation



Methods for Quantifying Discriminatory Effects on Protected Classes in Insurance

By: Roosevelt Mosley, FCAS and Radost Wenman, FCAS

Purpose: Encourage discussions about potential algorithmic bias in insurance and explore methods to identify, measure, and mitigate bias in predictive models.



Methods for Quantifying Discriminatory Effects on Protected Classes in Insurance

- Fairness Definitions in Modeling
 - Demographic Parity / Independence
 - Equal Opportunity / Separation
 - Calibration / Sufficiency
- Bias Mitigation Techniques
 - Pre-processing / Inputs
 - In-Processing / Modeling
 - Post-Processing / Predictions



 Approaches to Address Racial Bias in Financial Services: Lessons for the Insurance Industry

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Financial Services

1. Mortgage Lending

2. Personal Lending

- 3. Commercial Lending
- 4. Credit Scoring



Mortgage Lending



Audience Poll #1

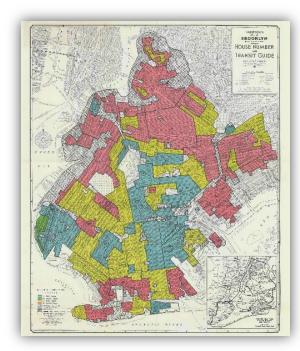
What was the approximate Black and White Homeownership Gap in 1960?

- A. 10%
- B. 20%
- C. 30%
- D. 40%



Contributing Policies and Practices

- 1934 Federal Housing Act (New Deal)
- Valuation maps color-coded areas
 - "Red" >> As little as 10% minority owned
- Allowed covenants on titles prohibiting sales to Blacks
- 1934-1962 –Underwrote \$120B in new housing
 - < 2% to non-White groups</p>
- Penalties on "Predatory Loans"





Government intervention

Fair Housing Act (FHA) - 1968

Home Mortgage Disclosure Act - 1975

Community Reinvestment Act – 1977

National Community Reinvestment Coalition – 1991

Housing Finance Agency (HFA) - 2008



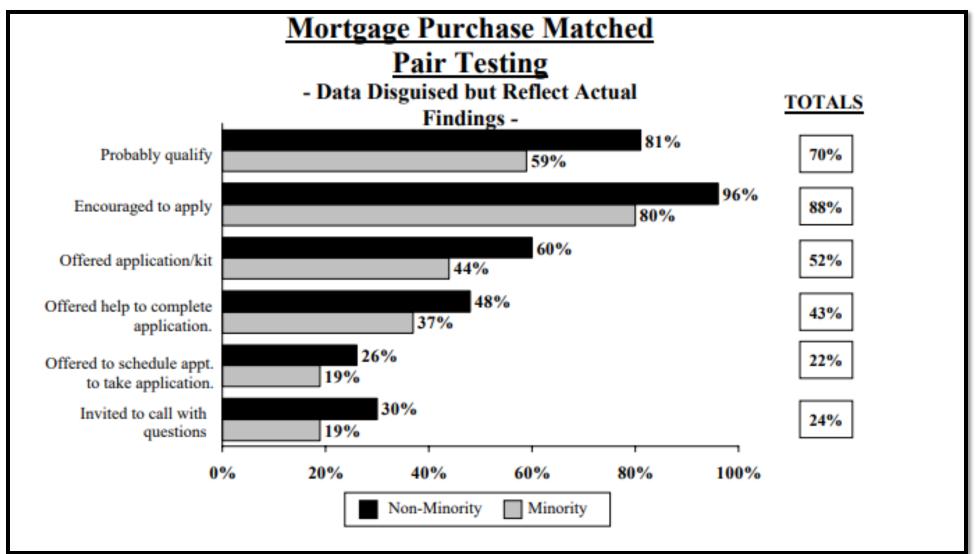
Audience Poll # 2

What was the approximate Black and White Homeownership Gap in 2020?

- A. 10%
- B. 20%
- C. 30%
- D. 40%



Ongoing Bias Testing – Matched Pairs





Personal Lending



Personal lending issues



Face-to-Face Lending

Access to Banking

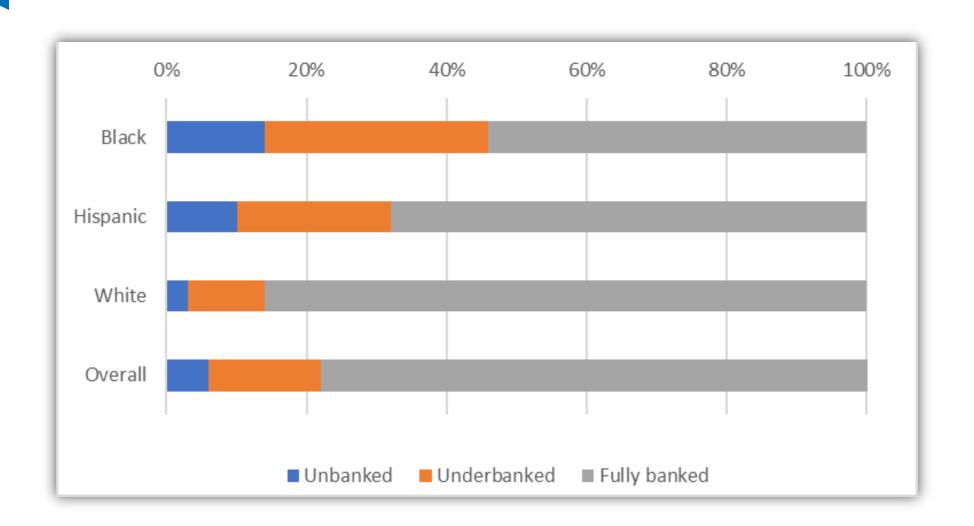


Unbanked & Underbanked

Lack of Credit history



Banking Status by Race/Ethnicity





Personal lending solutions

> Application of Community Reinvestment Act

> Implement low-cost banking services via USPS

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI)

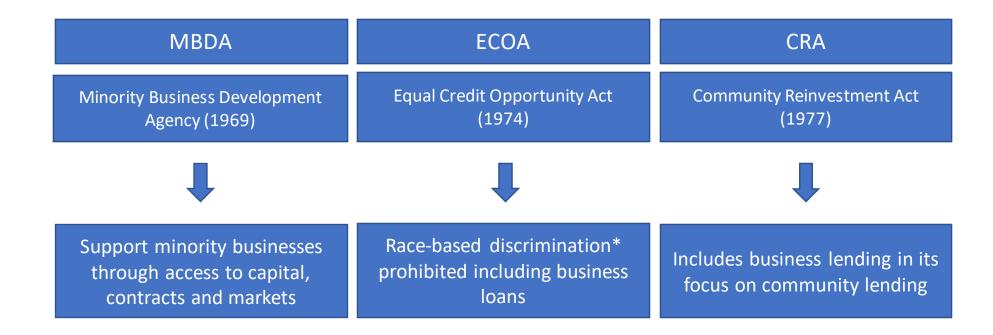
> Fintech products



Commercial Lending



Government Intervention to Mitigate Discriminatory Impacts



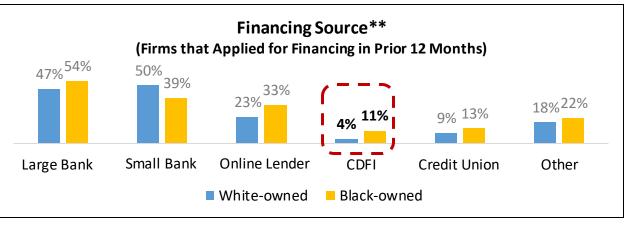


Community Development Financial Institutions

A significant portion of CDFI lending is focused on businesses...

CDFI Reported Loan Volume By Purpose, 2003-2012* 25% 24% 20% 15% 12% 5% Residential Home Imp & Commercial Other Business Consumer Real Estate Purch Real Estate

Yet, CDFI commercial lending reach to Black businesses is still limited.



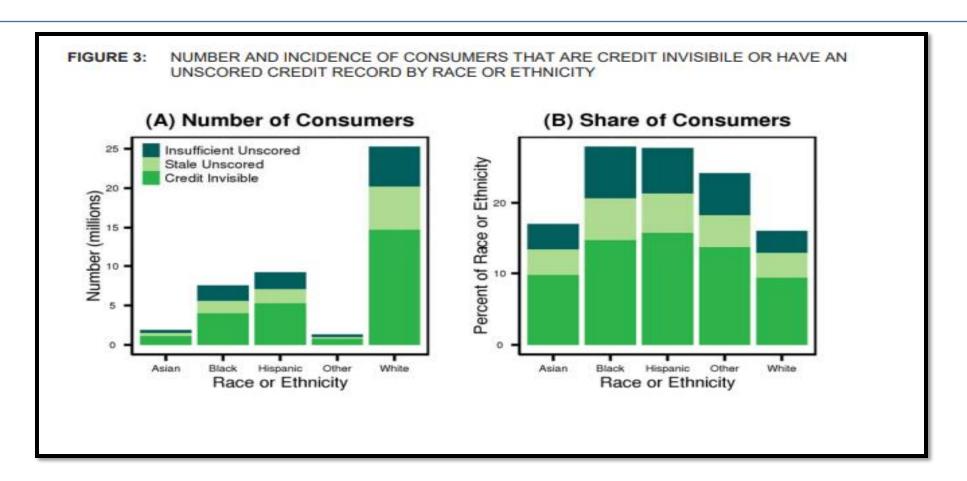


Credit Scoring



Lack of or Limited Credit History

CFCB research found that Black and Hispanic populations have higher rate of no credit / unscored records.





Alternative Data for Credit Scoring

Data Elements that may mitigate racial bias

- Rent
- Utility bills
- Phone bills
- Deposit account history
- Community group affiliation
- Netflix payments

Brookings Institution:

- Utility payments increased acceptance rates
- New products using such data
 - Experian
 - Trans Union
 - Equifax



Conclusion

Focus on outcome, not intent

Solutions can be a combination of public and private actions

Bias testing useful tool to measure disparate impact



Legislative and RegulatoryDevelopments

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Audience Poll #3

How would you characterize your company's efforts in addressing racial bias in ratemaking and underwriting?

A: Our algorithms make explicit adjustments for bias.

B: We are in the process of reviewing our algorithms for racial bias.

C: We are unsure how to address racial bias.

D: We don't collect race data, so we are unable to evaluate bias.



Legislative and Regulatory Developments

- NCOIL Special Committee on Race in Insurance Underwriting
- Colorado Statute
- NAIC Special (EX) Committee on Race and Insurance
- Others



NCOIL –Special Committee on Race in Insurance Underwriting

"Proxy Discrimination" means the intentional substitution of a neutral factor for a factor based on race, color, creed, national origin, or sexual orientation for the purpose of discriminating against a consumer to prevent that consumer from obtaining insurance or obtaining a preferred or more advantageous rate due to that consumer's race, color, creed, national origin, or sexual orientation.



NCOIL –Special Committee on Race in Insurance Underwriting

Adopted Resolutions

- Use of Certain Rating Factors
- Use of Artificial Intelligence in Underwriting
- Insurance Score Transparency



Colorado Revised Statute § 10-3-1104.9

Prohibits an insurer – regarding any insurance practice – from:

- Unfairly discriminating based on race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, or gender expression; or
- Using any external consumer data and information sources, algorithms, or predictive models that use external consumer data and information sources in a way that unfairly discriminates based on race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, or gender expression.

Colorado Revised Statute § 10-3-1104.9

- "Unfairly discriminate" and "unfair discrimination" include the use of one or more external consumer data and information sources, as well as algorithms or predictive models using external consumer data and information sources,
- that have a correlation to race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, gender identity, or gender expression, and
- that use results in a disproportionately negative outcome for such classification or classifications,
- which negative outcome exceeds the reasonable correlation to the underlying insurance practice, including losses and costs for underwriting.

NAIC – Property/Casualty Work Stream of Special (EX) Committee on Race and Insurance

 Develop analytical and regulatory tools to assist state insurance regulators in defining, identifying, and addressing unfair discrimination in Property/Casualty insurance

Consider enhanced data reporting and record-keeping requirements
across product lines to identify race and other sociodemographic
factors of insureds, including consideration of legal and privacy
concerns. Consider a data call to identify insurance producer
resources available and products sold in specific ZIP codes to identify
barriers to access.

AAA P/C Racial Equity Task Force Response

Objective: Provide independent actuarial perspective to inform public policymakers on issues related to racial equity in insurance practices as they relate to property and casualty insurance.



Actuarial Standards of Practice

• Actuarial Standard of Practice (ASOP) No. 12, Risk Classification: Rates within a risk classification system would be considered equitable if difference in rates reflect material differences in expected cost for risk characteristics. This is demonstrated if it can be shown that the experience correlates to the risk characteristic.

- Others, including
 - ASOP No. 23, Data Quality
 - ASOP No. 53, Estimating Future Costs for Prospective P/C Risk Transfer and Risk Retention
 - ASOP No. 56, Modeling

AAA P/C Racial Equity Task Force Response

Activities

- Comment letter to NAIC Special Committee
- Comment letter to National Council of Insurance Legislators
- Letters to Colorado concerning statute
- Contribution to Auto Committee comment letter to Federal Insurance Office on automobile insurance affordability
- Issue Brief on Sourcing Protected Class Information in P&C Insurance
- Issue Brief on Causation and Correlation
- Testimony and comment letter to DC DISB

Upcoming

Recommendations to regulators on approaches to identify and address racial bias

Potential Regulatory Approaches

- Prohibit certain rating variables
- Allow only pre-approved rating variables
- Employ statistical models to examine whether rating variables are acting as proxies for protected characteristics
- Require a loss ratio test; i.e., that loss ratios be similar across classes



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