



# Overview & Outlook for the P/C Insurance Industry: *Trends & Challenges for 2013 and Beyond*

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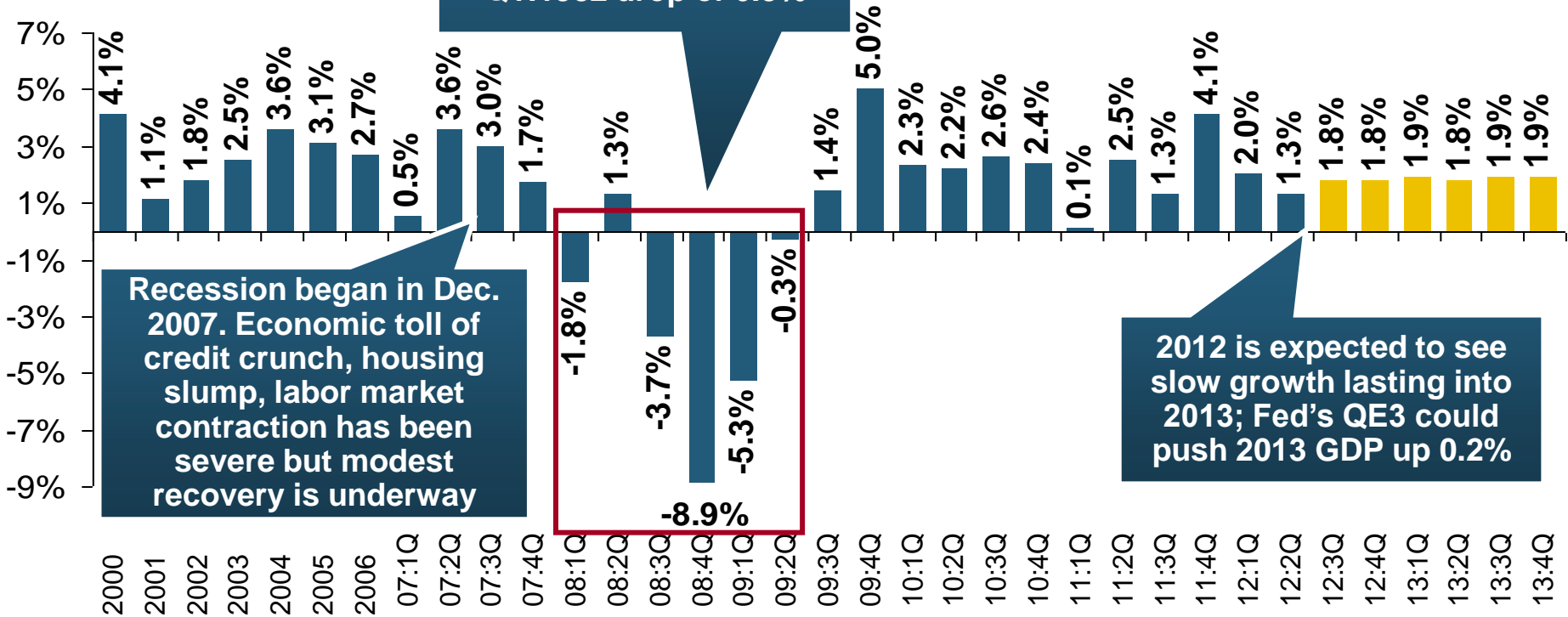
# The Strength of the Economy Will Influence P/C Insurer Growth Opportunities

**Growth Will Expand Insurer Exposure  
Base Across Most Lines**

***Will Agriculture Remain Strong?  
America's Manufacturing Renaissance?  
Construction Activity Awakening?***

# US Real GDP Growth\*

Real GDP Growth (%)

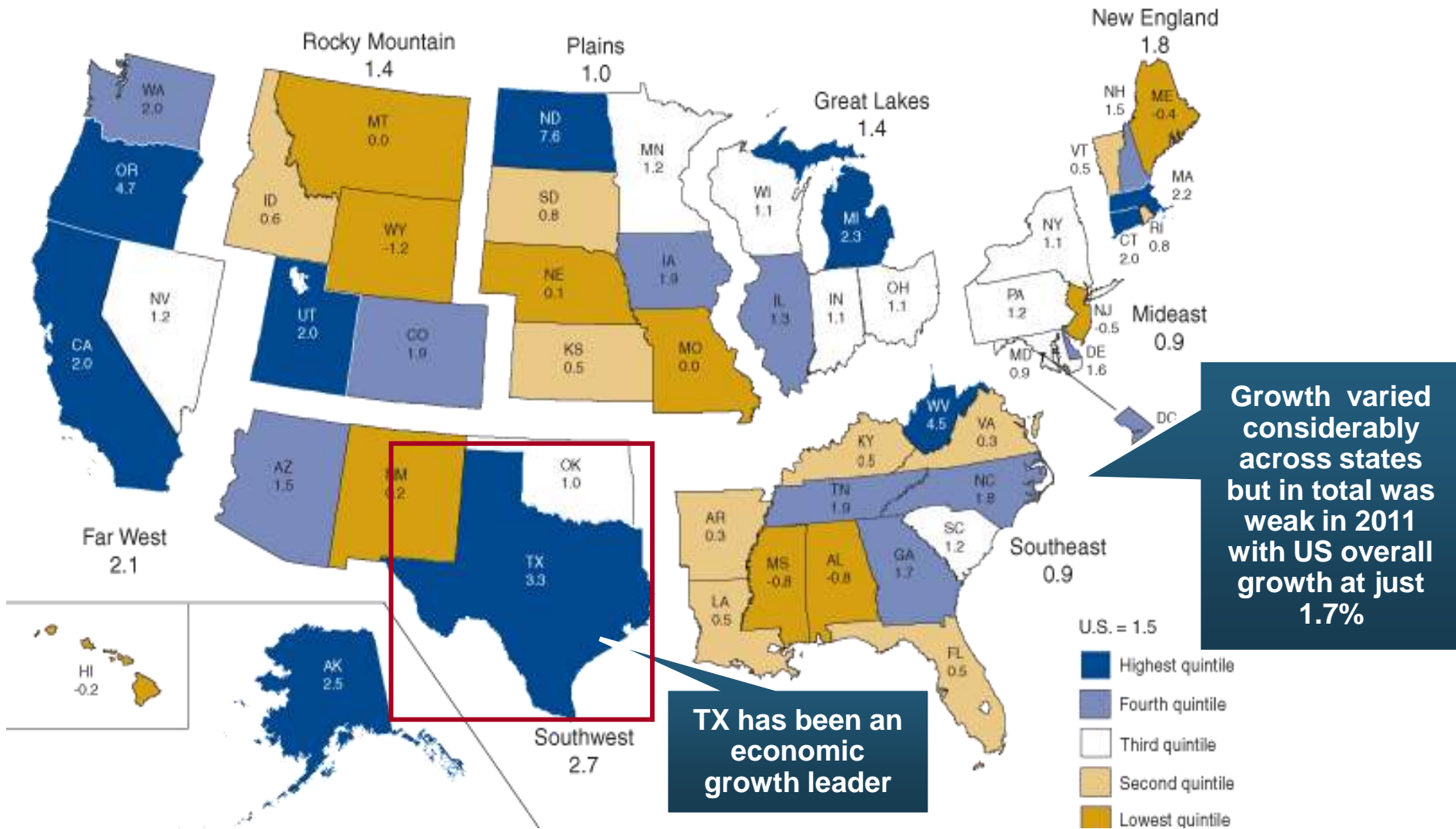


**Demand for Insurance Continues To Be Impacted by Sluggish Economic Conditions, but the Benefits of Even Slow Growth Will Compound and Gradually Benefit the Economy Broadly**

\*  Estimates/Forecasts from Blue Chip Economic Indicators.

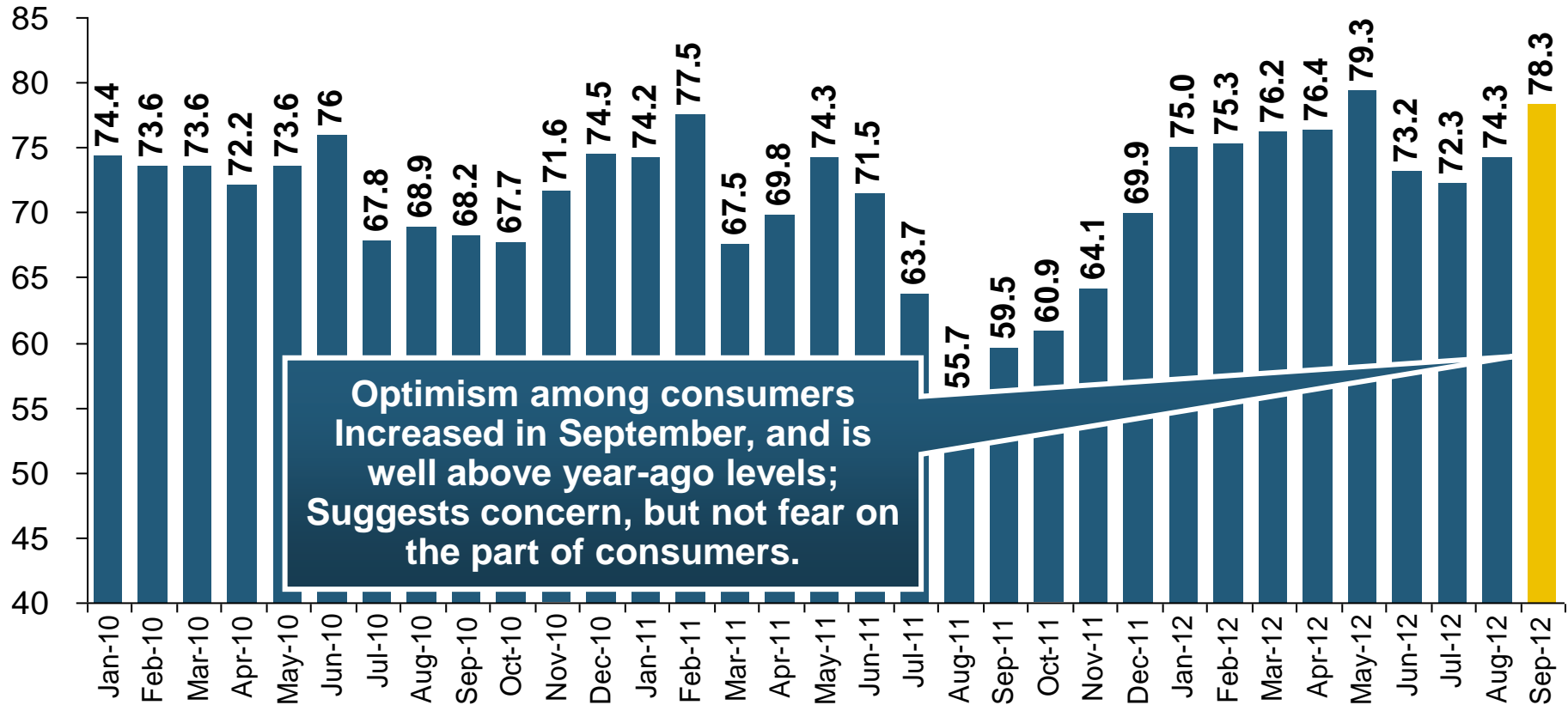
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# Percent Change in Real GDP by State, 2011



# Consumer Sentiment Survey (1966 = 100)

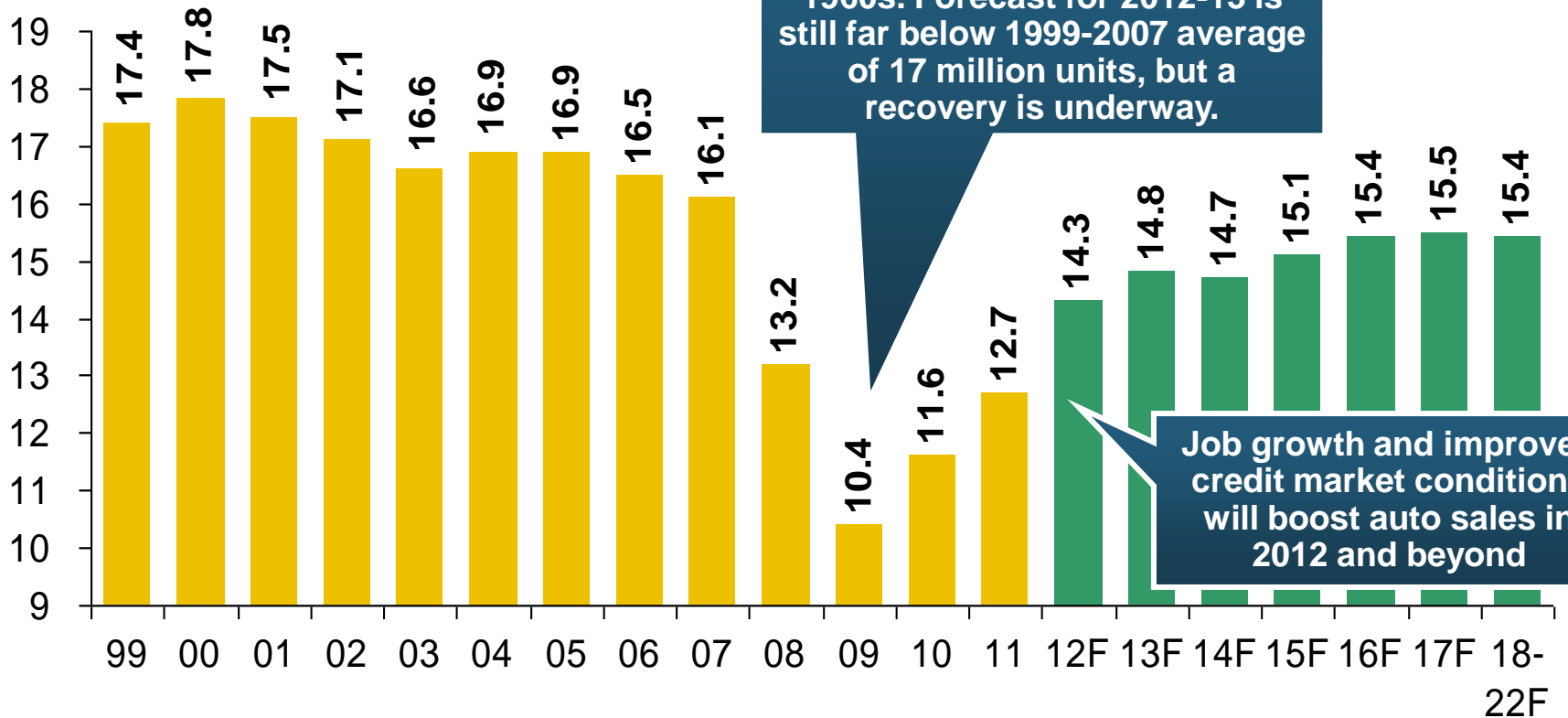
## January 2010 through September 2012



**Consumer confidence has been low for years amid high unemployment, falling home prices and other factors adversely impact consumers, but improved substantially in late 2011 and early 2012**

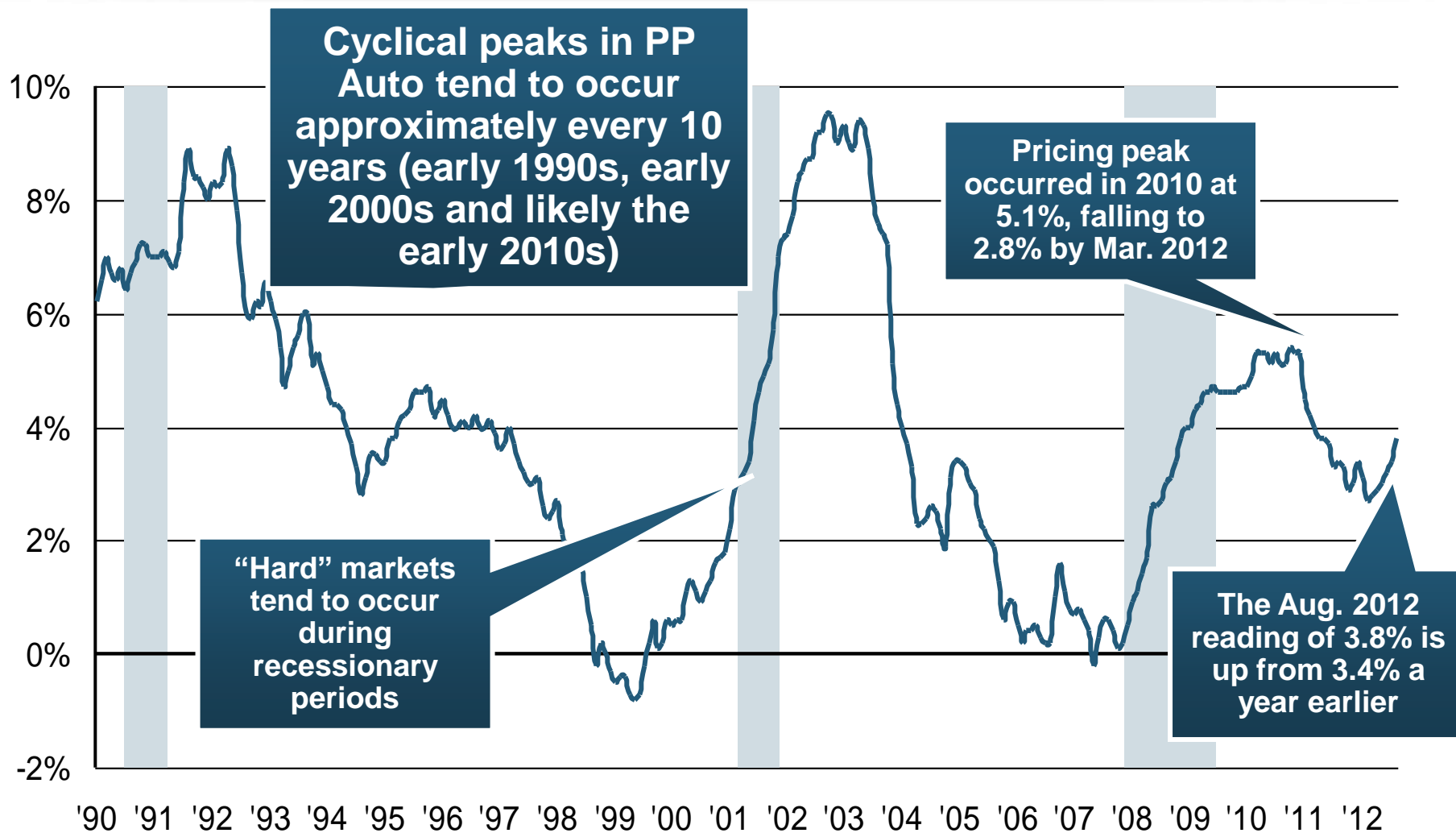
# Auto/Light Truck Sales, 1999-2022F

(Millions of Units)



**Car/Light Truck Sales Will Continue to Recover from the 2009 Low Point, Bolstering the Auto Insurer Growth and the Manufacturing Sector.**

# Monthly Change\* in Auto Insurance Prices, 1991–2012\*



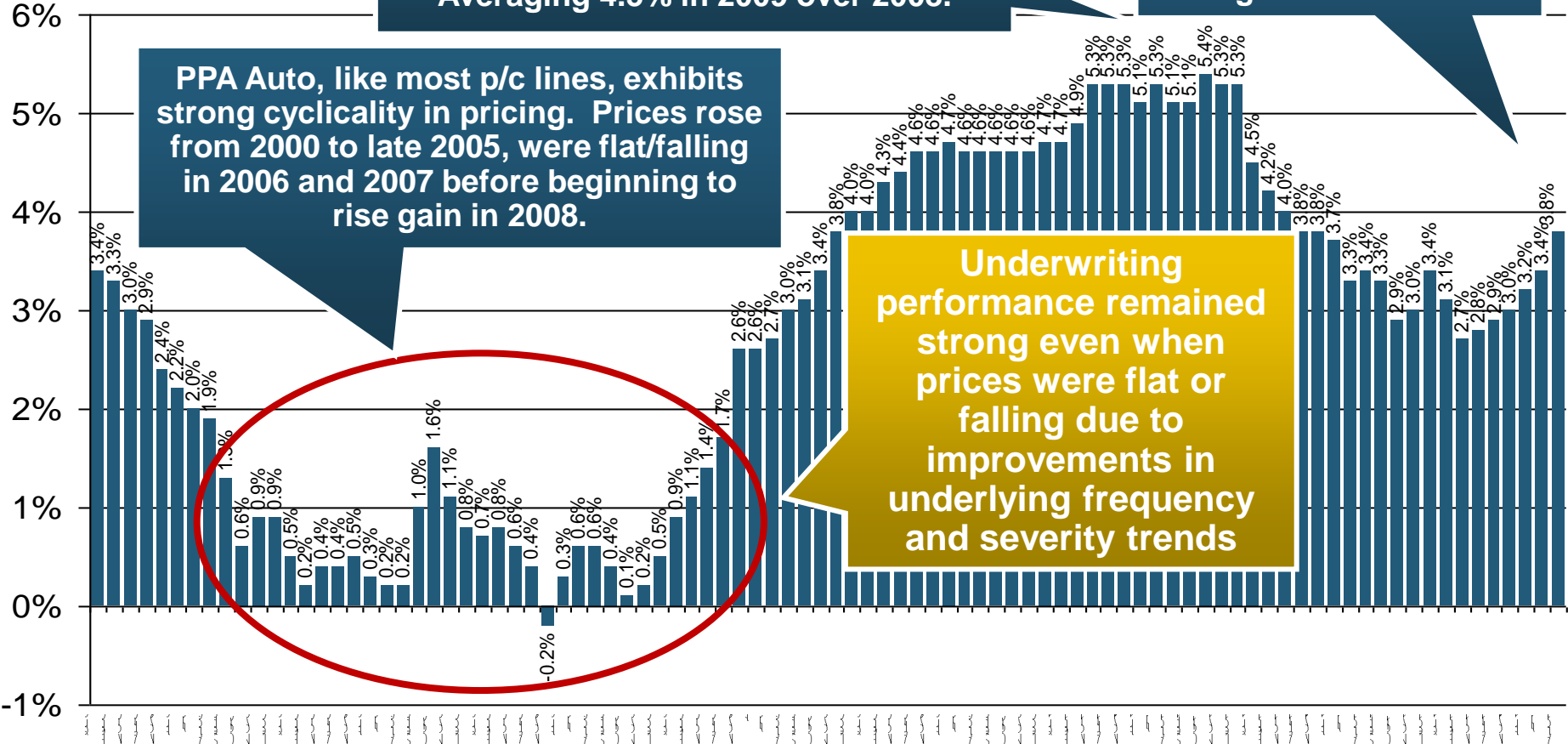
\*Percentage change from same month in prior year; through Aug. 2012; seasonally adjusted

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Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics; National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institutes.

# Monthly Change\* in Auto Insurance Prices, January 2005 - August 2012

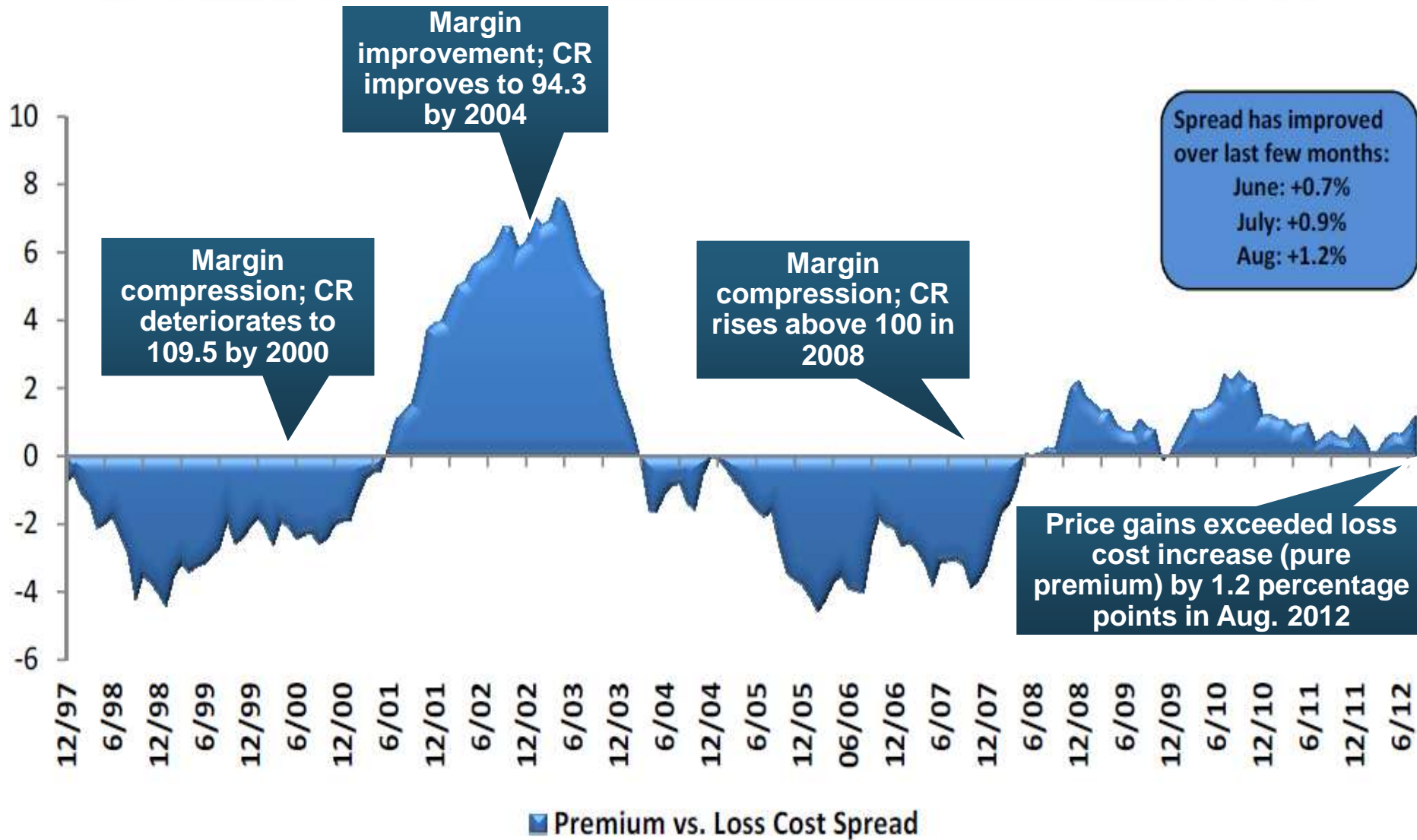
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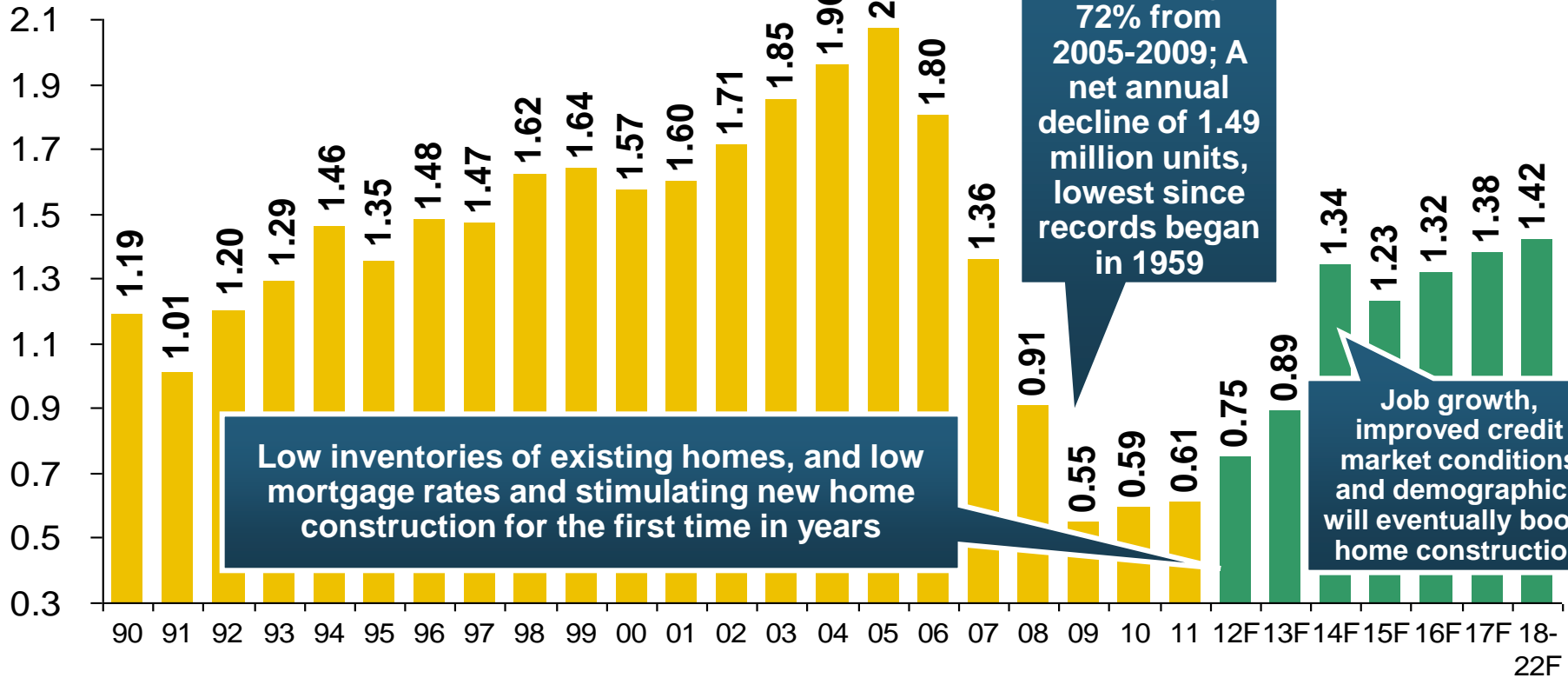


# Personal Auto: Premiums vs. Loss Cost Spread, Dec. 1997- Aug. 2012



# New Private Housing Starts, 1990-2022F

(Millions of Units)



Low inventories of existing homes, and low mortgage rates and stimulating new home construction for the first time in years

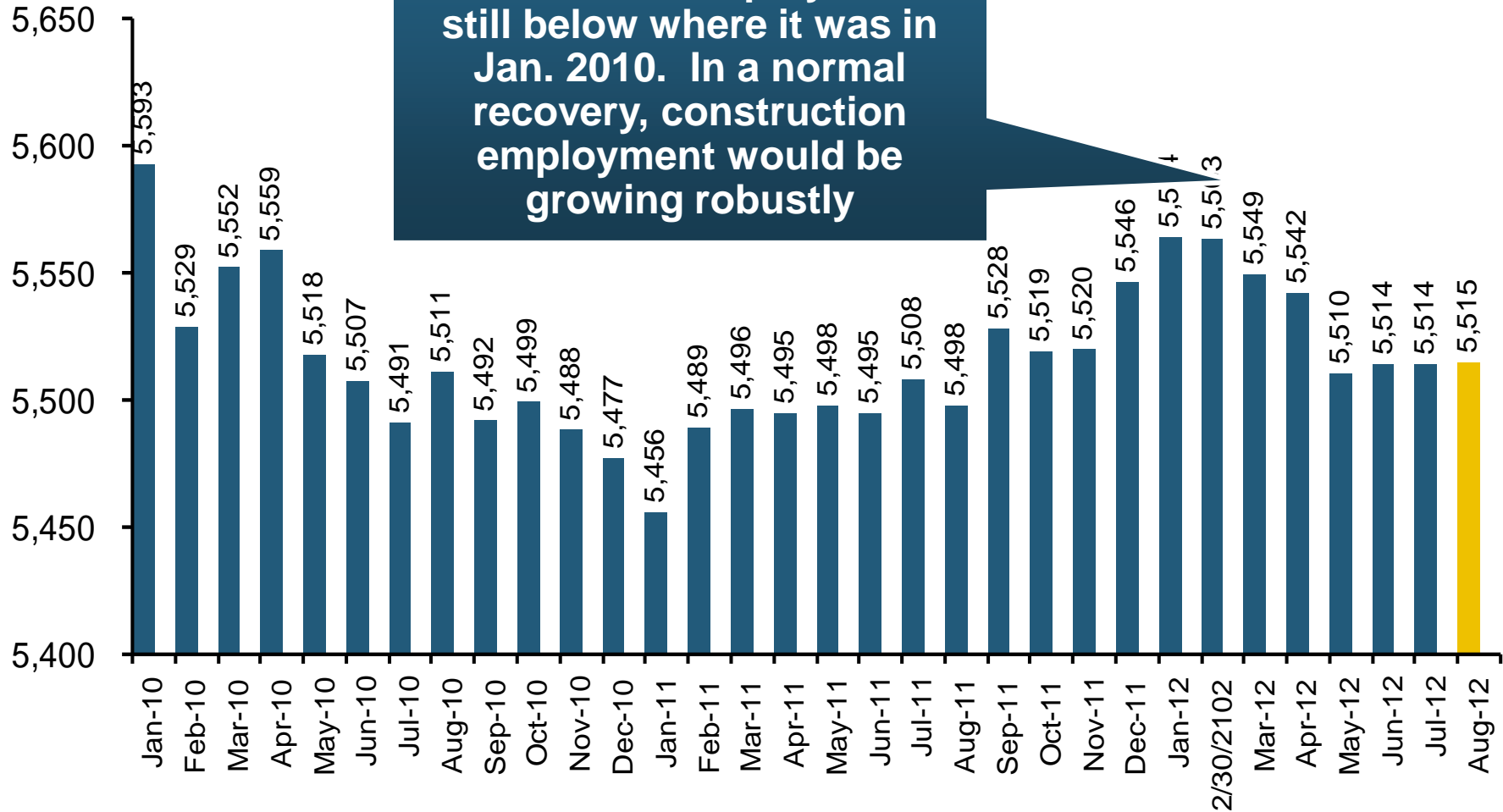
New home starts plunged 72% from 2005-2009; A net annual decline of 1.49 million units, lowest since records began in 1959

Job growth, improved credit market conditions and demographics will eventually boost home construction

**Little Exposure Growth Likely for Homeowners Insurers Until at least 2014. Also Affects Commercial Insurers with Construction Risk Exposure, Surety**

# Construction Employment, Jan. 2010—August 2012\*

(Thousands)

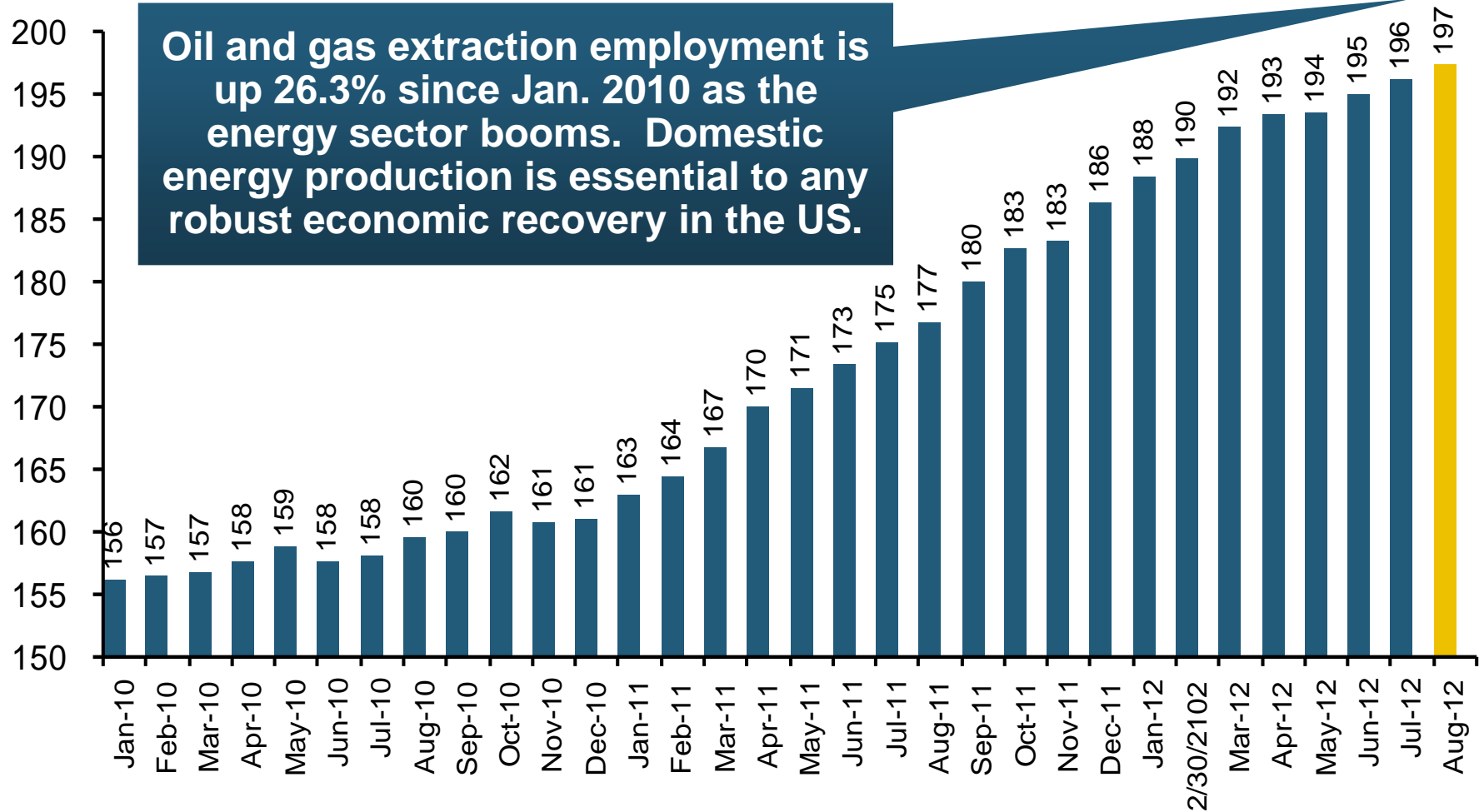


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# Oil & Gas Extraction Employment, Jan. 2010—August 2012\*

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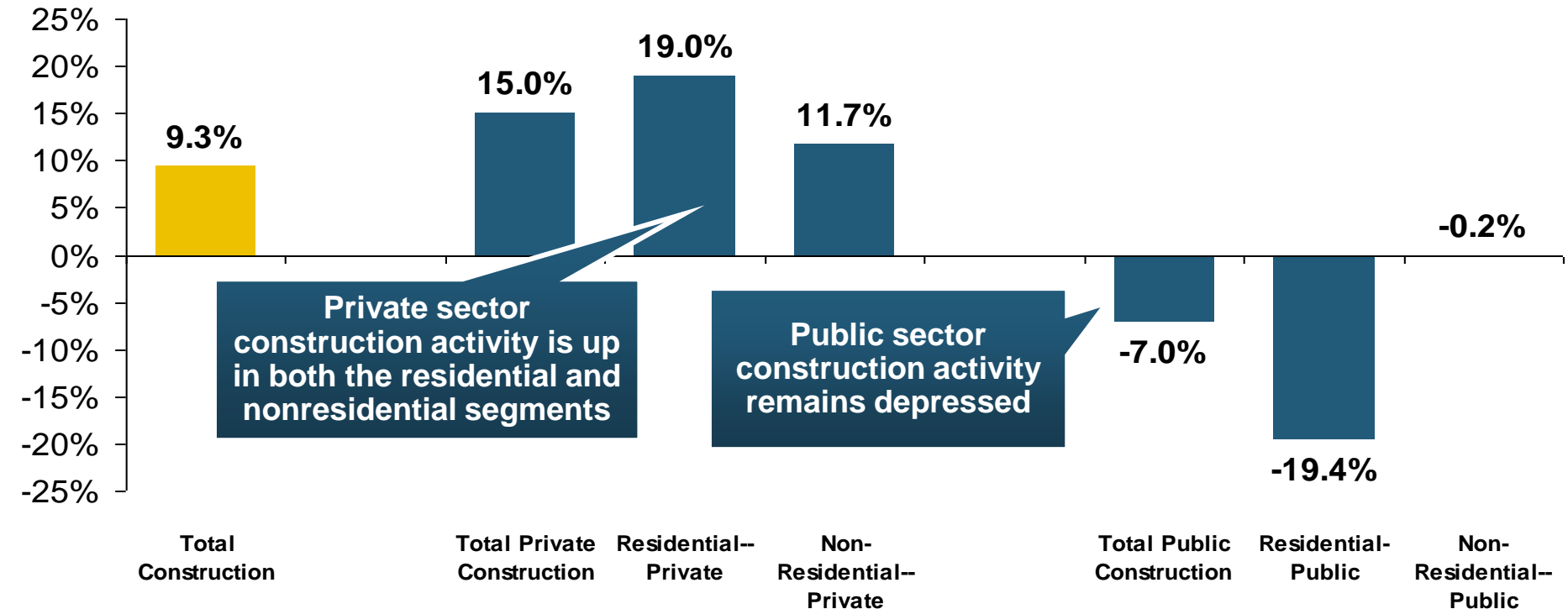
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# Value of Construction Put in Place, June 2012 vs. July 2011\*

Growth (%)

**Private: +15.0%**

**Public: -0.7%**



**Overall Construction Activity is Up, But Growth Is Entirely in the Private Sector as State/Local Government Budget Woes Continue**

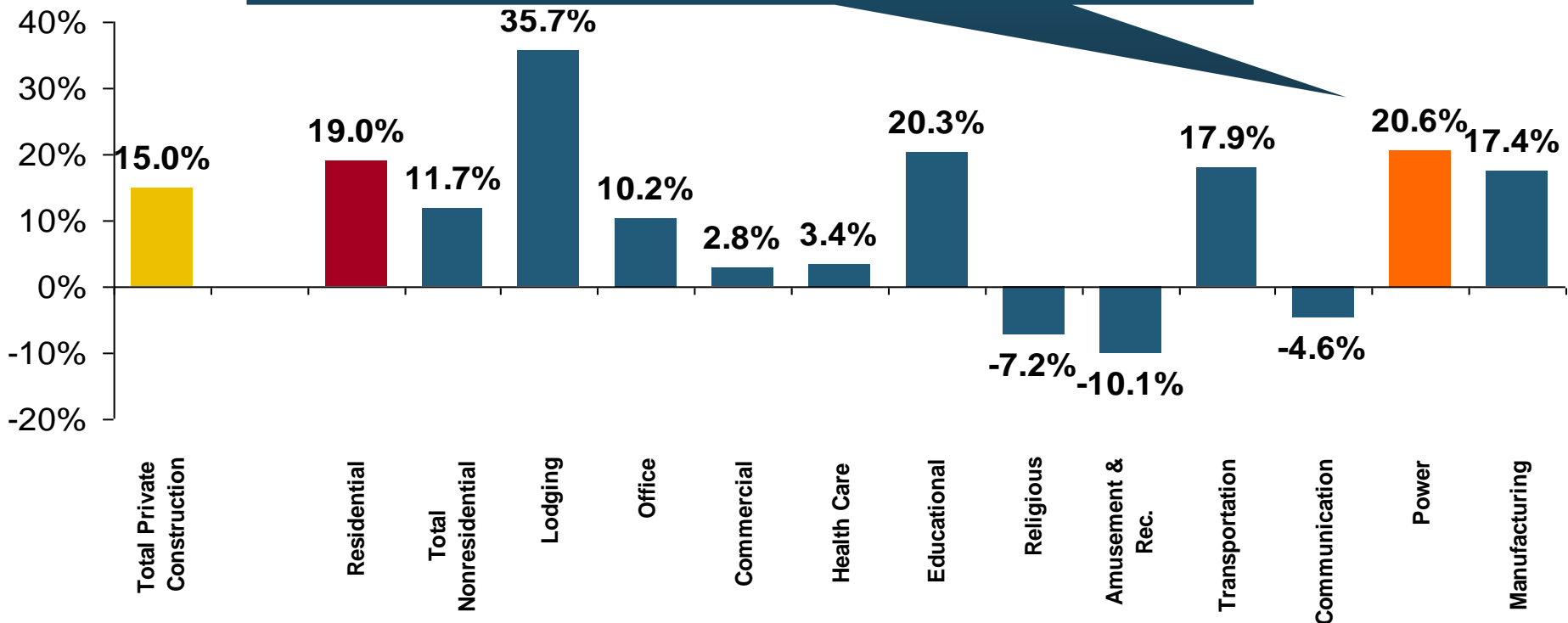
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, <http://www.census.gov/construction/c30/c30index.html> ; Insurance Information Institute.

# Value of Private Construction Put in Place, by Segment, June 2012 vs. July 2011\*

Growth (%)

Led by the Lodging and Power industries, Private sector construction activity is up by double digits in many segments after plunging during the “Great Recession”

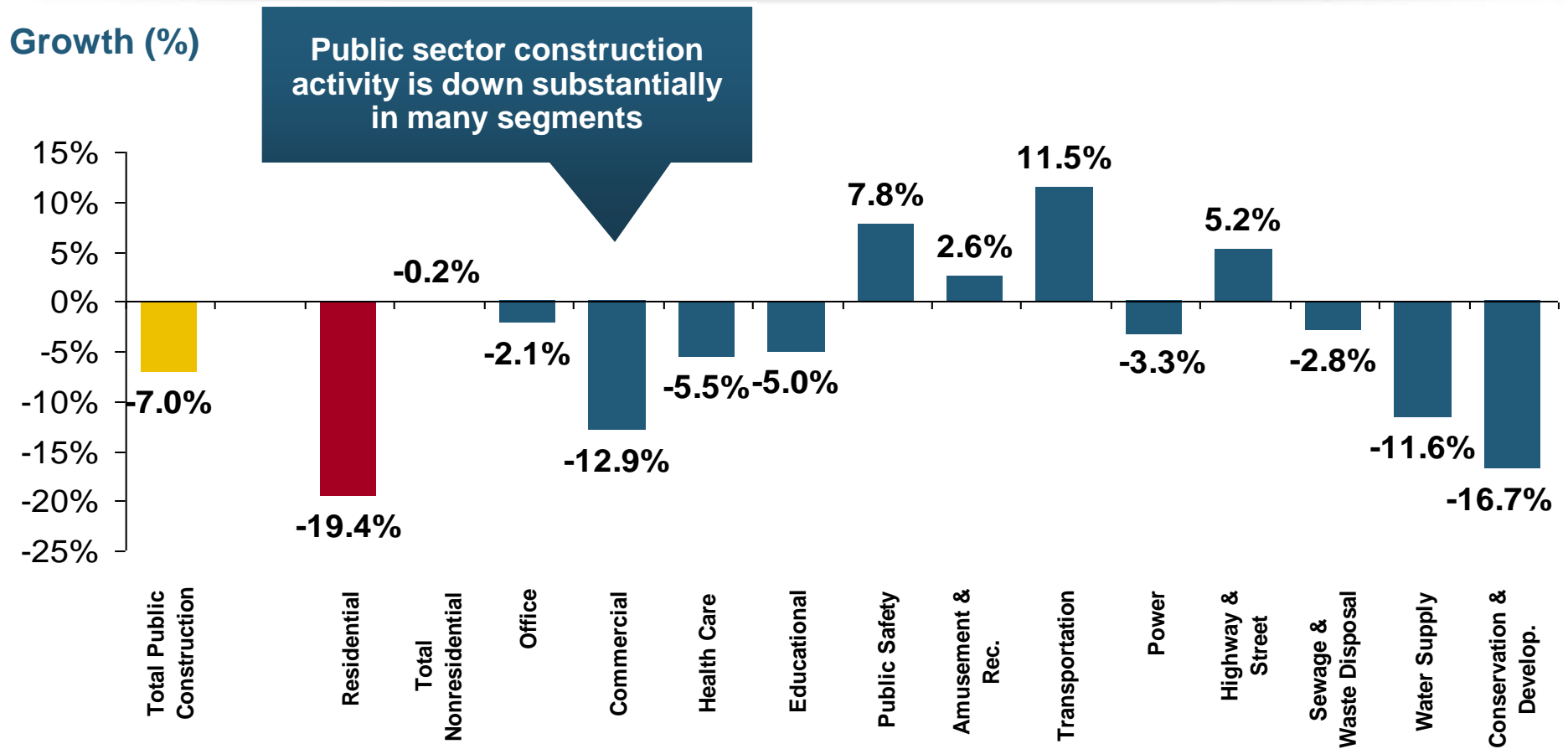


Private Construction Activity is Up in Most Segments, Including Residential Construction but Led by Power

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# Value of Public Construction Put in Place, by Segment, June 2012 vs. July 2011\*



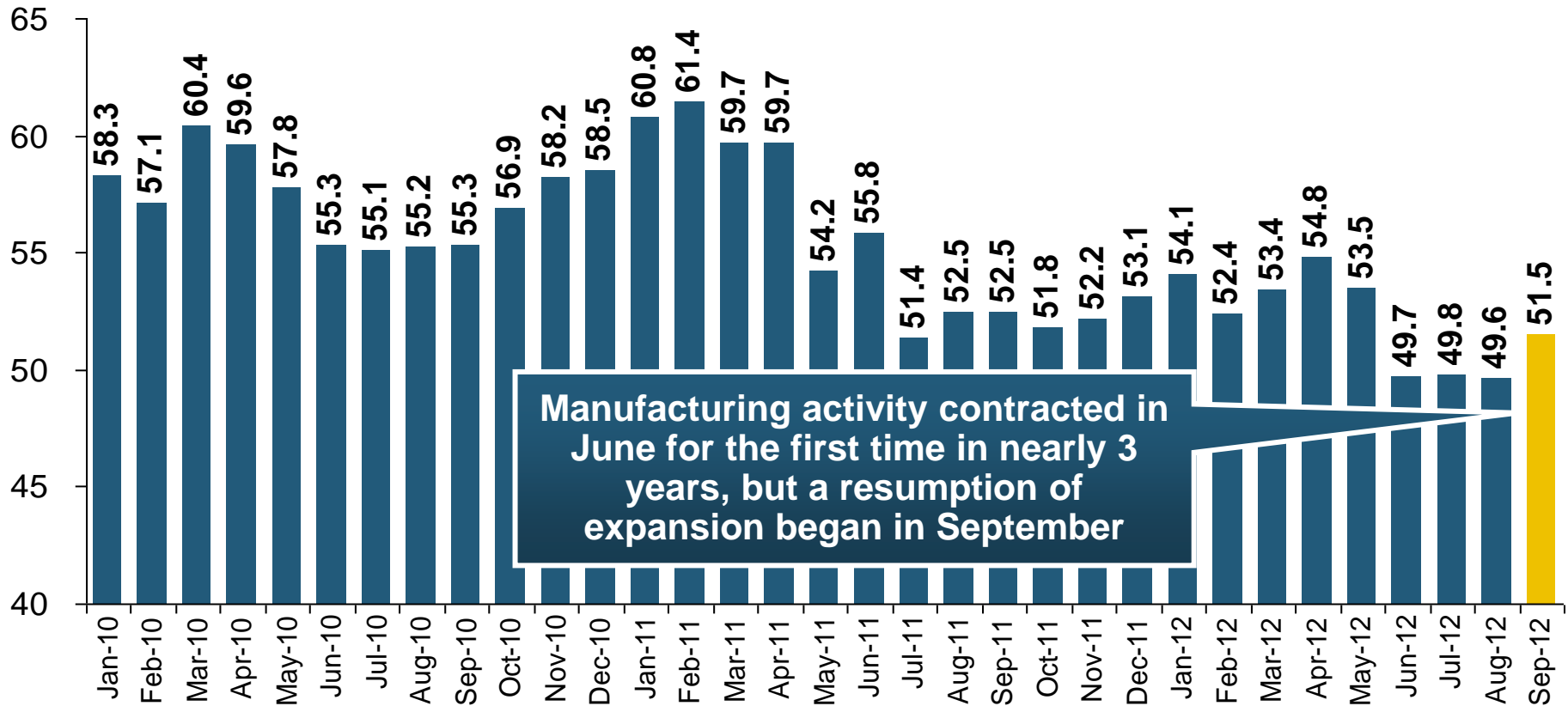
**Public Construction Activity is Up Down in Many Segments as State, City and County Budgets Remain Under Stress**

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# ISM Manufacturing Index (Values > 50 Indicate Expansion)

January 2010 through September 2012

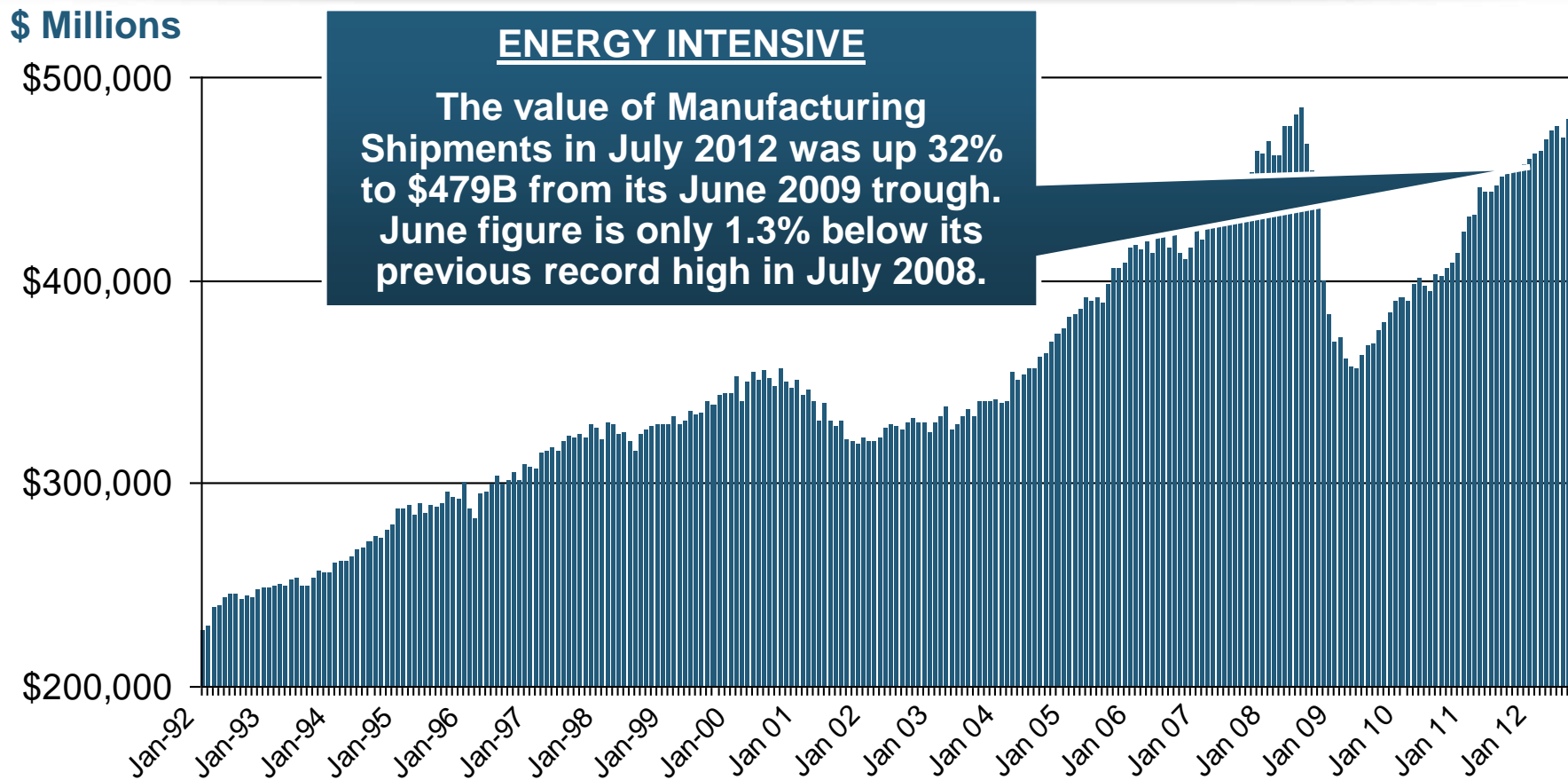


Manufacturing activity contracted in June for the first time in nearly 3 years, but a resumption of expansion began in September

The manufacturing sector expanded for 35 of the 38 months from Jan. 2010 through Sept. 2012. The question is whether this will continue.



# Dollar Value\* of Manufacturers' Shipments Monthly, Jan. 1992—July 2012



Monthly shipments are nearly back to peak (in July 2008, 8 months into the recession). Trough in May 2009. Growth from trough to July 2012 was 35%. Manufacturing is an energy intensive activity and growth leads to gains in many commercial exposures: WC, Commercial Auto, Marine, Property and Various Liability Coverages

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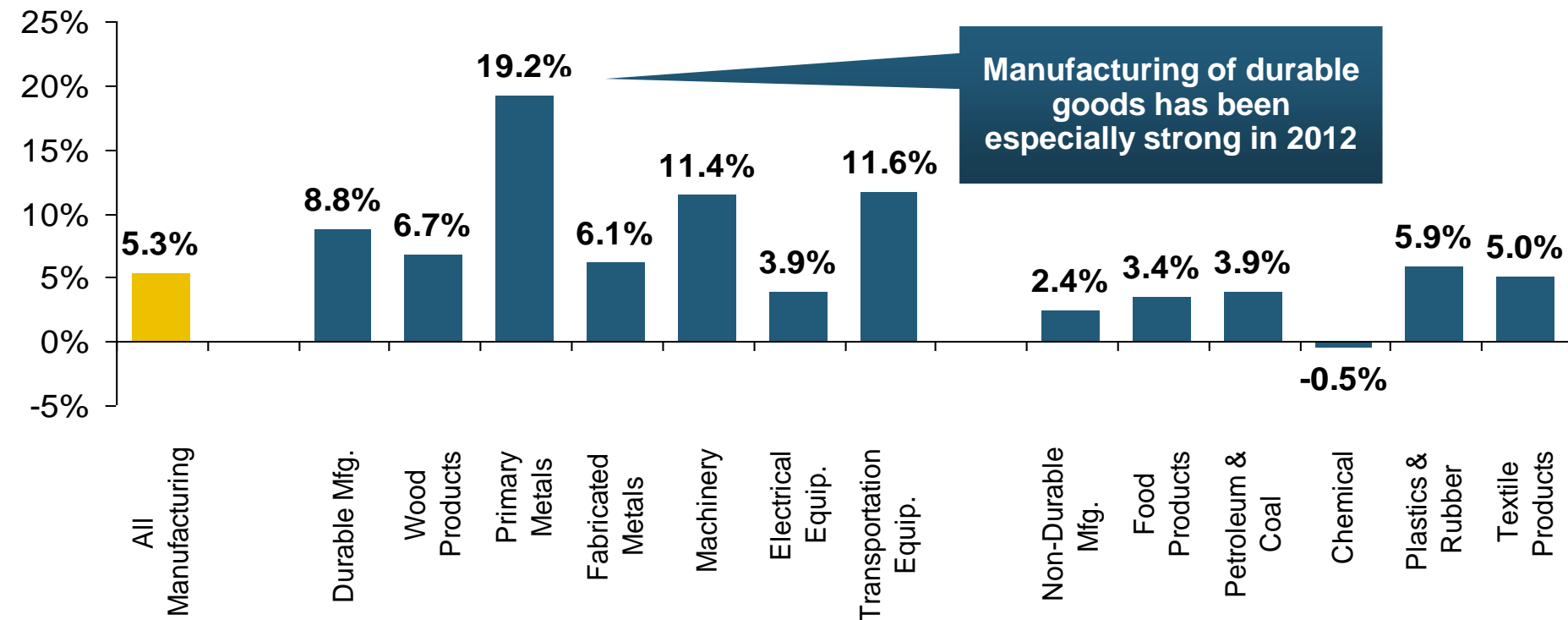
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Full Report on Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders*, <http://www.census.gov/manufacturing/m3/>

# Manufacturing Growth for Selected Sectors, 2012 vs. 2011\*

Growth (%)

**Durables: +8.8%**

**Non-Durables: +2.4%**



**Manufacturing Is Expanding Across a Wide Range of Sectors that Will Contribute to Growth in Energy Demand and Insurable Exposures Including: WC, Commercial Property, Commercial Auto and Many Liability Coverages**

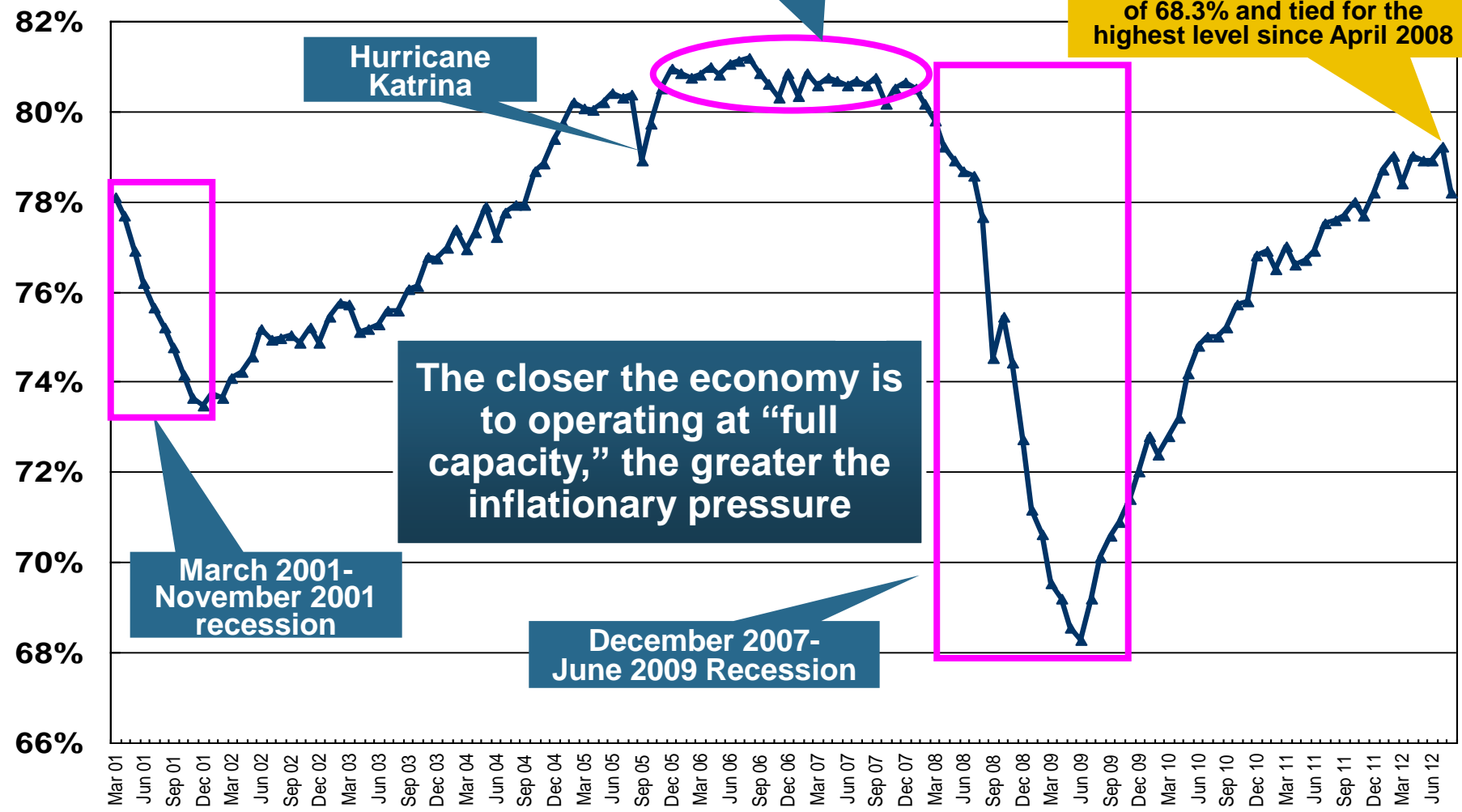
\*Seasonally adjusted; Date are YTD comparing data through July 2012 to the same period in 2011.

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# Recovery in Capacity Utilization is a Positive Sign for Commercial Exposures

March 2001 through August 2012

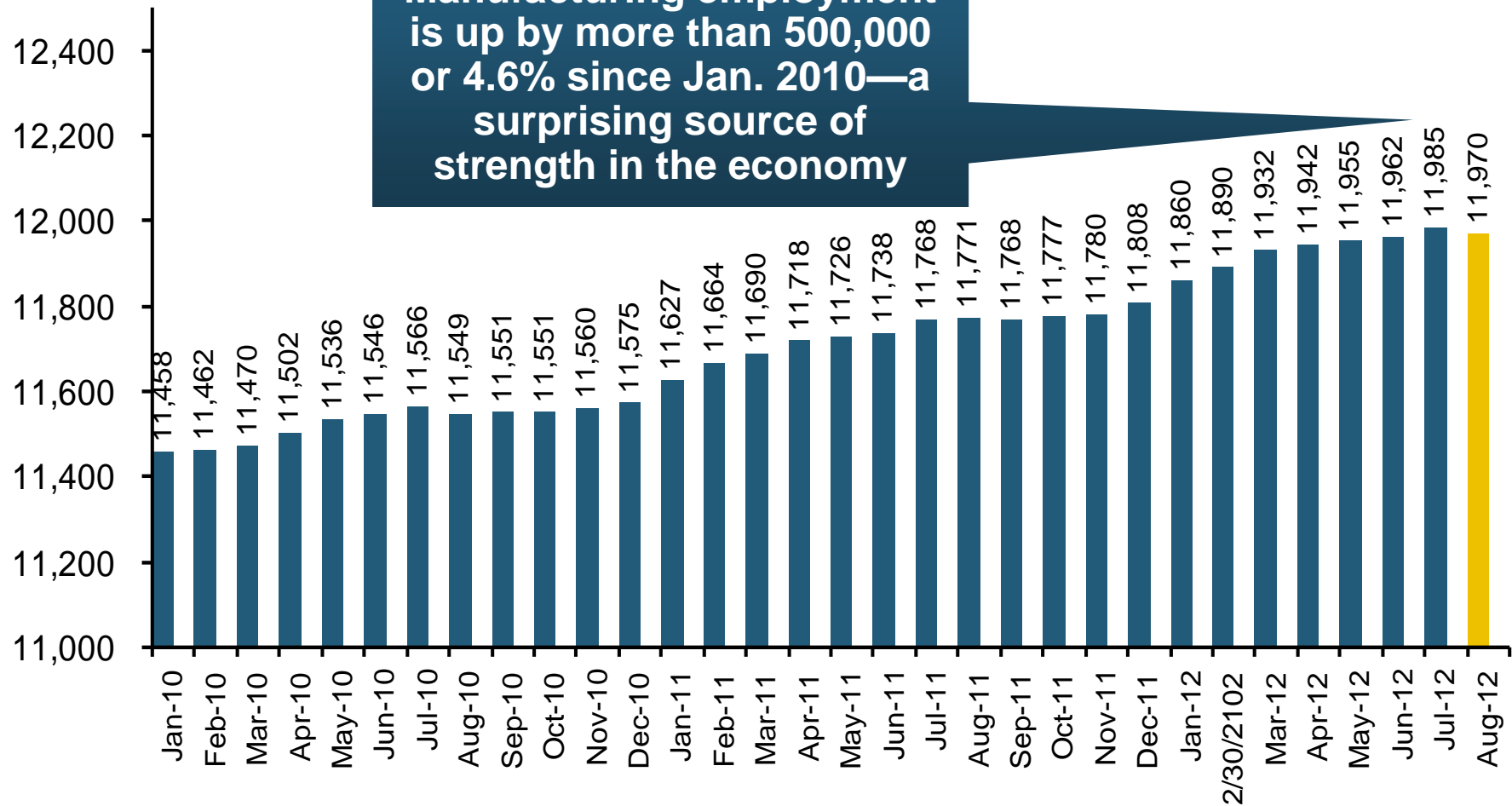
Percent of Industrial Capacity



Source: Federal Reserve Board statistical releases at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/q17/Current/default.htm>.

# Manufacturing Employment, Jan. 2010—August 2012\*

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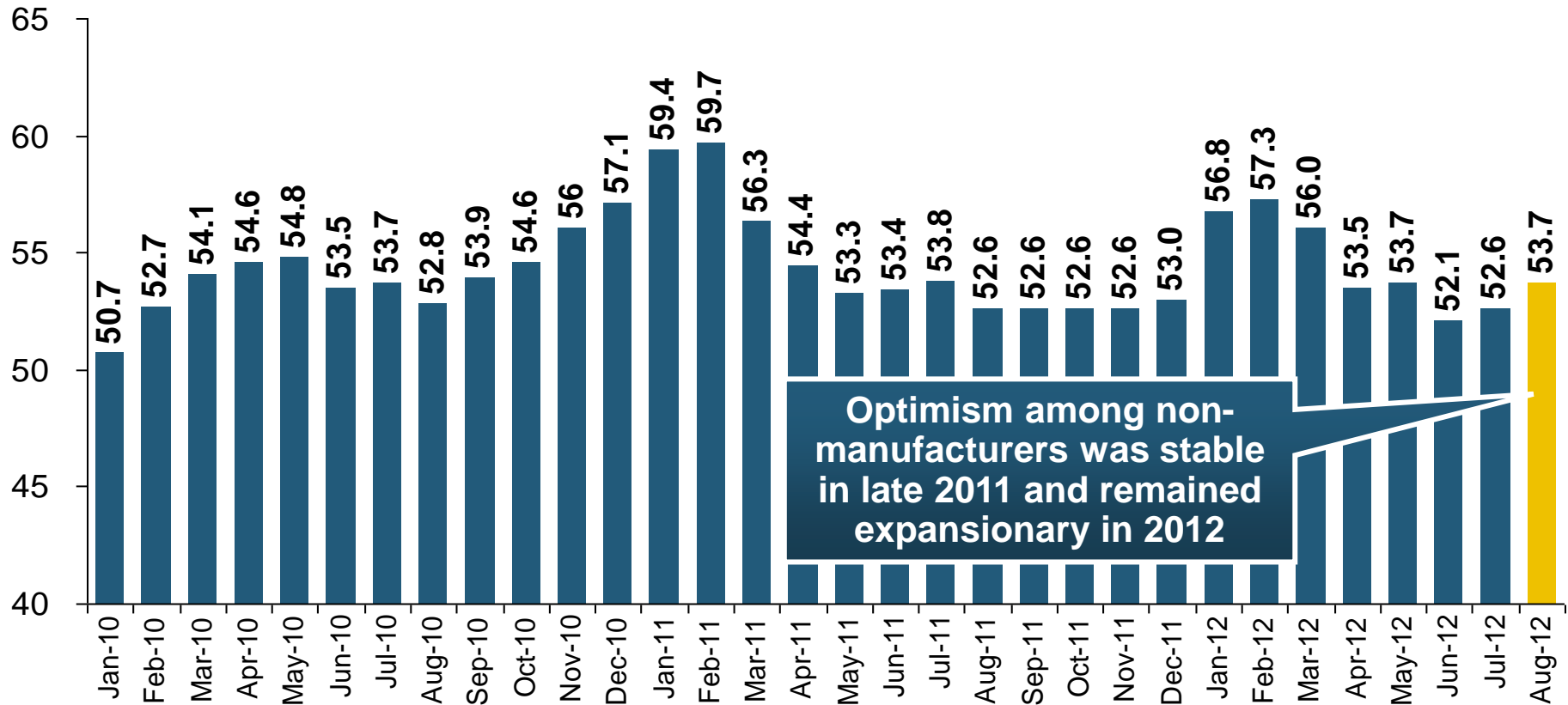


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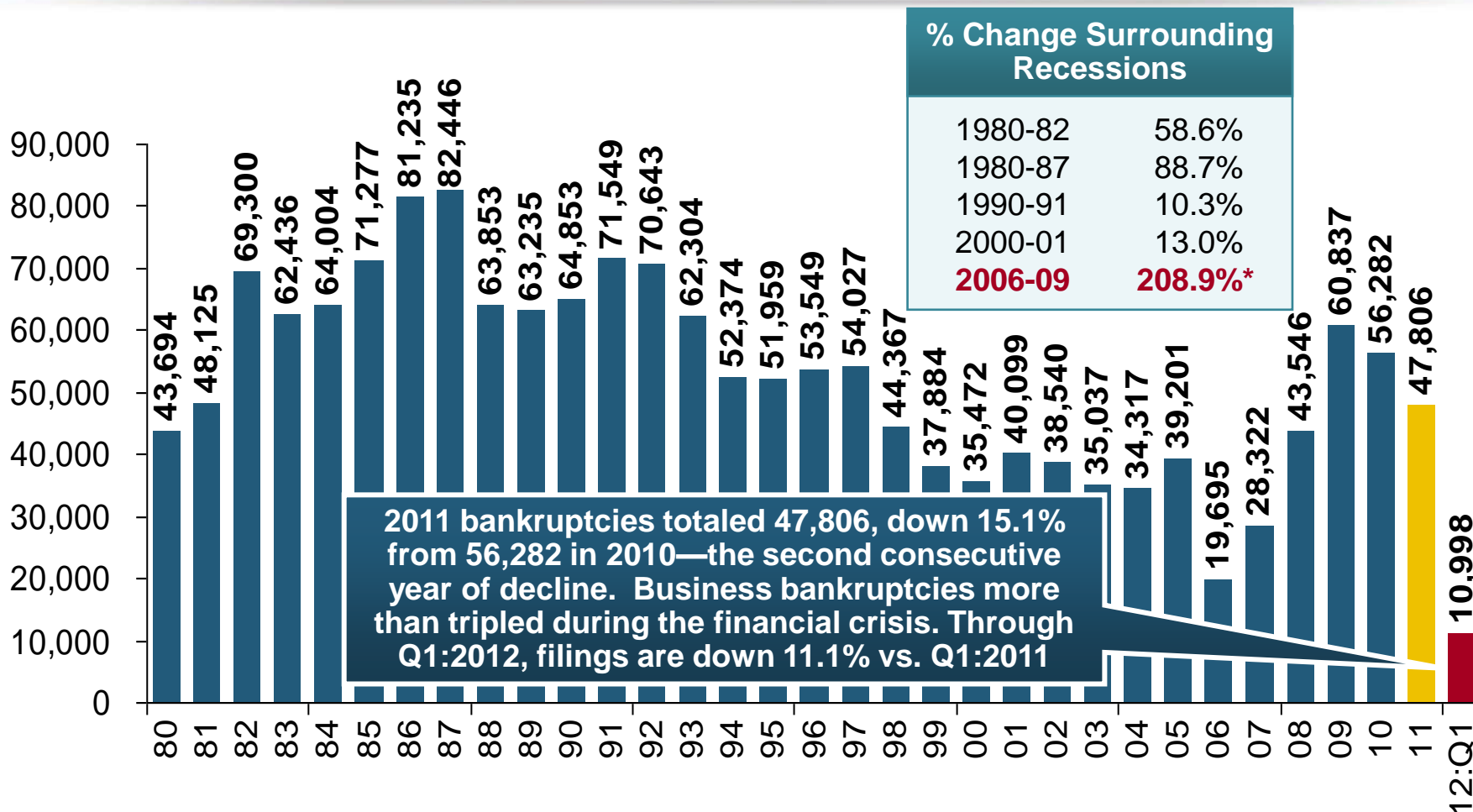
# ISM Non-Manufacturing Index (Values > 50 Indicate Expansion)

January 2010 through August 2012



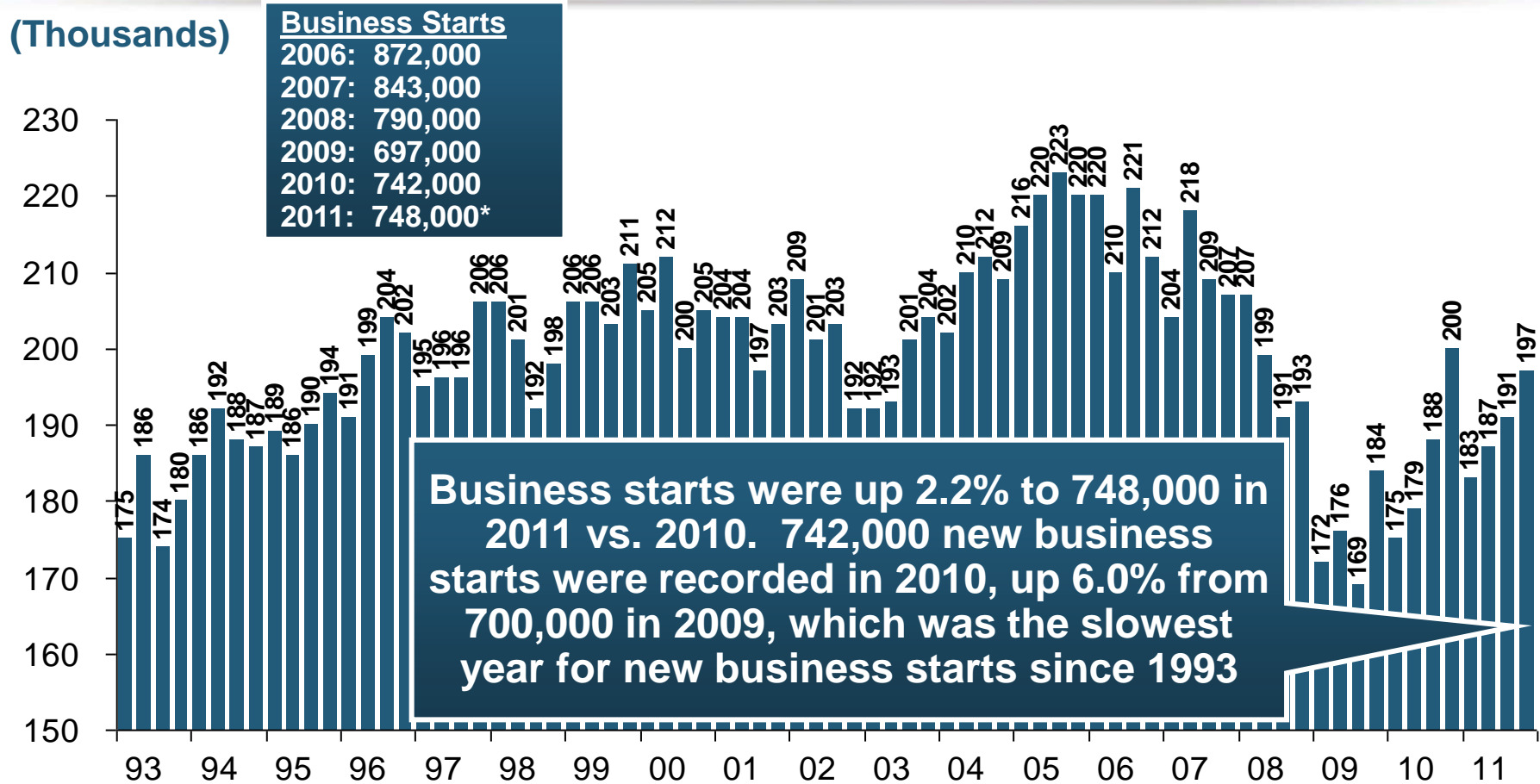
**Non-manufacturing industries have been expanding and adding jobs. The question is whether this will continue.**

# Business Bankruptcy Filings, 1980-2012: Q1



**Significant Exposure Implications for All Commercial Lines as Business Bankruptcies Begin to Decline**

# Private Sector Business Starts, 1993:Q2 – 2011:Q4\*



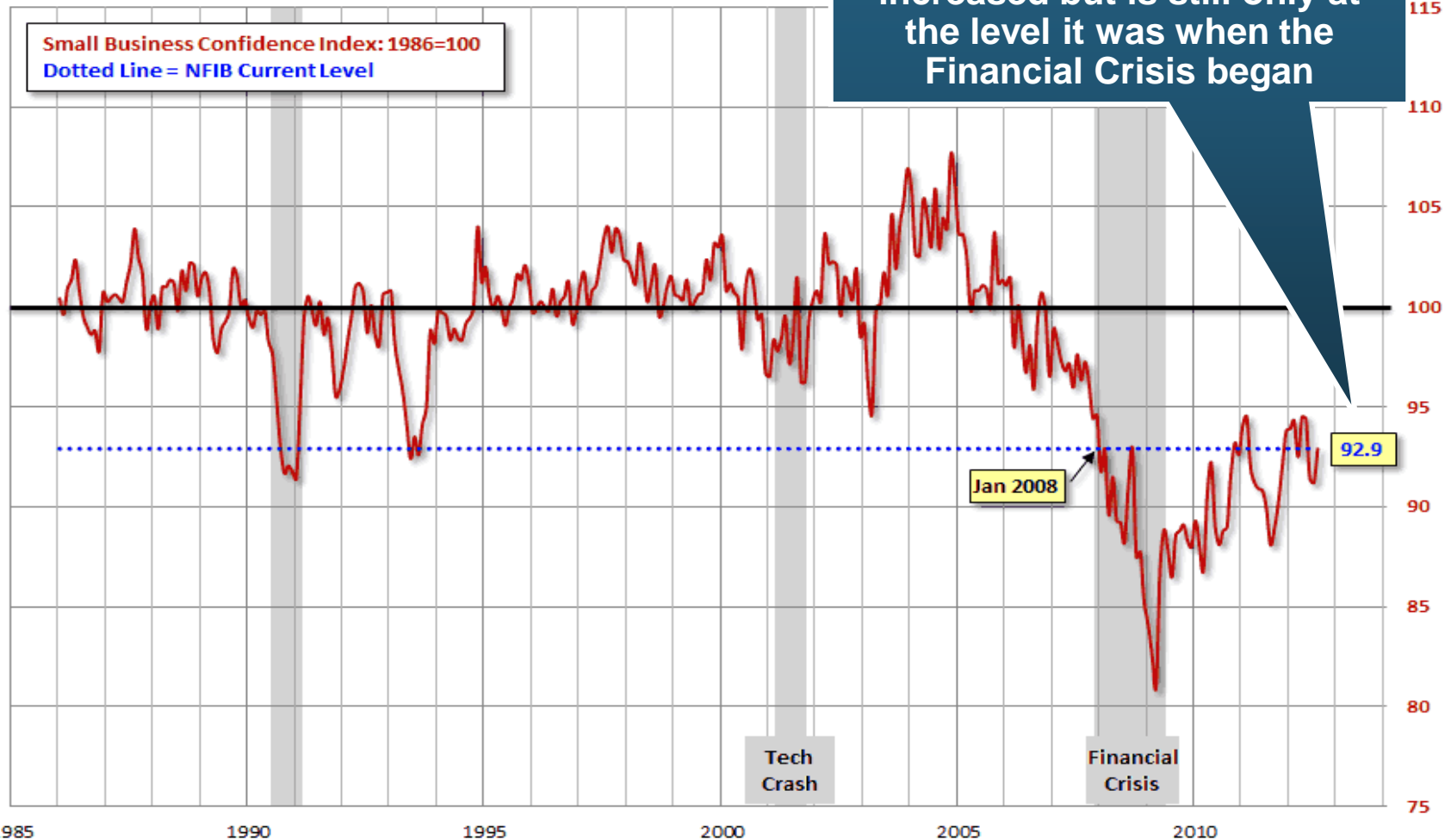
**Business Starts Were Down Nearly 20% in the Recession, Holding Back Most Types of Commercial Insurance Exposure, But Are Recovering Slowly**

\* Data through Dec. 31, 2011 are the latest available as of Sept. 20, 2012; Seasonally adjusted.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/cewbd.t08.htm>.

# NFIB Small Business Optimism Index

January 1985 through August 2012





# 12 Industries for the Next 10 Years: Insurance Solutions Needed

Health Care

Health Sciences

Energy (Traditional)

Alternative Energy

Petrochemical

Agriculture

Natural Resources

Technology (incl. Biotechnology)

Light Manufacturing

Inourced Manufacturing

Export-Oriented Industries

Shipping (Rail, Marine, Trucking)



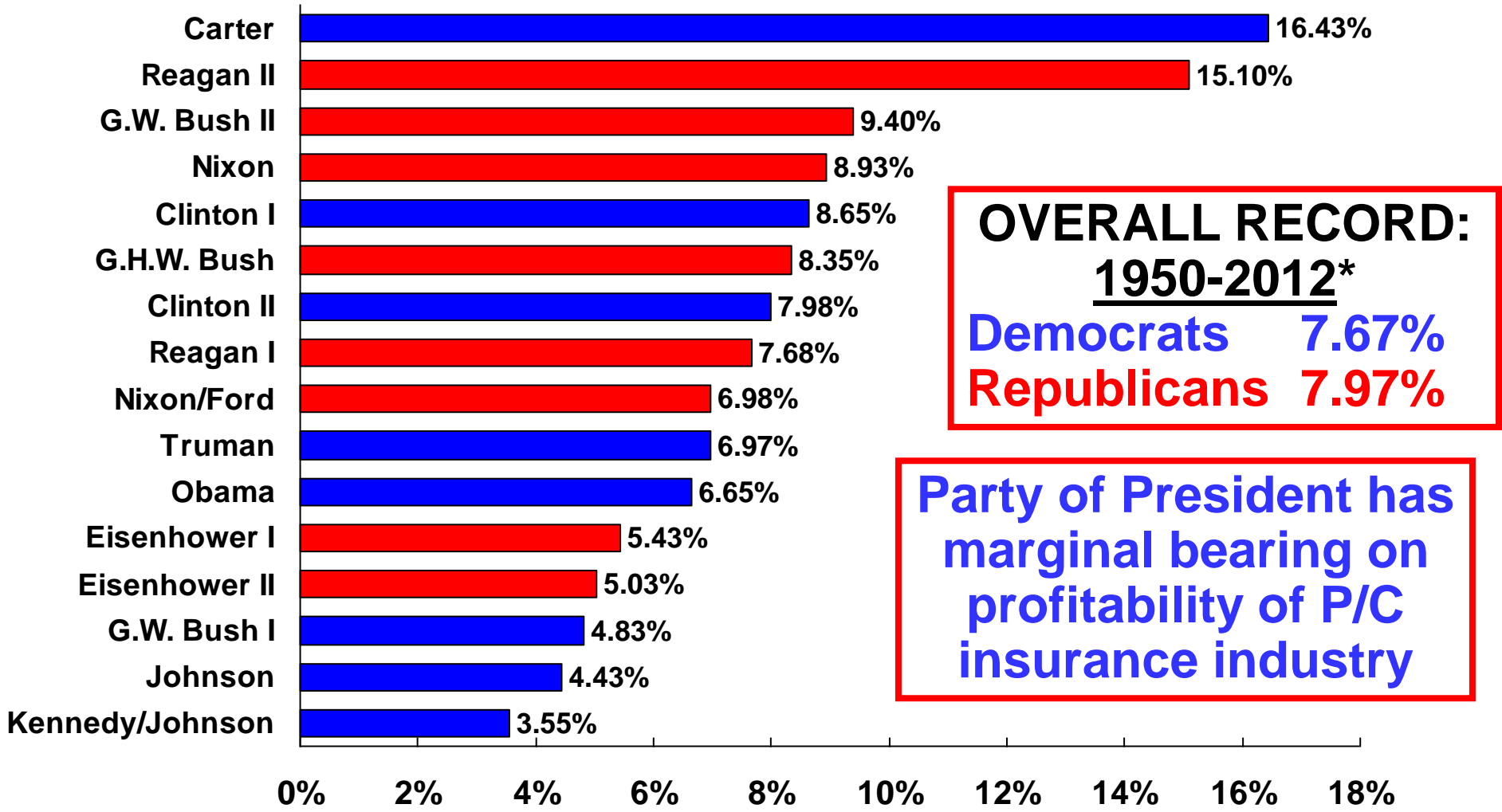
Many industries are poised for growth, though insurers' ability to capitalize on these industries varies widely



# Presidential Politics & the P/C Insurance Industry

## How Is Profitability Affected by the President's Political Party?

# P/C Insurance Industry ROE by Presidential Administration, 1950- 2012\*

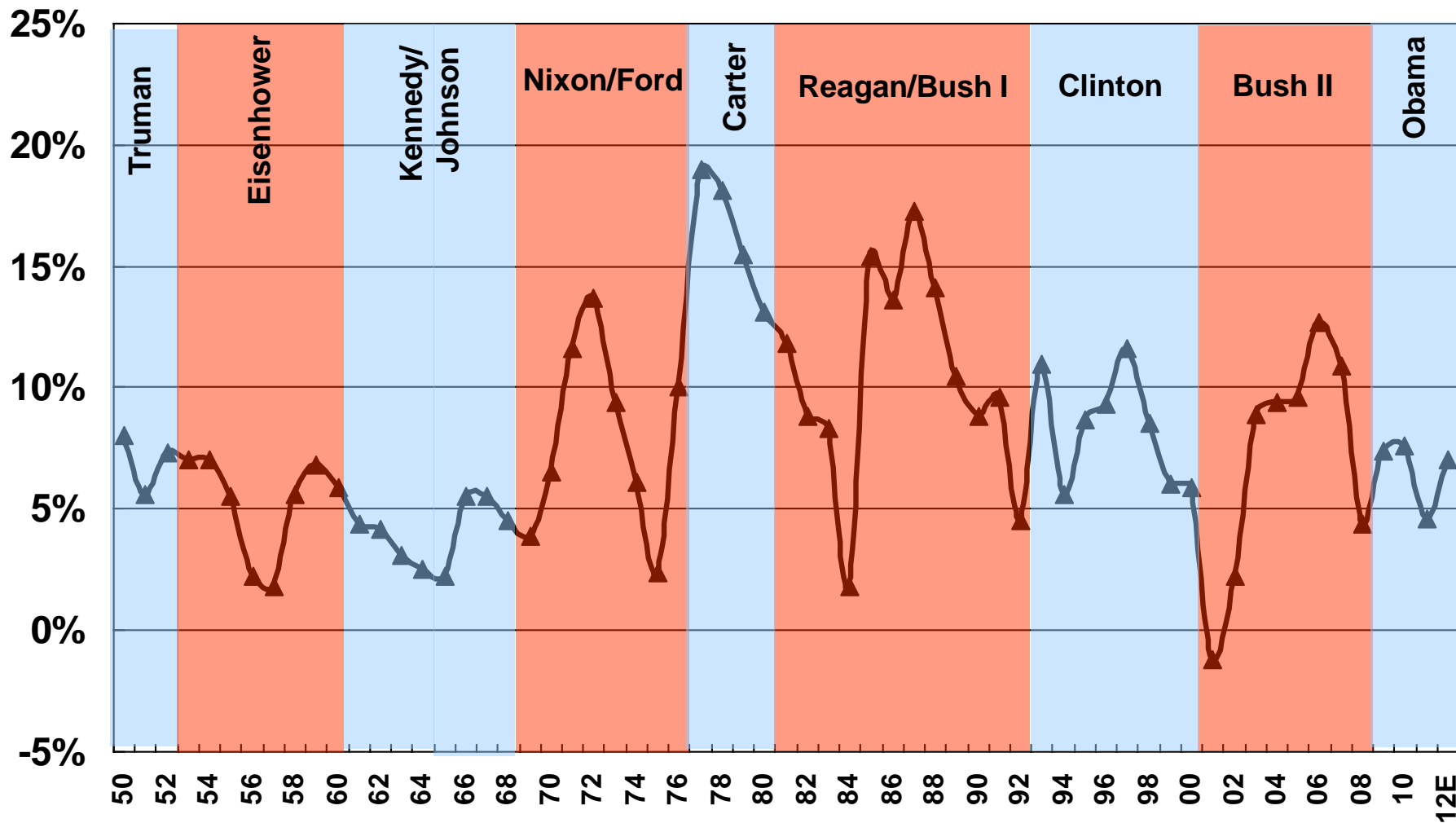


\*Truman administration ROE of 6.97% based on 3 years only, 1950-52; ROEs for the years 2008 forward exclude mortgage and financial guaranty segments. Estimated ROE for 2012 = 7.0%.

# P/C insurance Industry ROE by Presidential Party Affiliation, 1950- 2012\*

**BLUE** = Democratic President

**RED** = Republican President



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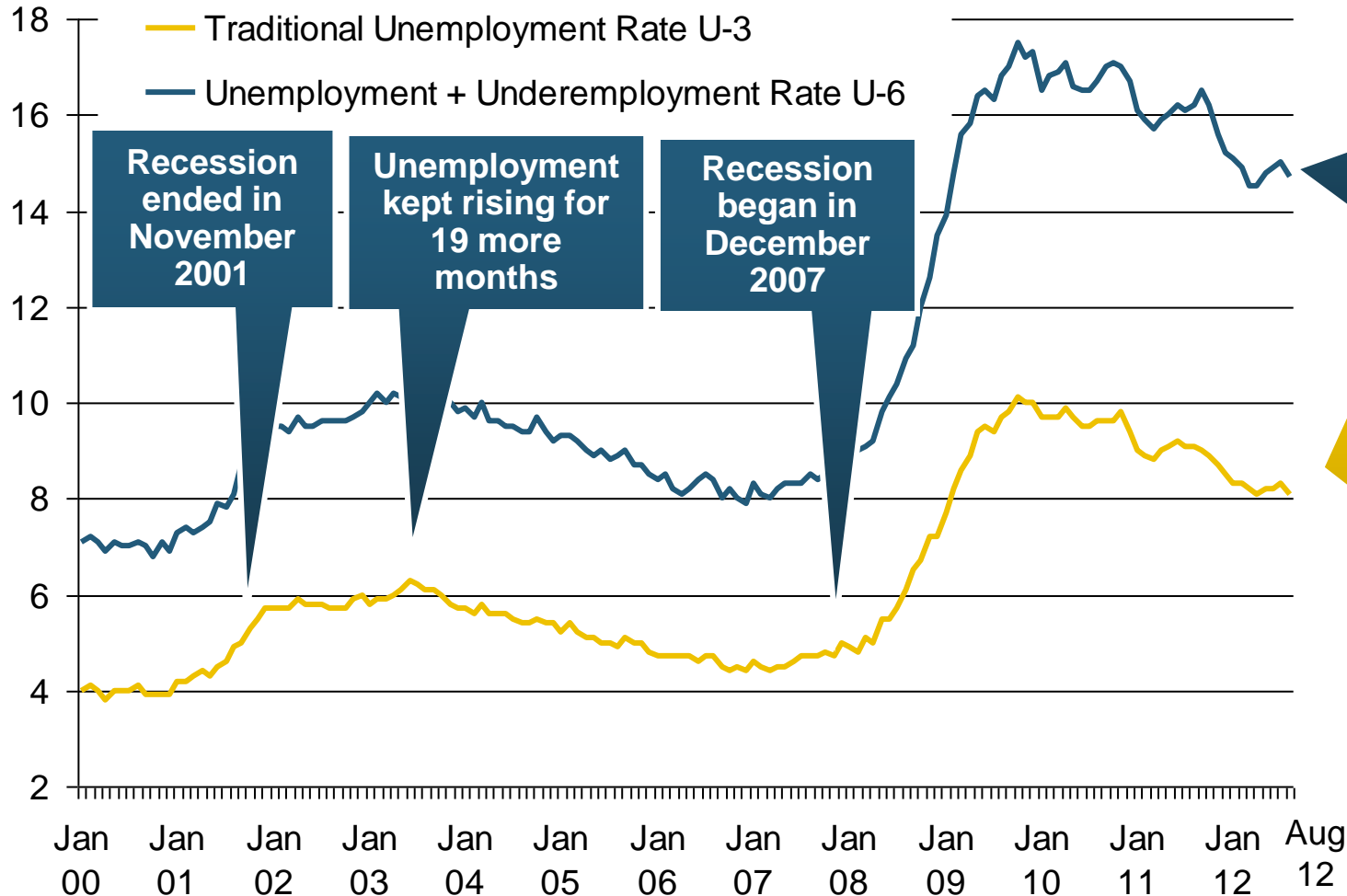
Source: Insurance Information Institute

# Labor Market Trends

**Massive Job Losses Sapped the Economy and Commercial/Personal Lines Exposure, But Trend is Improving**

# Unemployment and Underemployment Rates: Stubbornly High in 2012, But Falling

January 2000 through August 2012, Seasonally Adjusted (%)



U-6 went from 8.0% in March 2007 to 17.5% in October 2009; Stood at 14.7% in Aug. 2012

Unemployment stood at 8.1% in Aug. 2012

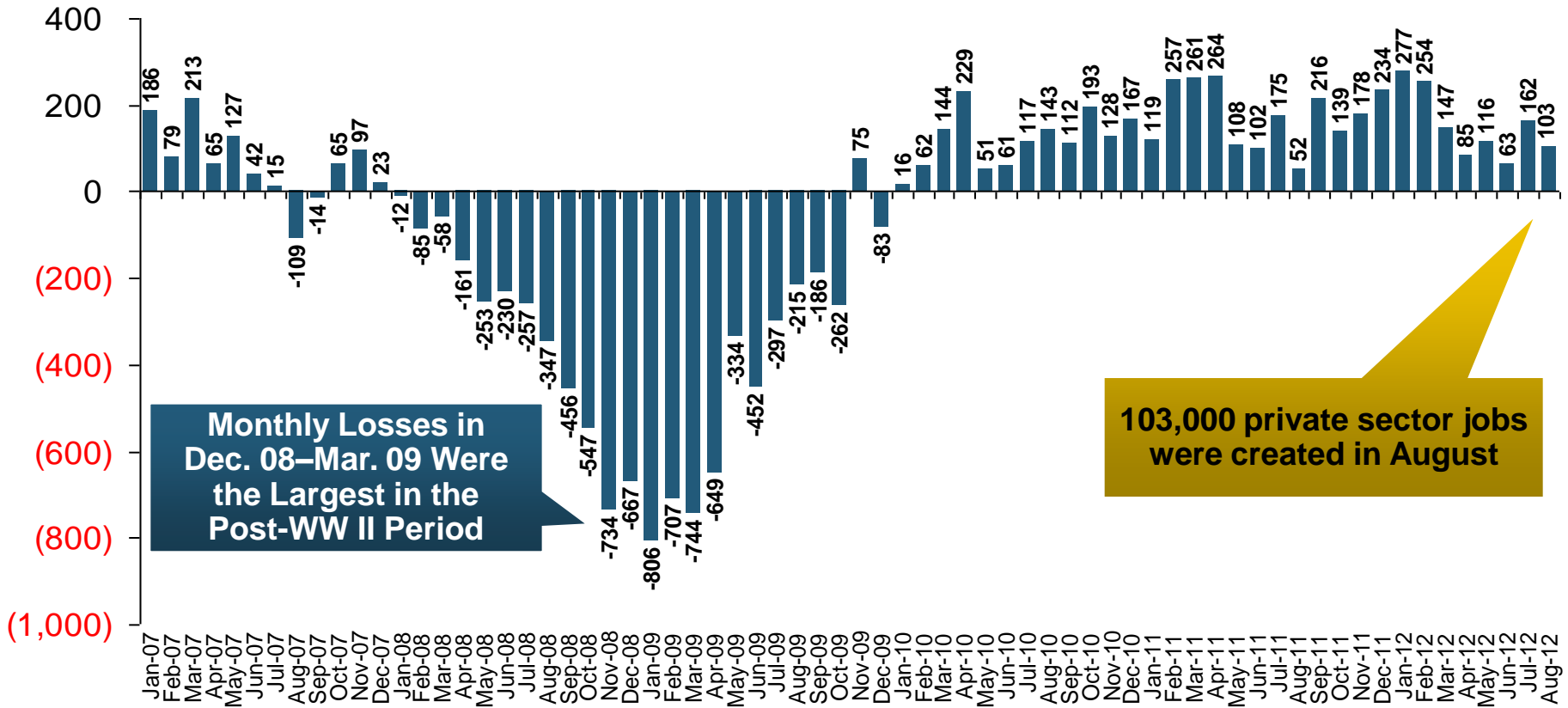
Unemployment peaked at 10.1% in October 2009, highest monthly rate since 1983.

Peak rate in the last 30 years: 10.8% in November - December 1982

**Stubbornly high unemployment and underemployment constrain overall economic growth, but the job market is now clearly improving**

# Monthly Change in Private Employment

January 2008 through August 2012 (Thousands)



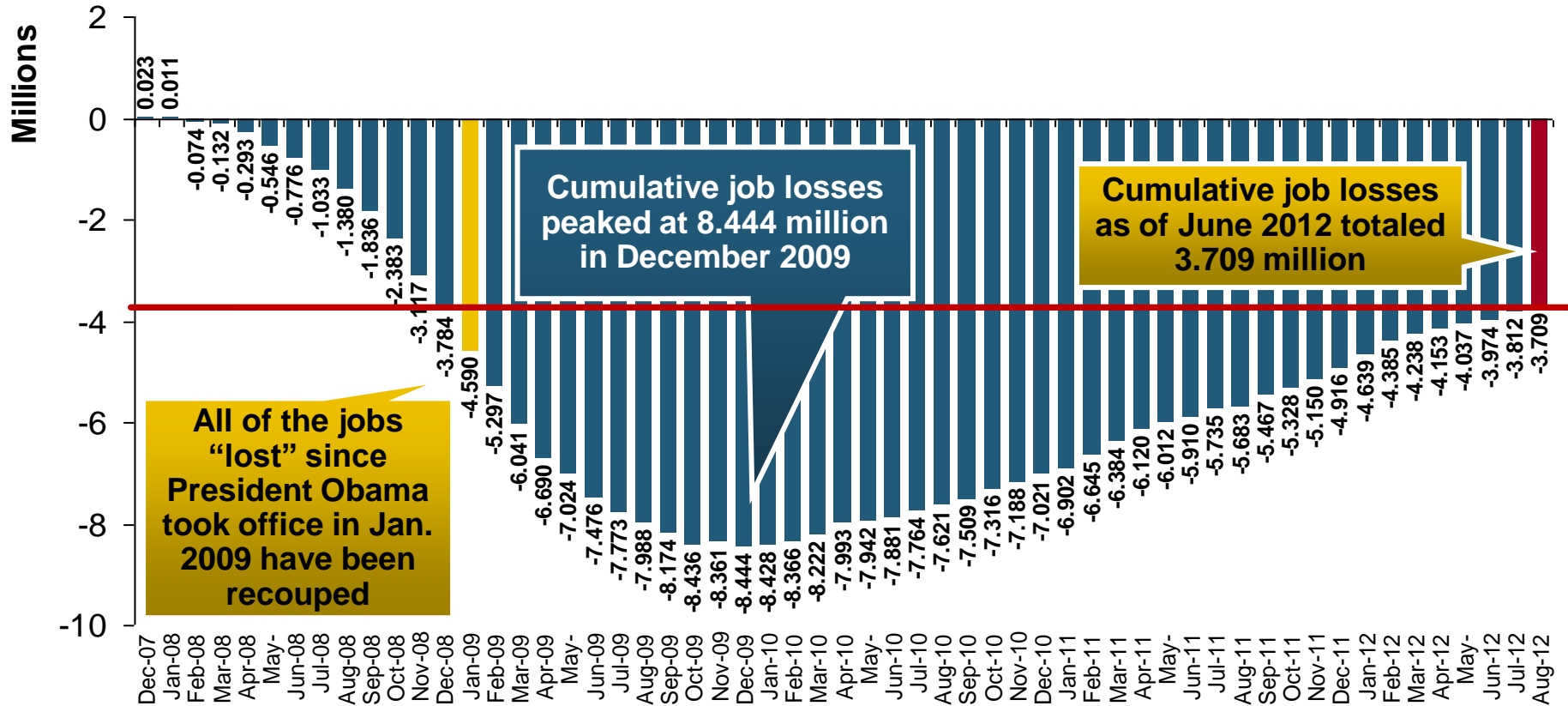
Monthly Losses in Dec. 08–Mar. 09 Were the Largest in the Post-WW II Period

103,000 private sector jobs were created in August

Private Employers Added 4.65 million Jobs Since Jan. 2010 After Having Shed 4.66 Million Jobs in 2009 and 3.81 Million in 2008 (State and Local Governments Have Shed Hundreds of Thousands of Jobs)

# Cumulative Change in Private Employment: Dec. 2007—August 2012

December 2007 through August 2012 (Millions)

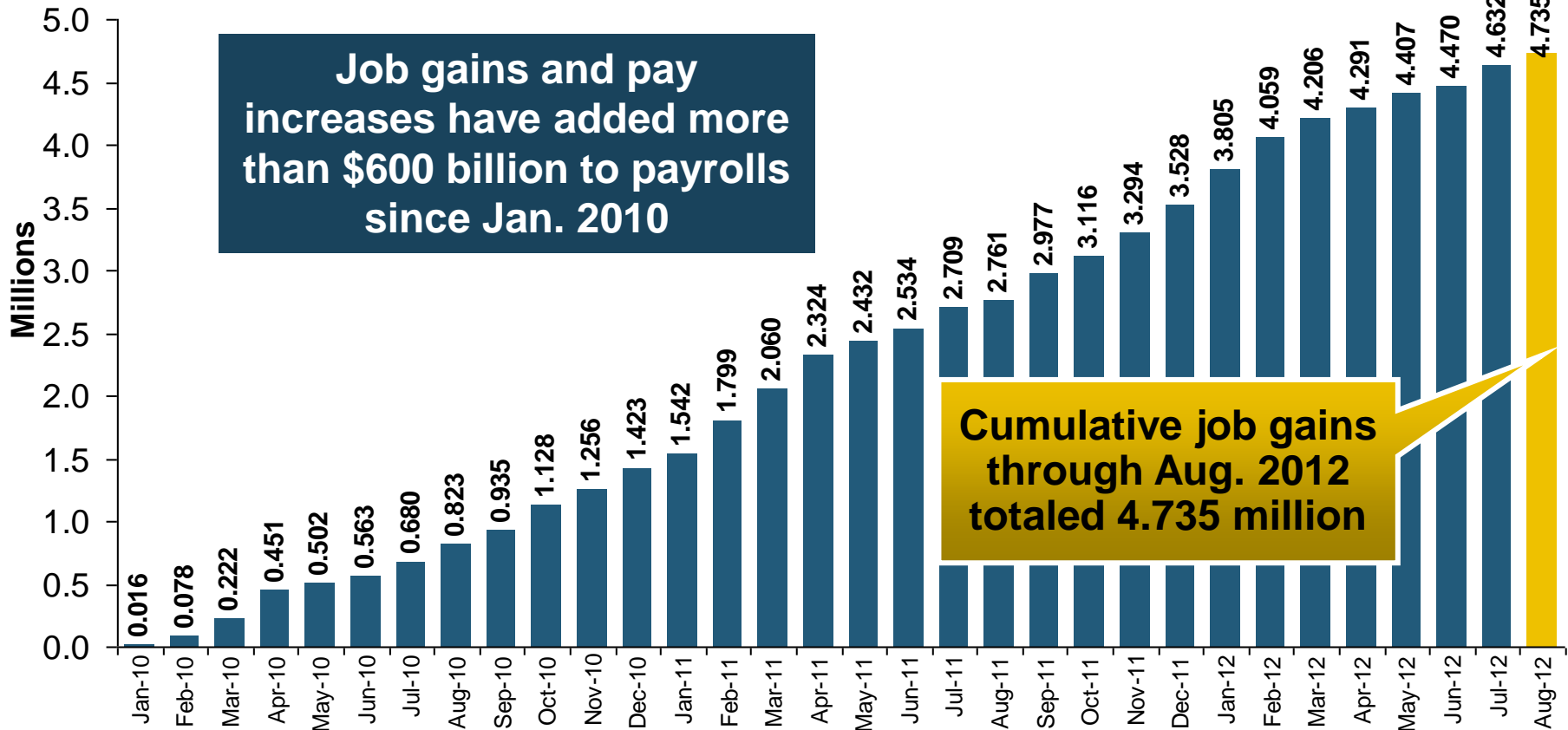


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# Cumulative Change in Private Sector Employment: Jan. 2010—August 2012

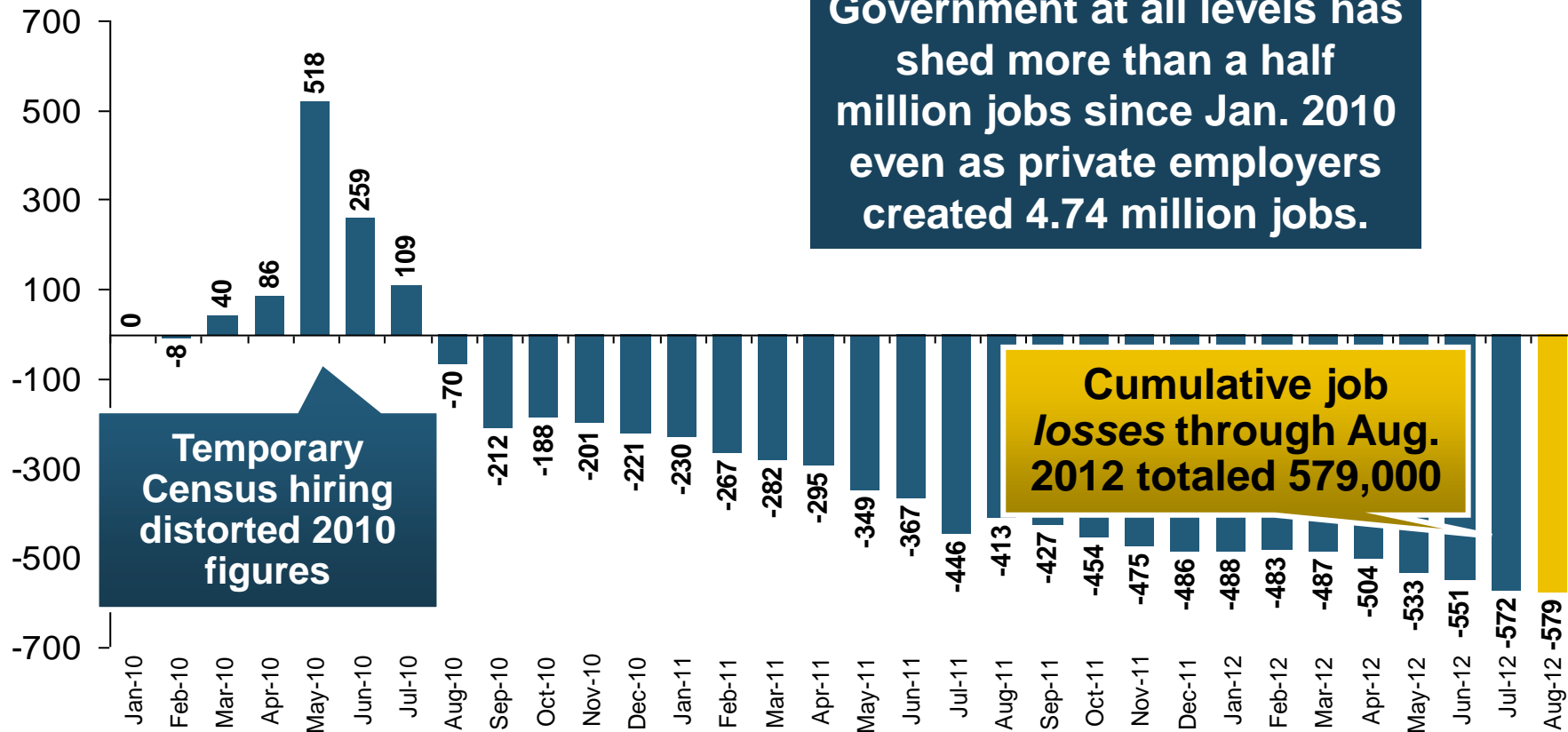
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# Cumulative Change in Government Employment: Jan. 2010—August 2012

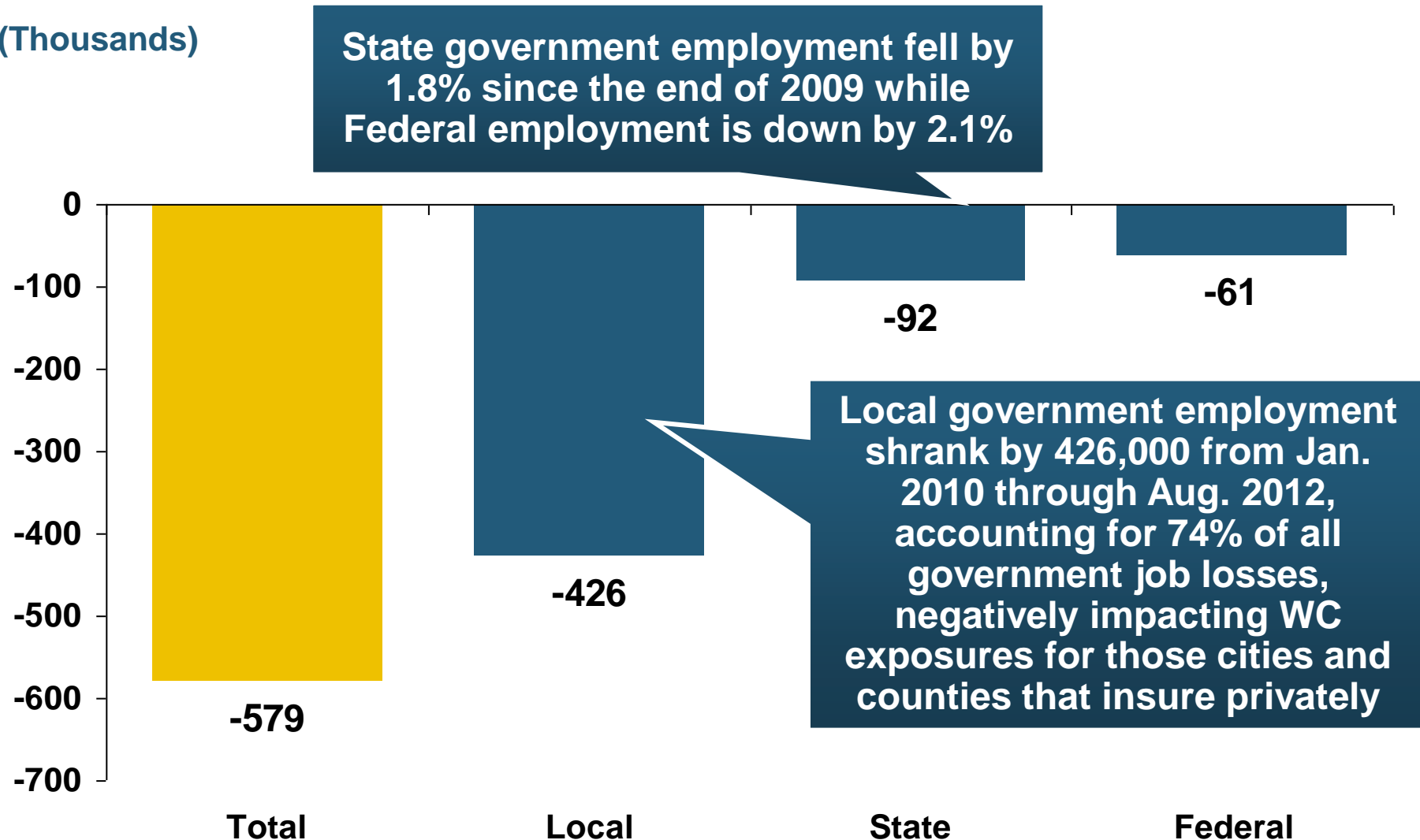
January 2010 through August 2012\* (Millions)



**Governments at All Levels are Under Severe Fiscal Strain As Tax Receipts Plunged and Pension Obligations Soared During the Financial Crisis, Causing Them to Reduce Staff**

# Net Change in Government Employment: Jan. 2010—August 2012\*

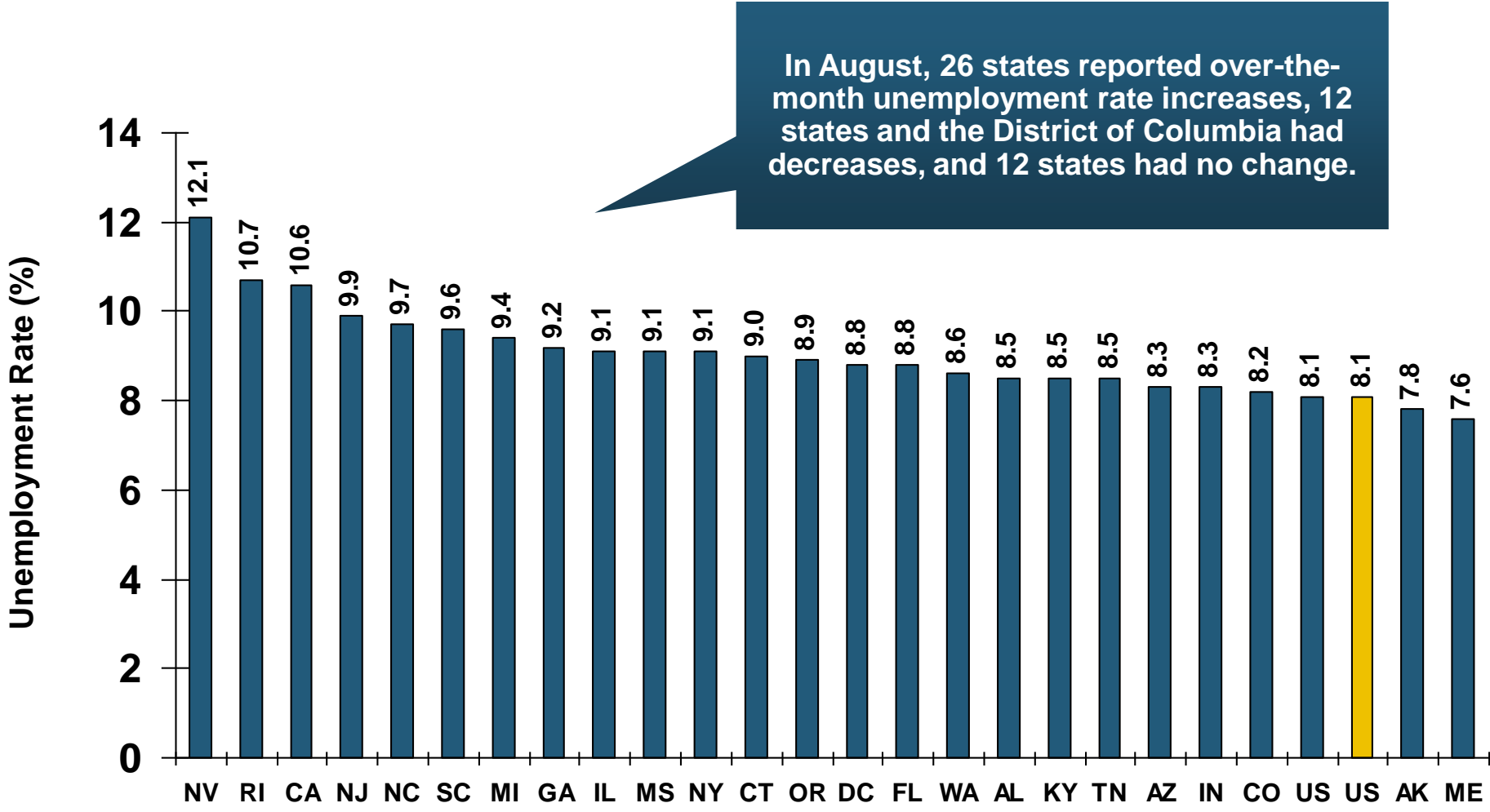
(Thousands)



\*Cumulative change from prior month; Base employment date is Dec. 2009.

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics <http://www.bls.gov/data/#employment>; Insurance Information Institute

# Unemployment Rates by State, August 2012: Highest 25 States\*

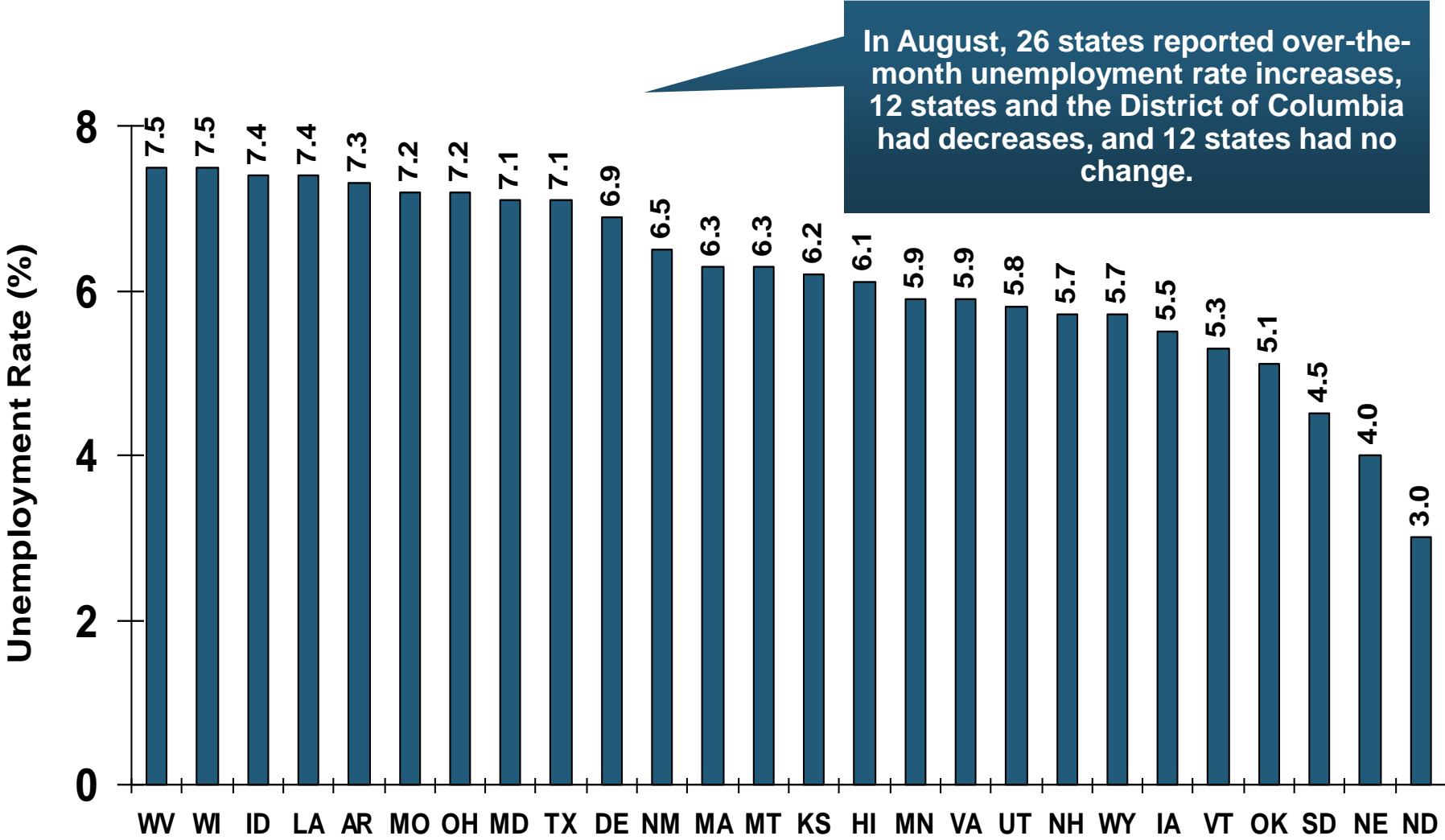


In August, 26 states reported over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 12 states and the District of Columbia had decreases, and 12 states had no change.

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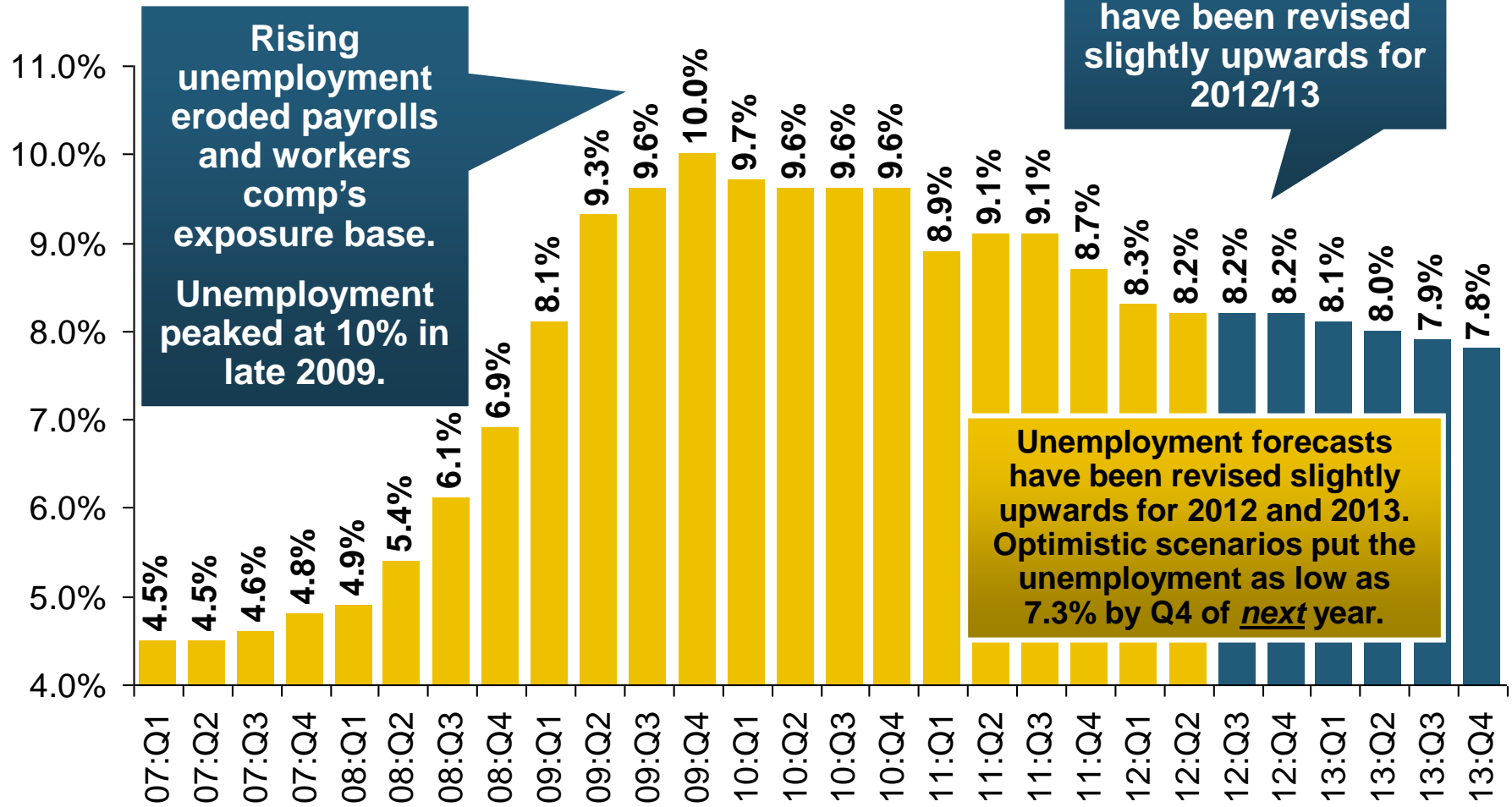
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# US Unemployment Rate Forecast

2007:Q1 to 2013:Q4F\*

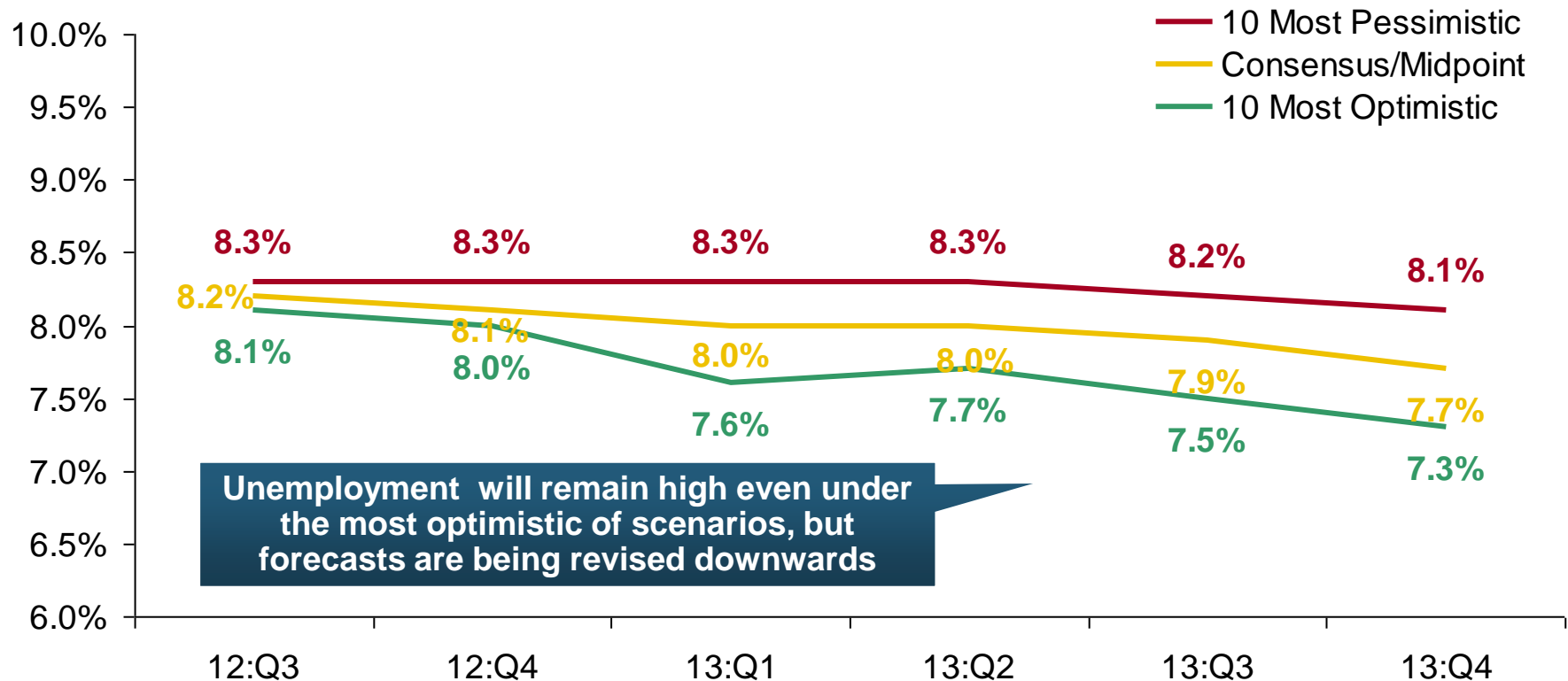


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# US Unemployment Rate Forecasts

Quarterly, 2012:Q2 to 2013:Q4

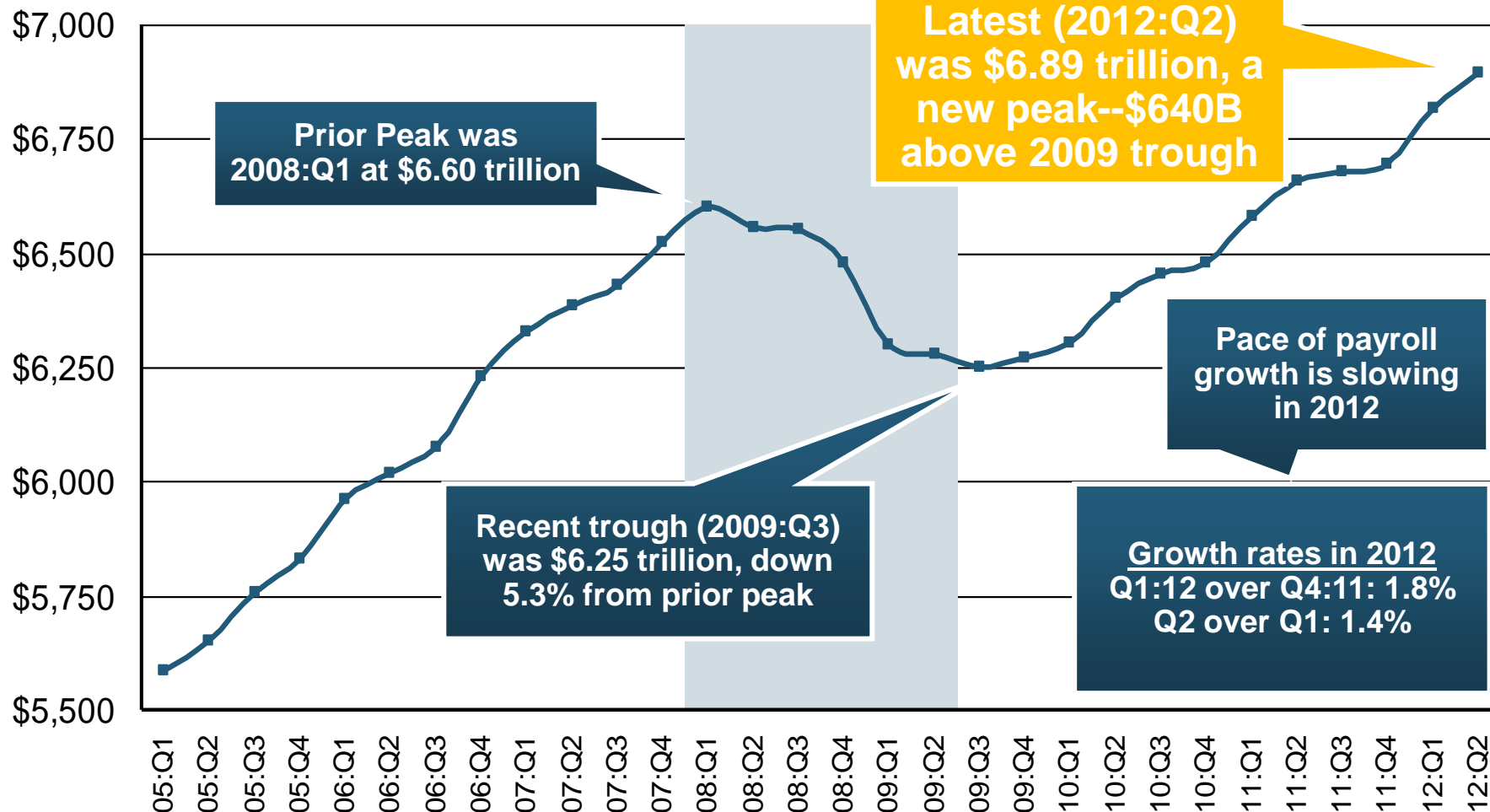


Unemployment will remain high even under the most optimistic of scenarios, but forecasts are being revised downwards

**Steadily Decreasing Unemployment Should Benefit the Workers Comp Exposure Base at Least Through 2013**

# Nonfarm Payroll (Wages and Salaries): Quarterly, 2005–2012:Q2

Billions



Note: Recession indicated by gray shaded column. Data are seasonally adjusted annual rates.

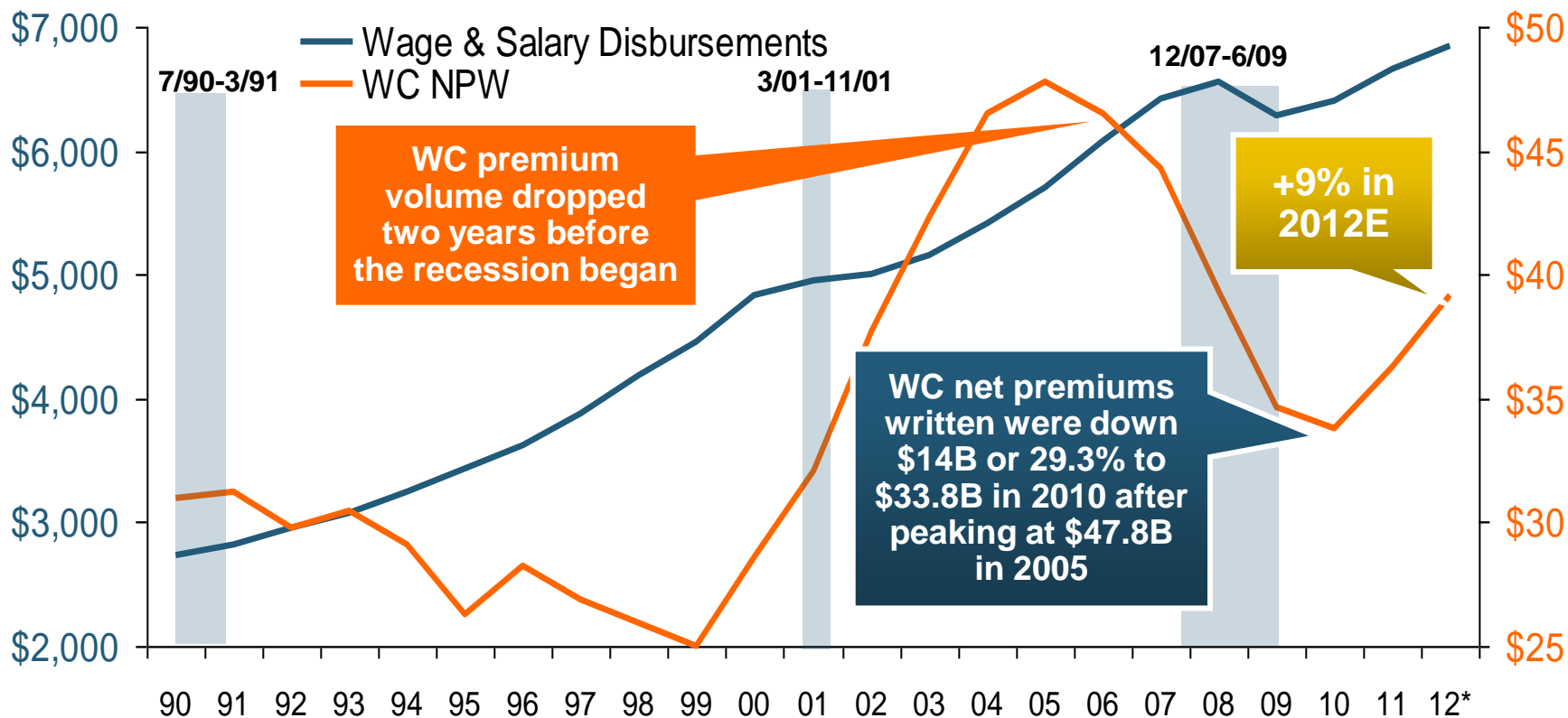
Sources: <http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2/series/WASCUR>; National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institute.



# Payroll vs. Workers Comp Net Written Premiums, 1990-2012E

Payroll Base\*  
\$Billions

WC NWP  
\$Billions



**Continued Payroll Growth and Rate Increases Suggest WC NWP Will Grow Again in 2012; +7.9% Growth in 2011 Was the First Gain Since 2005**

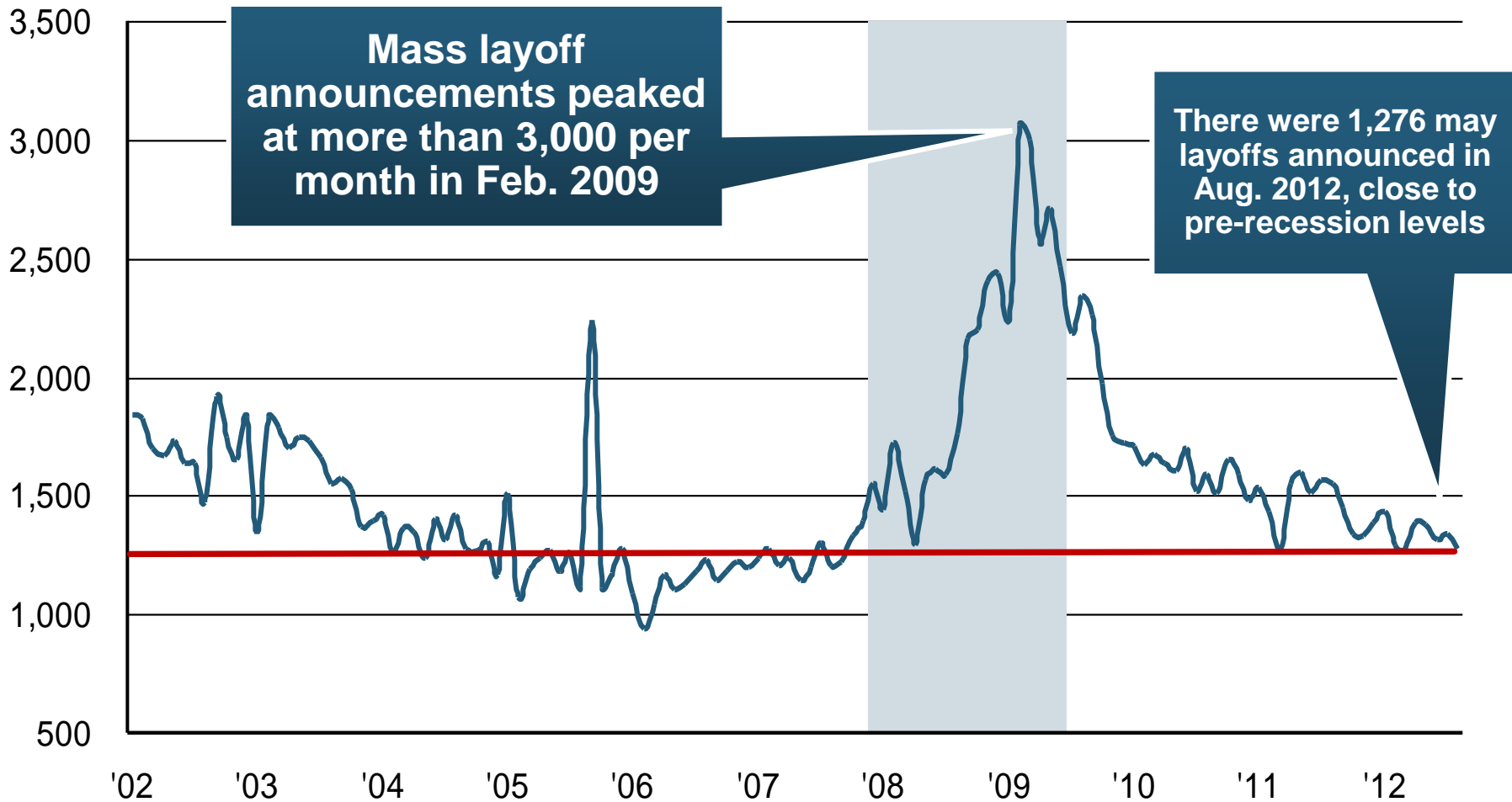
\*Private employment; Shaded areas indicate recessions. Payroll and WC premiums for 2012 is I.I.I. estimate based YTD 2012 actuals. Sources: NBER (recessions); Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis at <http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2/series/WASCUR> ; NCCI; I.I.I.



# POSITIVE LABOR MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

## Key Factors Driving Workers Compensation Exposure

# Mass Layoff Announcements, Jan. 2002—August 2012\*



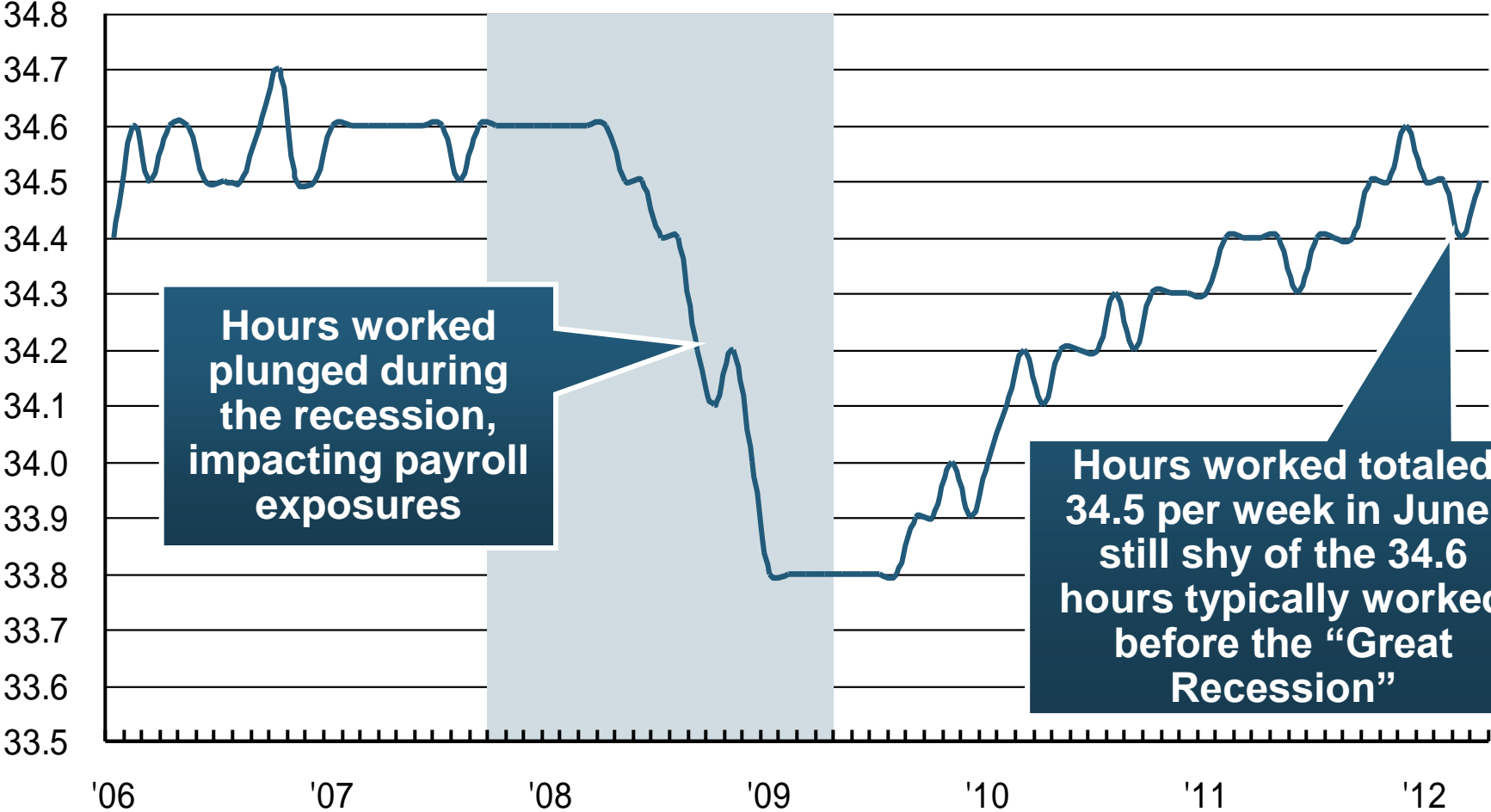
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# Average Weekly Hours of All Private Workers, Mar. 2006—June 2012

(Hours Worked)



Hours worked plunged during the recession, impacting payroll exposures

Hours worked totaled 34.5 per week in June, still shy of the 34.6 hours typically worked before the “Great Recession”

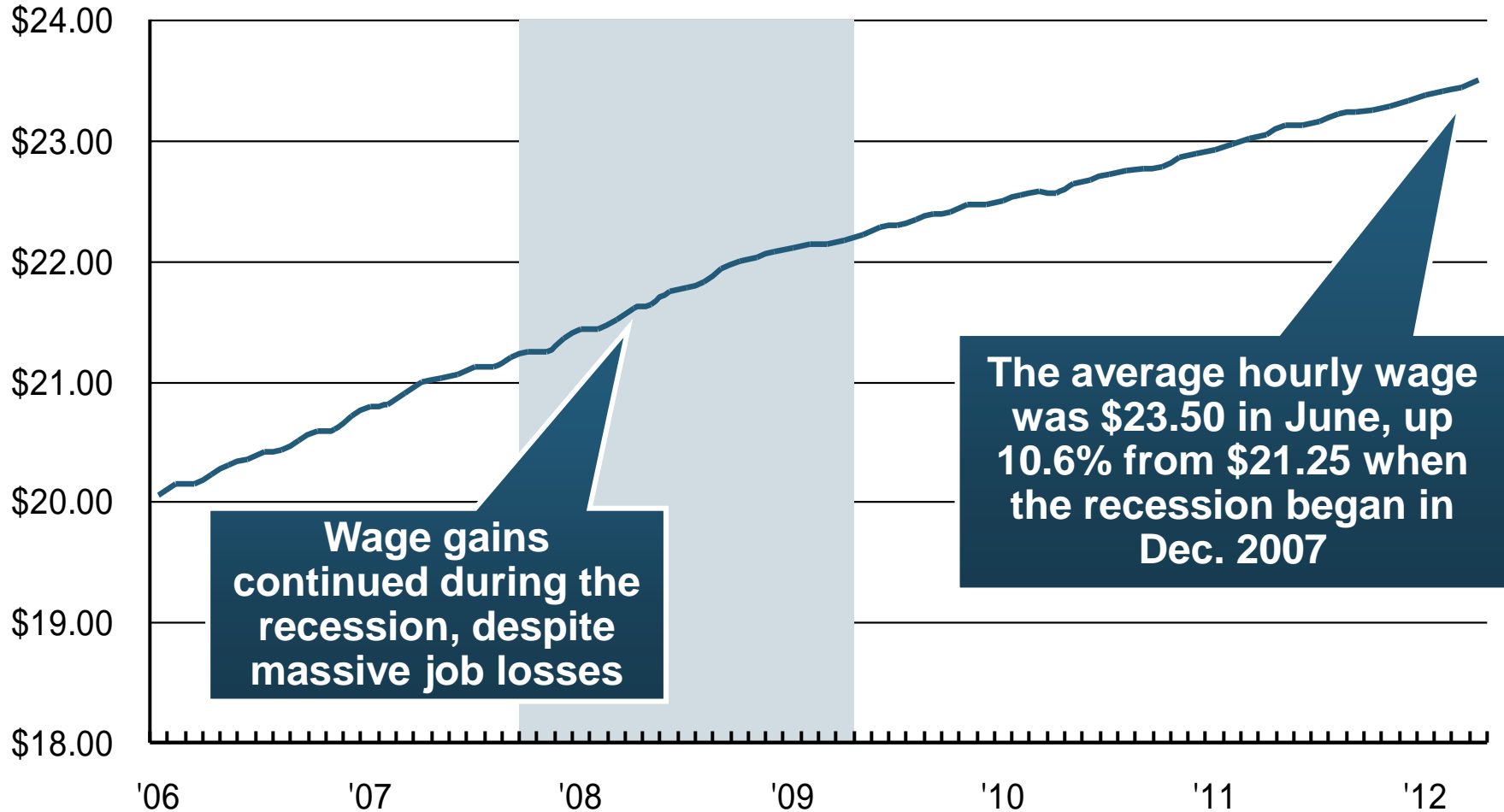
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(Hourly Wage)



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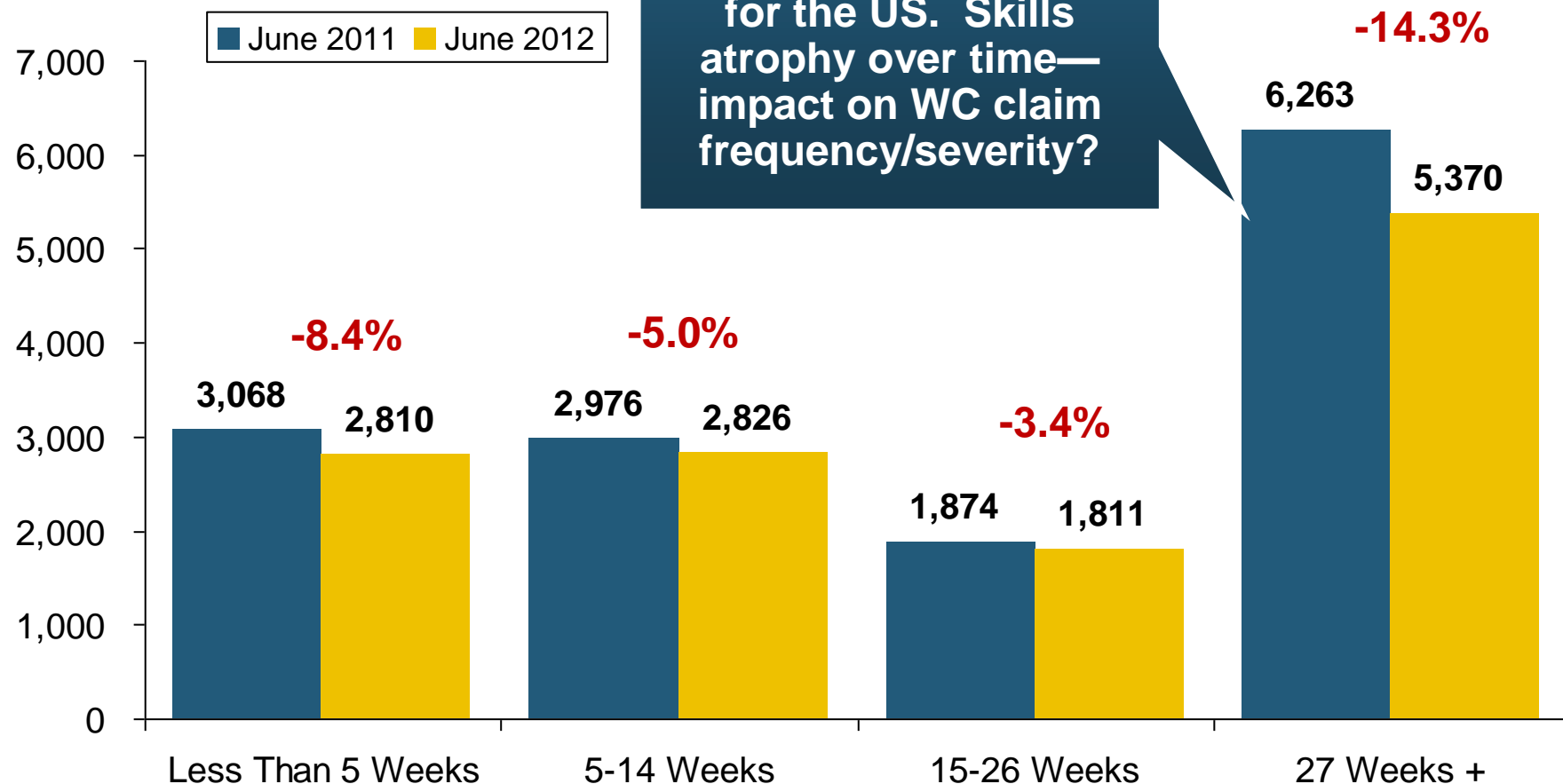


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**Key Factors Harming Workers  
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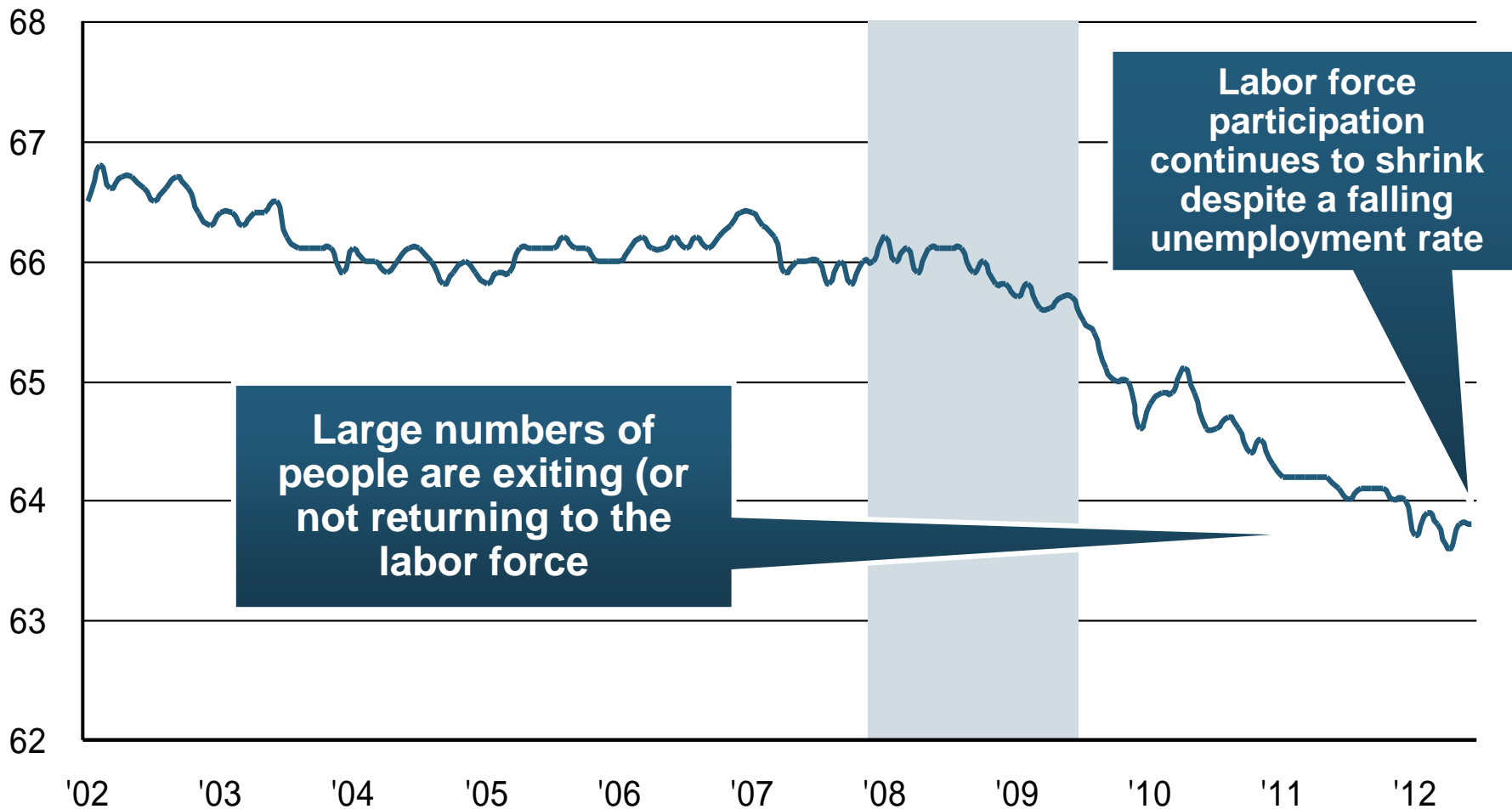
# Duration of Unemployment, June 2011 vs. June 2012

(Thousands)



# Labor Force Participation Rate, Jan. 2002—June 2012\*

Labor Force Participation as a % of Population



\*Defined as the percentage of working age persons in the population who are employed or actively seeking work.

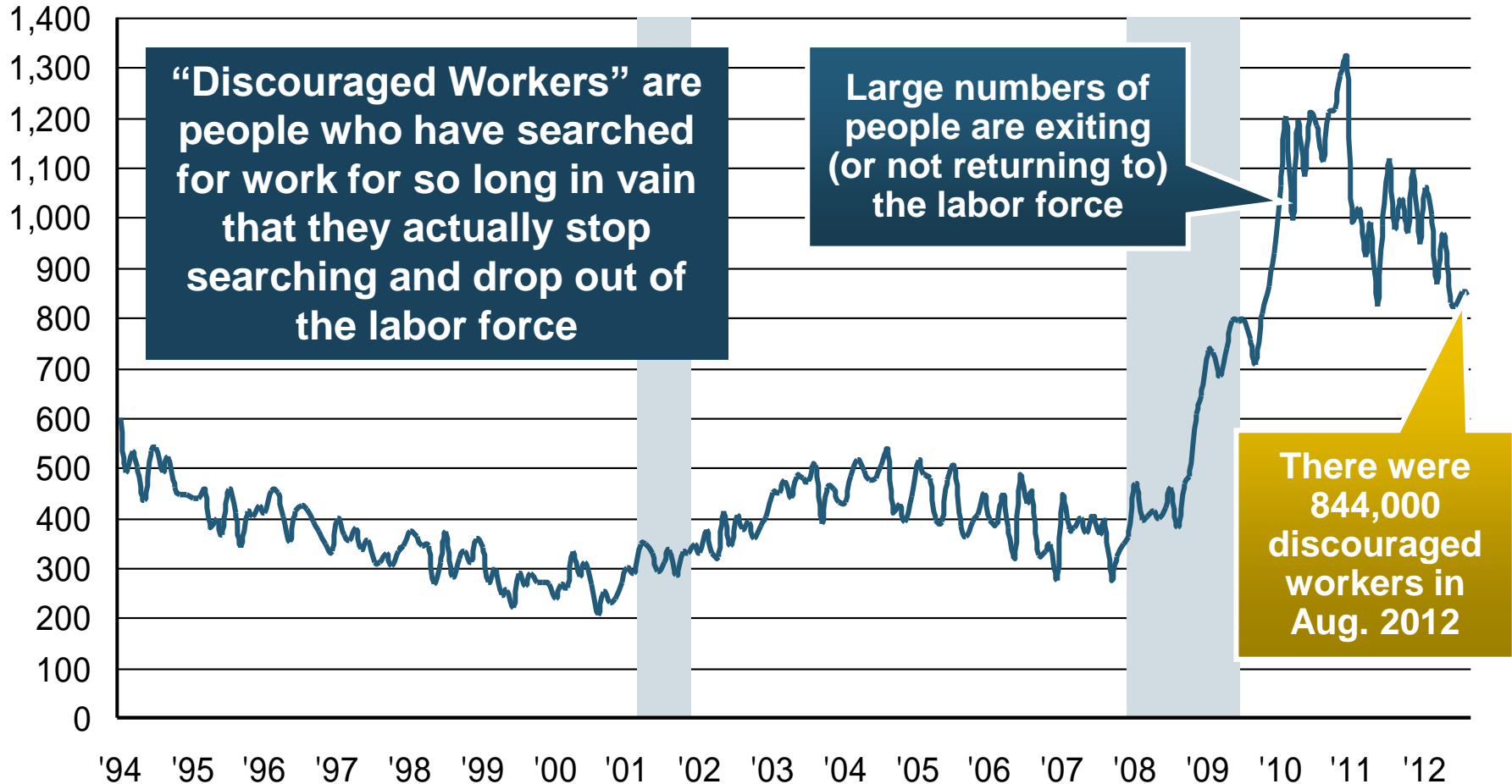
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# Number of “Discouraged Workers,” Jan. 2002—August 2012

Thousands



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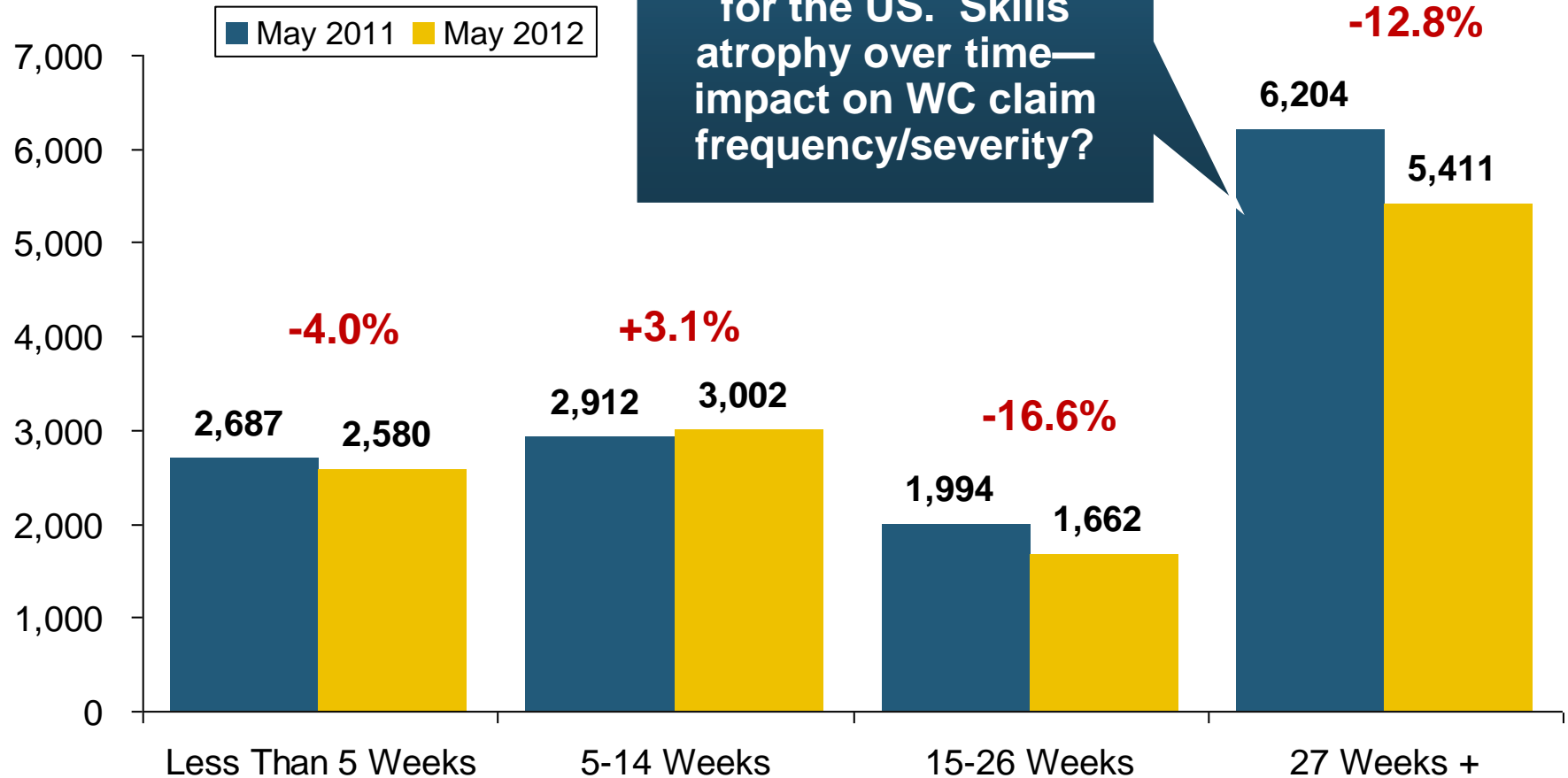


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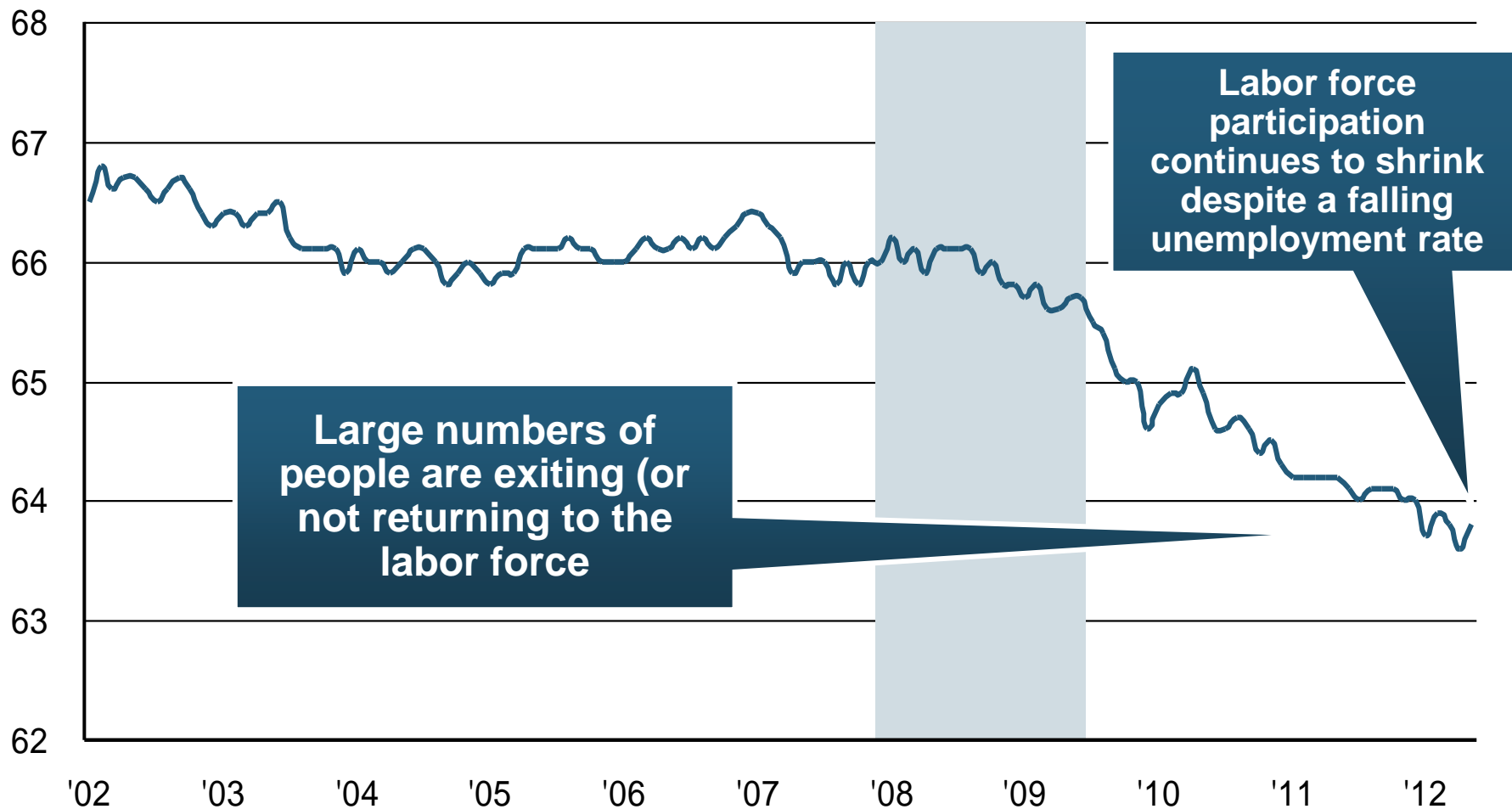
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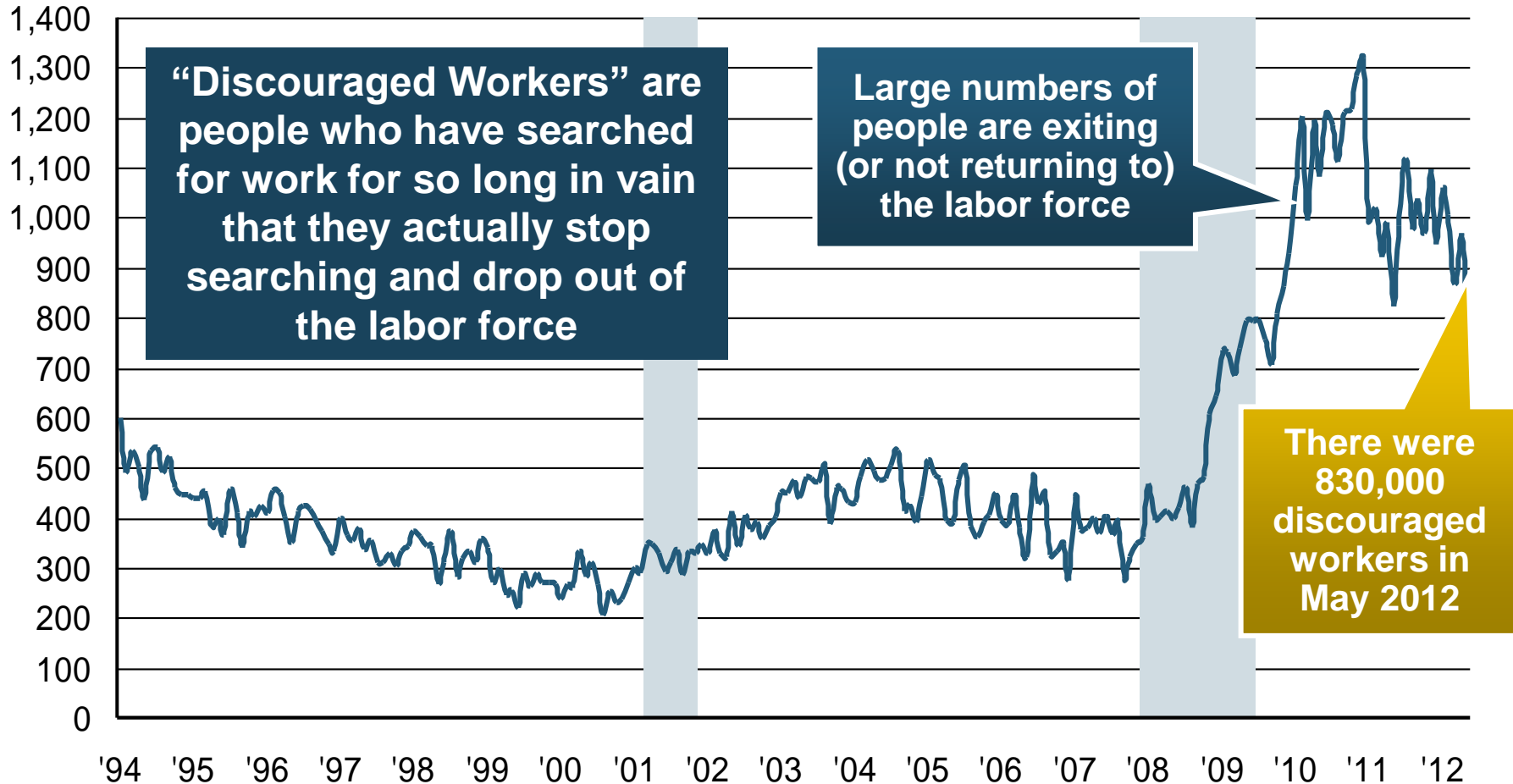
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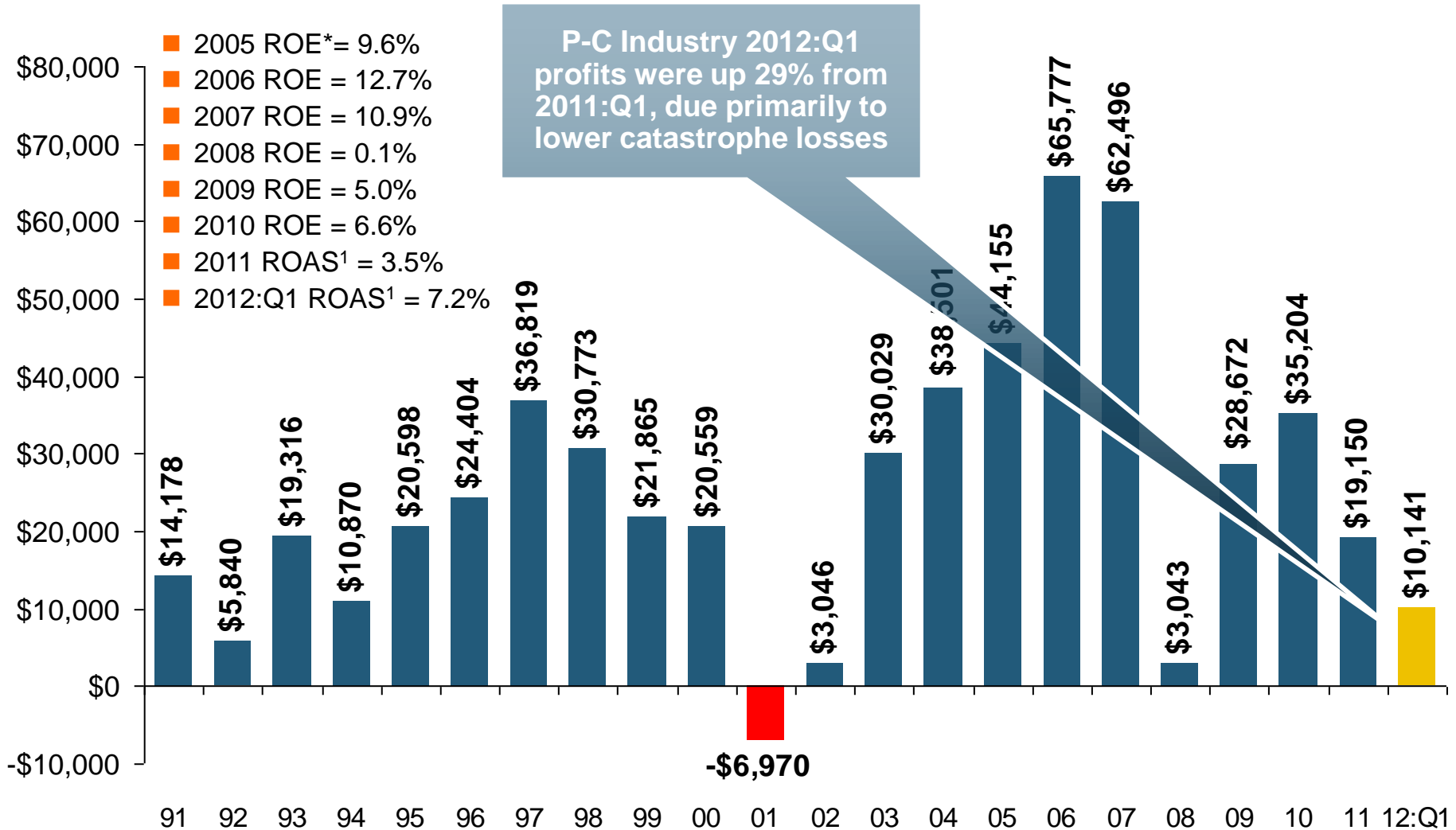
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# **P/C Insurance Industry Financial Overview**

**Profit Recovery Was Set Back  
in 2011 by High Catastrophe  
Loss & Other Factors**

# P/C Net Income After Taxes 1991–2012:Q1 (\$ Millions)



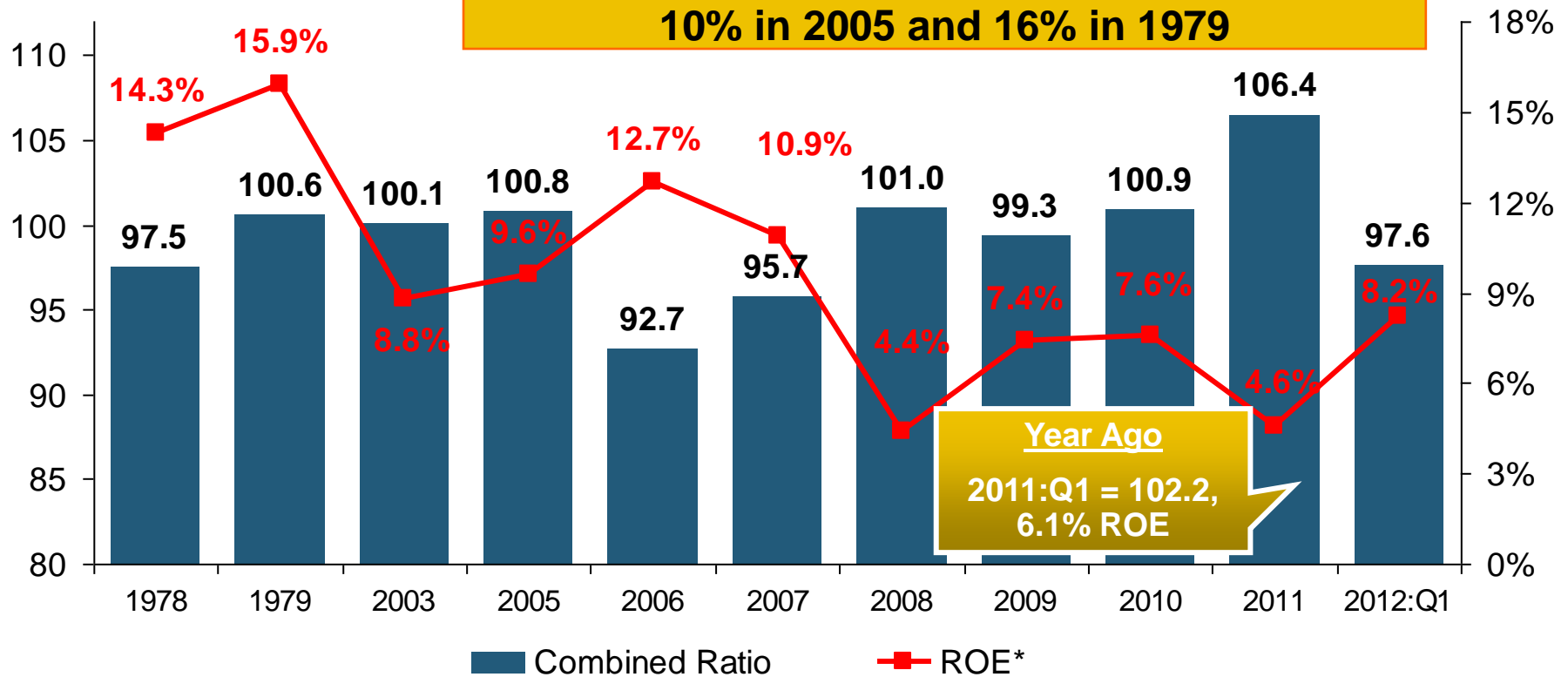
\* ROE figures are GAAP; <sup>1</sup>Return on avg. surplus. Excluding Mortgage & Financial Guaranty insurers yields a 8.2% ROAS for 2012:Q1, 4.6% ROAS for 2011, 7.6% for 2010 and 7.4% for 2009.

Sources: A.M. Best, ISO, Insurance Information Institute

# A 100 Combined Ratio Isn't What It Once Was: Investment Impact on ROEs

## Combined Ratio / ROE

A combined ratio of about 100 generates an ROE of ~6.7% in 2012, ~7.5% ROE in 2009/10, 10% in 2005 and 16% in 1979

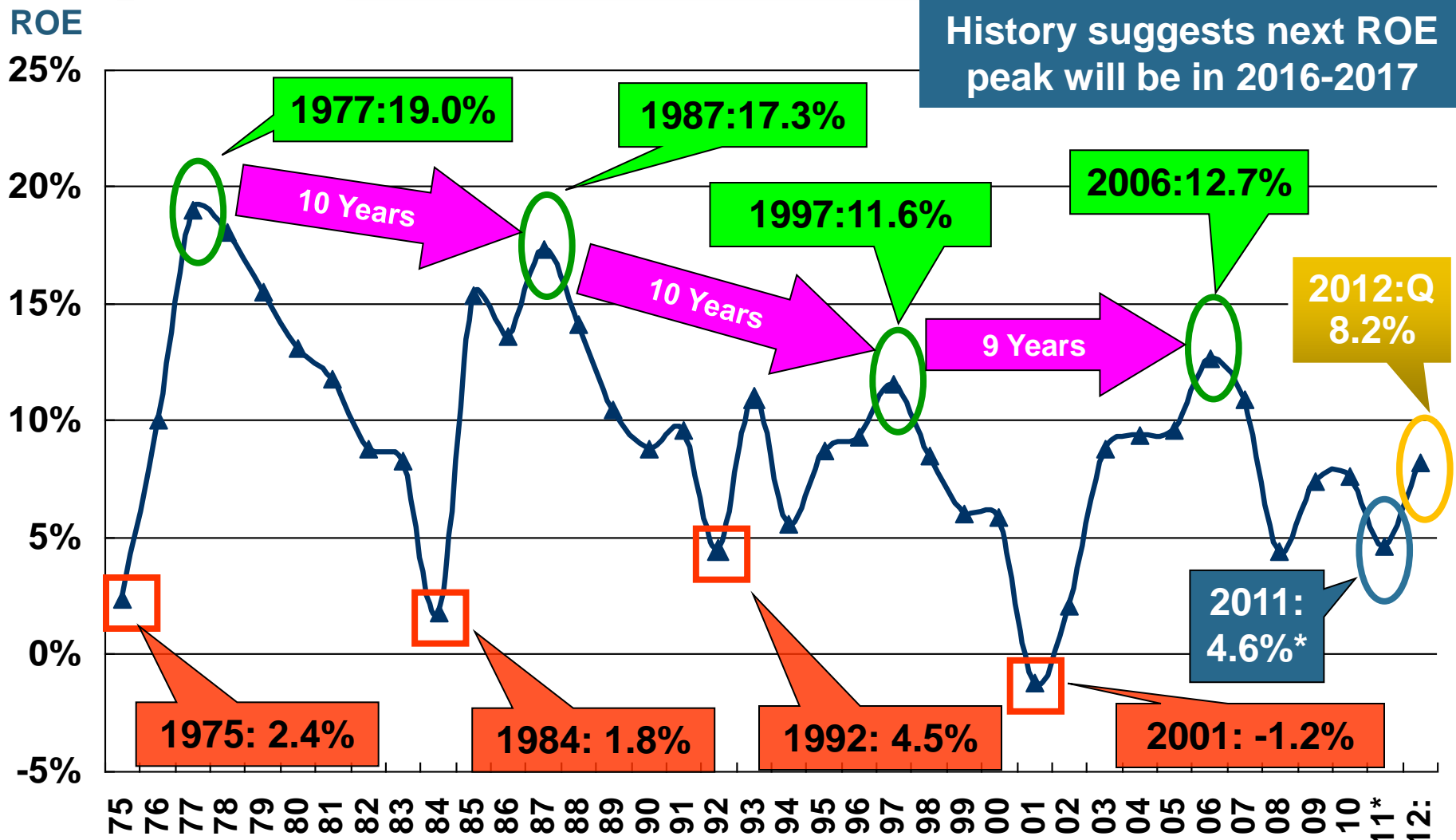


**Combined Ratios Must Be Lower in Today's Depressed Investment Environment to Generate Risk Appropriate ROEs**

\* 2008 -2012 figures are return on average surplus and exclude mortgage and financial guaranty insurers. 2012:Q1 combined ratio including M&FG insurers is 99.0, ROAS = 7.2%; 2011 combined ratio including M&FG insurers is 108.2, ROAS = 3.5%.  
Source: Insurance Information Institute from A.M. Best and ISO data.



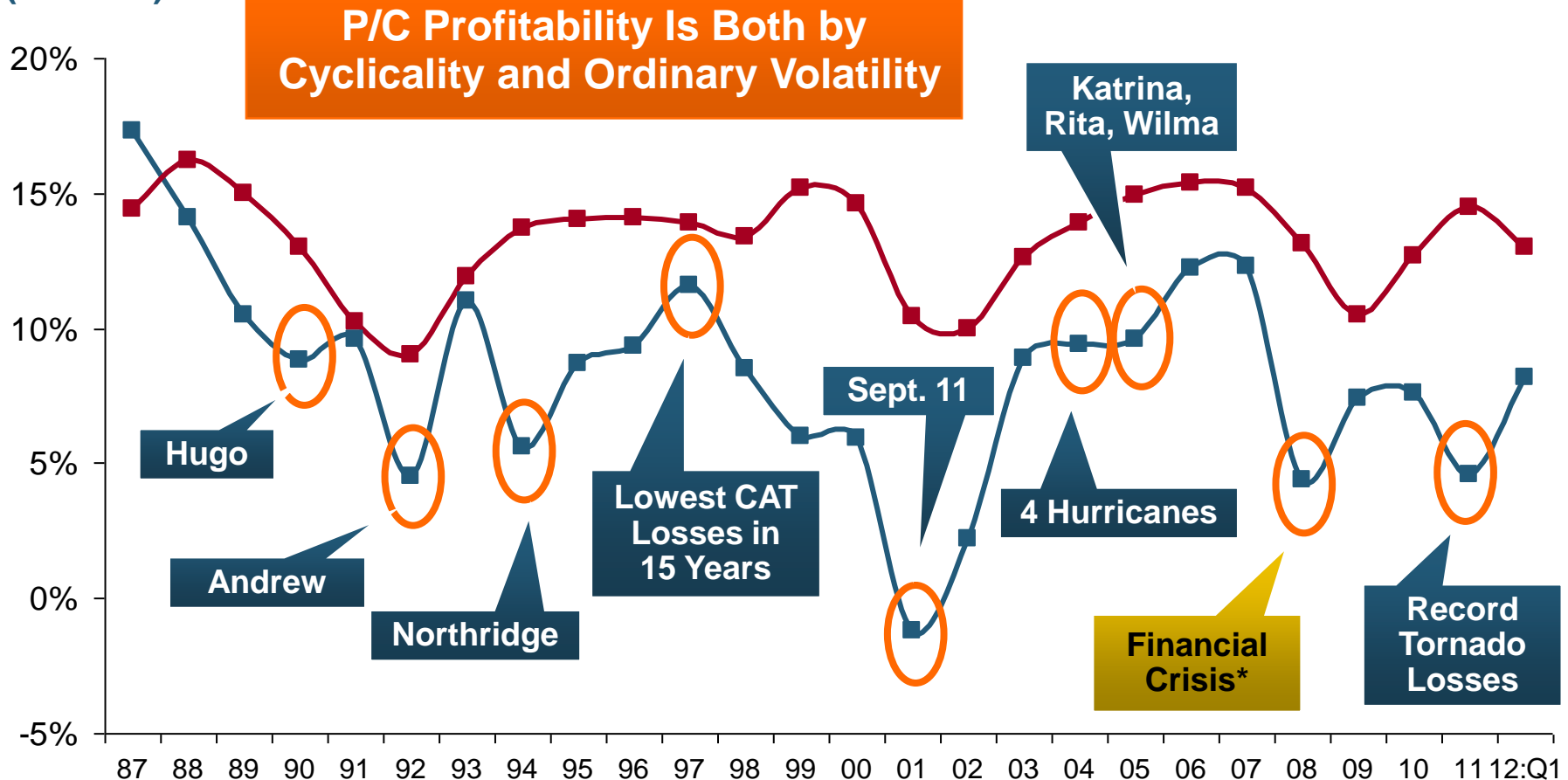
# Profitability Peaks & Troughs in the P/C Insurance Industry, 1975 – 2012:Q1\*



\*Profitability = P/C insurer ROEs. 2011 figure is an estimate based on ROAS data. Note: Data for 2008-2012 exclude mortgage and financial guaranty insurers. 2012:Q1 ROAS = 7.2% including M&FG.  
 Source: Insurance Information Institute; NAIC, ISO, A.M. Best.

# ROE: Property/Casualty Insurance vs. Fortune 500, 1987–2012:Q1\*

(Percent)

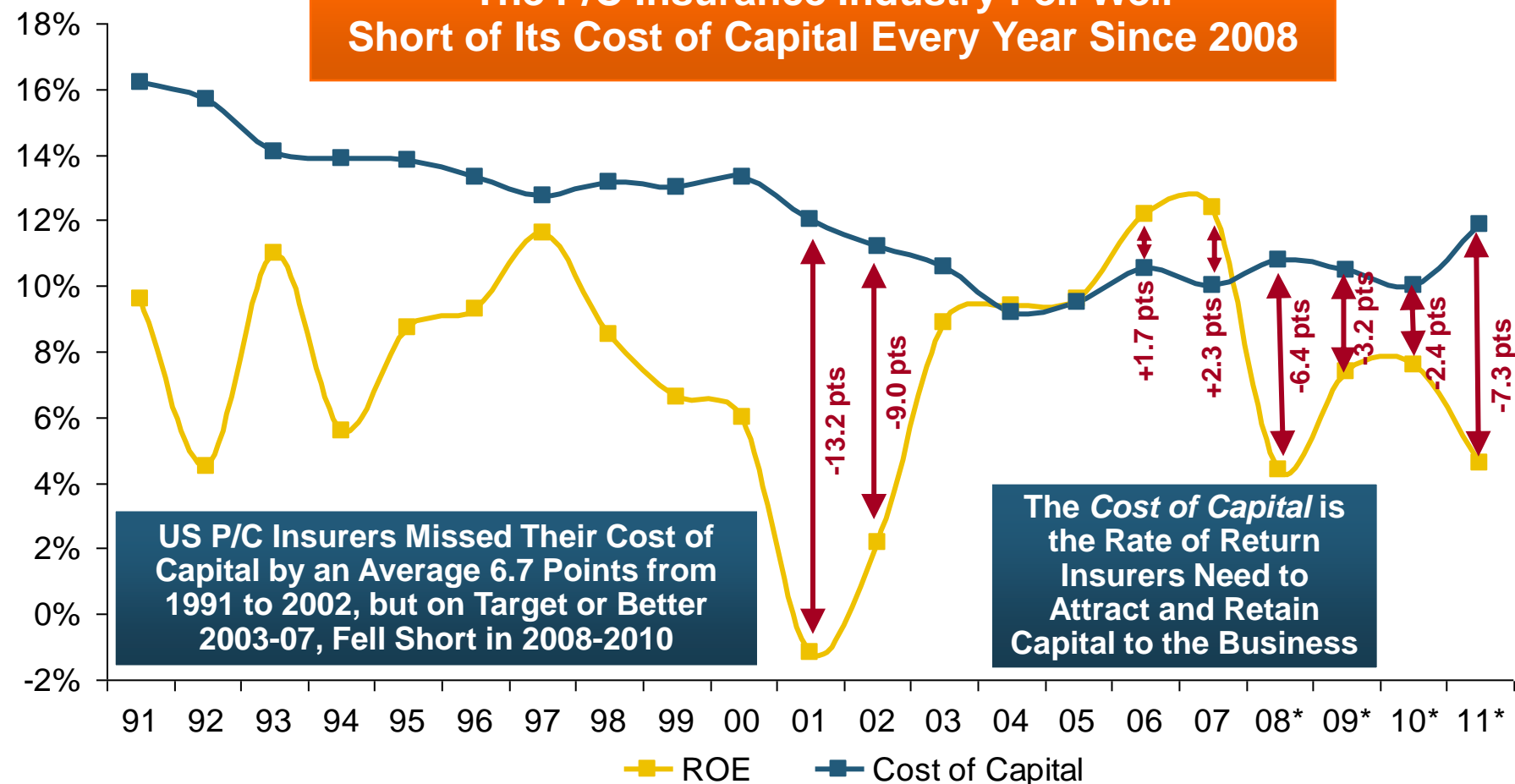


\* Excludes Mortgage & Financial Guarantee in 2008 – 2012. 2012 Fortune 500 figure is III estimate.  
Sources: ISO, *Fortune*; Insurance Information Institute.

# ROE vs. Equity Cost of Capital: U.S. P/C Insurance:1991-2011\*

(Percent)

**The P/C Insurance Industry Fell Well Short of Its Cost of Capital Every Year Since 2008**



**US P/C Insurers Missed Their Cost of Capital by an Average 6.7 Points from 1991 to 2002, but on Target or Better 2003-07, Fell Short in 2008-2010**

**The Cost of Capital is the Rate of Return Insurers Need to Attract and Retain Capital to the Business**

\* Return on average surplus in 2008-2011 excluding mortgage and financial guaranty insurers.  
Source: The Geneva Association, Insurance Information Institute



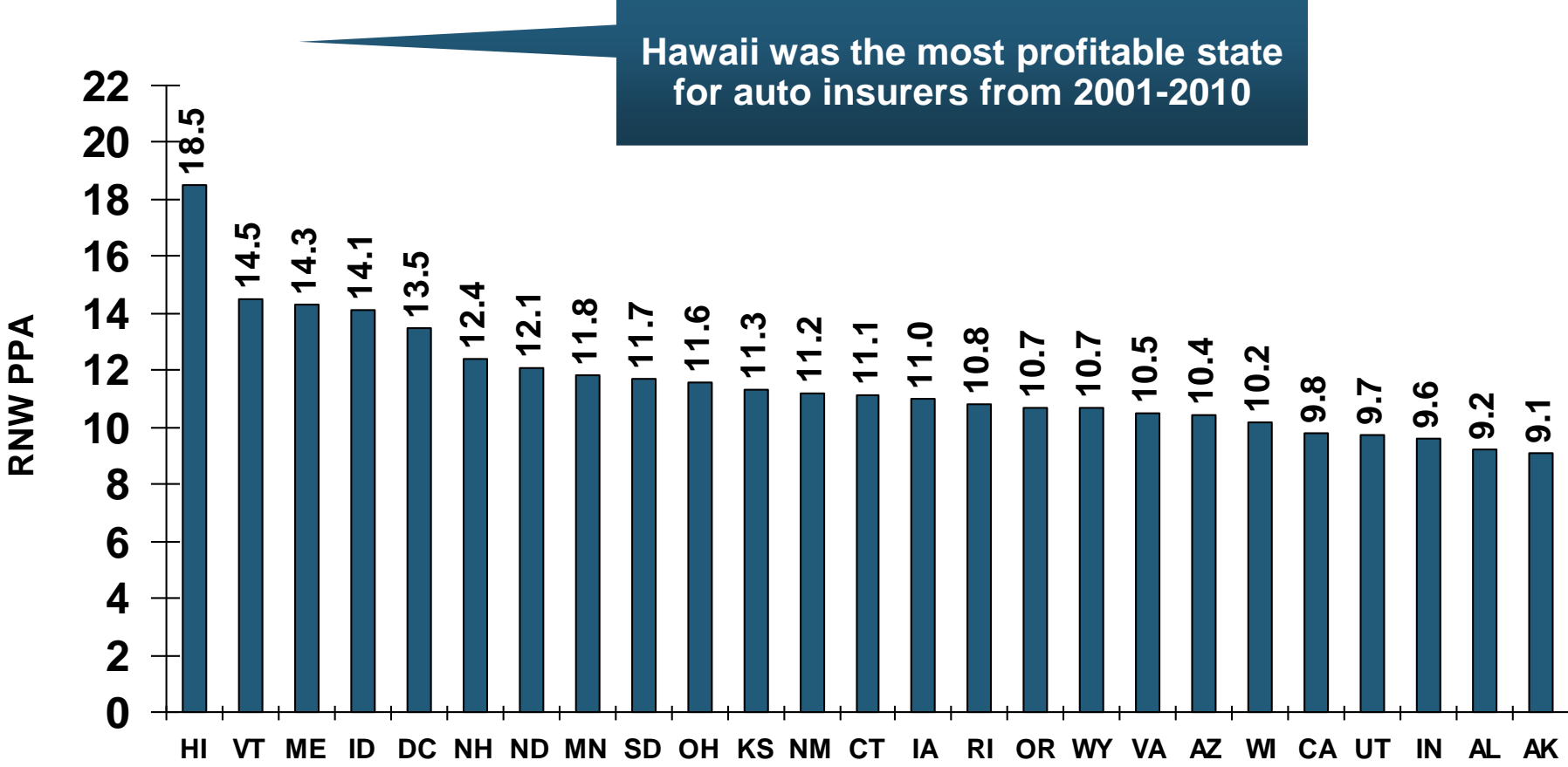
# Personal Lines Profitability Analysis

**Significant Variability Over  
Time and Across States**

# Return on Net Worth: Pvt. Passenger Auto, 10-Year Average (2001-2010\*)

## Top 25 States

(Percent)



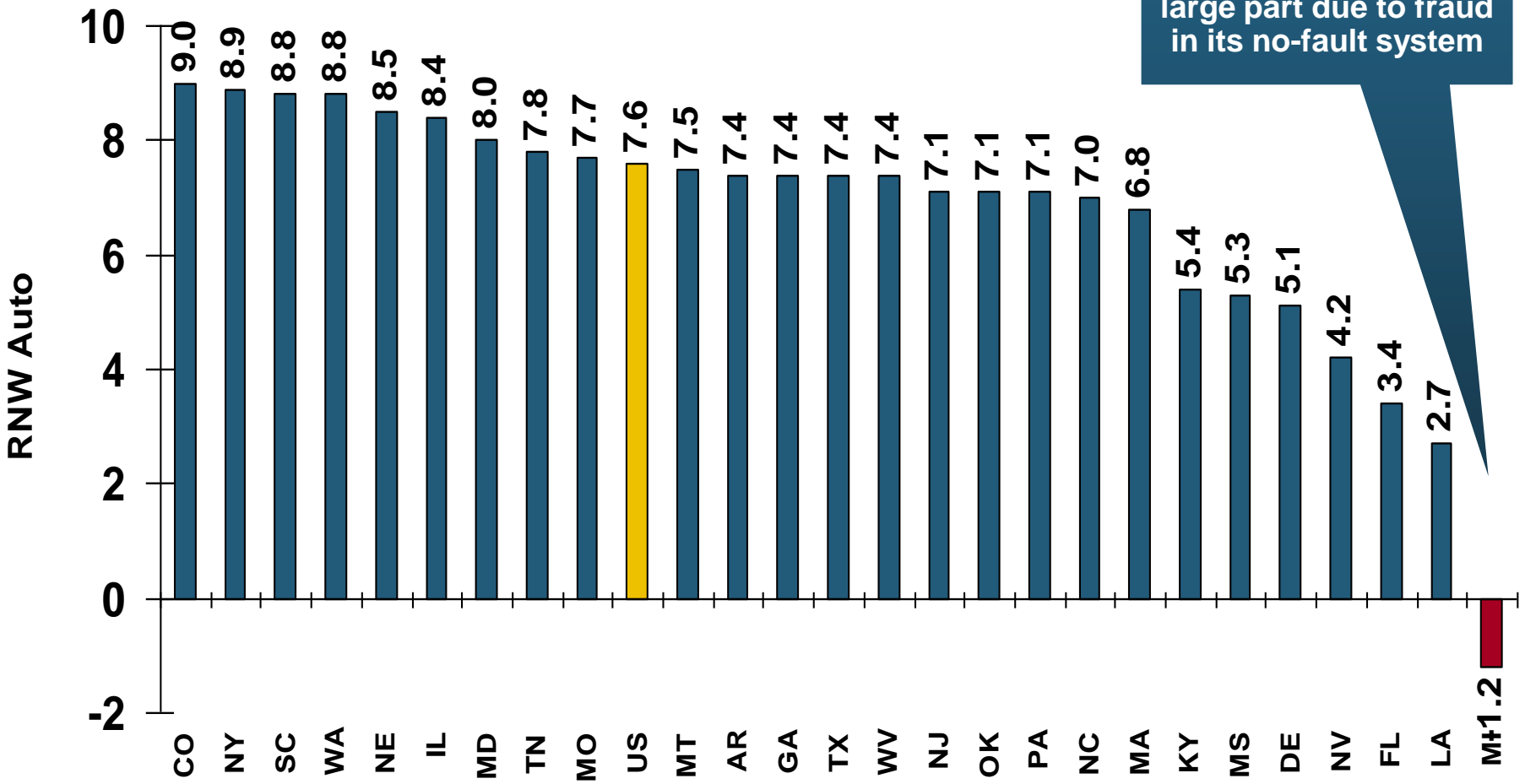
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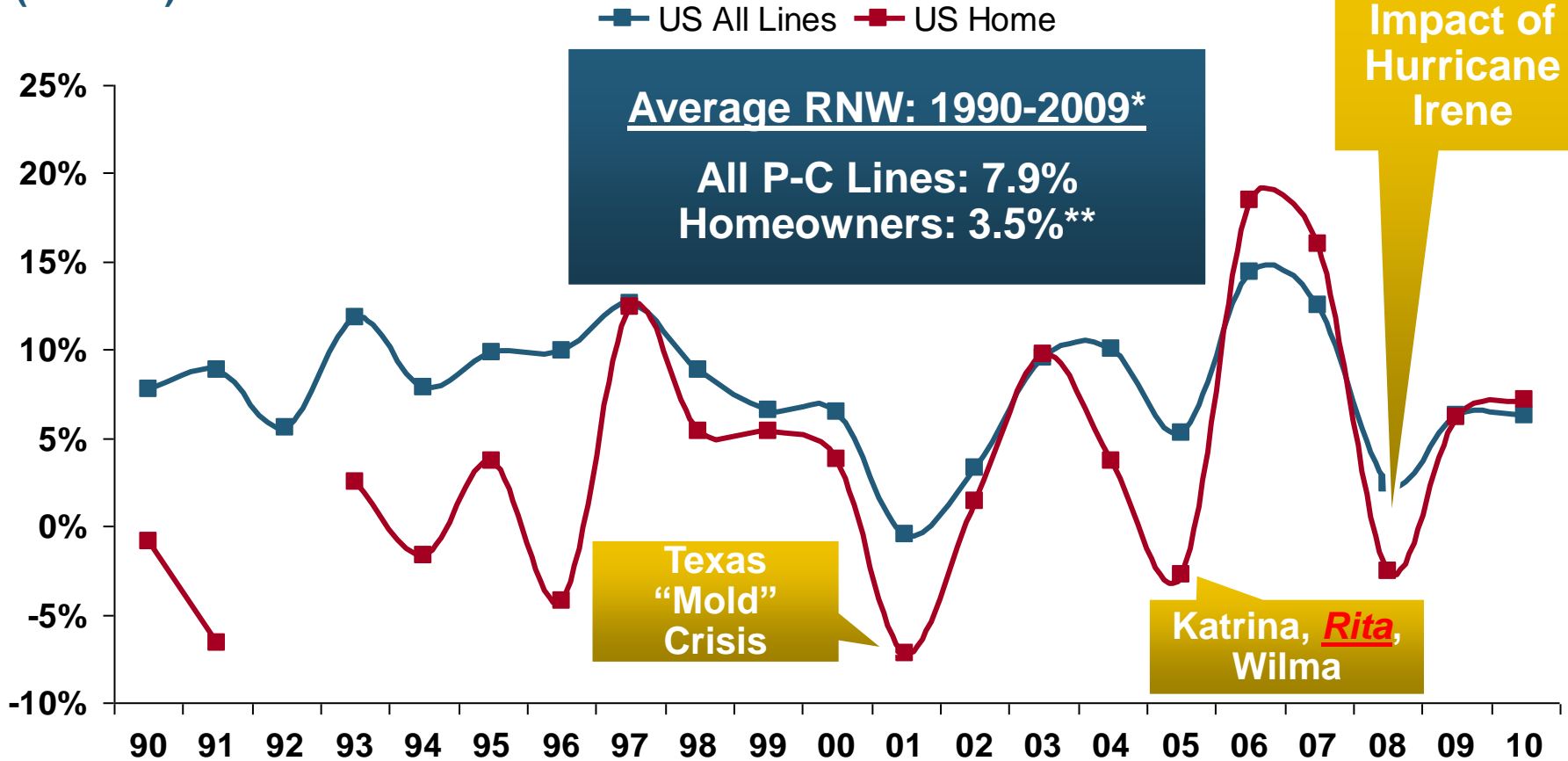


Michigan was the least profitable state, in large part due to fraud in its no-fault system

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Sources: NAIC

# Return on Net Worth: All P-C Lines vs. Homeowners, 1990-2010\*

(Percent)



**Homeowners Insurance Is Considerably More Volatile than the Market Overall Due to Coastal Exposure and Interior Wind/Hail Events**

\*Latest available.

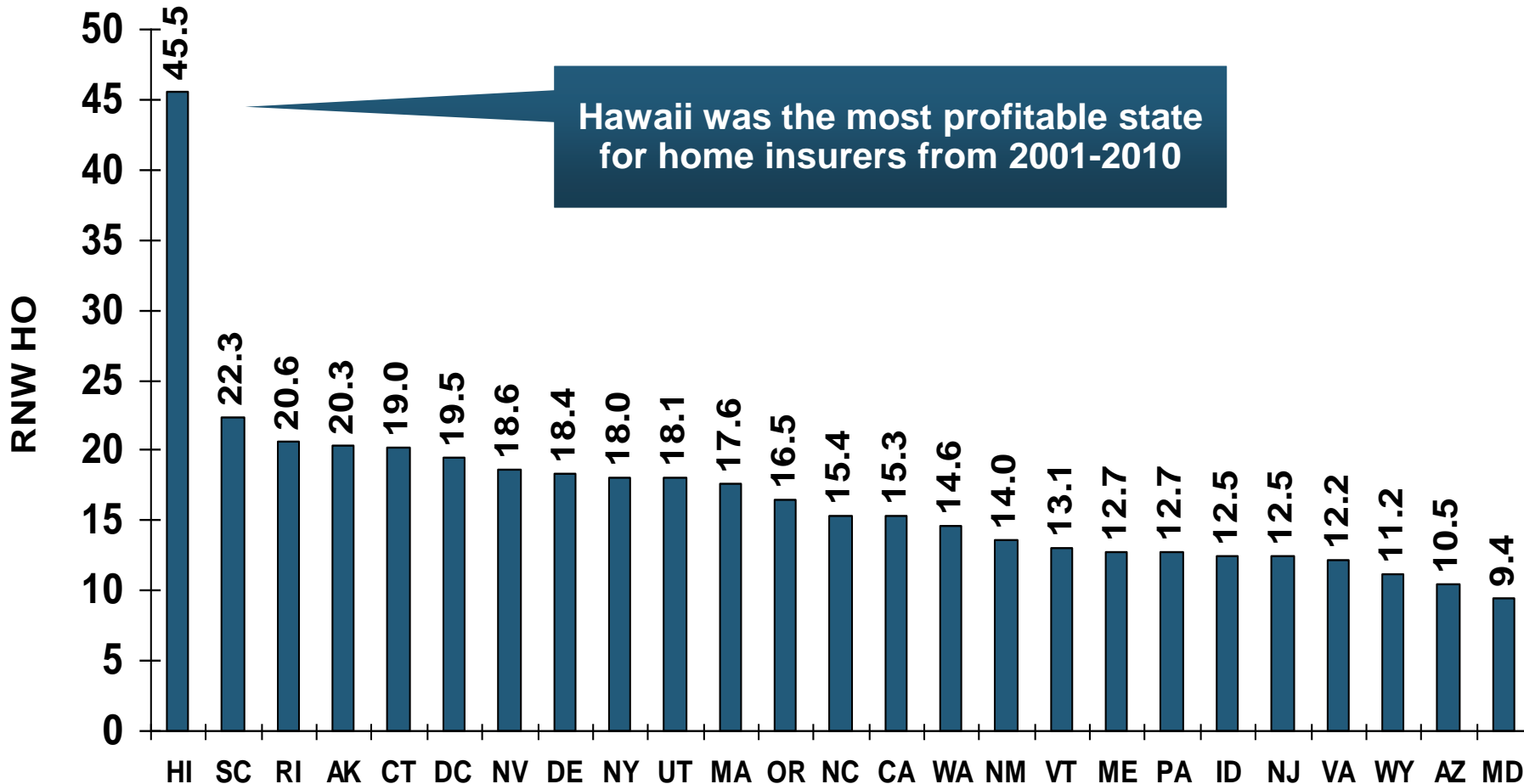
\*\*Excluding Hurricane Andrew (1992); including 1992 produces an average homeowners RNW of 0.7%.

Sources: NAIC.

# Return on Net Worth: Homeowners Insurance, 10-Year Average (2001-2010\*)

## Top 25 States

(Percent)



Hawaii was the most profitable state for home insurers from 2001-2010

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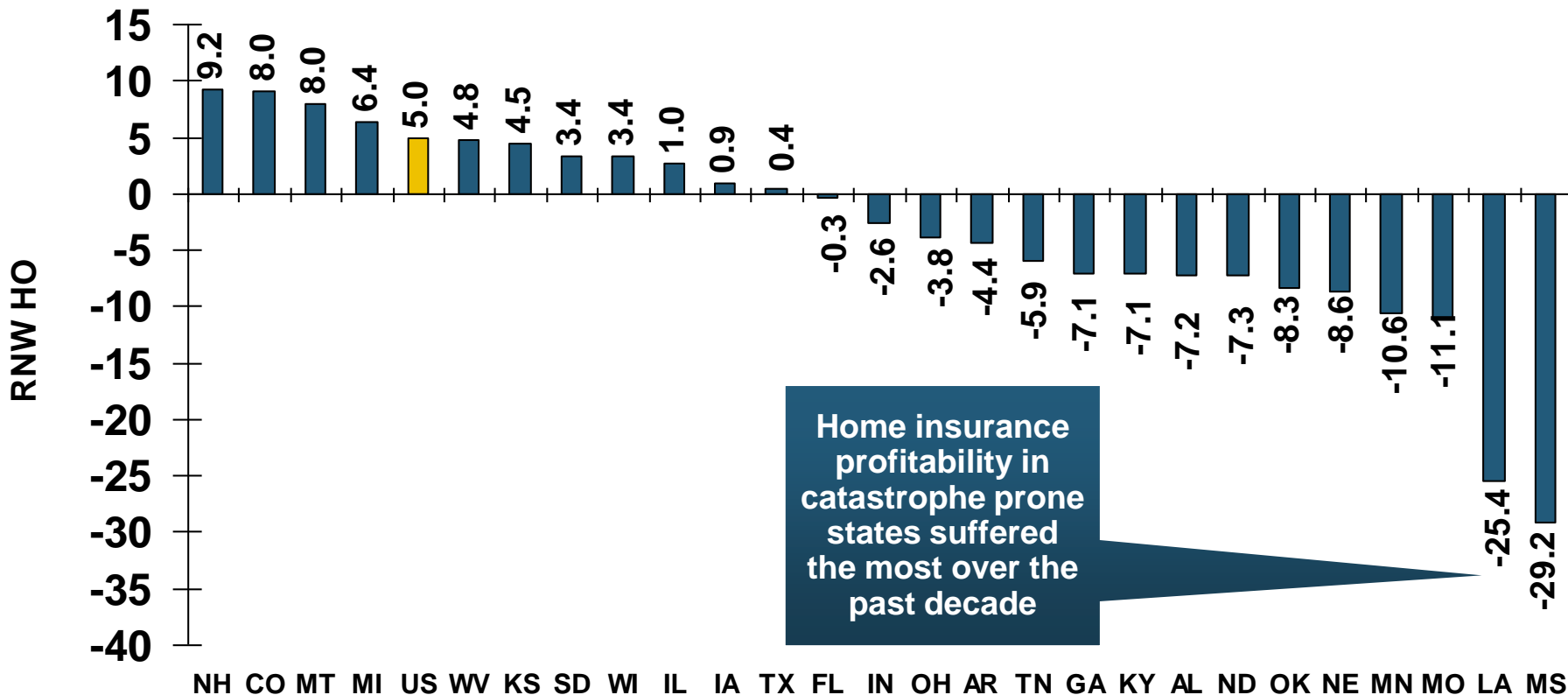
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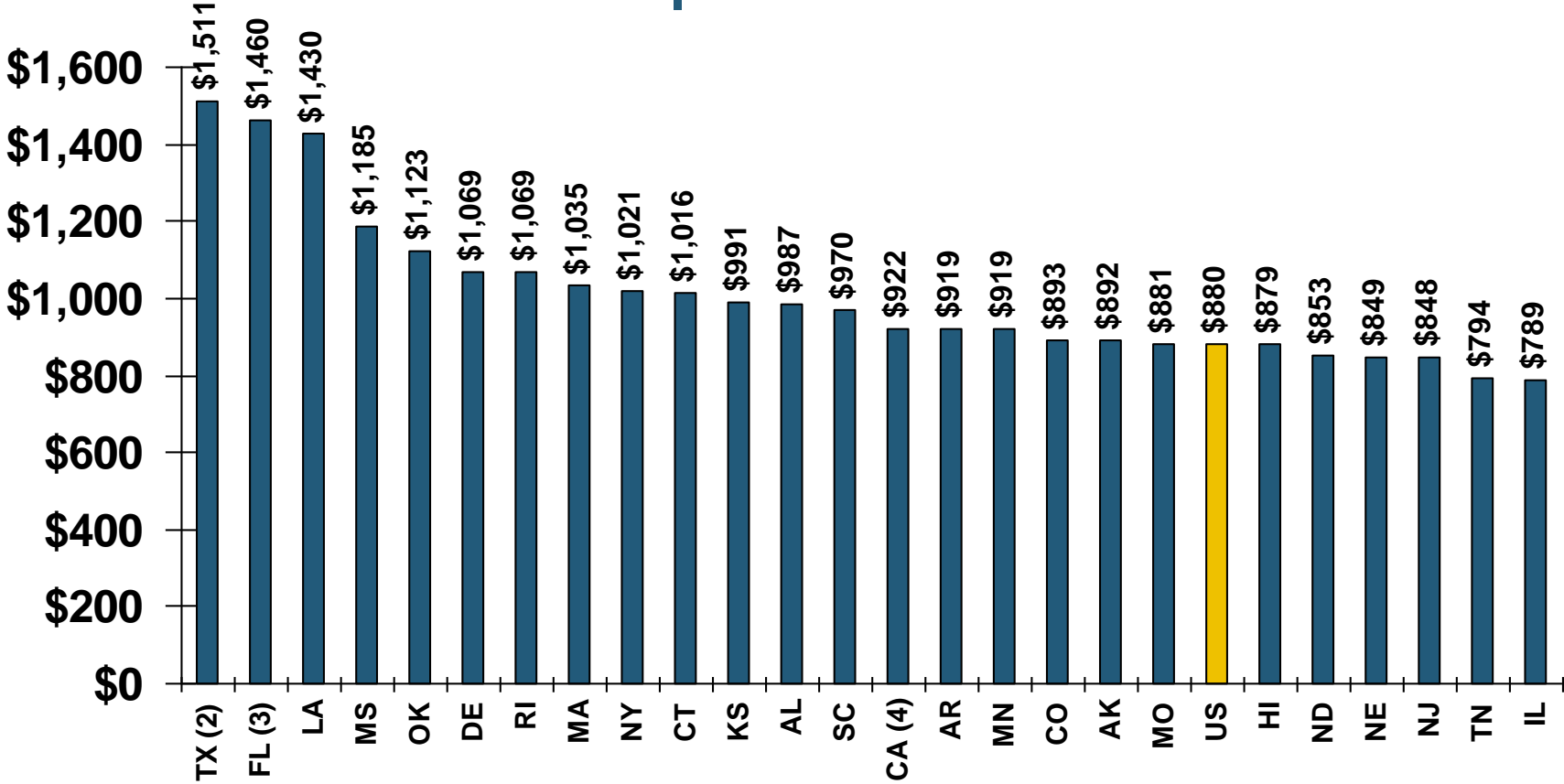
Home insurance profitability in catastrophe prone states suffered the most over the past decade

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Sources: NAIC

# Average Premiums For Home Insurance By State, 2009\* (1)



## Top 25 States



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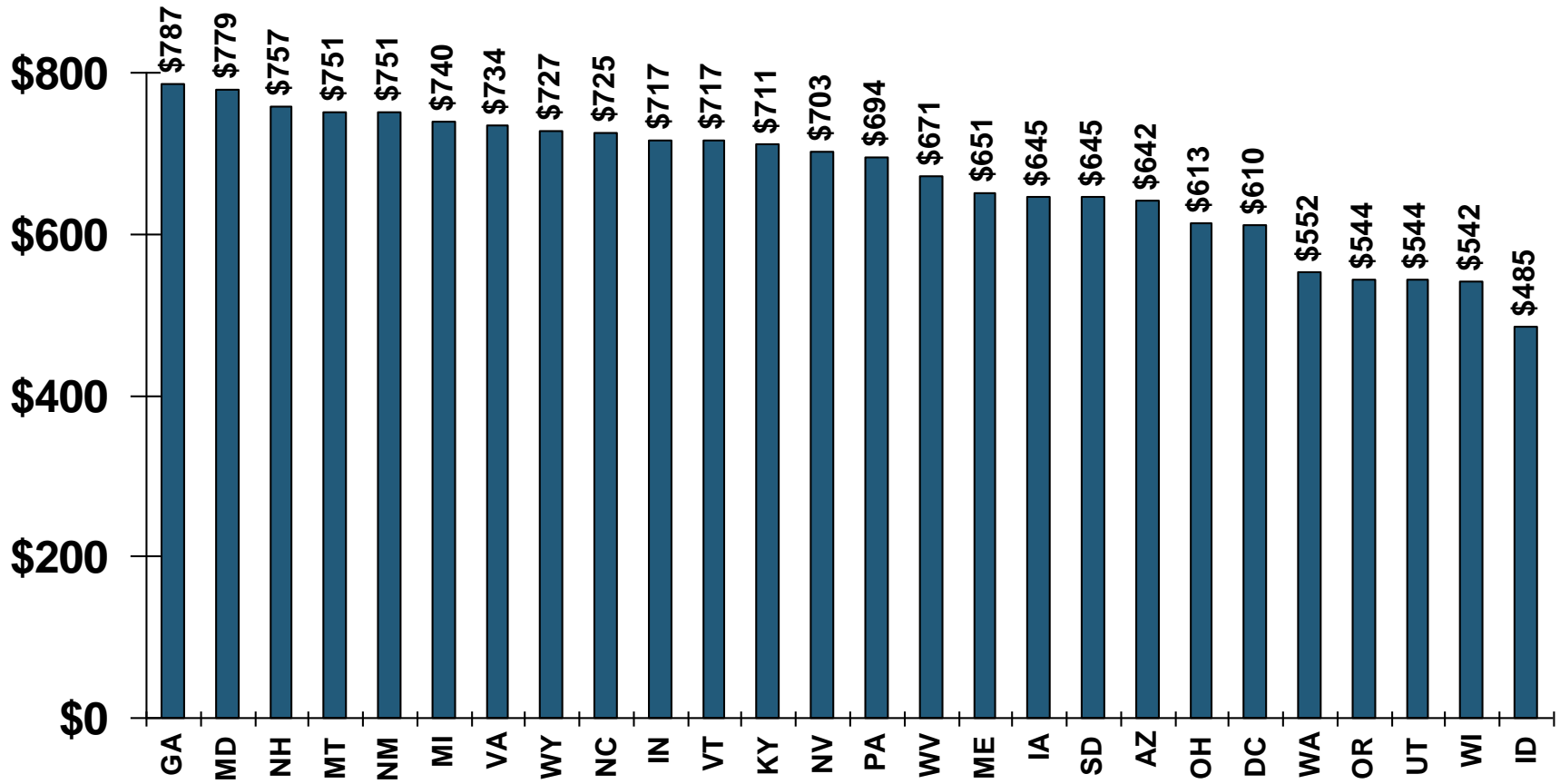
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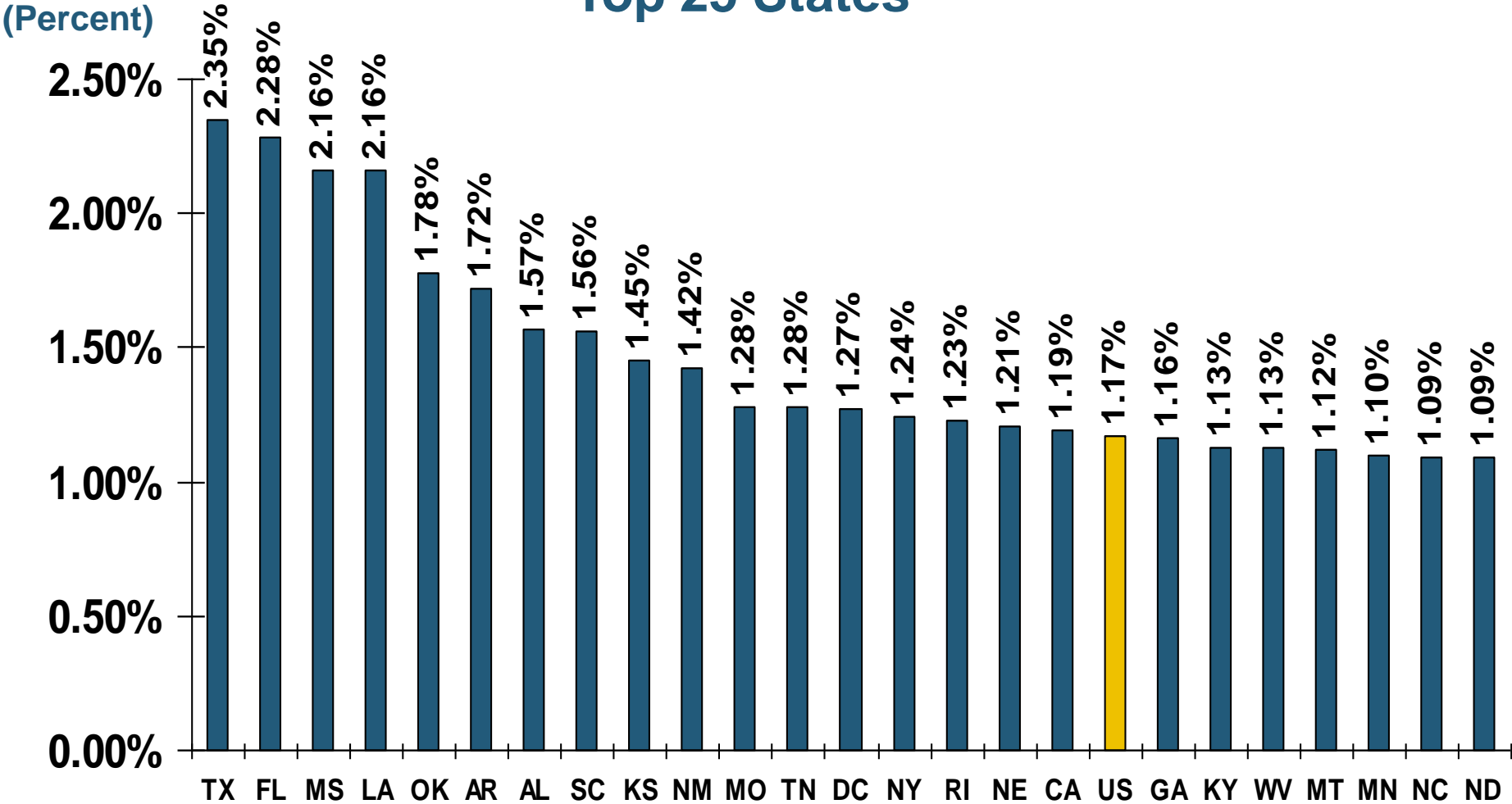
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# Ratio of Avg. Premium for Homeowners Insurance to Median Family Income, 2009

## Top 25 States

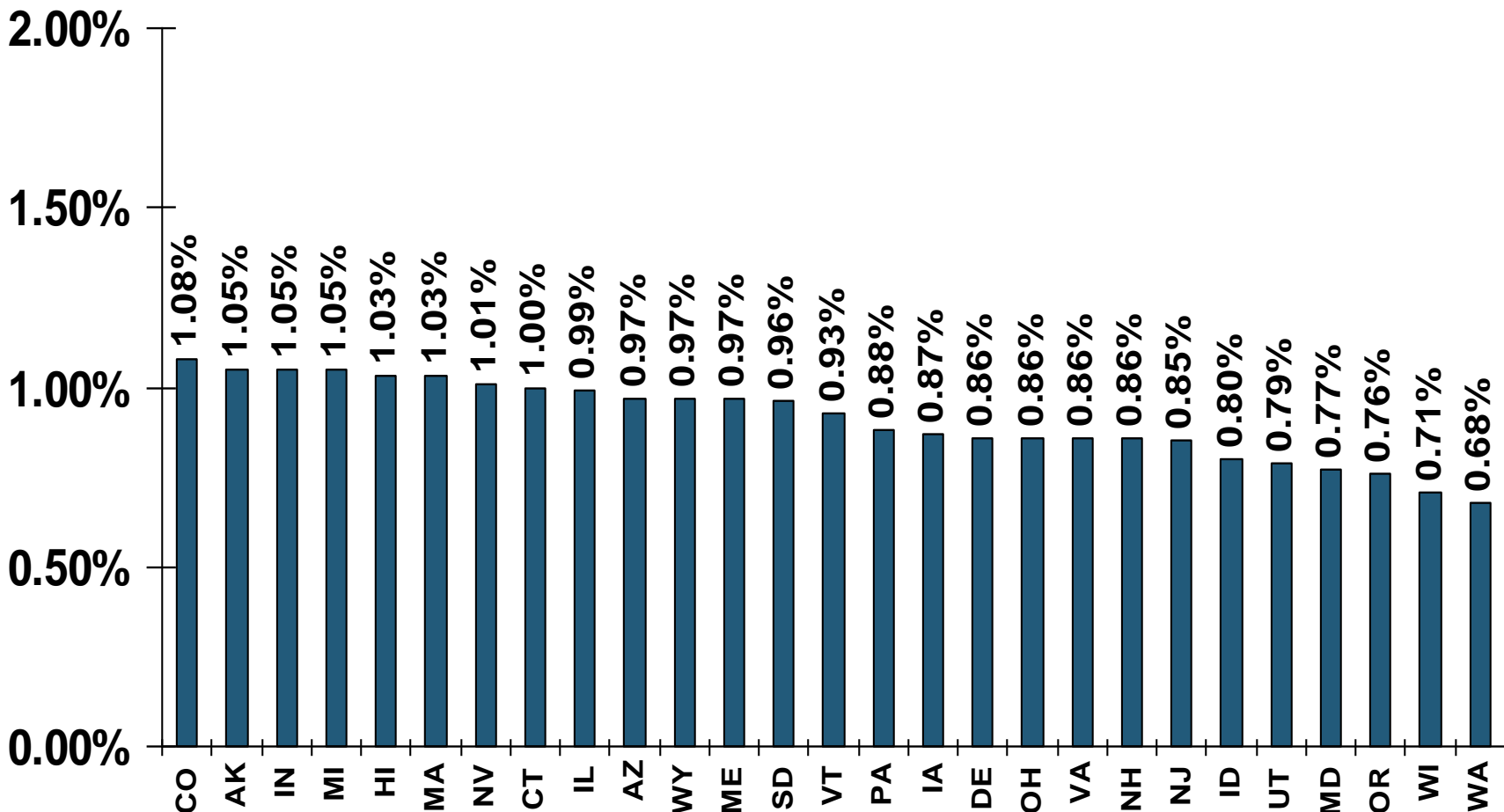


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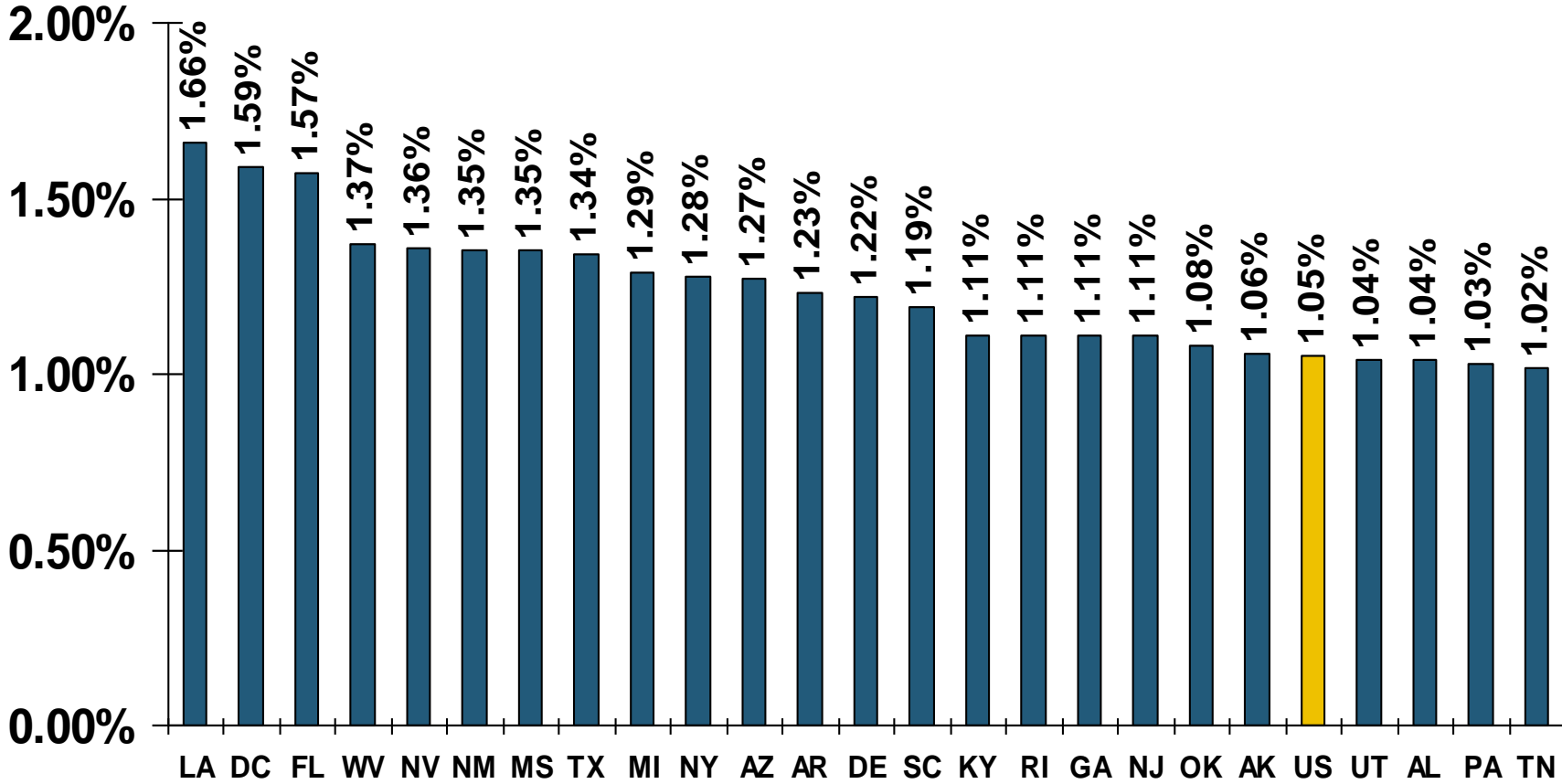
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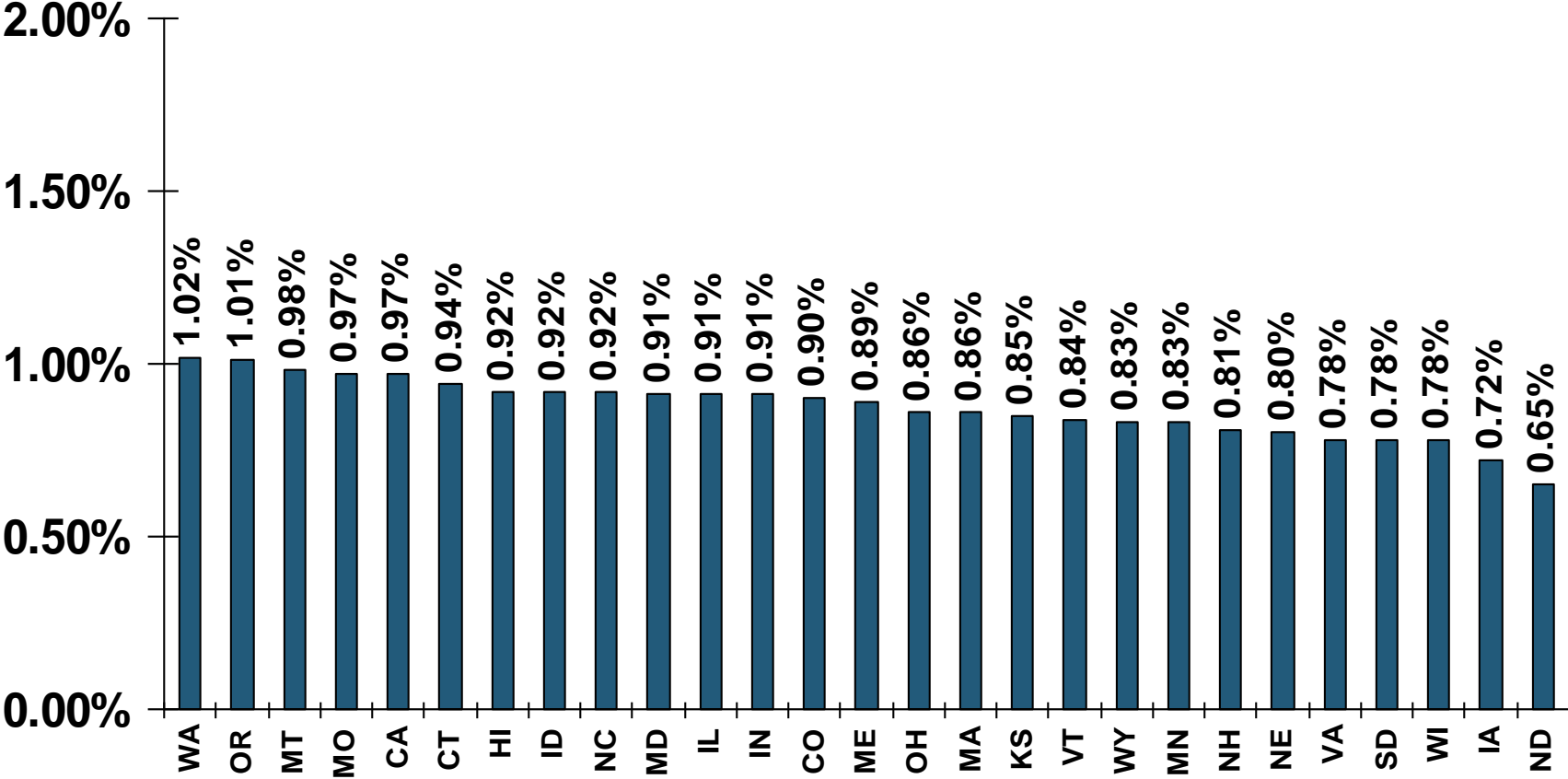
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(Percent)

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# Global Catastrophe Loss Developments and Trends

**2011 Rewrote Catastrophe Loss and  
Insurance History, But 2012 Cats  
Are Down Substantially**



# Global Catastrophe Loss Summary: First Half 2012

- **\$12B in *Insured* Losses Globally (Down from 85% from \$81.7B in 2011:H1)**
  - ◆ Few extraordinarily severe natural catastrophe events experienced in 2011: Earthquakes, tsunami, floods and tornadoes
  - ◆ Despite drop from 2011, total is still 18% above 30-yr. average (in 2011 \$) of \$10.2B
  - ◆ There were 450 nat cat events globally and 3,500 fatalities
- **\$26B in *Economic* Losses Globally (Down from Record \$302B in 2011:H1)**
  - ◆ Represents a 91% decline; Also 40% below 30-yr. average (in 2011 \$) of \$43.3B
- **\$9.3 Billion in *Insured* Losses in the US Arising from 90 CAT Events**
  - ◆ Down 62% from \$24.4B in 2011:H1; Loss is close to long-term average
  - ◆ Represents 80%+ of global total
  - ◆ Mild winter helped keep first half losses down
  - ◆ Thunderstorm (includes tornado, hail and wind damage) accounted for \$8.8B or 95% of first half insured losses and represent the third most expensive spring thunderstorm ever
- **\$14.6 Billion in *Economic* Losses in the US**
  - ◆ Down from approximately \$75B in 2011:H1

# Top 16 Most Costly World Insurance Losses, 1970-2011\*\*

(Insured Losses, 2011 Dollars, \$ Billions)

Taken as a single event, the Spring 2011 tornado and thunderstorm season would likely become the 5<sup>th</sup> costliest event in global insurance history

5 of the top 14 most expensive catastrophes in world history have occurred within the past 2 years



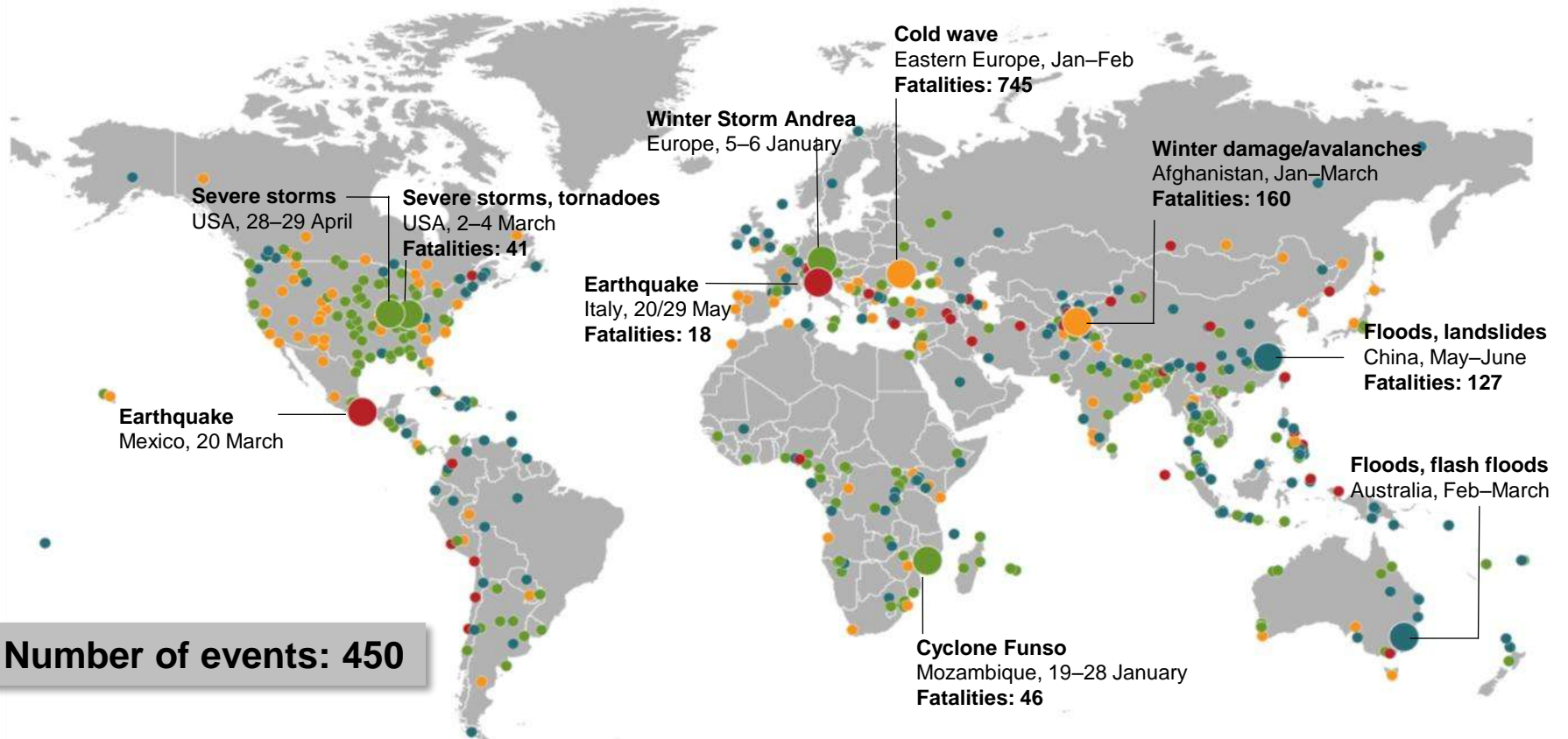
\*Average of range estimates of \$35B - \$40B as of 1/4/12; Privately insured losses only.

\*\*Figures do not include federally insured flood losses.

Sources: Swiss Re *sigma* 1/2011; Munich Re; Insurance Information Institute research.

# Natural Loss Events: First Half 2012

## World Map

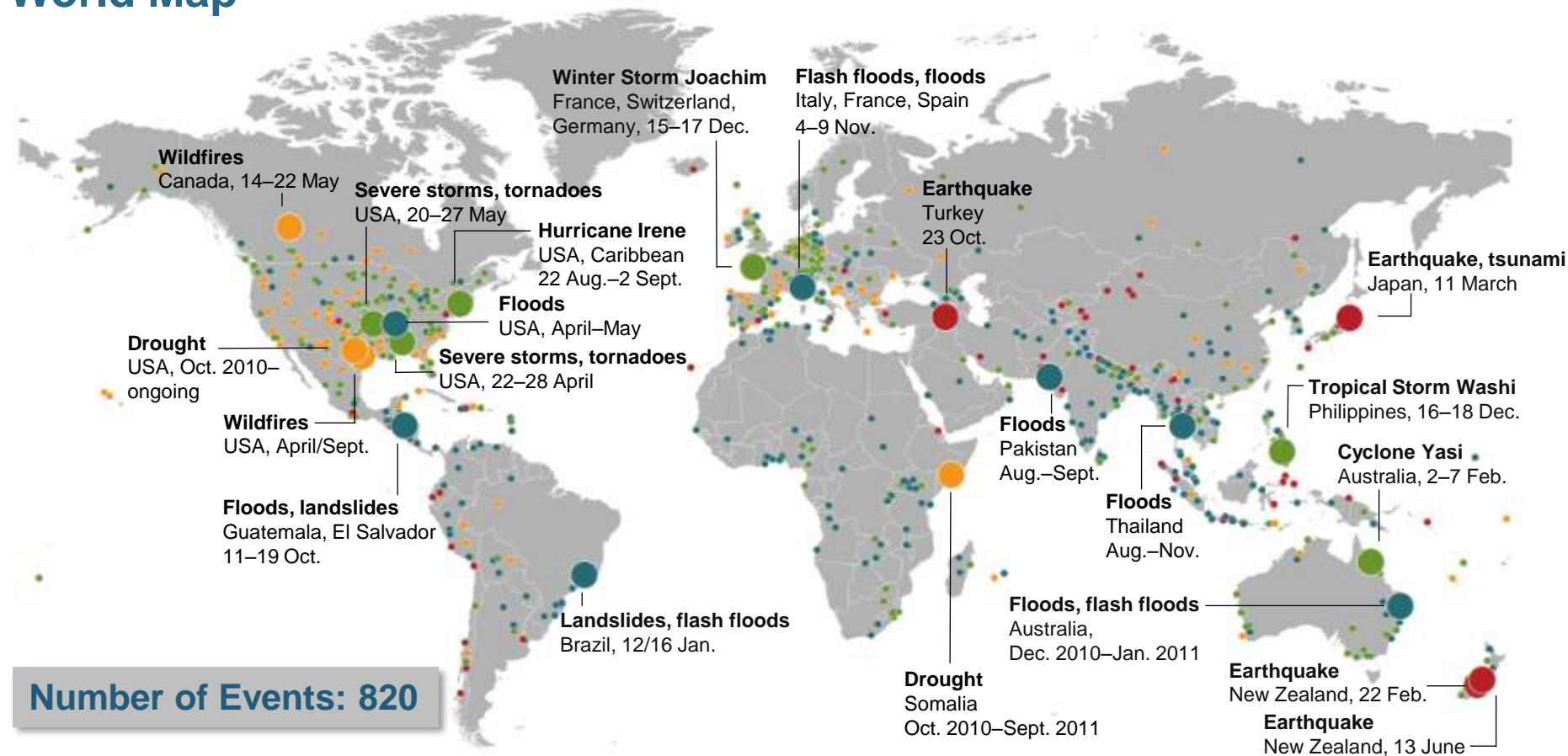


**Number of events: 450**

- Natural catastrophes
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- Meteorological events (storm)
- Hydrological events (flood, mass movement)
- Selection of significant loss events (see table)
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# Natural Loss Events, 2011

## World Map



**Number of Events: 820**

○ **Natural catastrophes**

○ **Selection of significant loss events (see table)**

● **Geophysical events**  
(earthquake, tsunami, volcanic activity)

● **Meteorological events**  
(storm)

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(flood, mass movement)

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(extreme temperature, drought, wildfire)

# Natural Catastrophes Worldwide: First Half 2012

## Overview and Comparison with Previous Years

	2012 (Jan – June)	2011 (Jan – June)	Average of the last 10 years 2002-2011 (Jan – June)	Average of the last 30 years 1982-2011 (Jan – June)	Top Year 1982 – 2011 (Jan – June)
Number of events	450	405	395	320	<b>2007</b> 520
Overall losses in US\$m (original values)	26,000	302,000	75,600	43,300	<b>2011</b> (EQ Japan) 302,000
Insured losses in US\$m (original values)	12,000	81,700	19,200	10,200	<b>2011</b> (EQ, Japan) 82,000
Fatalities	3,500	20,200	53,000	40,000	<b>2010</b> (EQ Haiti) 230,000

# Natural Catastrophes Worldwide, 2011

## Overview and Comparison with Previous Years

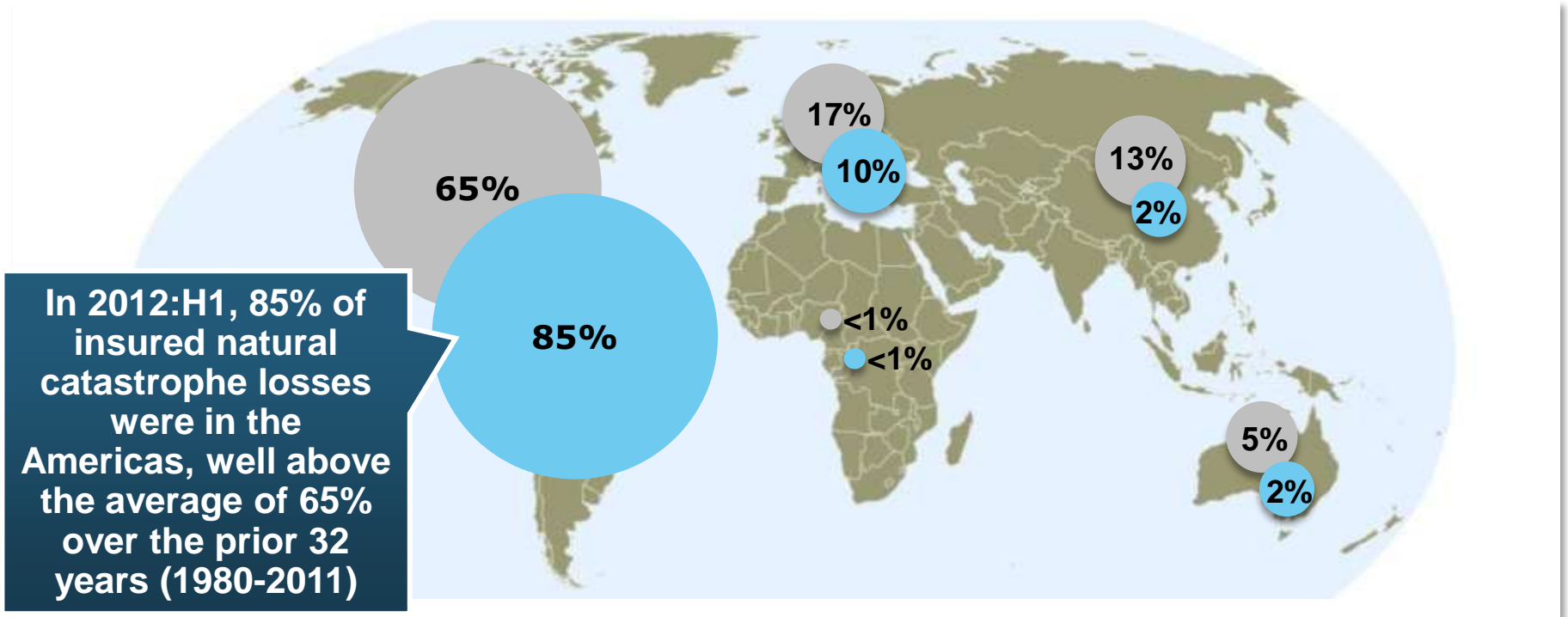
	2011	2010	Average of the last 10 years 2001-2010	Average of the last 30 years 1981-2010	Top Year 1981- 2010
Number of events	820	970	790	630	<b>2007 (1,025)</b>
Overall losses in US\$ m (original values)	380,000	152,000	113,000	75,000	<b>2005 (227,000)</b>
Insured losses in US\$ m (original values)	105,000	42,000	35,000	19,000	<b>2005 (101,000)</b>
Fatalities	27,000	296,000	106,000	69,000	<b>2010 (296,000)</b>

# 5 Costliest Natural Catastrophes Worldwide in Terms of Insured Losses, 2011 (\$Mill)

Date	Region	Event	Fatalities	Overall losses US\$ m	Insured losses US\$ m
March 11	Japan	Earthquake, tsunami	15,840	210,000	35,000-40,000
Feb. 22	New Zealand	Earthquake	181	16,000	13,000
Aug. 1 – Nov. 15	Thailand	Floods, landslides	813	40,000	10,000
Apr. 22-28	USA	Severe storms/tornadoes	350	15,000	7,300
Aug. 22 – Sep. 2	USA, Caribbean	Hurricane Irene	55	15,000	7,000

# Natural Catastrophes Worldwide 1980 – 2011 & 2012:H1

Insured losses US\$ 870bn - Percentage distribution per continent



## Insured Losses

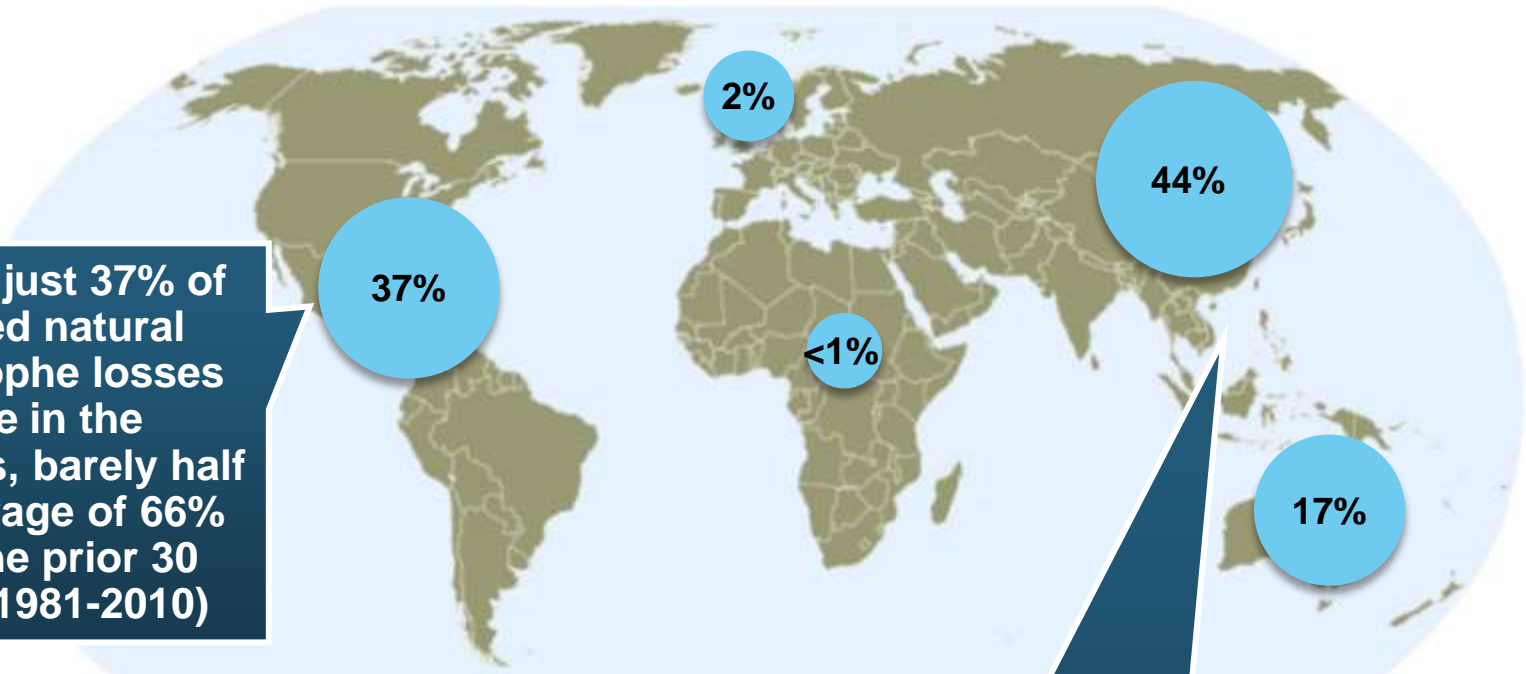
US\$

● 1980 – 2011 (ann. totals):	<b>870bn*</b> *losses in 2011 values
● 2012 (first 6 months):	<b>12bn</b>



# Natural Catastrophes Worldwide 2011

Insured losses US\$ 105bn - Percentage distribution per continent



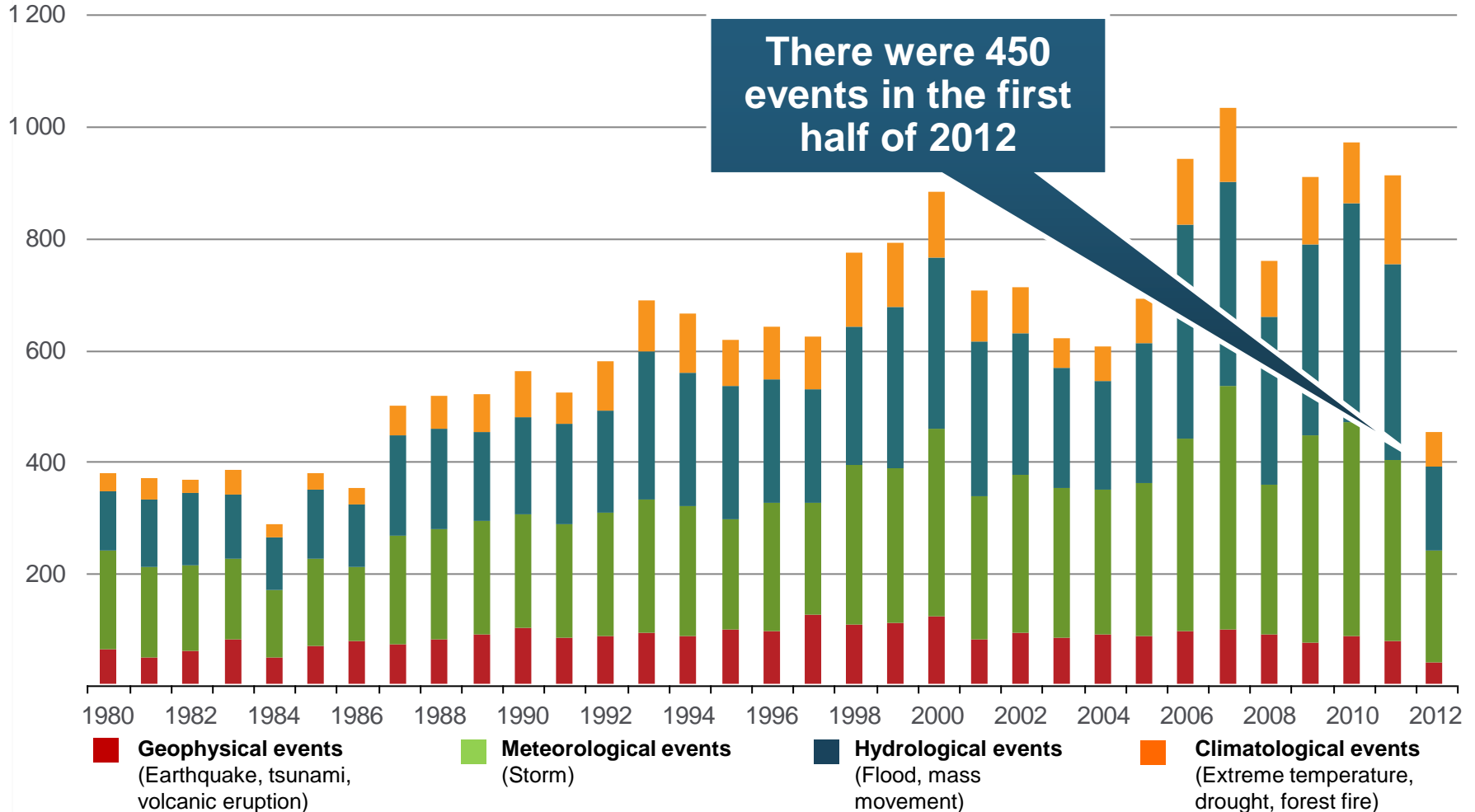
In 2011, just 37% of insured natural catastrophe losses were in the Americas, barely half the average of 66% over the prior 30 years (1981-2010)

In 2011, 61% of insured natural catastrophe losses were in the Asia/Pacific region, nearly 3.5 times the average of 13% over the prior 30 years (1981-2010)

Continent	Insured losses US\$ m
America (North and South America)	40,000
Europe	2,000
Africa	Minor damages
Asia	45,000
Australia/Oceania	18,000

# Worldwide Natural Disasters, 1980 – 2012:H1

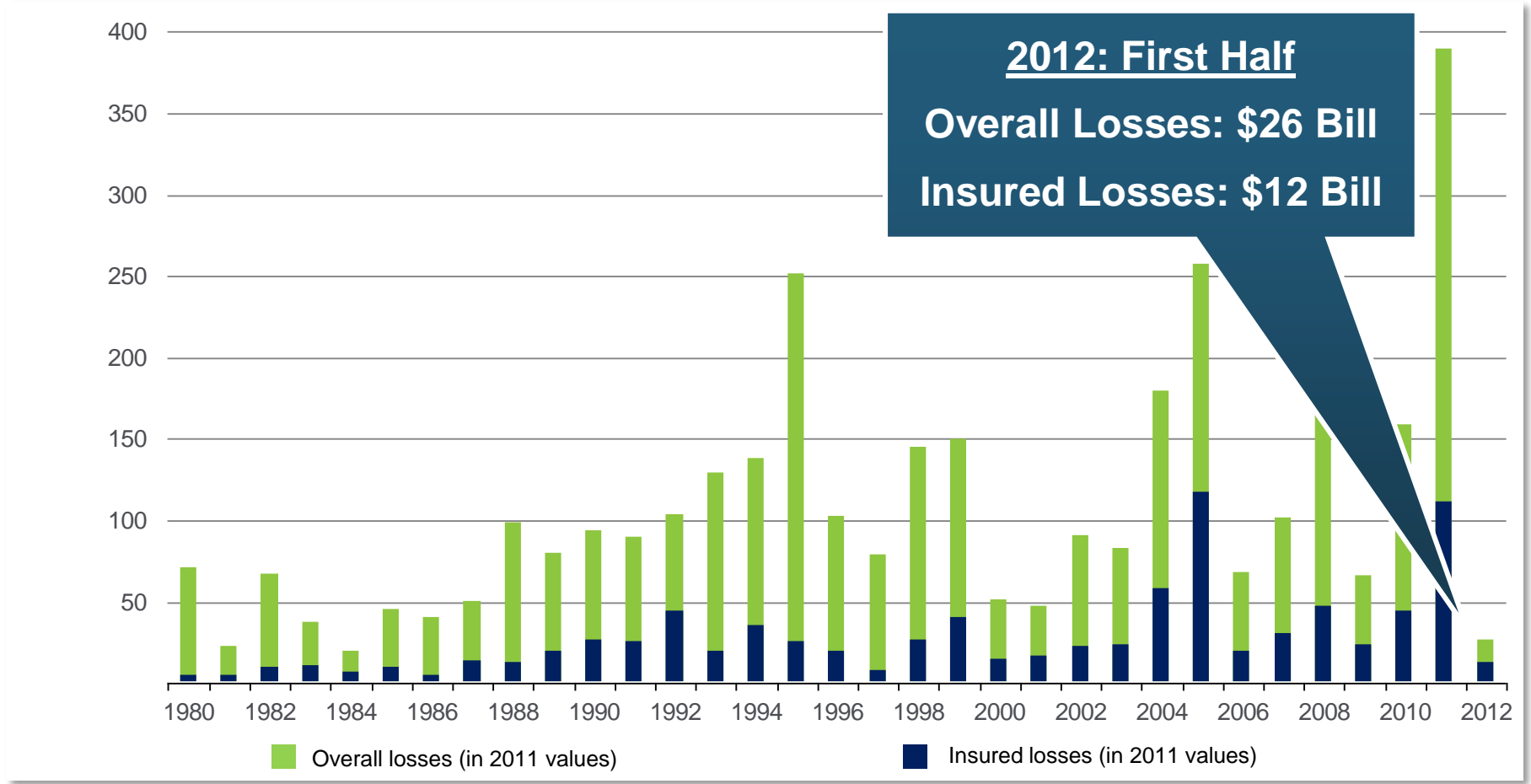
## Number of Events



# Worldwide Natural Disasters, 1980–2012:H1 Overall and Insured Losses



(Insured Losses, 2011 Dollars, \$ Billions)



# 5 Costliest Natural Catastrophes Worldwide in Terms of Insured Losses, 2012:H1 (\$Mill)

Date	Region	Event	Fatalities	Overall losses US\$ m	Insured losses US\$ m
March 2-4	U.S.	Severe storm, tornadoes (PCS 67)	41	4,000	<b>2,350</b>
April 28-29	U.S.	Severe storm, tornadoes (PCS 74)	1	2,000	<b>1,025</b>
April 13-15	U.S.	Severe storm, tornadoes (PCS 72)	6	1,800	<b>910</b>
May 25-30	U.S.	Severe storm, tornadoes (PCS 76)	-	1,600	<b>850</b>
June 6-7	U.S.	Severe storm, tornadoes (PCS 77)	-	1,500	<b>750</b>

# 10 Costliest Natural Catastrophes Worldwide Since 1950 in Terms of Insured Losses

(Insured Losses, Original Dollars, US \$ Millions)

Year	Event	Region	Insured loss US\$m (in original values)
2005	Hurricane Katrina	USA	62,200
2011	EQ, tsunami	Japan	35- 40,000
2008	Hurricane Ike	USA, Caribbean	18,500
1992	Hurricane Andrew	USA	17,000
1994	EQ Northridge	USA	15,300
2004	Hurricane Ivan	USA, Caribbean	13,800
2011	EQ Christchurch	New Zealand	13,000
2005	Hurricane Wilma	USA, Mexico	12,500
2005	Hurricane Rita	USA	12,100
2011	Floods	Thailand	10,000

# U.S. Insured Catastrophe Loss Update

**2012 Catastrophe Losses Were Close to  
“Average” in the First Half of 2012**  
***2011 Was the 5<sup>th</sup> Most Expensive  
Year on Record***

# US Catastrophe Loss Summary: First Half 2012

- **\$12.5 Billion in *Insured* Losses in the US Arising from ~90 CAT Events**
  - ◆ Down 49% from \$24.4B in 2011:H1; But loss is still 44% above average over past 10 yrs.
  - ◆ Represents 80%+ of global total
  - ◆ Mild winter helped keep first half losses down
  - ◆ T-storm (includes tornado, hail and wind damage) accounted for est. \$11.9B or 95% of first half insured losses and represent the 3<sup>rd</sup> most expensive spring t-storm season ever
- **~\$19.6 Billion in *Economic* Losses in the US**
  - ◆ Down from approximately \$75B in 2011:H1
- **Mild Winter Helped Keep First Half Insured Losses Down**
  - ◆ Lack of heavy precipitation limited spring flood but exacerbated drought conditions
- **Severe Droughts Now Impacting Central and Southwest Parts of US**
  - ◆ Two major wildfires in Colorado in June caused record \$500 mill damage in the state
  - ◆ Largest wildfire in New Mexico history occurred in May
  - ◆ Insured crop losses could be high in 2012
- **Mild Hurricane Season**
  - ◆ While season got off to an early start, insured losses are not large by historical standards

**Isaac likely in the lower  
end of modeled loss  
range of \$600M to \$2B**

# Natural Disaster Losses in the United States: First Half 2012

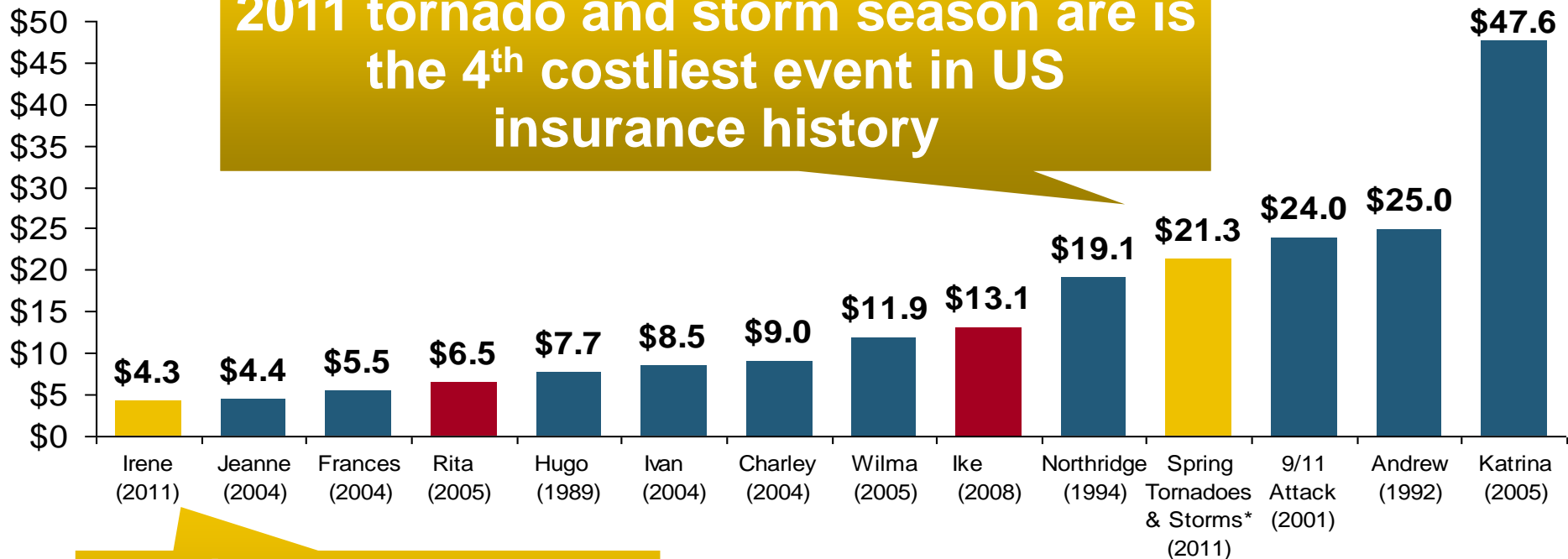
As of July 1, 2012	Number of Events	Fatalities	Estimated Overall Losses (US \$m)	Estimated Insured Losses (US \$m)
Severe Thunderstorm	56	69	13,550	<b>8,760</b>
Winter Storm	3	3	80	<b>38</b>
Flood	6	0	12	<b>Minor</b>
Earthquake	1	0	0	<b>0</b>
Tropical Cyclone	2	1	100	<b>50</b>
Wildfire	22	6	875	<b>500</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>14,617</b>	<b>9,348</b>



# Top 14 Most Costly Disasters in U.S. History

(Insured Losses, 2011 Dollars, \$ Billions)

Taken as a single event, the Spring 2011 tornado and storm season are the 4<sup>th</sup> costliest event in US insurance history



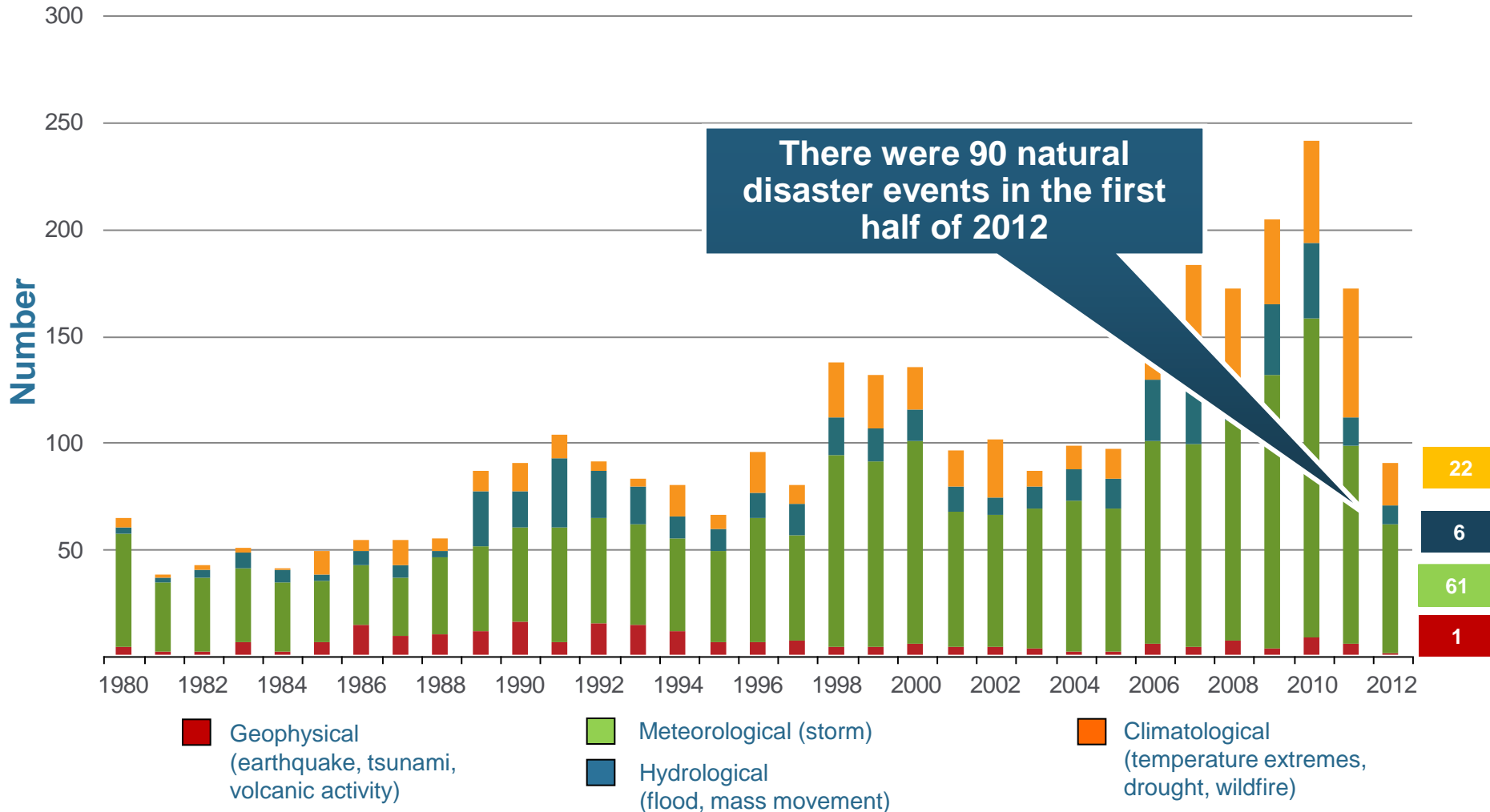
Hurricane Irene became the 11<sup>th</sup> most expensive hurricane in US history

\*Losses will actually be broken down into several "events" as determined by PCS. Includes losses for the period April 1 – June 30.

Sources: PCS; Insurance Information Institute inflation adjustments.

# Natural Disasters in the United States, 1980 – 2012:H1

Number of Events (Annual Totals 1980 – 2011 and First Half 2012)



# Losses Due to Natural Disasters in the US, 1980–2011 (Overall & Insured Losses)

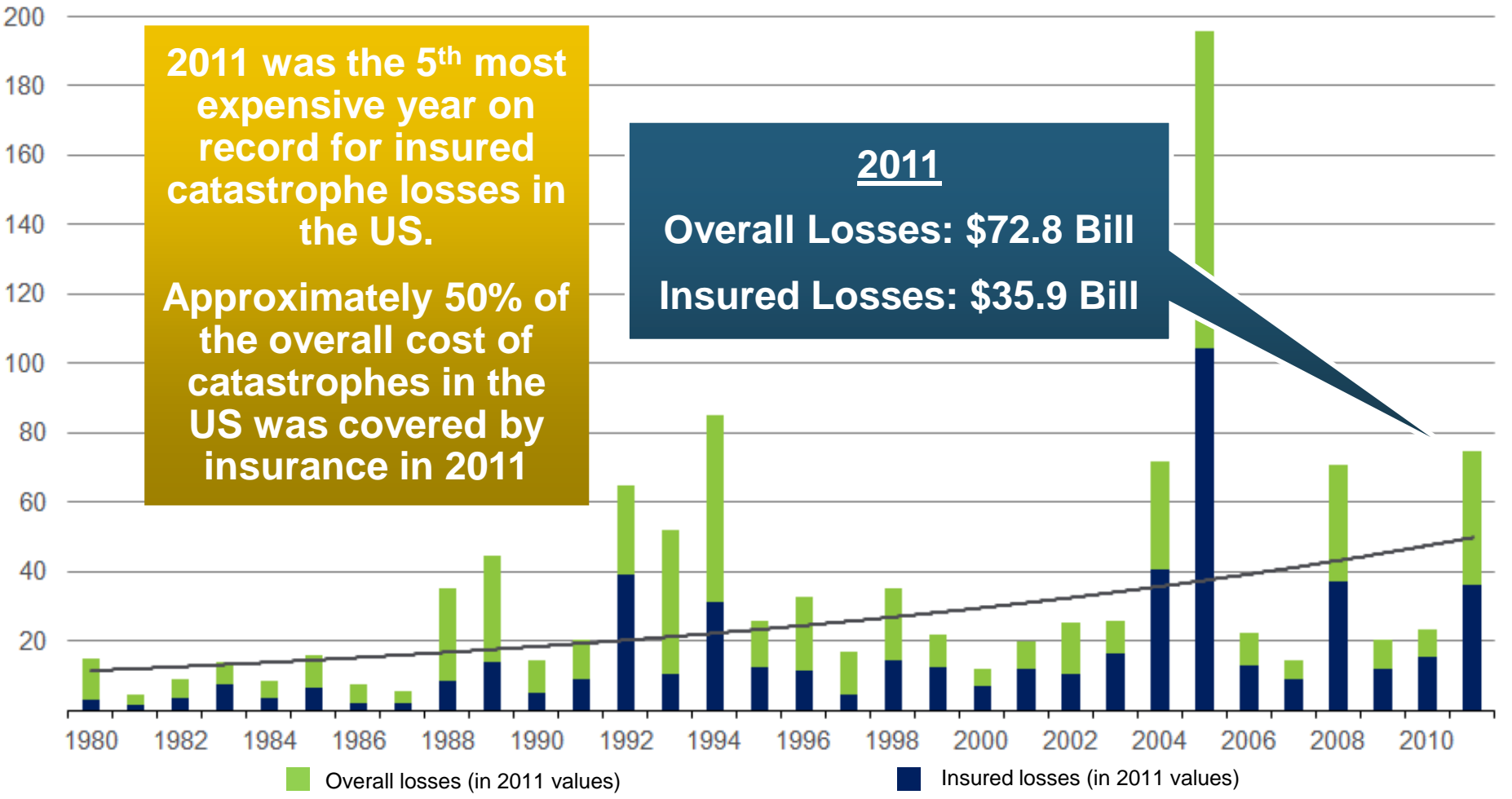
## (Overall and Insured Losses)

(2011 Dollars, \$ Billions)

**2011 was the 5<sup>th</sup> most expensive year on record for insured catastrophe losses in the US.**

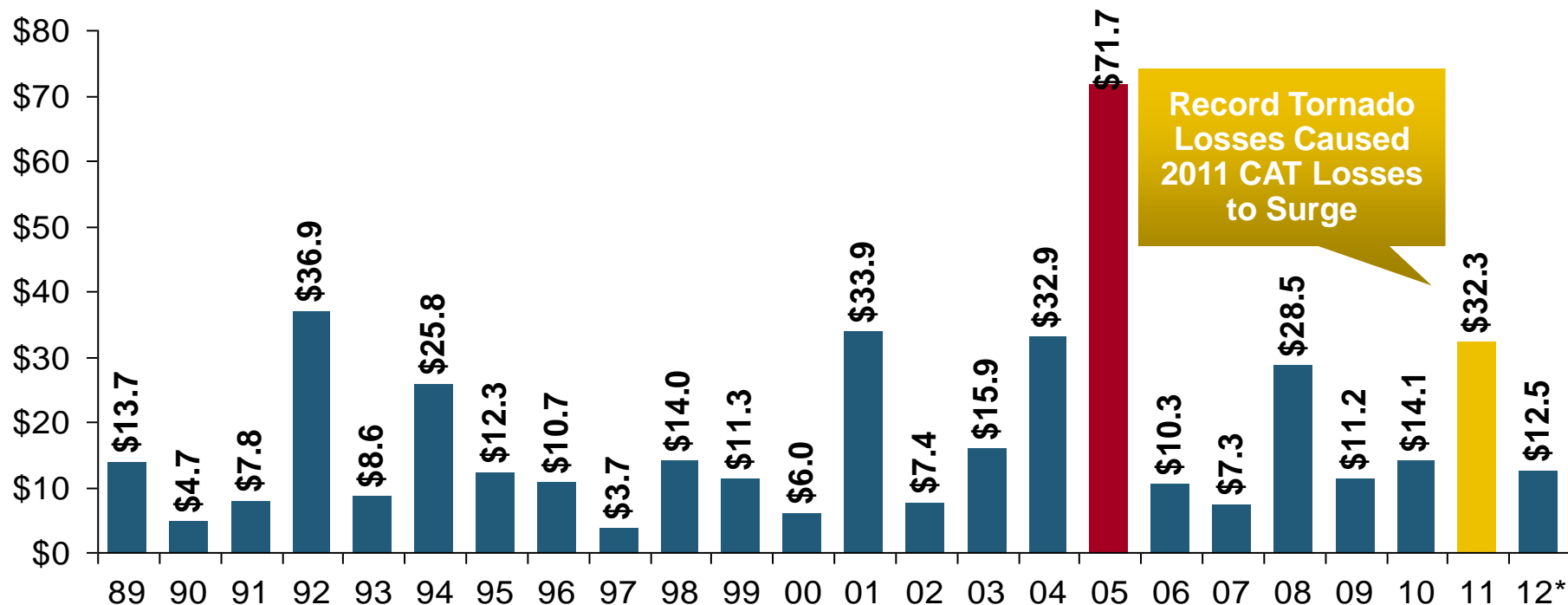
**Approximately 50% of the overall cost of catastrophes in the US was covered by insurance in 2011**

**2011**  
**Overall Losses: \$72.8 Bill**  
**Insured Losses: \$35.9 Bill**



# US Insured Catastrophe Losses

(\$ Billions, 2011 Dollars)



**US CAT Losses in 2011 Were the 5<sup>th</sup> Highest in US History on An Inflation-Adjusted Basis**

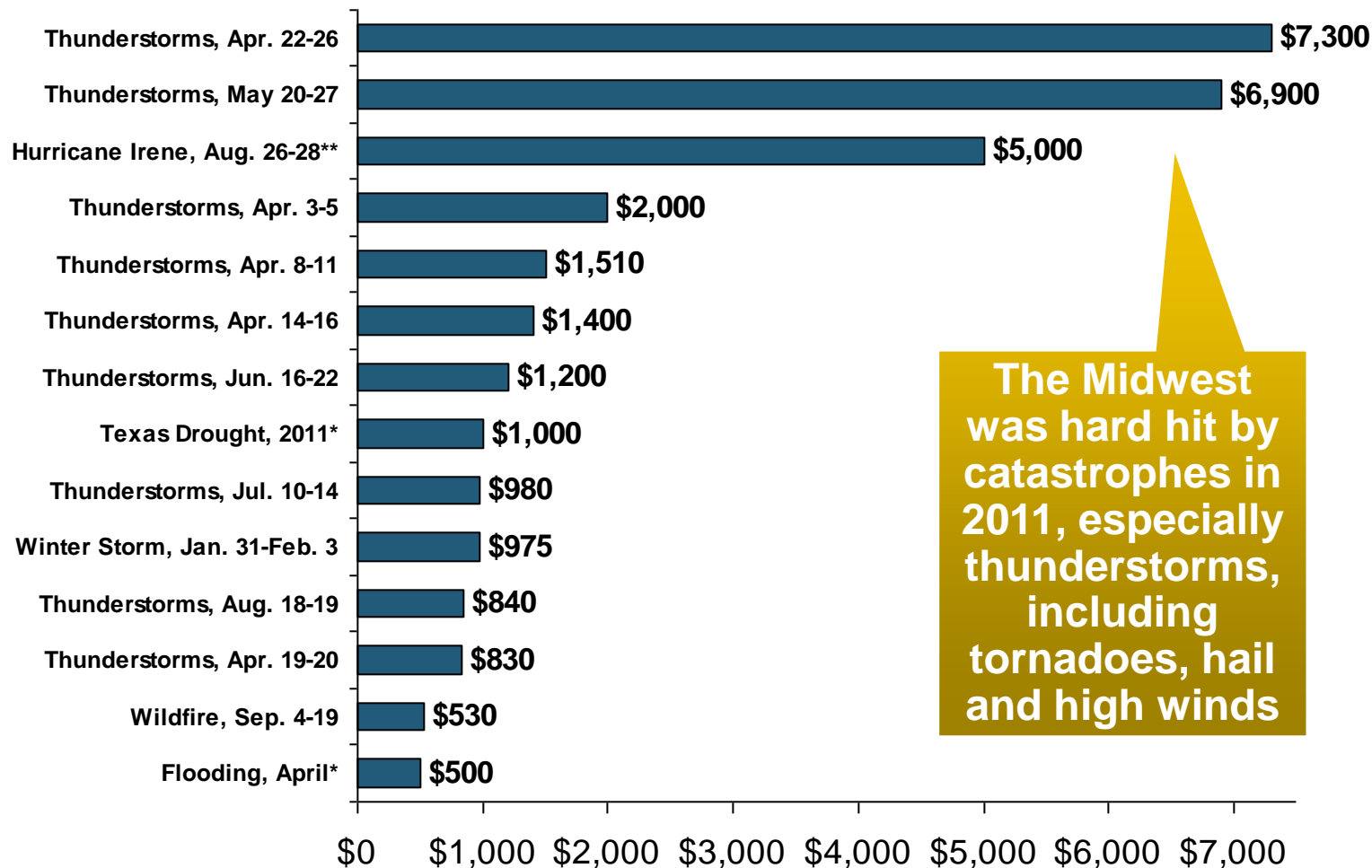
**H1 2012 CAT losses were down \$11.9B or 49% from \$24.4B in H1 2011**

\*PCS figure for H1 2012.

Note: 2001 figure includes \$20.3B for 9/11 losses reported through 12/31/01 (\$25.9B 2011 dollars). Includes only business and personal property claims, business interruption and auto claims. Non-prop/BI losses = \$12.2B (\$15.6B in 2011 dollars.)

Sources: Property Claims Service/ISO; Insurance Information Institute.

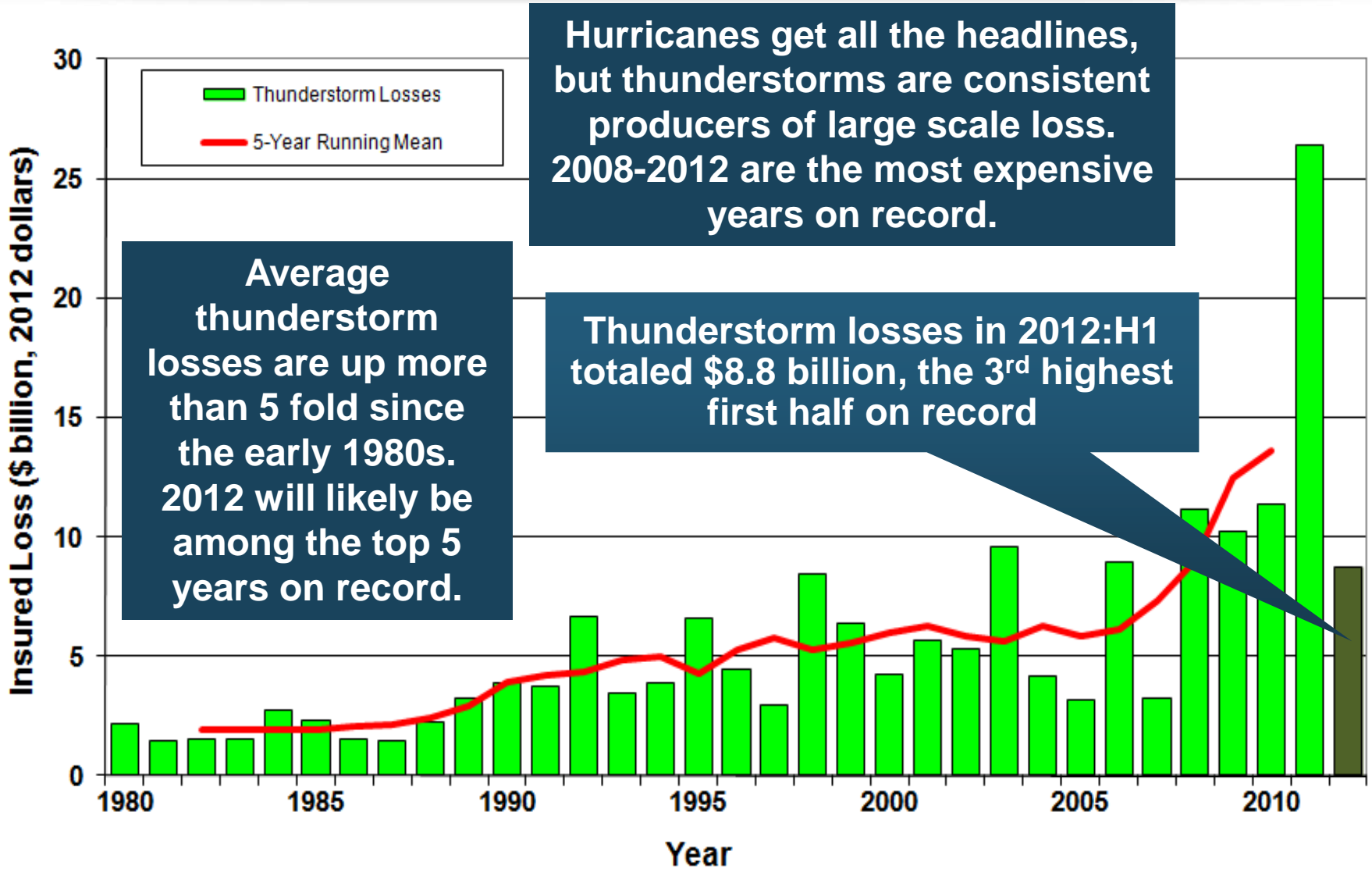
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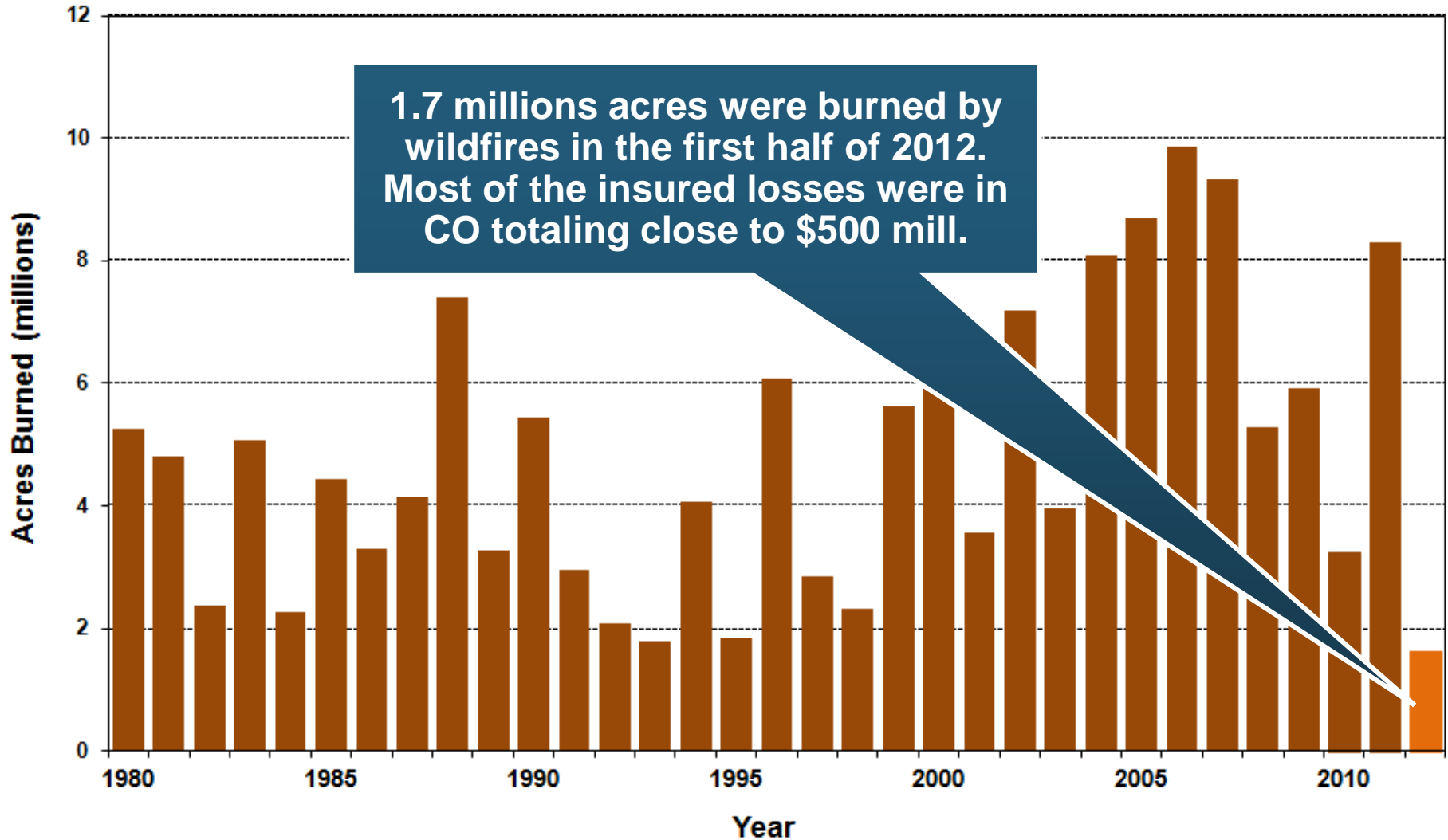
\*\*Includes \$700 million in flood losses insured through the National Flood Insurance Program.

Source: PCS except as noted by "\*" which are sourced to Munich Re; Insurance Information Institute.

# U.S. Thunderstorm Loss Trends, 1980 – 2012:H1



# U.S. Acreage Burned by Wildfires, 1980 – 2012\*



\*Through June 30.

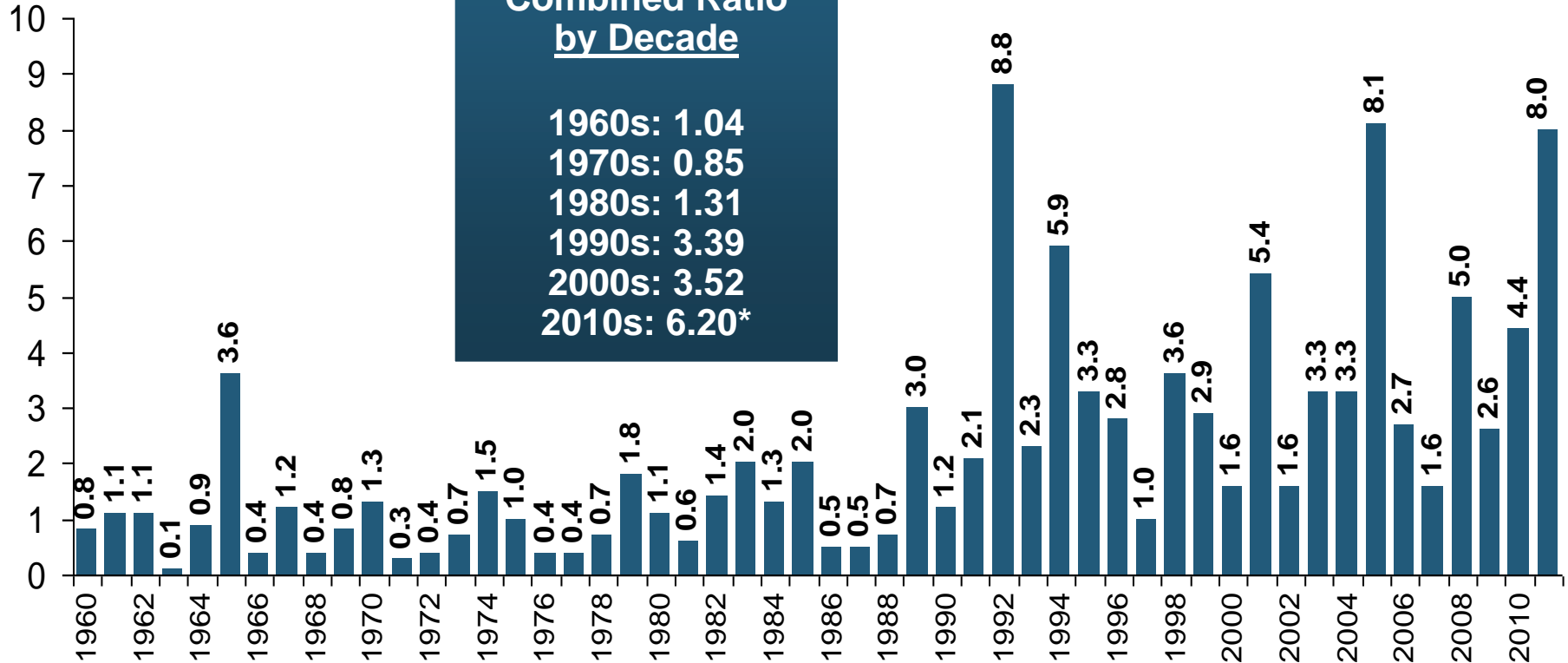
Source: National Forest Service, MR NatCatSERVICE

# Combined Ratio Points Associated with Catastrophe Losses: 1960 – 2011\*

## Combined Ratio Points

**Avg. CAT Loss Component of the Combined Ratio by Decade**

1960s: 1.04  
 1970s: 0.85  
 1980s: 1.31  
 1990s: 3.39  
 2000s: 3.52  
 2010s: 6.20\*



**The Catastrophe Loss Component of Private Insurer Losses Has Increased Sharply in Recent Decades**

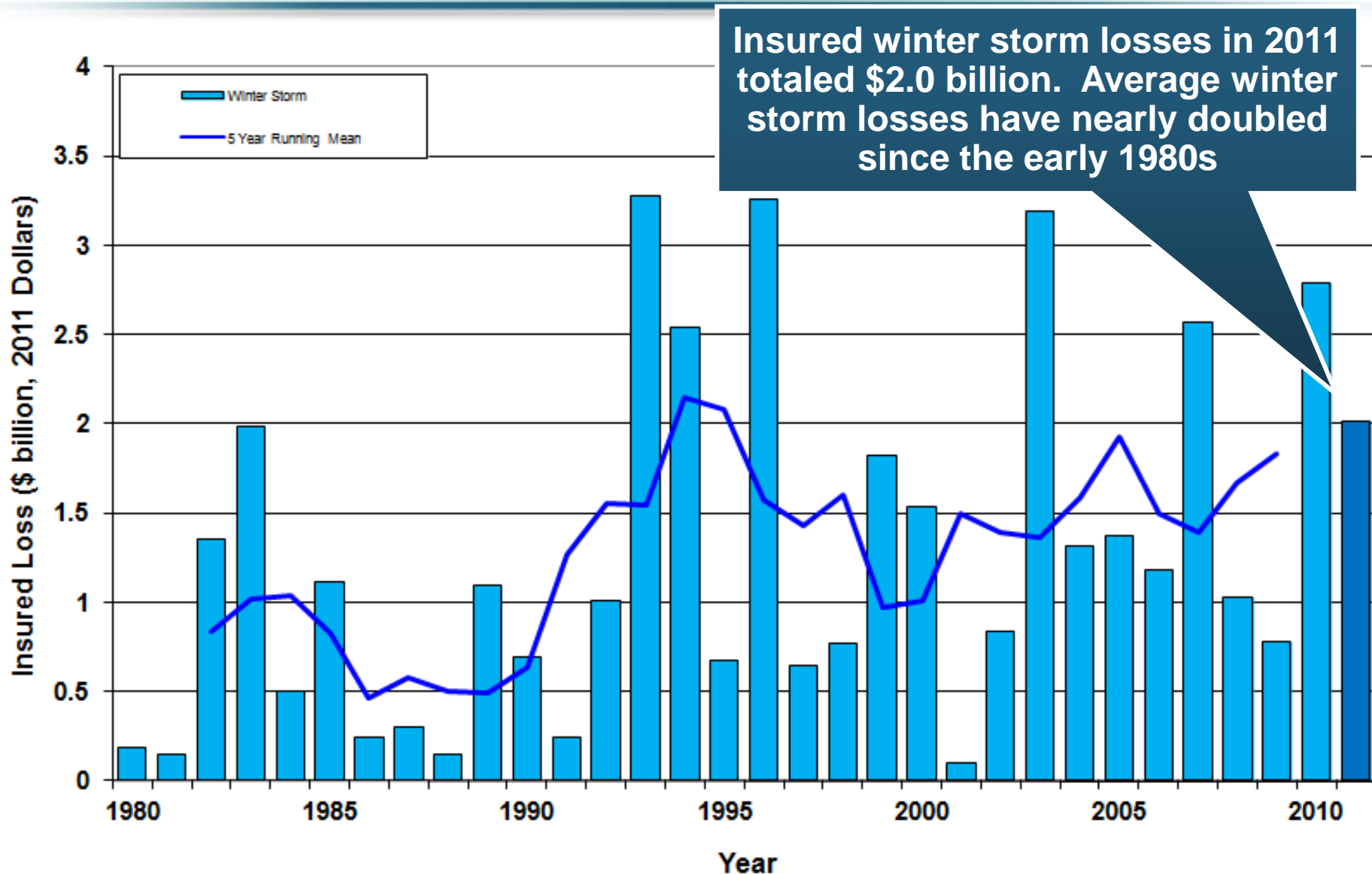
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Notes: Private carrier losses only. Excludes loss adjustment expenses and reinsurance reinstatement premiums. Figures are adjusted for losses ultimately paid by foreign insurers and reinsurers.

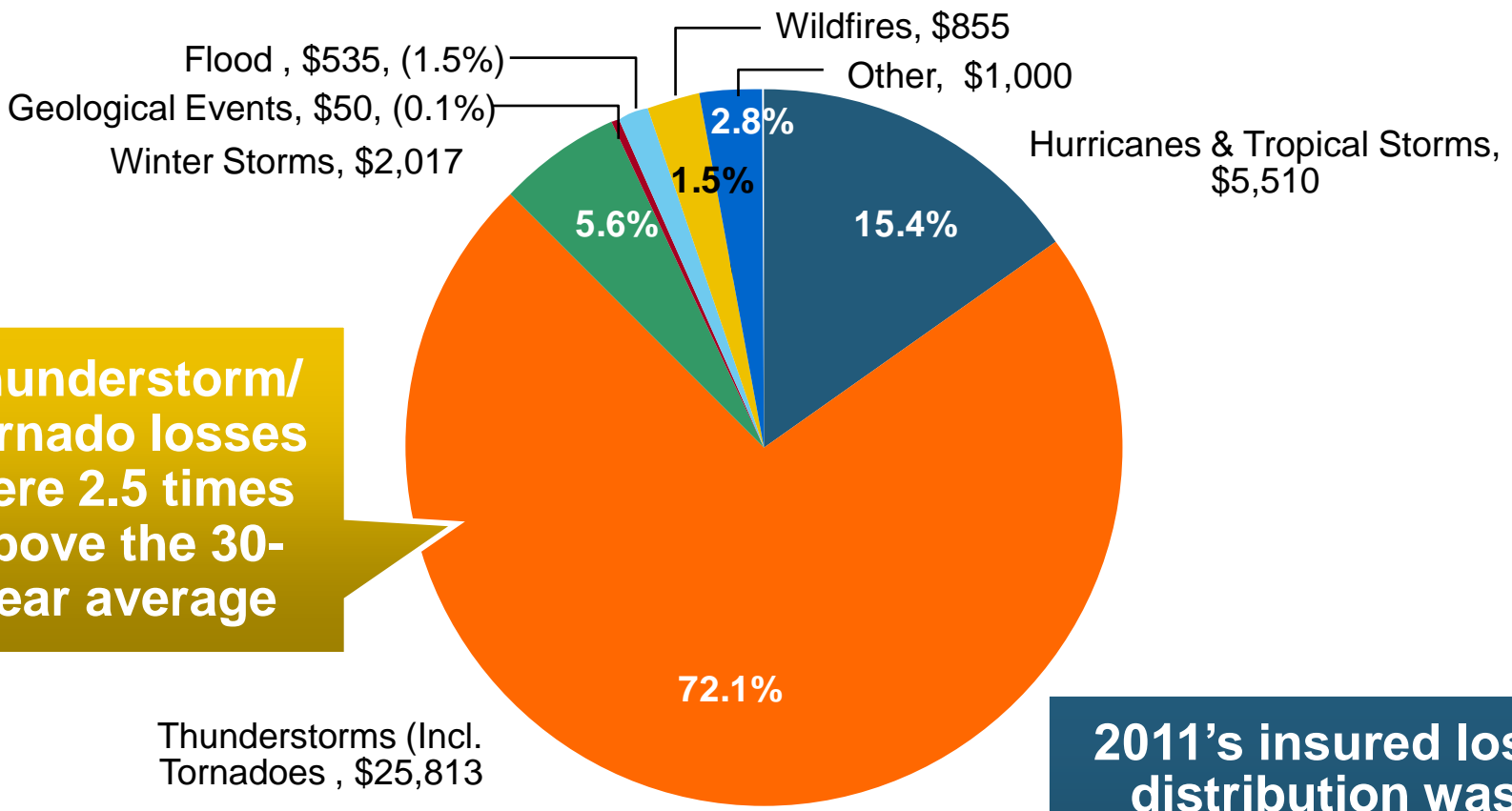
Source: ISO; Insurance Information Institute.



# U.S. Winter Storm Loss Trends, 1980 – 2011



# U.S. Insured Catastrophe Losses by Cause of Loss, 2011 (\$ Millions)

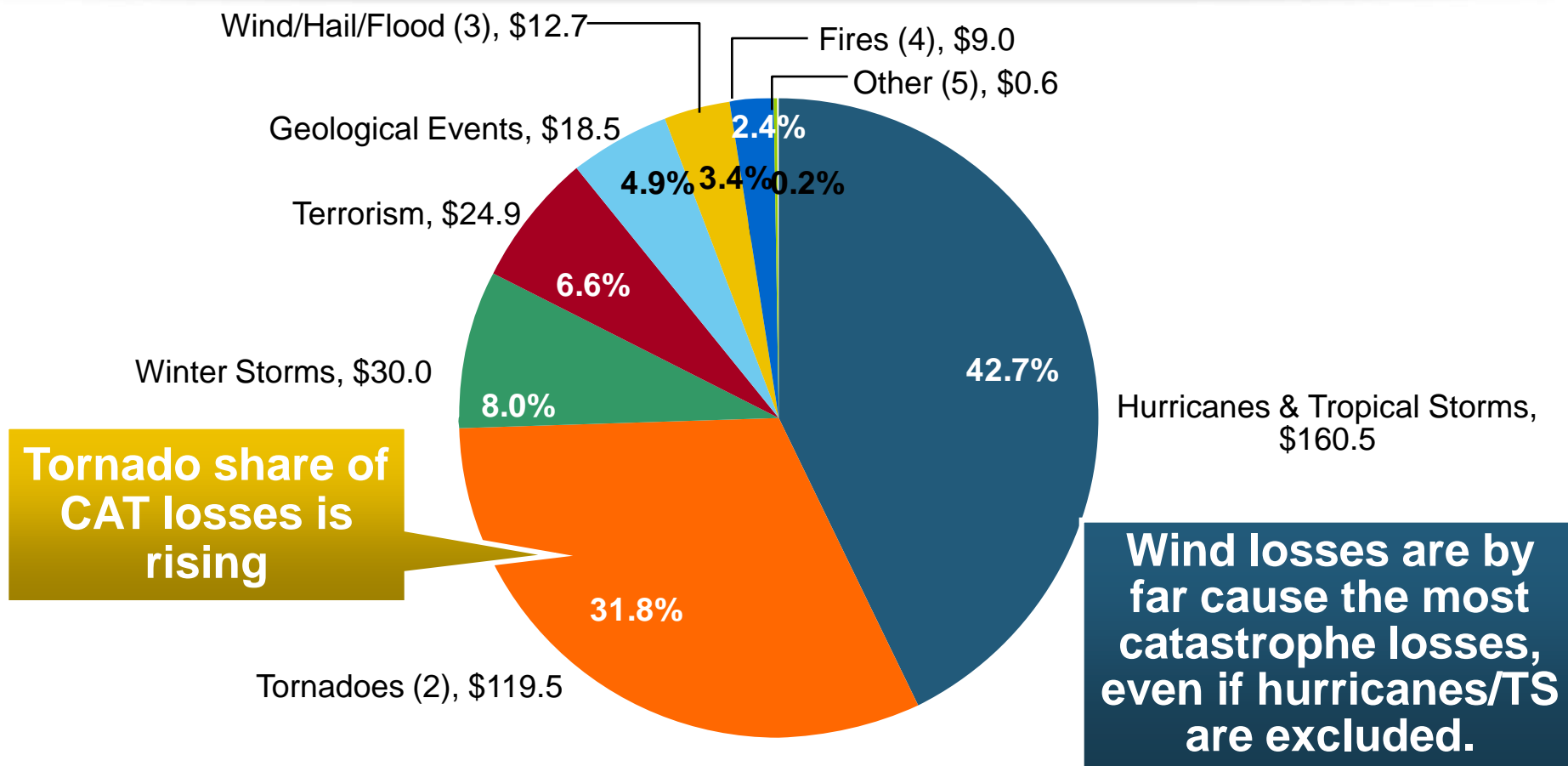


**Thunderstorm/  
Tornado losses  
were 2.5 times  
above the 30-  
year average**

**2011's insured loss  
distribution was  
unusual with tornado  
and thunderstorm  
accounting for the  
vast majority of loss**

Source: ISO's Property Claim Services Unit, Munich Re; Insurance Information Institute.

# Inflation Adjusted U.S. Catastrophe Losses by Cause of Loss, 1990–2011:H1<sup>1</sup>



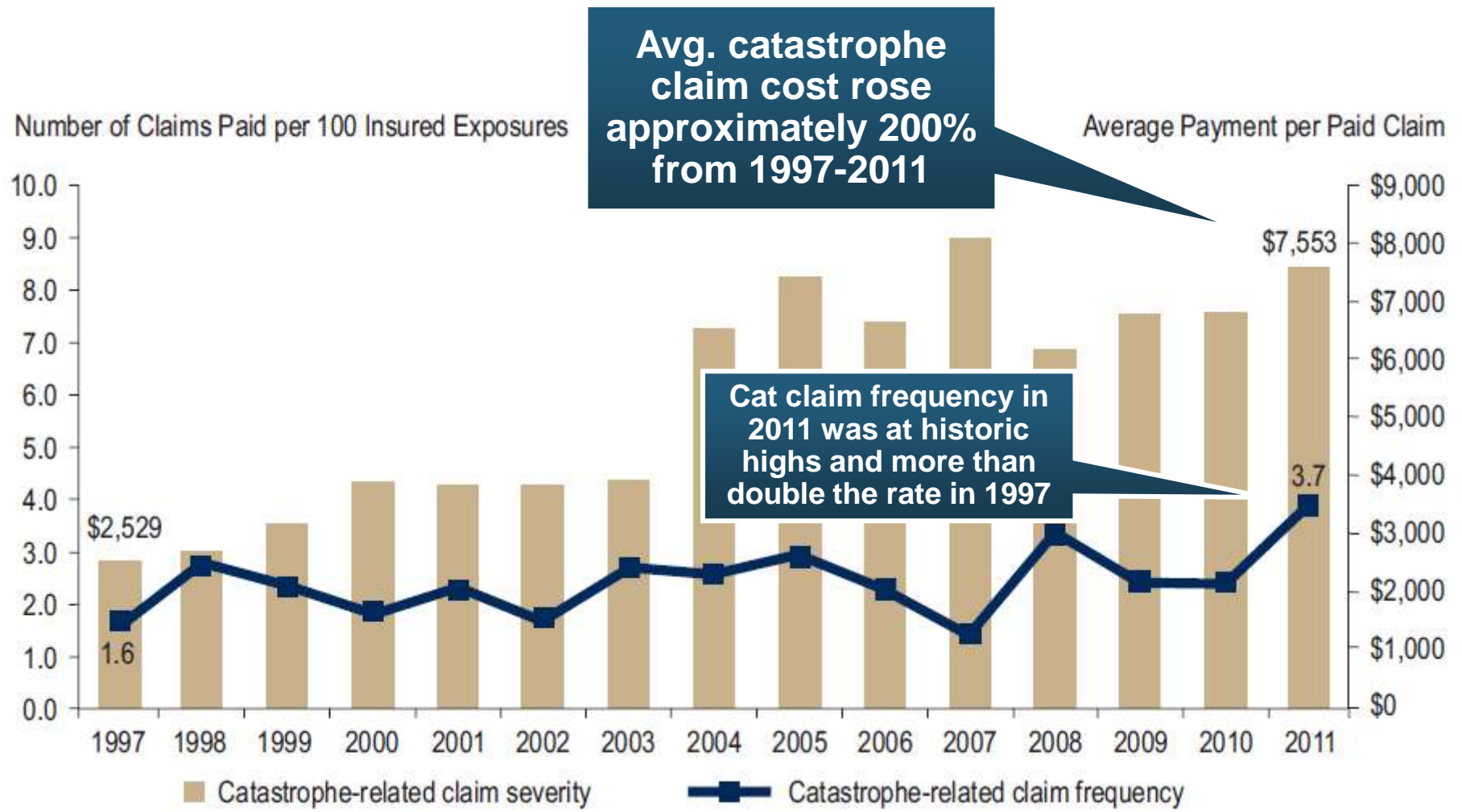
**Tornado share of CAT losses is rising**

**Wind losses are by far cause the most catastrophe losses, even if hurricanes/TS are excluded.**

1. Catastrophes are defined as events causing direct insured losses to property of \$25 million or more in 2009 dollars.
2. Excludes snow.
3. Does not include NFIP flood losses
4. Includes wildland fires
5. Includes civil disorders, water damage, utility disruptions and non-property losses such as those covered by workers compensation.

Source: ISO's Property Claim Services Unit.

# Homeowners Insurance Catastrophe-Related Claim Frequency and Severity, 1997—2012\*



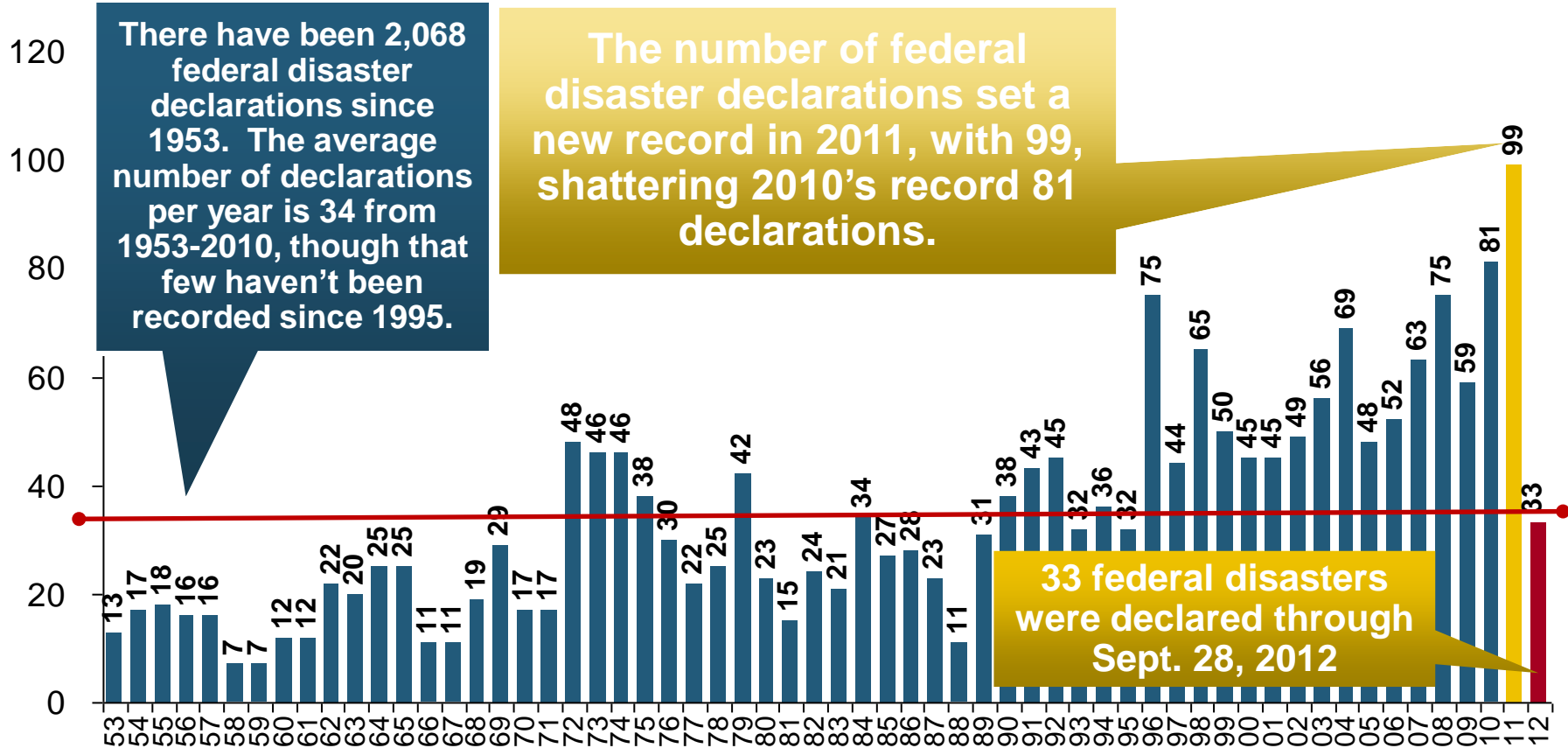
\*All policy forms combined, countrywide.

Source: Insurance Research Council, *Trends in Homeowners Insurance Claims*, Sept. 2012 from ISO Fast Track data.

# **Federal Disaster Declarations Patterns: 1953-2012**

**Records Were Set for Federal  
Disaster Declarations in 2010 and  
2011—Most Declarations Were  
Unrelated to Tropical Activity**

# Number of Federal Disaster Declarations, 1953-2012\*

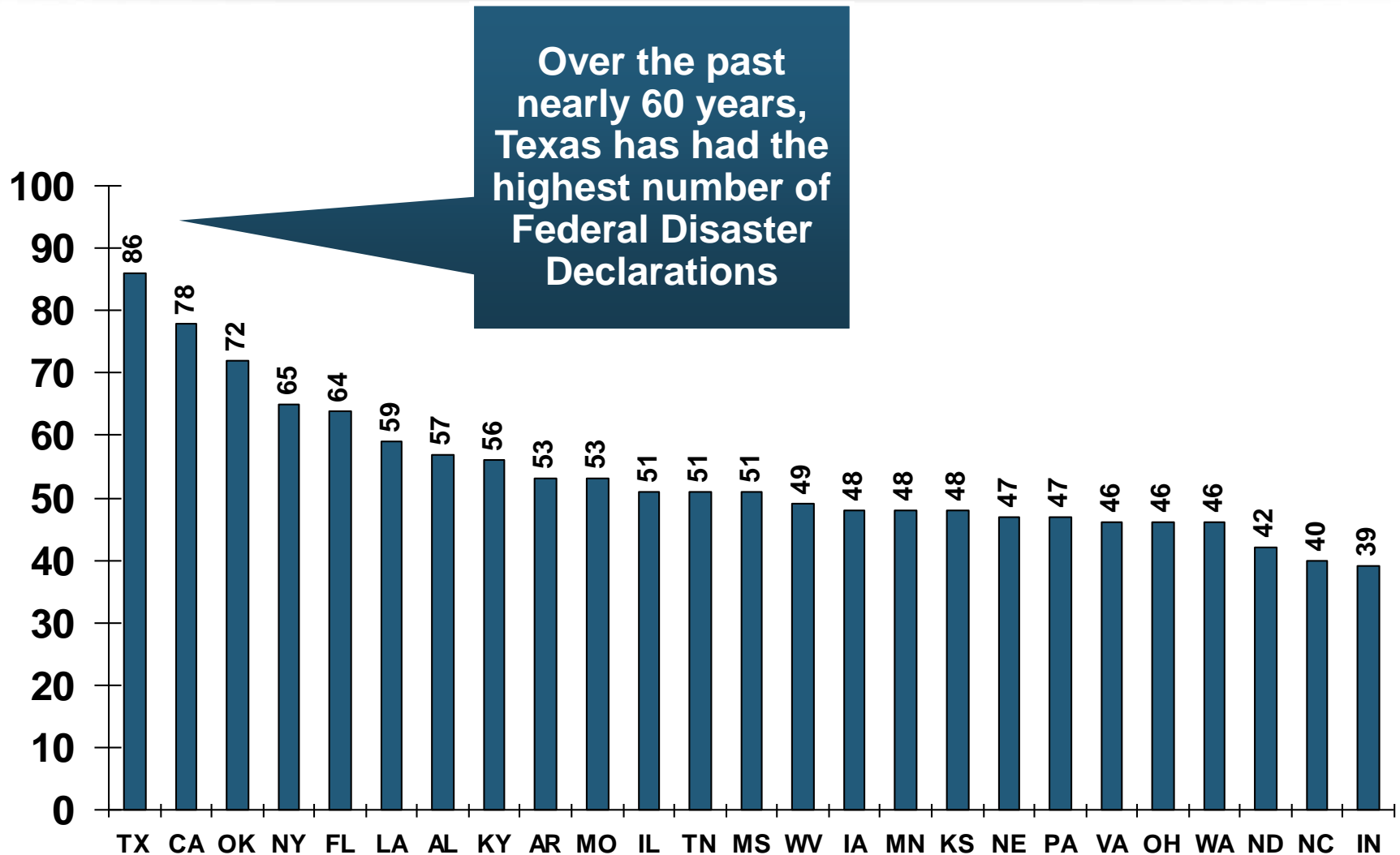


**The Number of Federal Disaster Declarations Is Rising and Set New Records in 2010 and 2011**

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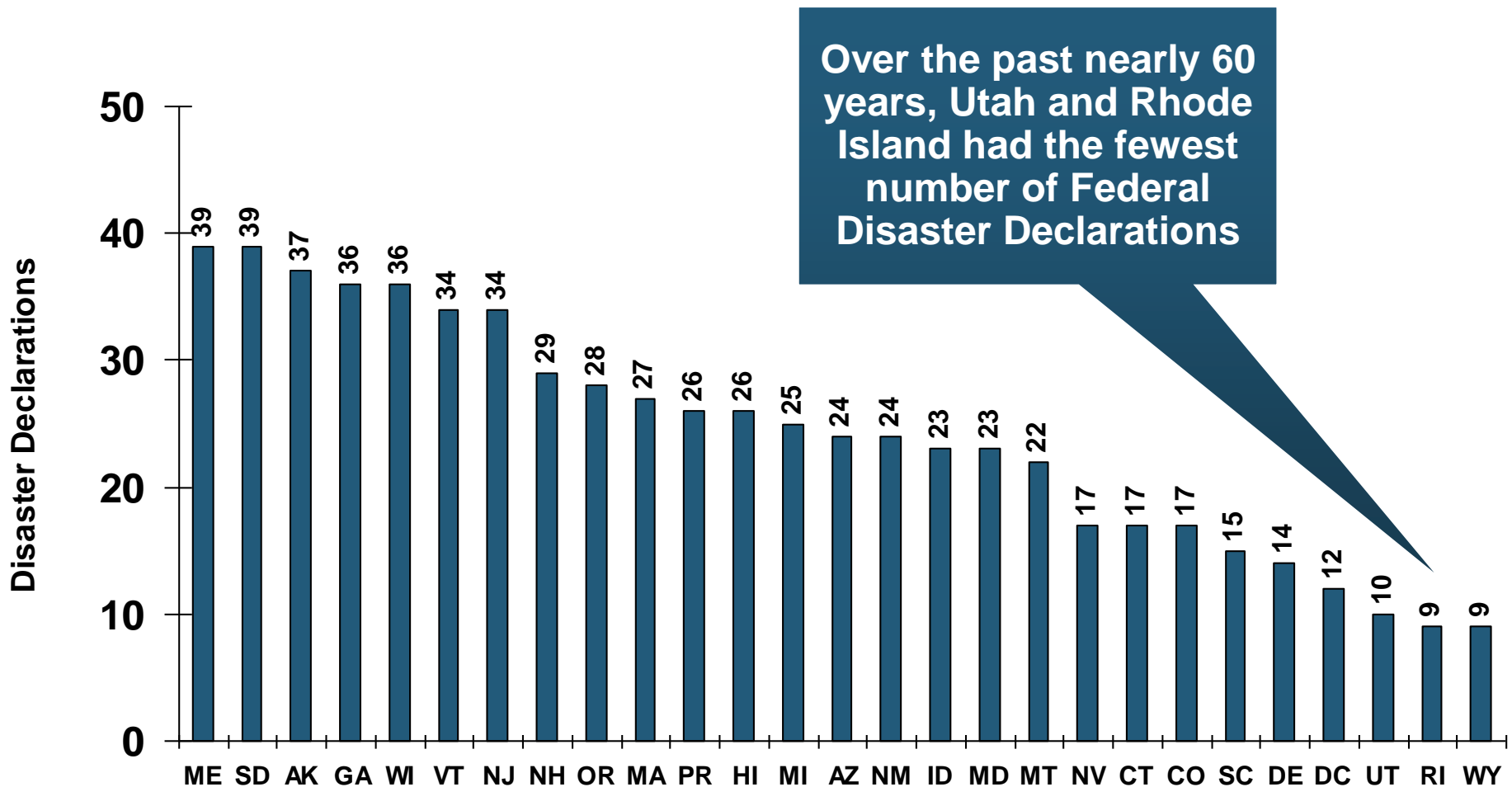
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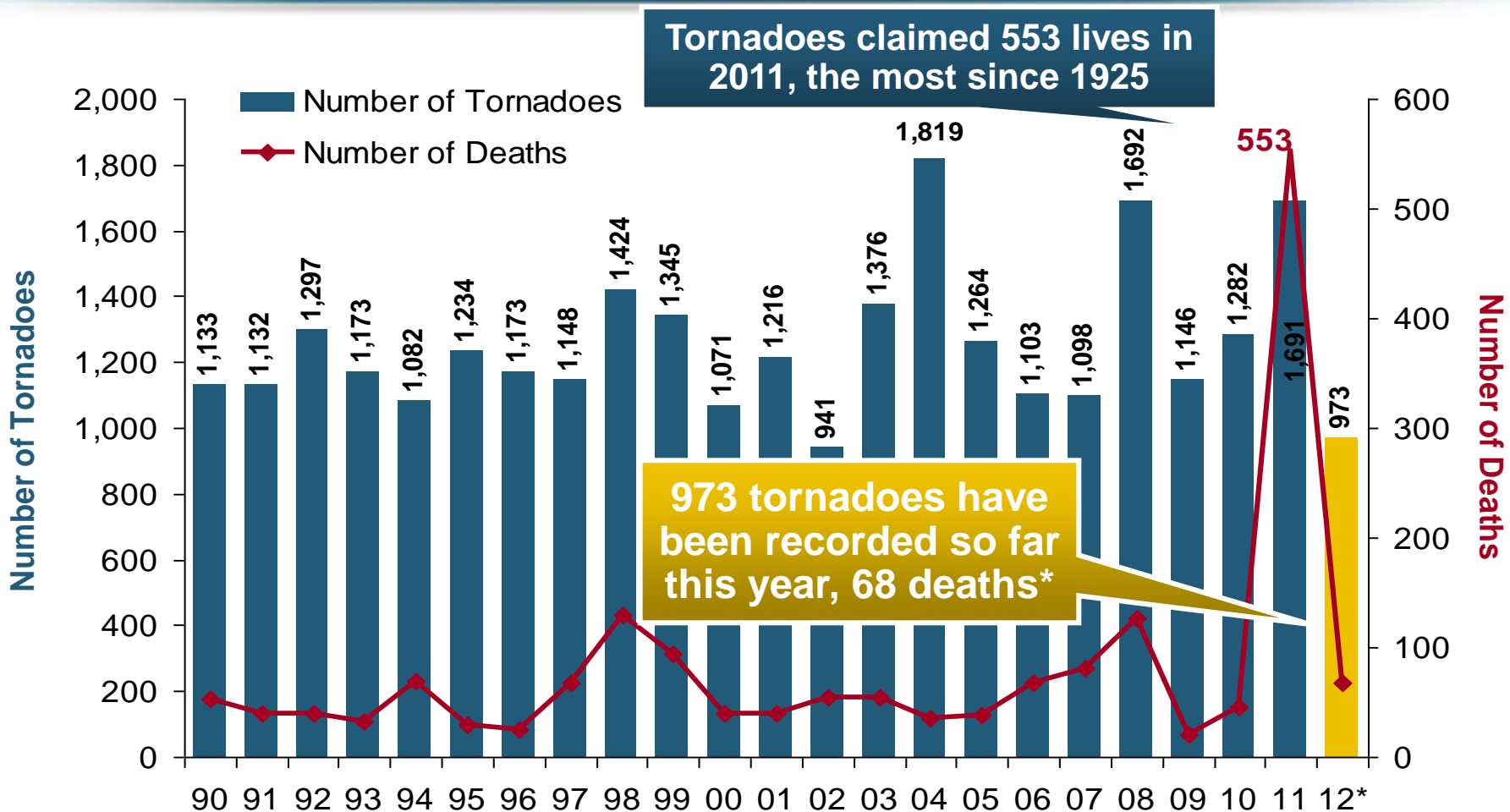




## **2012 TORNADO & SEVERE STORM SUMMARY**

**2012 Got Off to a Worrisome Start,  
But Is No Repeat of 2011**

# Number of Tornadoes and Related Deaths, 1990 – 2012\*

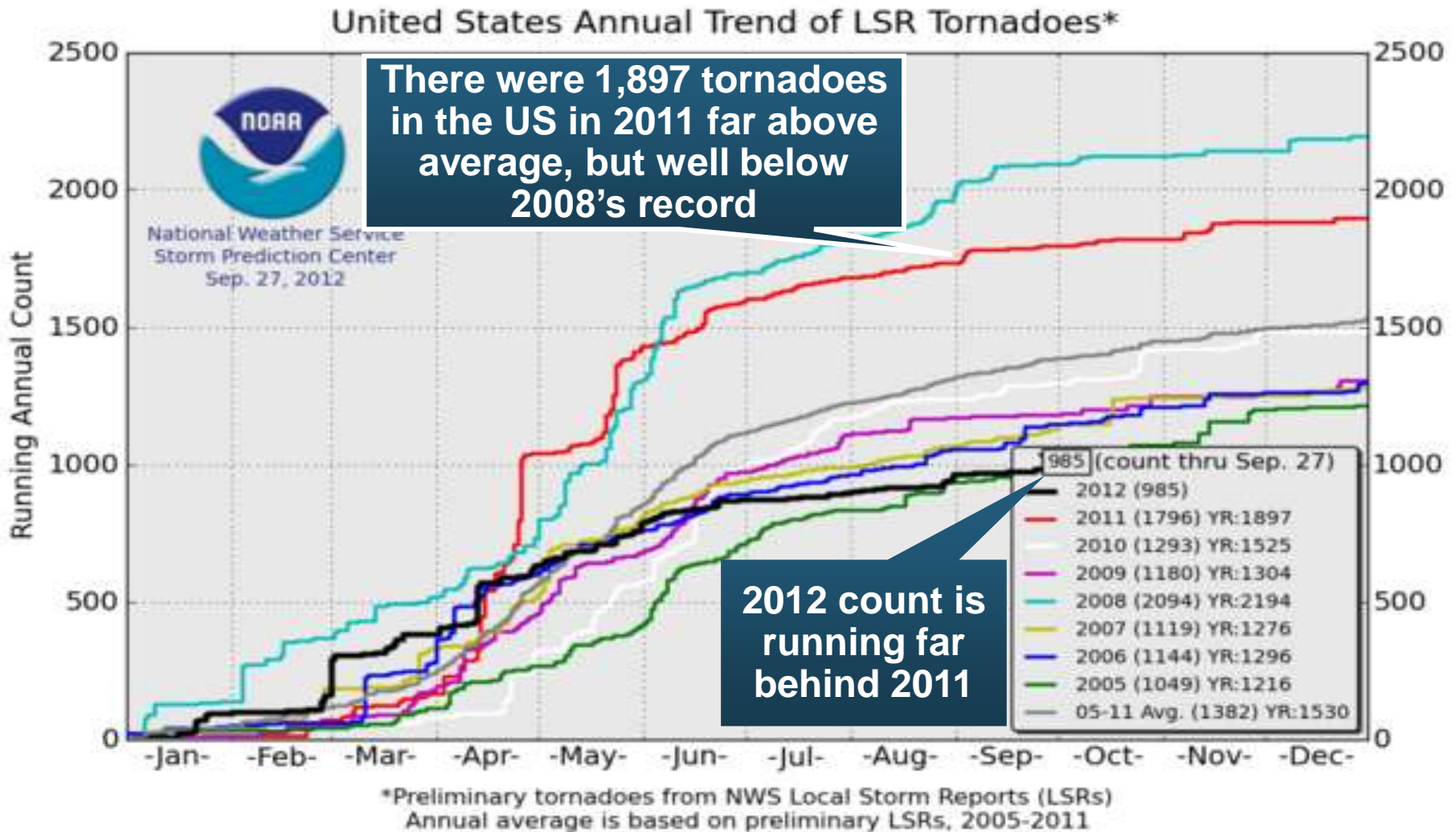


**2012 Tornado Losses Got Off to an Ominous Beginning, but Slowed. First Half 2012 Insured Losses from Tornadoes and Thunderstorms Totaled \$8.8B.**

\*Through Sept.23, 2012.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Storm Prediction Center, National Weather Service at <http://www.spc.noaa.gov/climo/online/monthly/newm.html>

# U.S. Tornado Count, 2005-2012\*

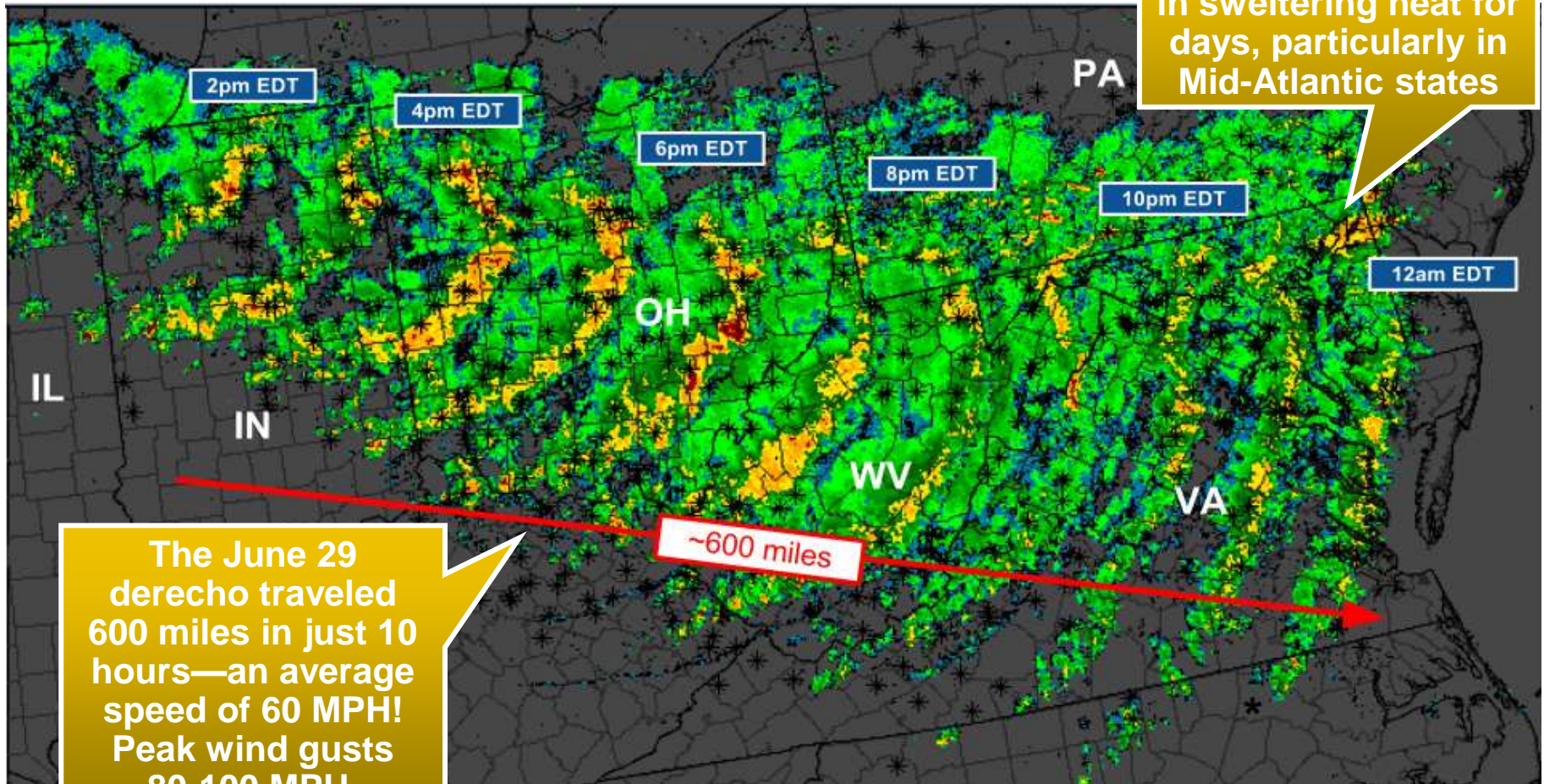


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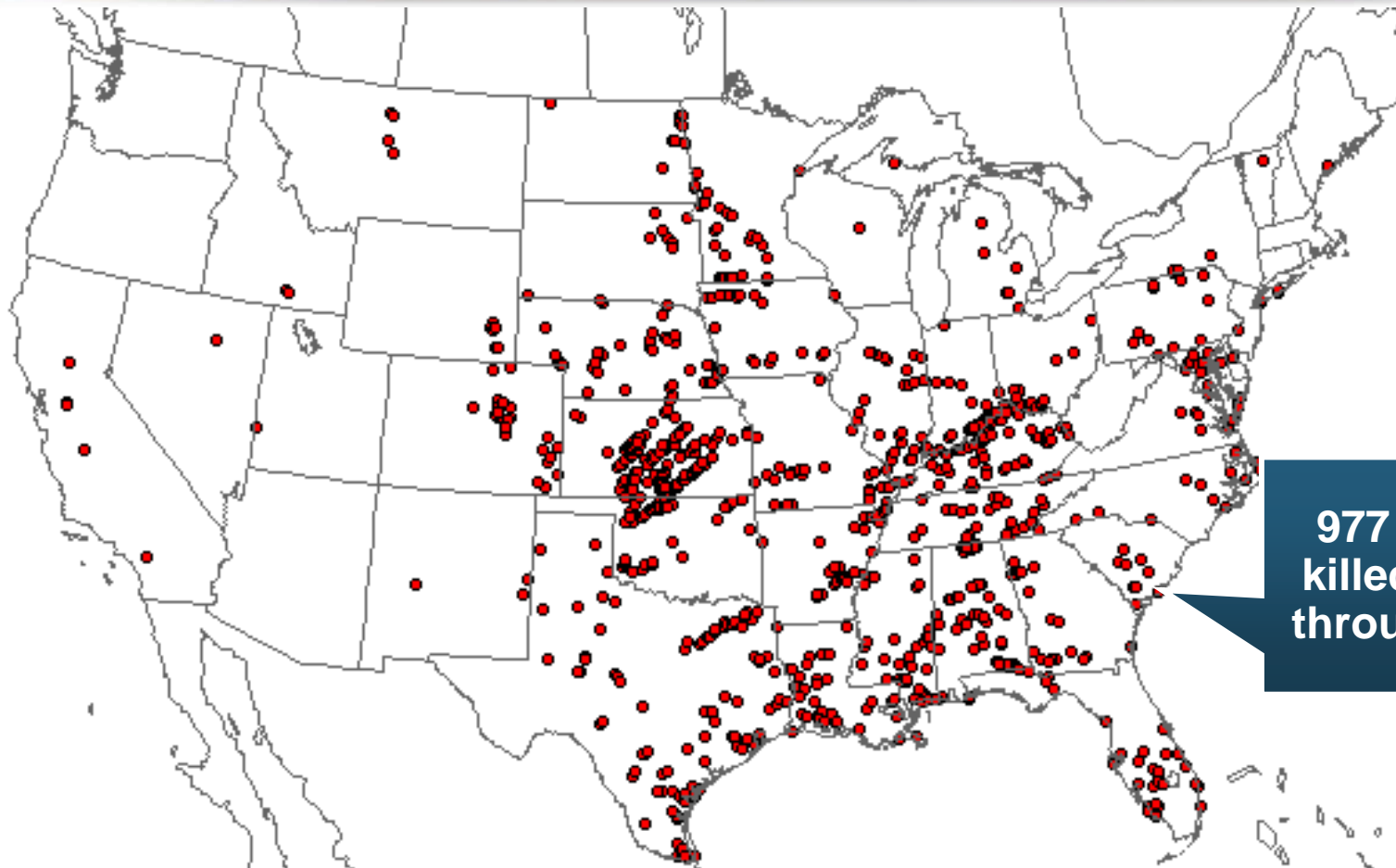
Source: <http://www.spc.noaa.gov/wcm/>

# June 29, 2012 Derecho: Traveled 600 Miles from Midwest to Mid-Atlantic

## 10-HOUR RADAR COMPOSITE (2PM – MIDNIGHT)



# Location of Tornadoes in the US, 2012\*



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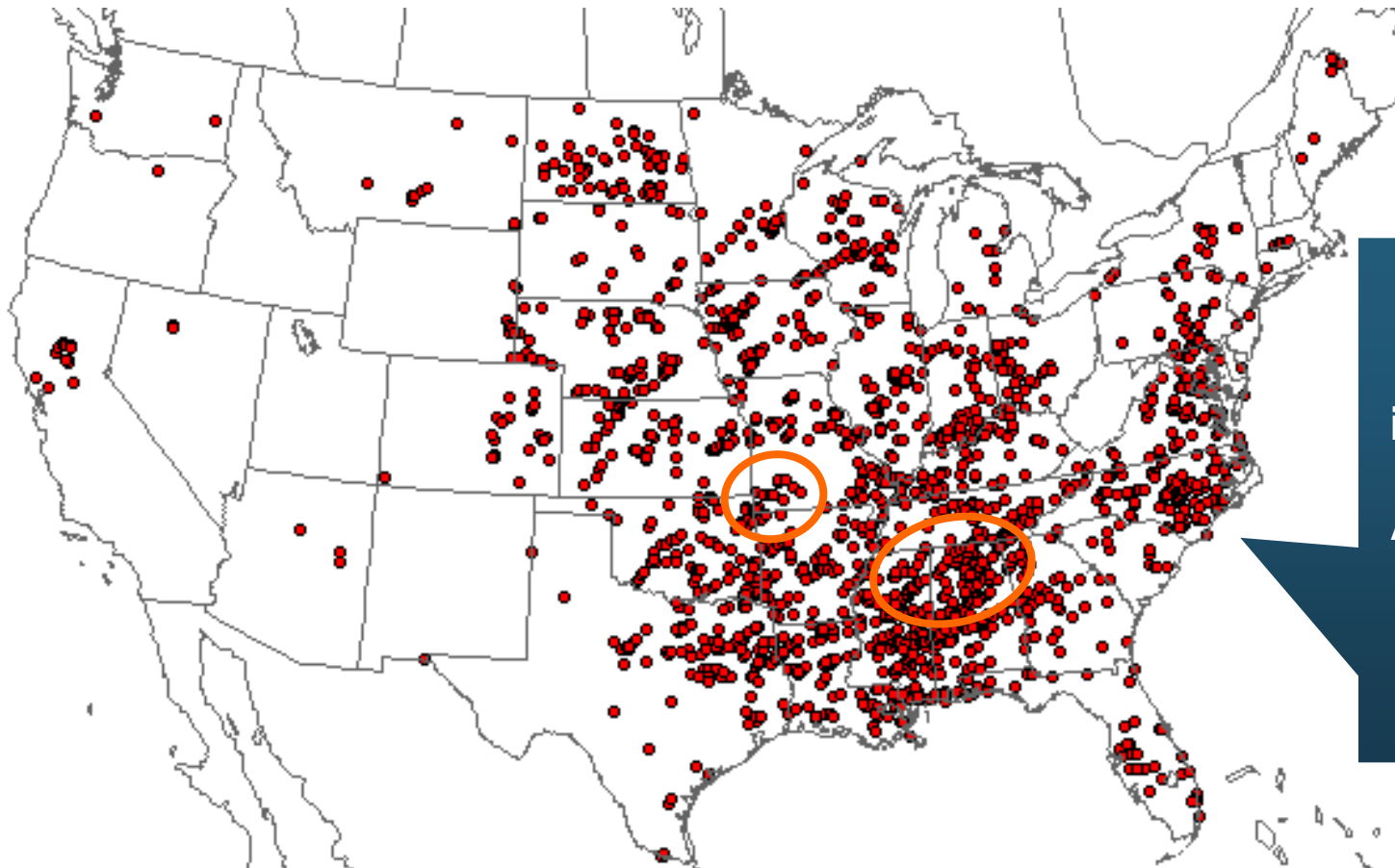
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# Location of Tornadoes in the US, 2011



1,894 tornadoes killed 553 people in 2011, including at least 340 on April 26 mostly in the Tuscaloosa area, and 130 in Joplin on May 22



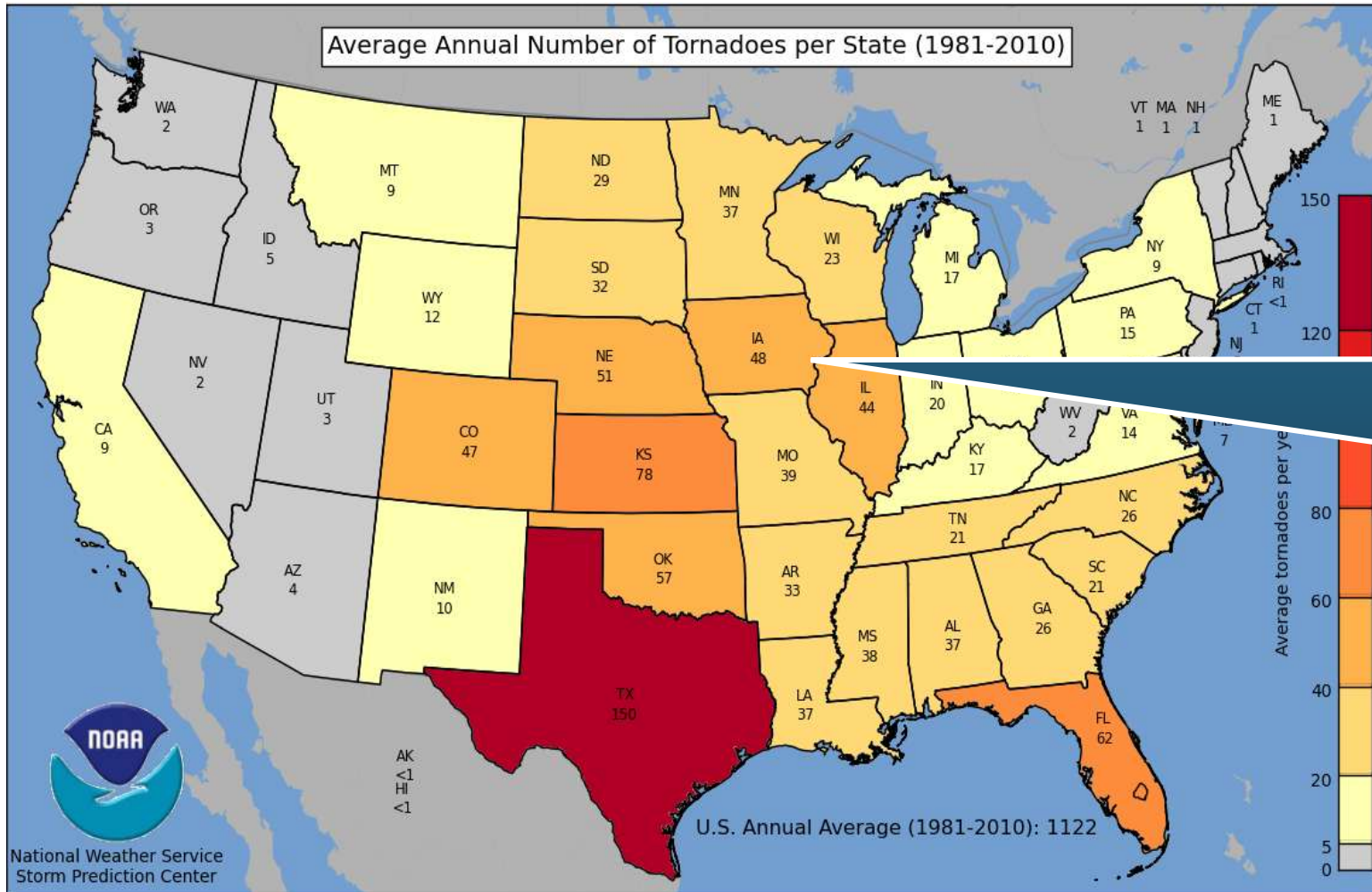
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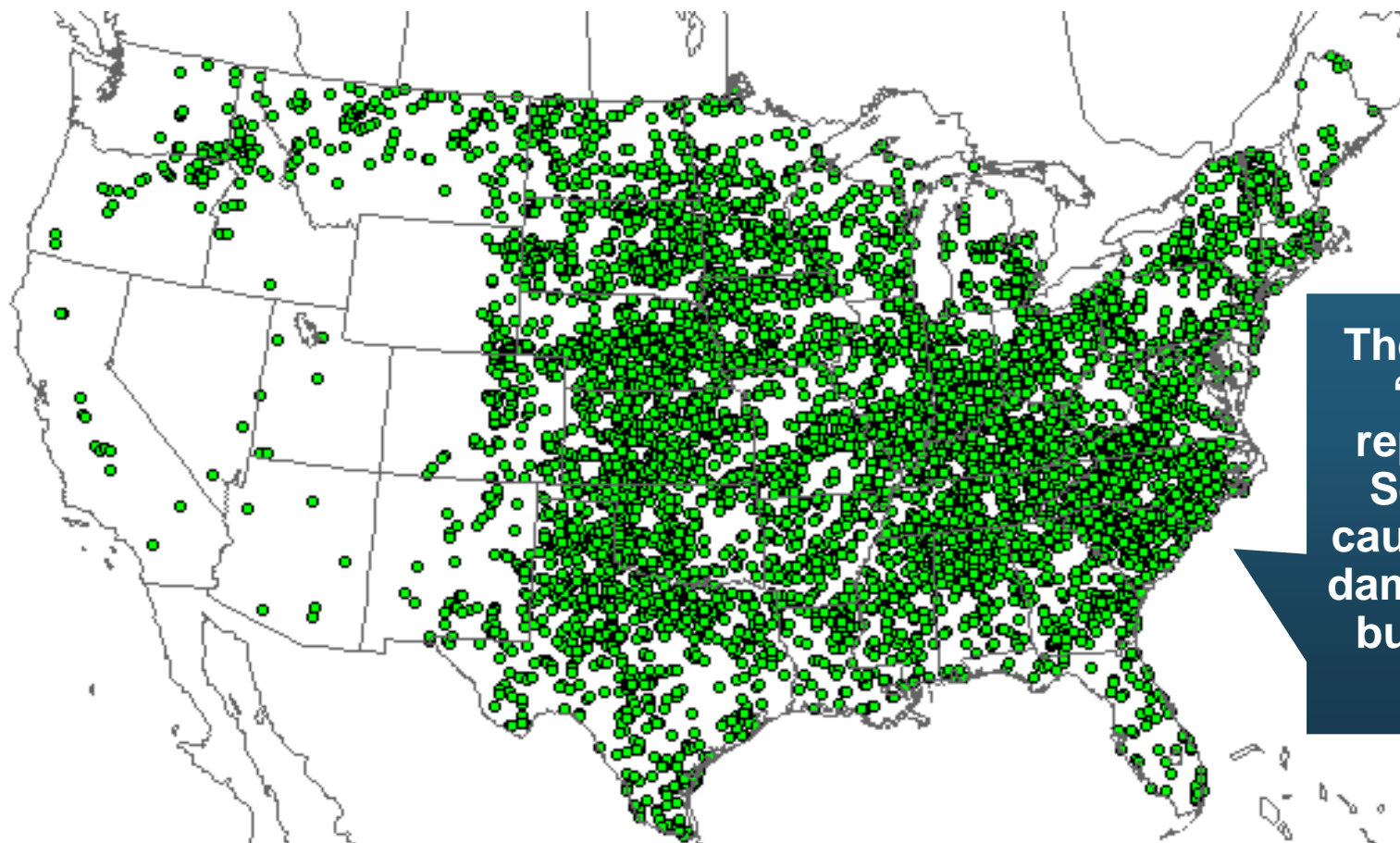
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# Average Annual Number of Tornadoes per State, 1981—2010



The Midwest sees significant tornado activity in most years

# Location of Large Hail Reports in the US, 2012\*



There were 6,781  
“Large Hail”  
reports through  
Sept. 23, 2012,  
causing extensive  
damage to homes,  
businesses and  
vehicles



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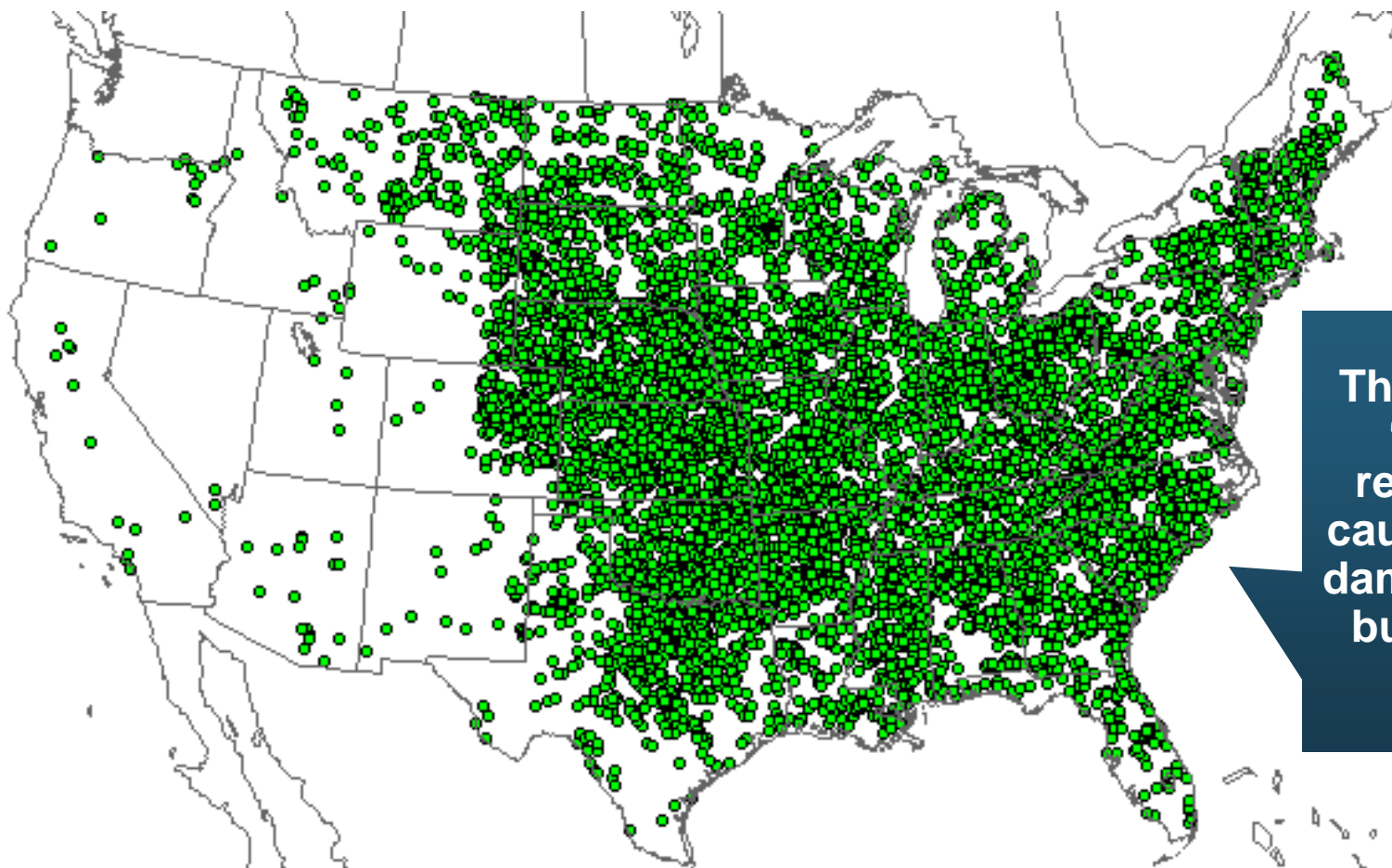
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# Location of Large Hail Reports in the US, 2011



There were 9,417  
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reports in 2011,  
causing extensive  
damage to homes,  
businesses and  
vehicles



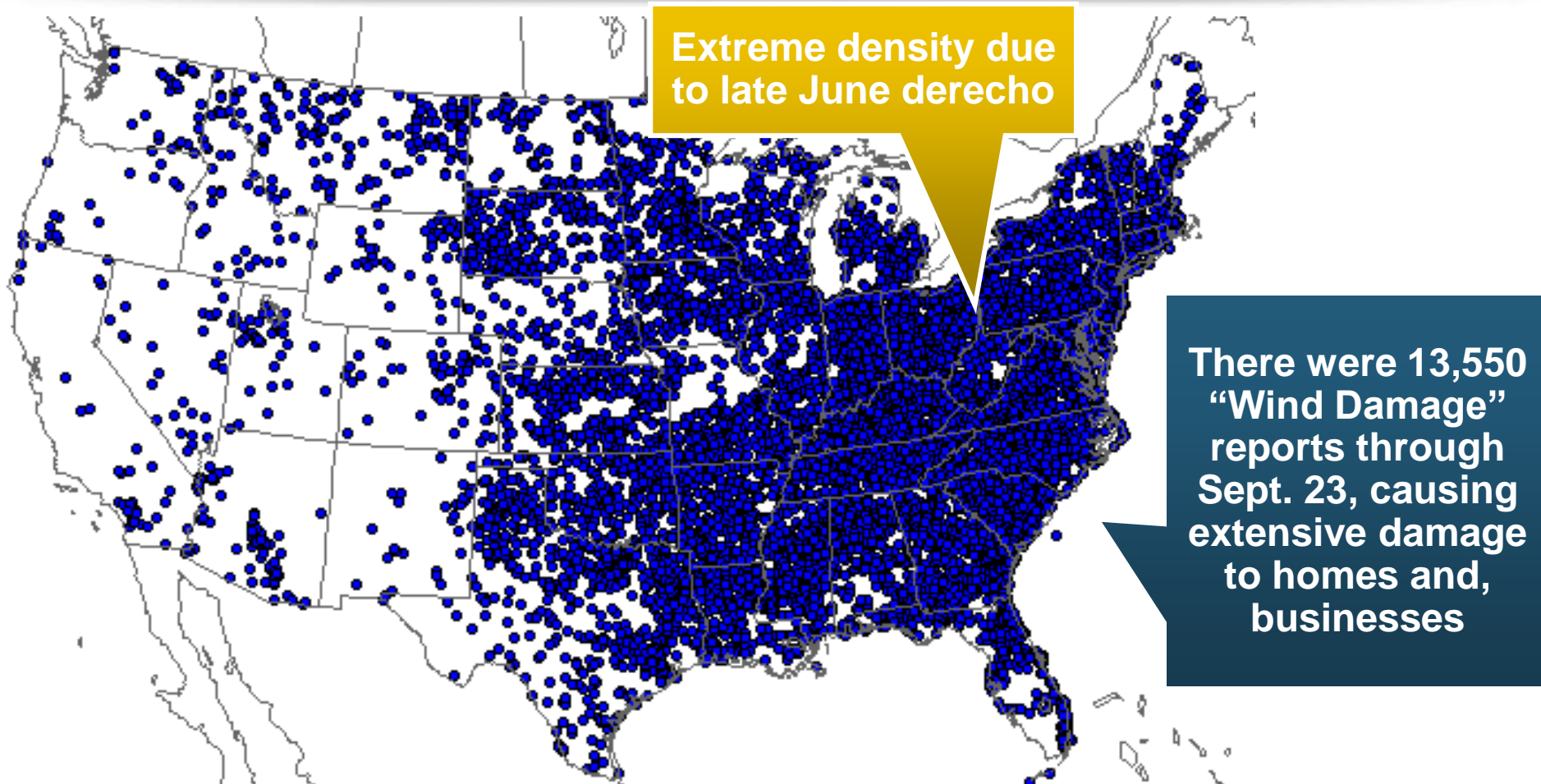
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# Location of Wind Damage Reports in the US, 2012\*

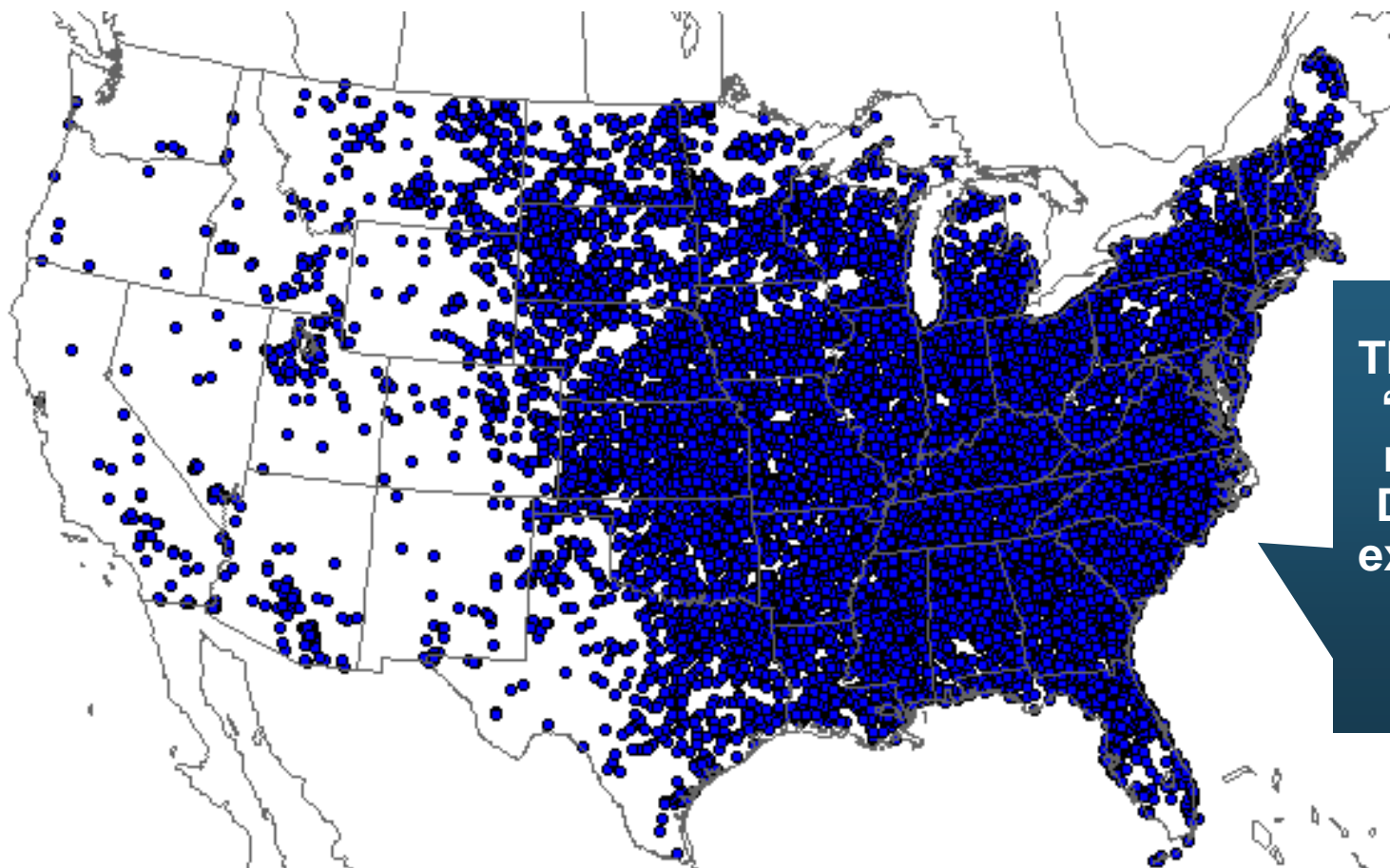


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# Location of Wind Damage Reports in the US, 2011



There were 18,685  
“Wind Damage”  
reports through  
Dec. 27, causing  
extensive damage  
to homes and,  
businesses



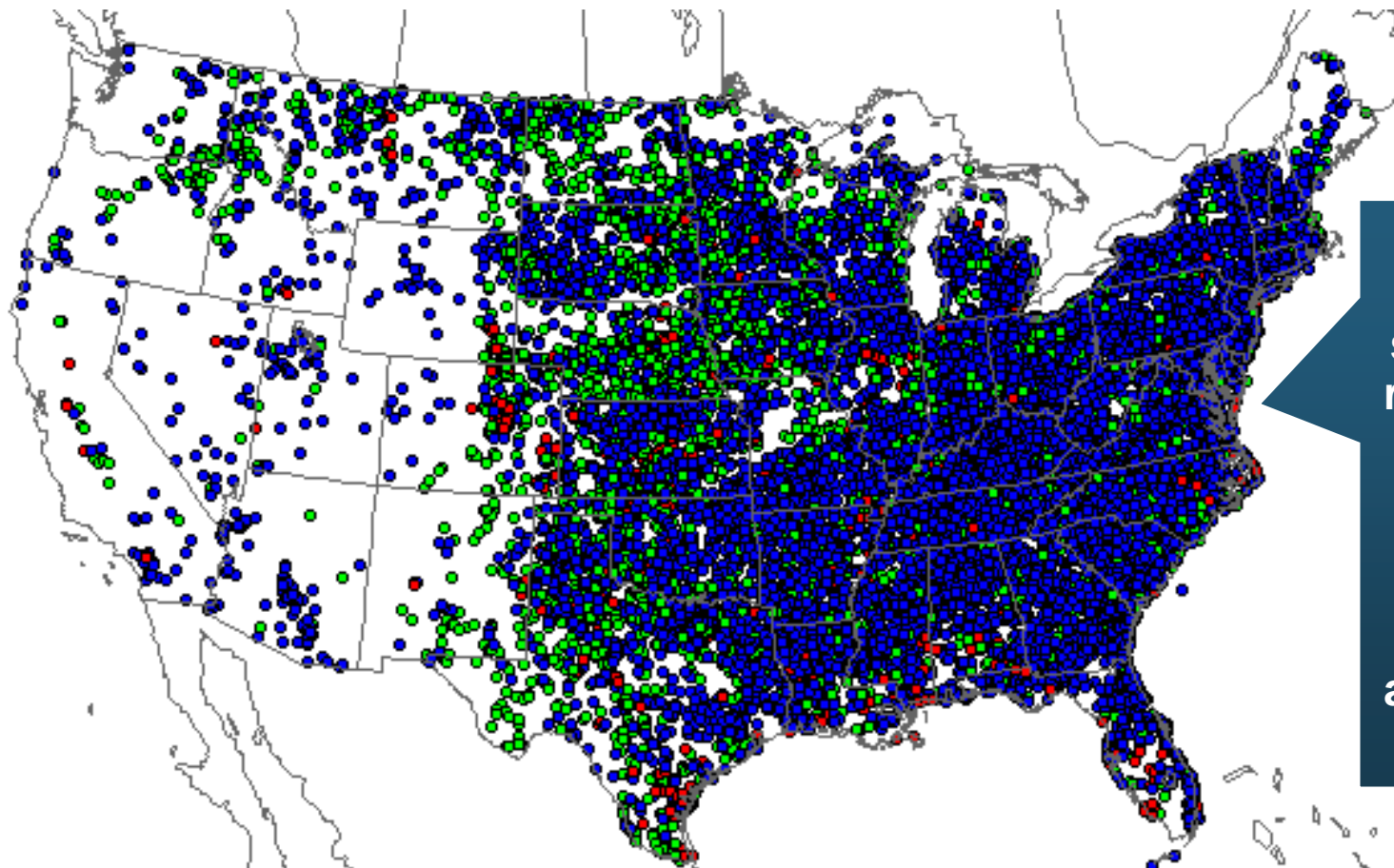
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# Severe Weather Reports, 2012\*



There were already 21,310 severe weather reports through Sept. 23; including 977 tornadoes; 6,781 “Large Hail” reports and 13,550 high wind events



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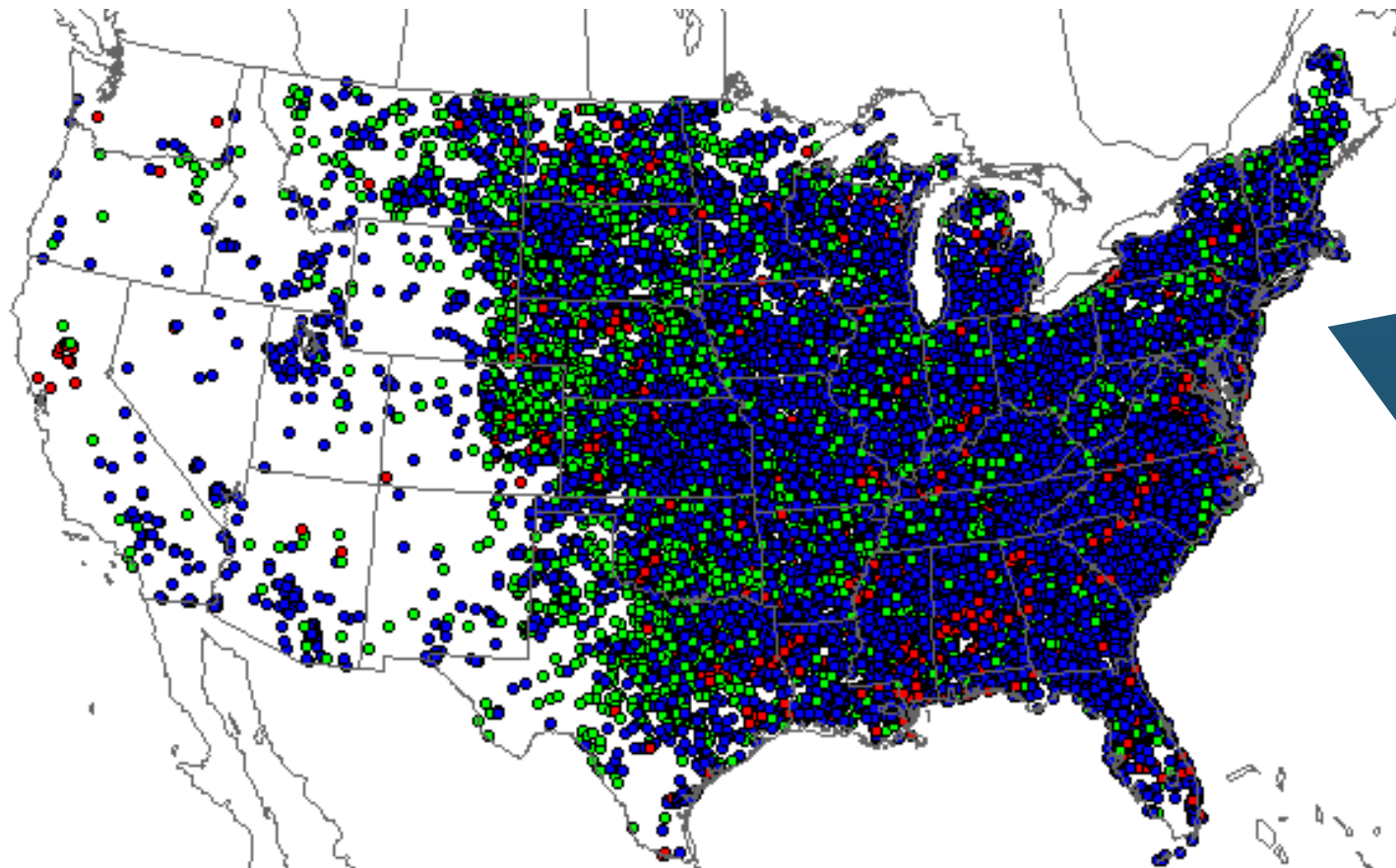
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# Severe Weather Reports, 2011



There were 29,996 severe weather reports in 2011; including 1,894 tornadoes; 9,417 “Large Hail” reports and 18,685 high wind events



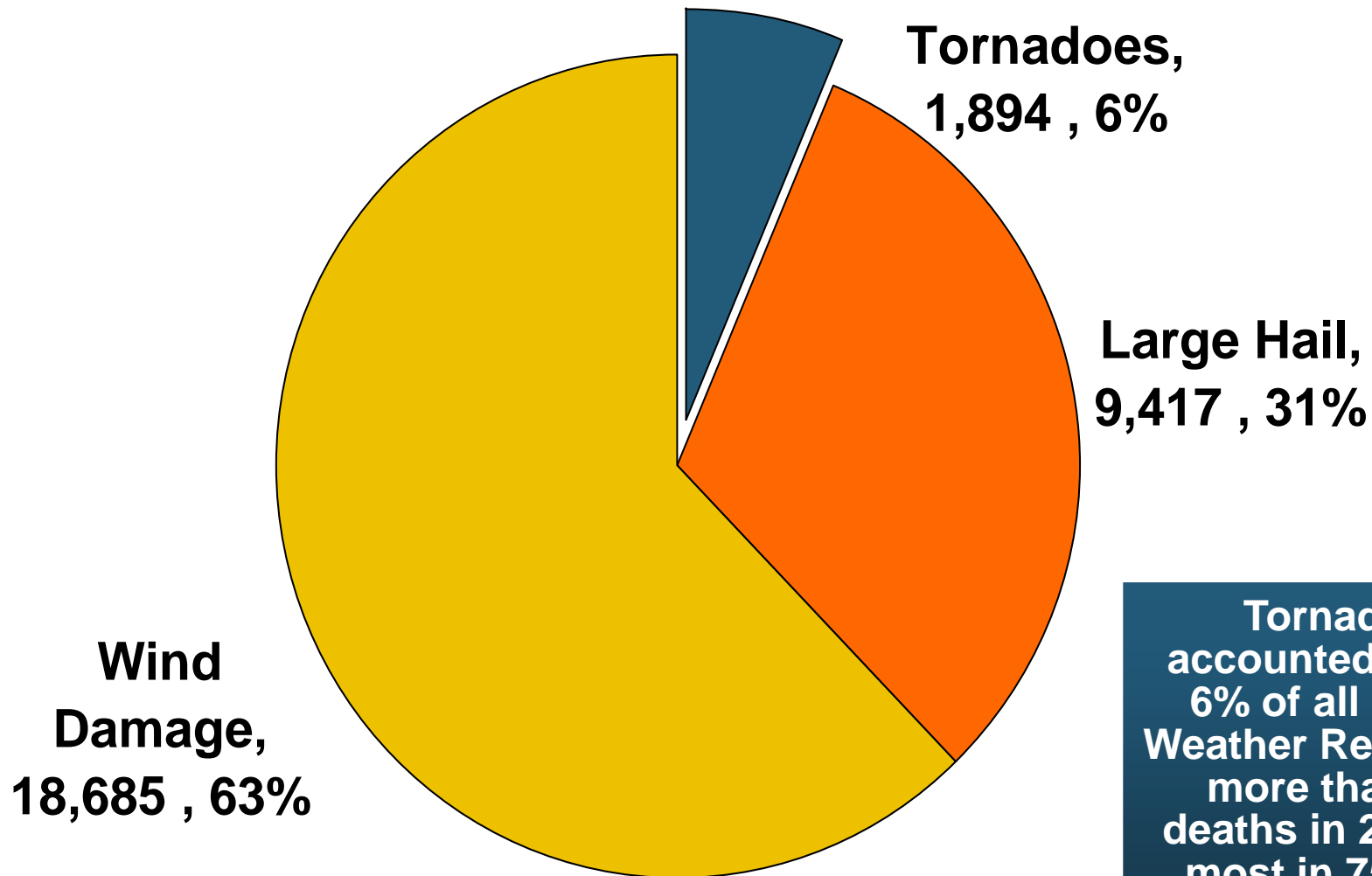
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# Number of Severe Weather Reports in US, by Type, 2011

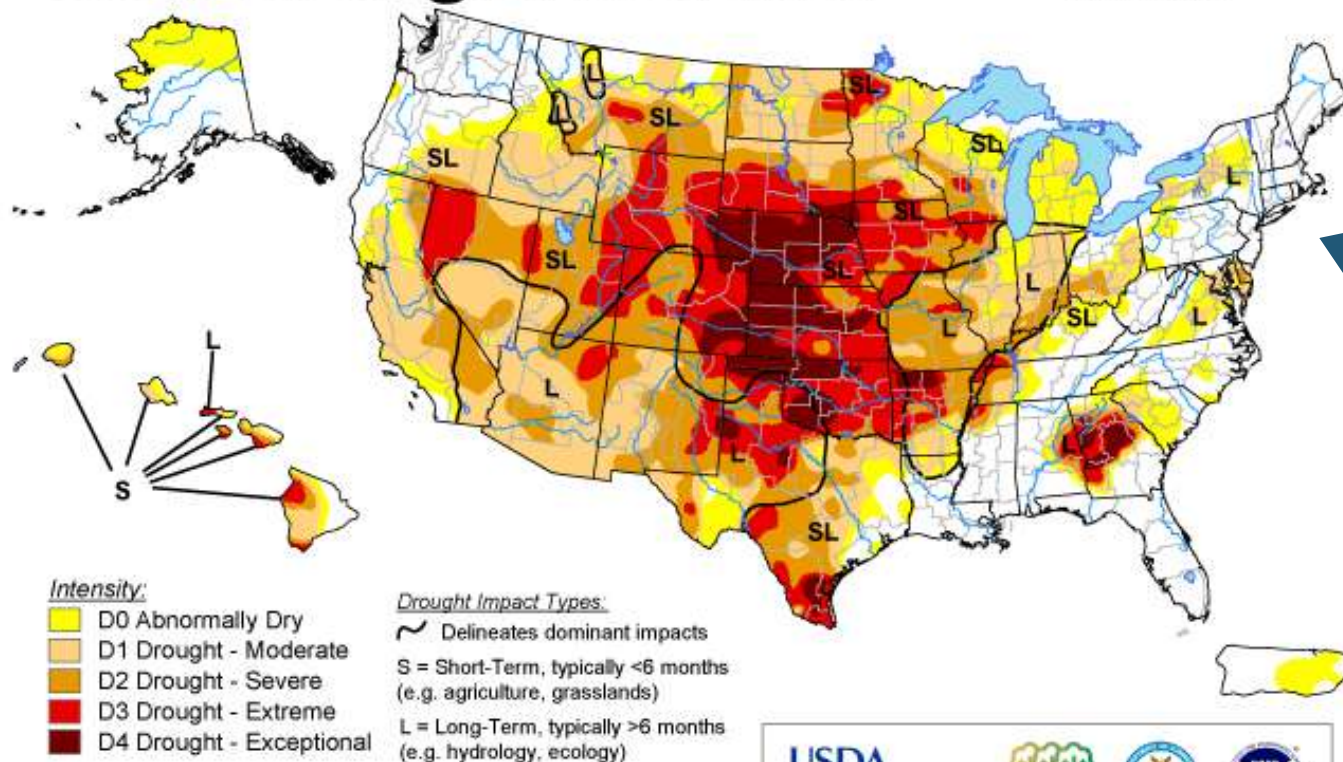


# 2012 US Drought: Implications for Crop (Re)Insurers

## U.S. Drought Monitor

September 25, 2012

Valid 7 a.m. EDT



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

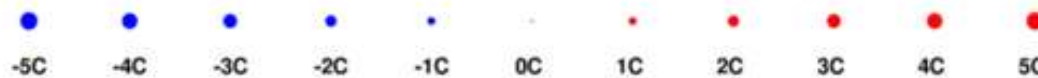
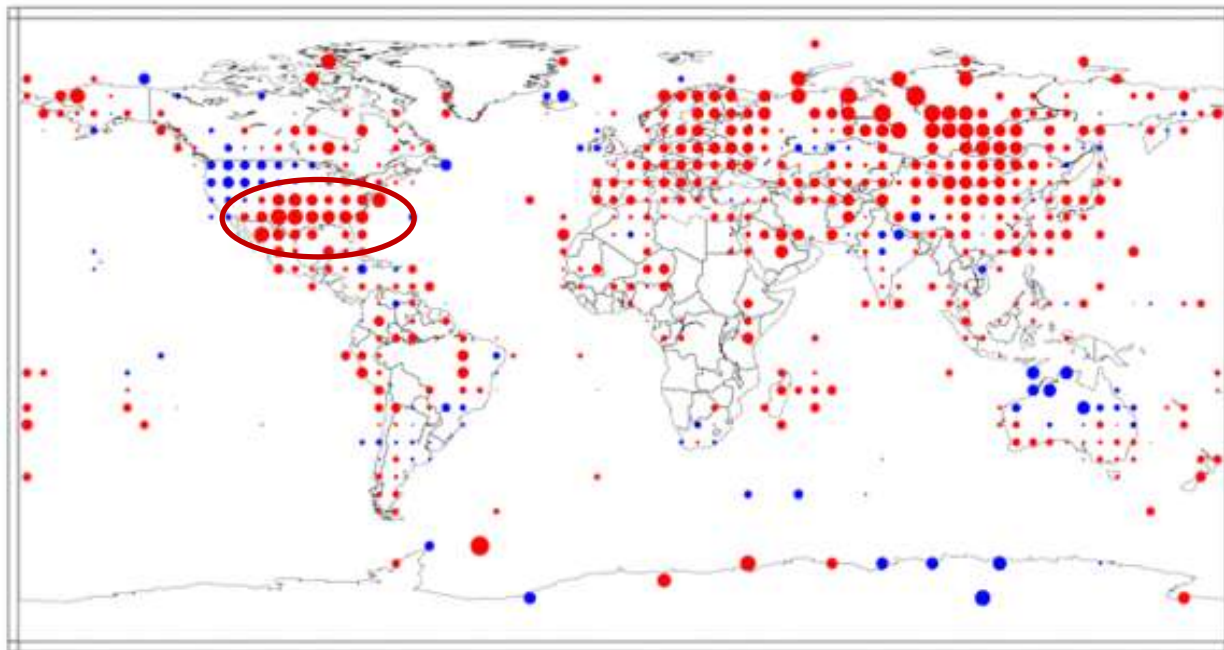


Released Thursday, September 27, 2012

Author: Anthony Artusa, NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

The drought in the US has diminished in intensity over the past month. Crop combined ratios are expected to be in the 100-110 range. For reinsurers, most XOL insurance kicks-in at 104\*

## Temperature Anomalies June 2011 (with respect to a 1961-1990 base period) Using GHCN-M version 3



Degrees Celsius



NOAA/National Climatic Data Center

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**Northern hemisphere land and ocean temperature for June 2012 was one of the warmest on record**



# The BIG Question: When Will the Market Turn?

**Catastrophes and Other Factors Are  
Pressuring Insurance Markets**

***New Factor: Record Low Interest  
Rates Are Contributing to  
Underwriting and Pricing Pressures***

# Historical Criteria for a “Market Turn”: Low Interest Rates Add New Pressure

Criteria	Status	Comments
<b>Sustained Period of Large Underwriting Losses</b>	<i>Large in 2011, Breakeven in 2012; Will Likely Grow</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apart from 2011 CAT losses, overall p/c underwriting losses remain modest</li> <li>• Combined ratios (ex-CATs) still in low 100s (vs. 110+ at onset of last hard market); CR= 97.6 in Q1:2012 (ex-M&amp;FG)</li> <li>• Prior-year reserve releases continue to reduce u/w losses, boost ROEs, though more modestly</li> </ul>
<b>Material Decline in Surplus/ Capacity</b>	<i>Only Small Decline Due to 2011 Cats; Record Highs in 2012</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surplus hit a record \$570.7B as of 3/31/12</li> <li>• Fell just 1.6% in 2011 due to CATs</li> <li>• Will likely see new records later in 2012</li> <li>• Little excess capacity remains in reinsurance markets</li> <li>• Modest growth in demand for insurance is insufficient to absorb much excess capacity</li> </ul>
<b>Tight Reinsurance Market</b>	<i>Somewhat in Place</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Much of the global “excess capacity” was eroded by cats</li> <li>• Higher prices in Asia/Pacific</li> <li>• Modestly higher pricing for US risks</li> </ul>
<b>Renewed Underwriting &amp; Pricing Discipline</b>	<i>Firming Broad, Sustained, esp. in Property, WC</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commercial lines pricing trends have turned from negative to flat and now positive, esp. Property &amp; WC;</li> <li>• Competition remains intense as many seek to maintain market share</li> </ul>

# **INVESTMENTS: THE NEW REALITY**

**Investment Performance is a Key  
Driver of Profitability**

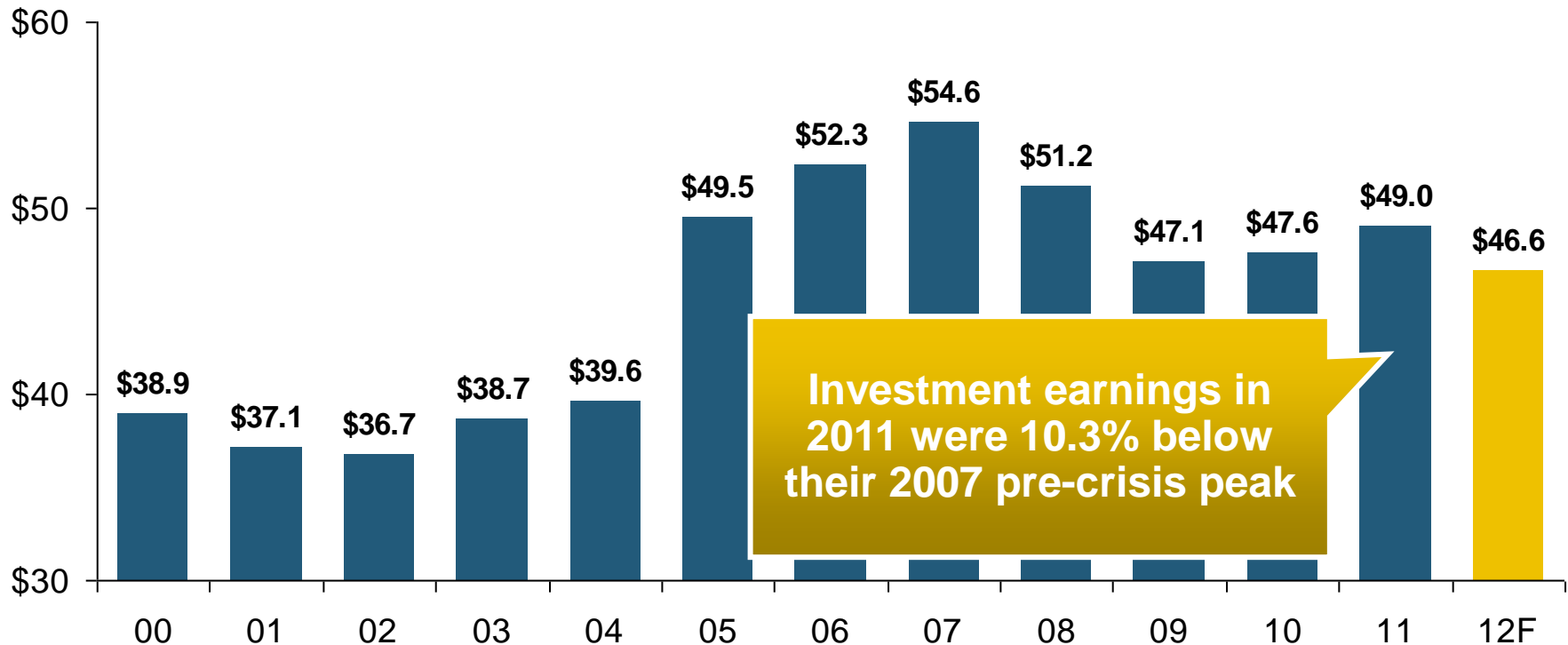
***Depressed Yields Will Necessarily  
Influence Underwriting & Pricing***

# Insurers Have Not Yet Fully Adapted to a Persistently Low Interest Rate Environment

- **No Expectation that Rates Would Be:**
  - ◆ **Pushed to Such Low Levels**
  - ◆ **Pushed Down so Rapidly**
  - ◆ **Held to Such Low Levels for So Long**
  - ◆ **Suppressed via Unprecedented Aggressiveness of the Federal Reserve**
    - **Use of traditional and unconventional tools (QE)**
    - **Unconventional 's policies couldn't be anticipated, esp. QE1, 2 (3?)**
- **Competitive Pressure → Protracted Soft Market**
- **Ability to Release Prior Reserves Eases Urgency**
- **Realization of Capital Gains**

# Property/Casualty Insurance Industry Investment Income: 2000–2012F<sup>1</sup>

(\$ Billions)



**Investment Income in 2011 Was Surprisingly Strong, Though Investment Income Is Likely to Weaken in 2012 Due to Persistently Low Interest Rates**

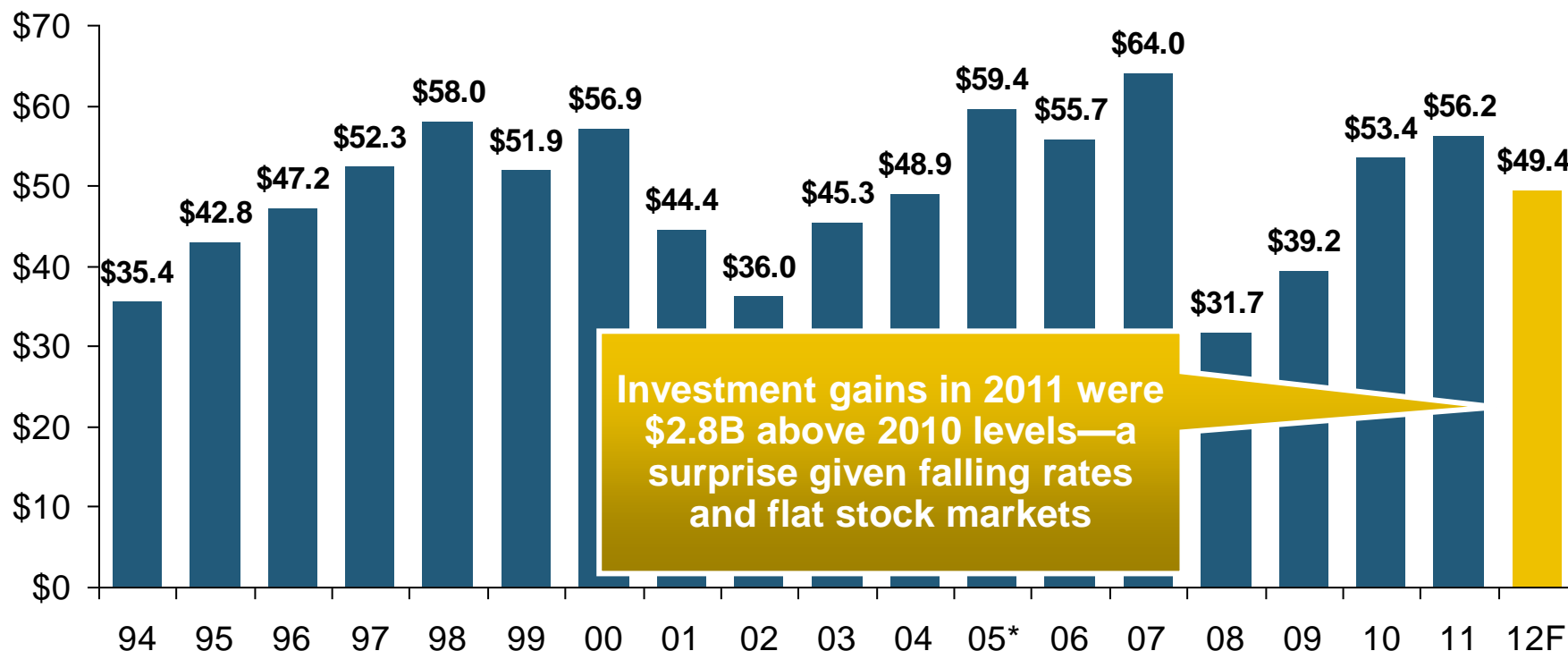
<sup>1</sup> Investment gains consist primarily of interest and stock dividends.

\*2012F is based on annualized Q1:2012 actual figure of \$11.656B.

Sources: ISO; Conning Research & Consulting; Insurance Information Institute.

# Property/Casualty Insurance Industry Investment Gain: 1994–2012F<sup>1</sup>

(\$ Billions)



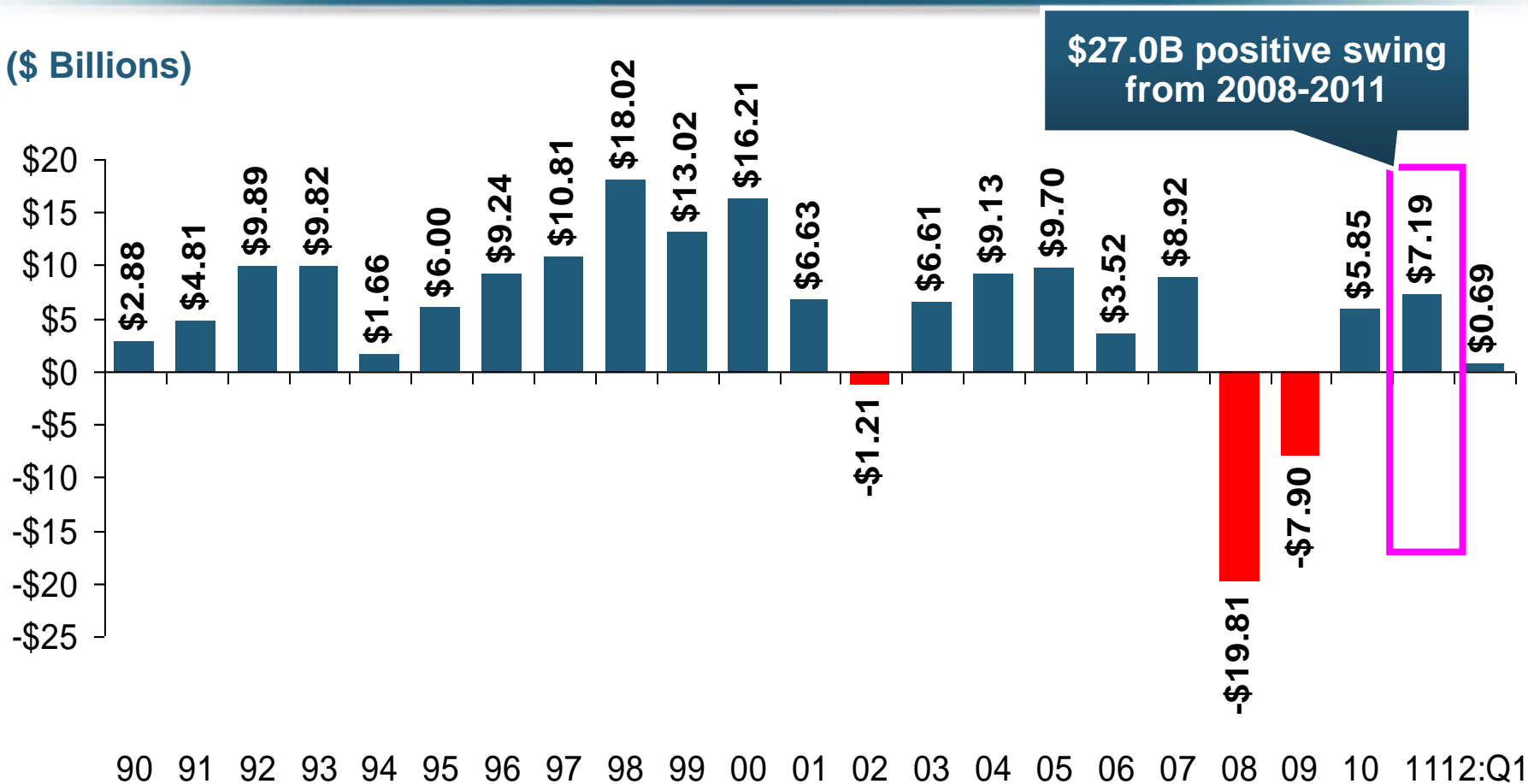
**Investment Gains in 2011 Were Surprisingly Robust. Investment Gains Recovered Significantly in 2011 Due to Realized Investment Gains; The Financial Crisis Caused Investment Gains to Fall by 50% in 2008**

<sup>1</sup> Investment gains consist primarily of interest, stock dividends and realized capital gains and losses.

\* 2005 figure includes special one-time dividend of \$3.2B; 2012F figure is III estimate based on annualized actual Q1:2012 result of \$12.341B. Sources: ISO; Insurance Information Institute.

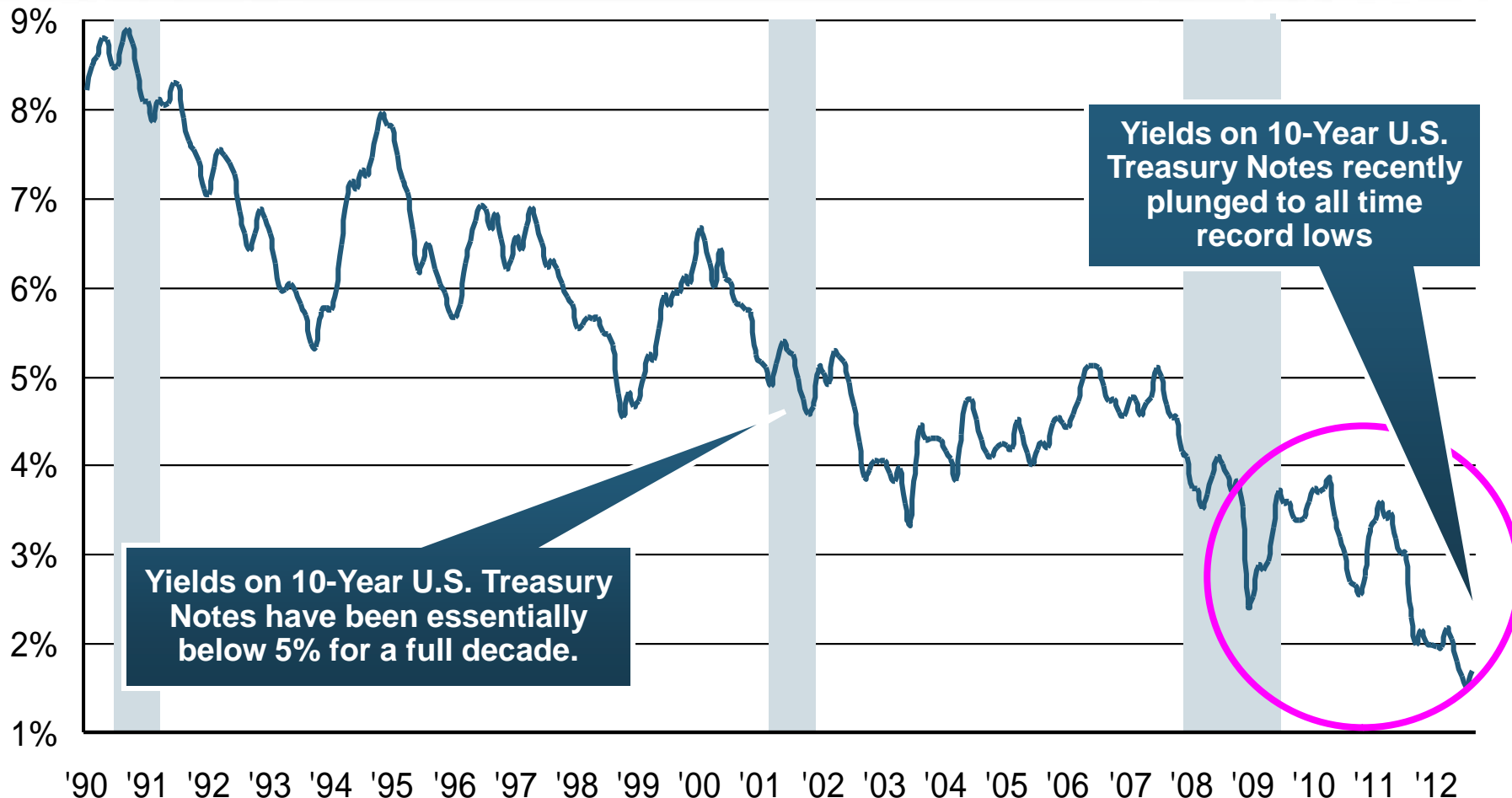
# P/C Insurer Net Realized Capital Gains/Losses, 1990-2012:Q1

(\$ Billions)



**Insurers Posted Net Realized Capital Gains in 2010 and 2011 After Following Two Years of Realized Losses During the Financial Crisis. Realized Capital Losses Were the Primary Cause of 2008/2009's Large Drop in Profits and ROE**

# U.S. 10-Year Treasury Note Yields: A Long Downward Trend, 1990–2012\*



**Since roughly 80% of P/C bond/cash investments are in 10-year or shorter durations, most P/C insurer portfolios will have low-yielding bonds for years to come.**

\*Monthly, through Aug. 2012.

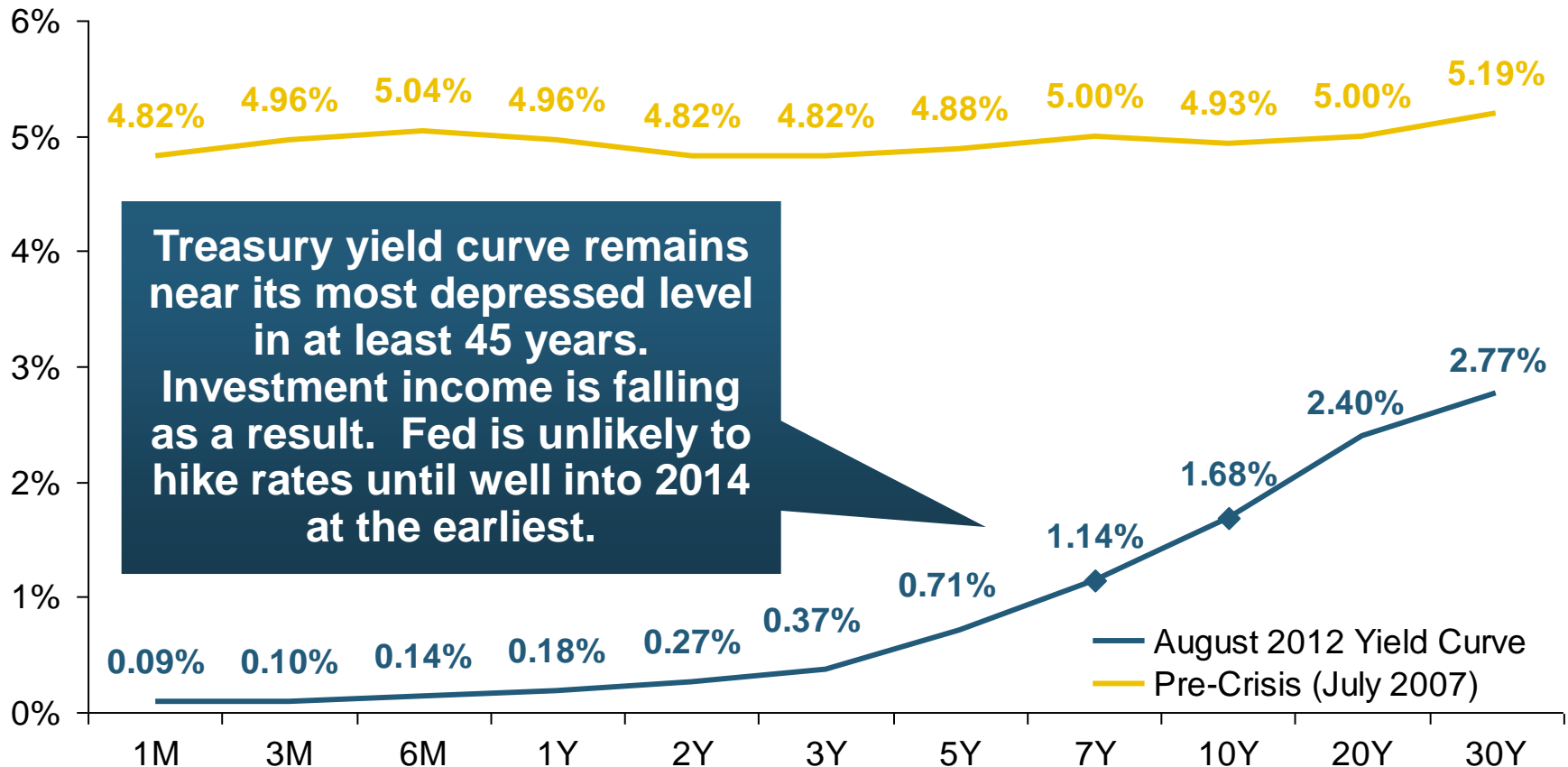
Note: Recessions indicated by gray shaded columns.

Sources: Federal Reserve Bank at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h15/data.htm>.

National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institutes.



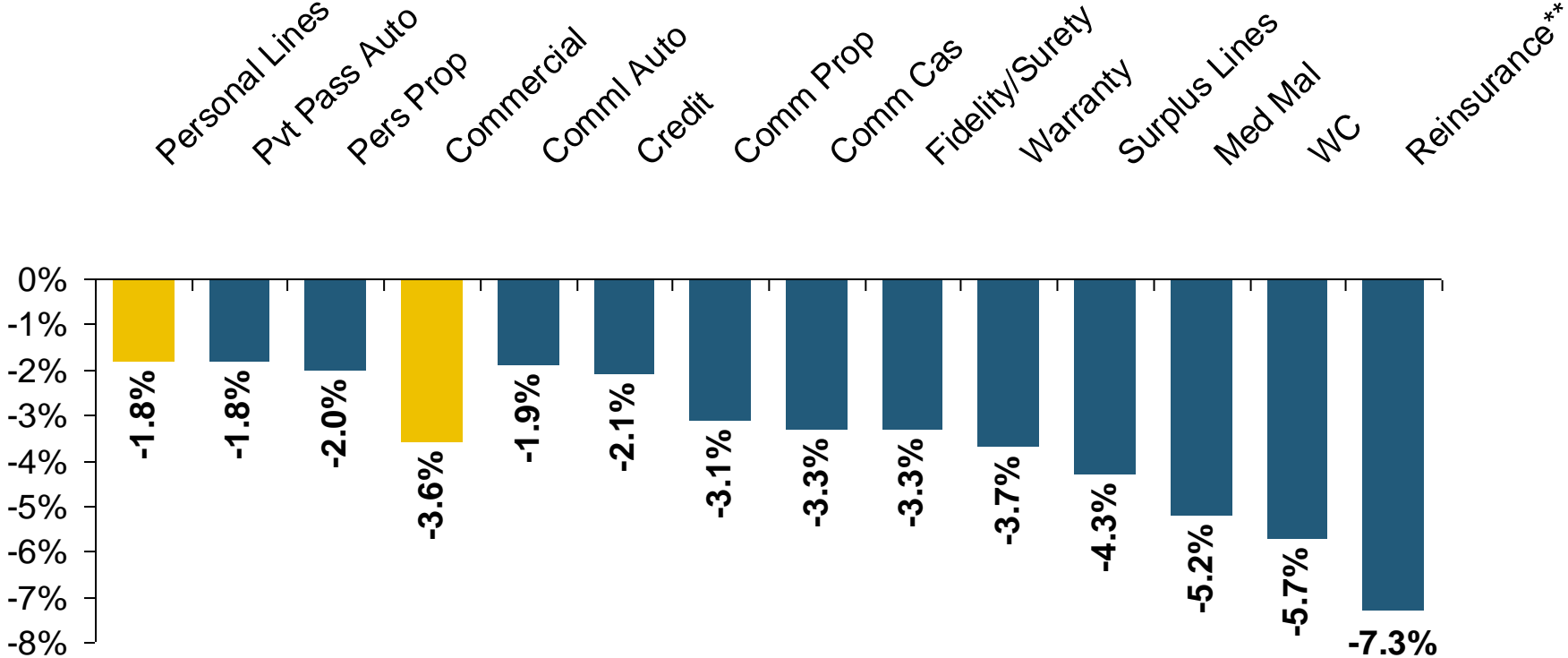
# Treasury Yield Curves: Pre-Crisis (July 2007) vs. August 2012



Treasury yield curve remains near its most depressed level in at least 45 years. Investment income is falling as a result. Fed is unlikely to hike rates until well into 2014 at the earliest.

The Fed Is Actively Signaling that it Is Determined to Keep Rates Low Through Mid-2015; This Adds to Pricing Pressure for Insurers.

# Reduction in Combined Ratio Necessary to Offset 1% Decline in Investment Yield to Maintain Constant ROE, by Line\*



**Lower Investment Earnings Place a Greater Burden on Underwriting and Pricing Discipline**

\*Based on 2008 Invested Assets and Earned Premiums

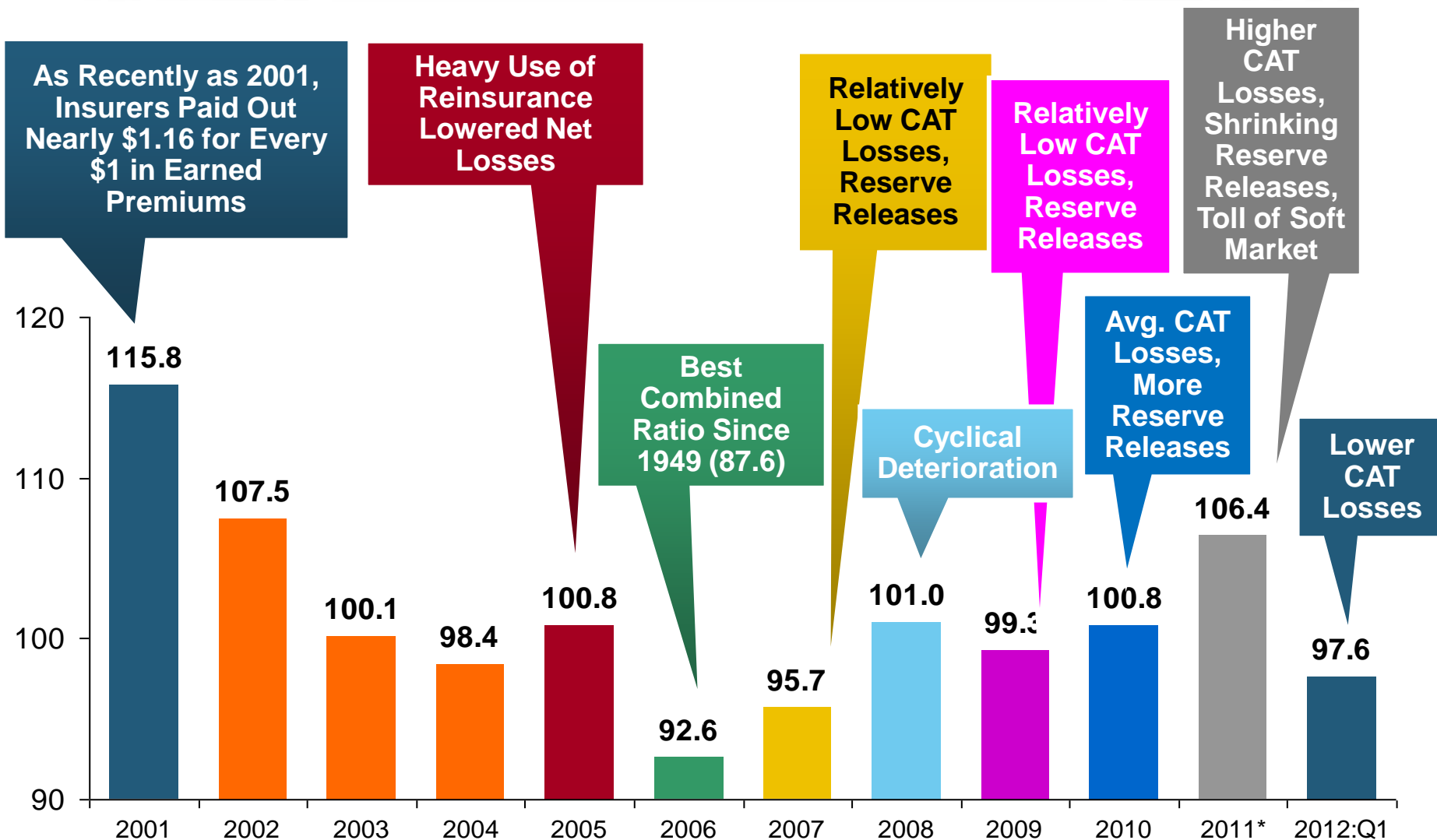
\*\*US domestic reinsurance only

Source: A.M. Best; Insurance Information Institute.

# 1. UNDERWRITING

**Have Underwriting Losses  
Been Large Enough for Long  
Enough to Turn the Market?**

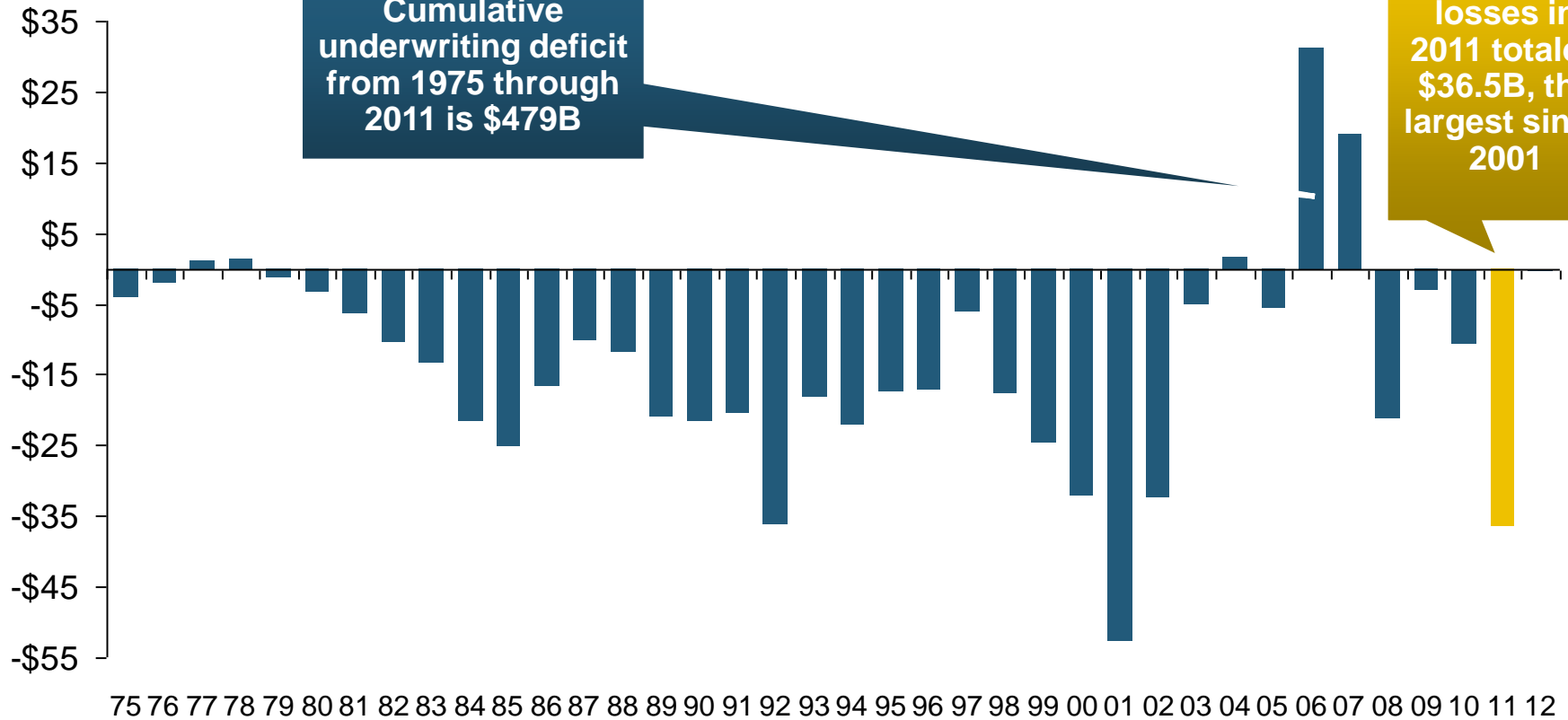
# P/C Insurance Industry Combined Ratio, 2001–2012:Q1\*



\* Excludes Mortgage & Financial Guaranty insurers 2008--2012. Including M&FG, 2008=105.1, 2009=100.7, 2010=102.4, 2011=108.2; 2012:Q1=99.0.  
Sources: A.M. Best, ISO.

# Underwriting Gain (Loss) 1975–2012:Q1\*

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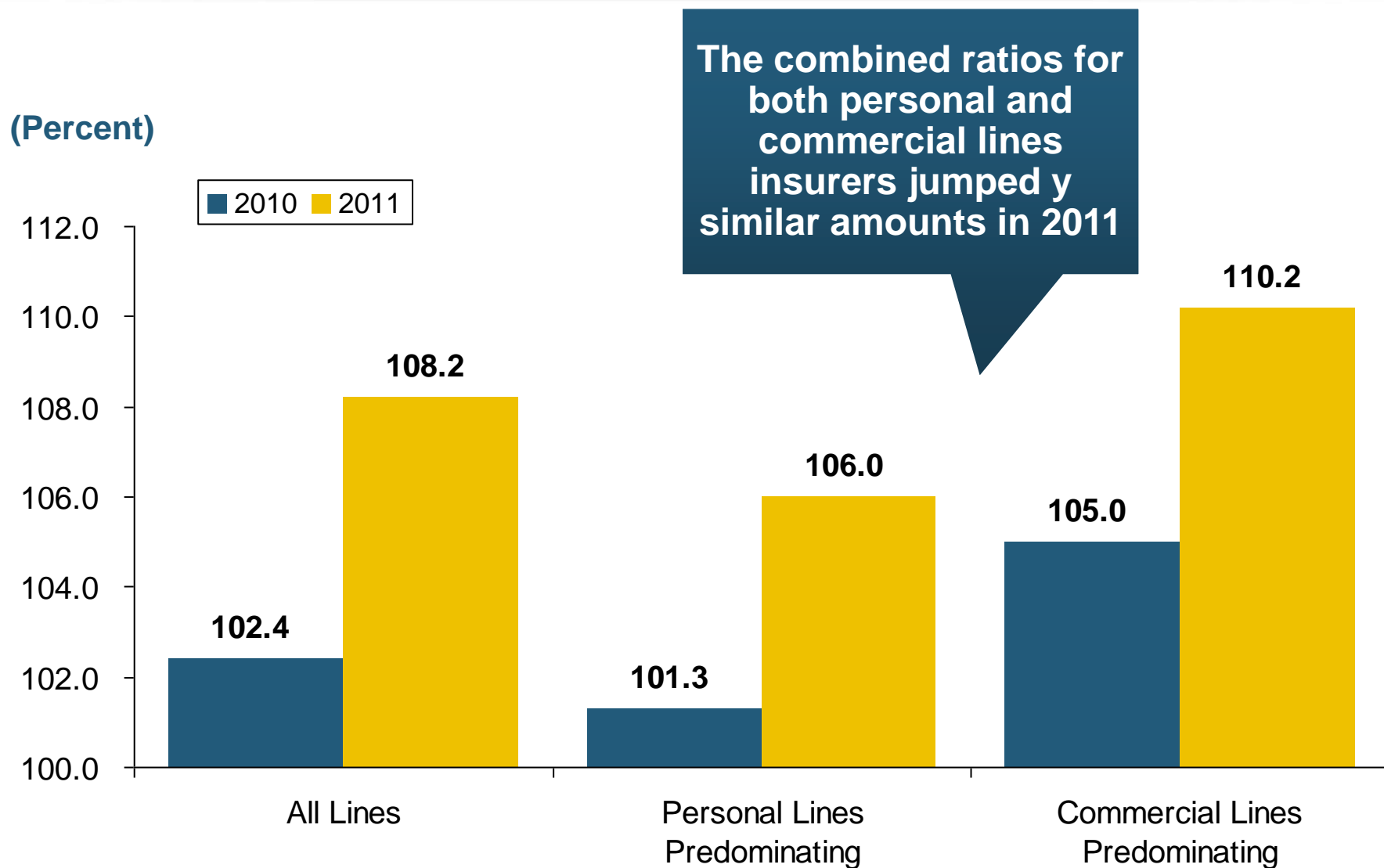


**Large Underwriting Losses Are *NOT* Sustainable  
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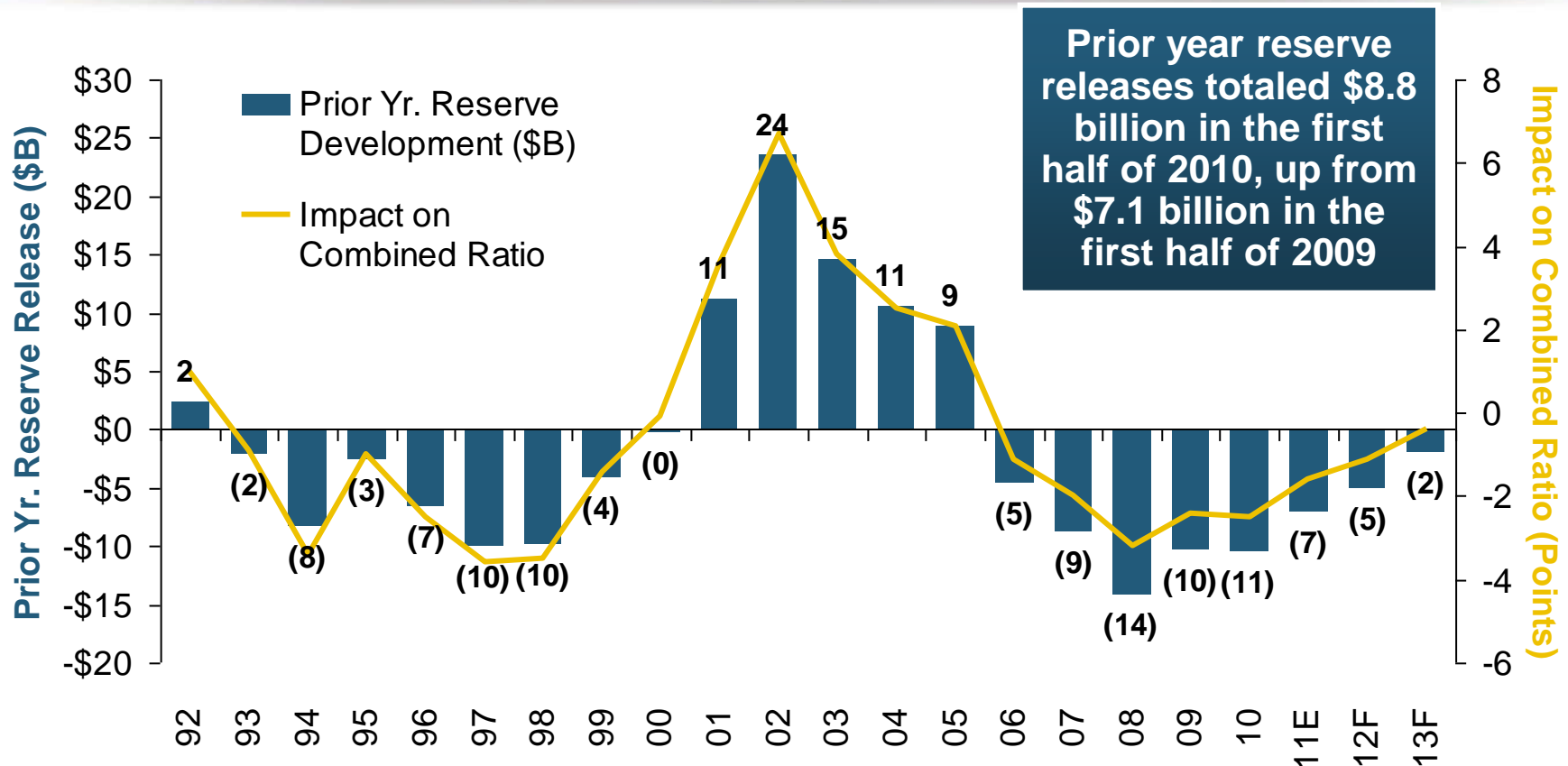
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# Combined Ratios by Predominant Business Segment, 2011 vs. 2010



# P/C Reserve Development, 1992–2013F



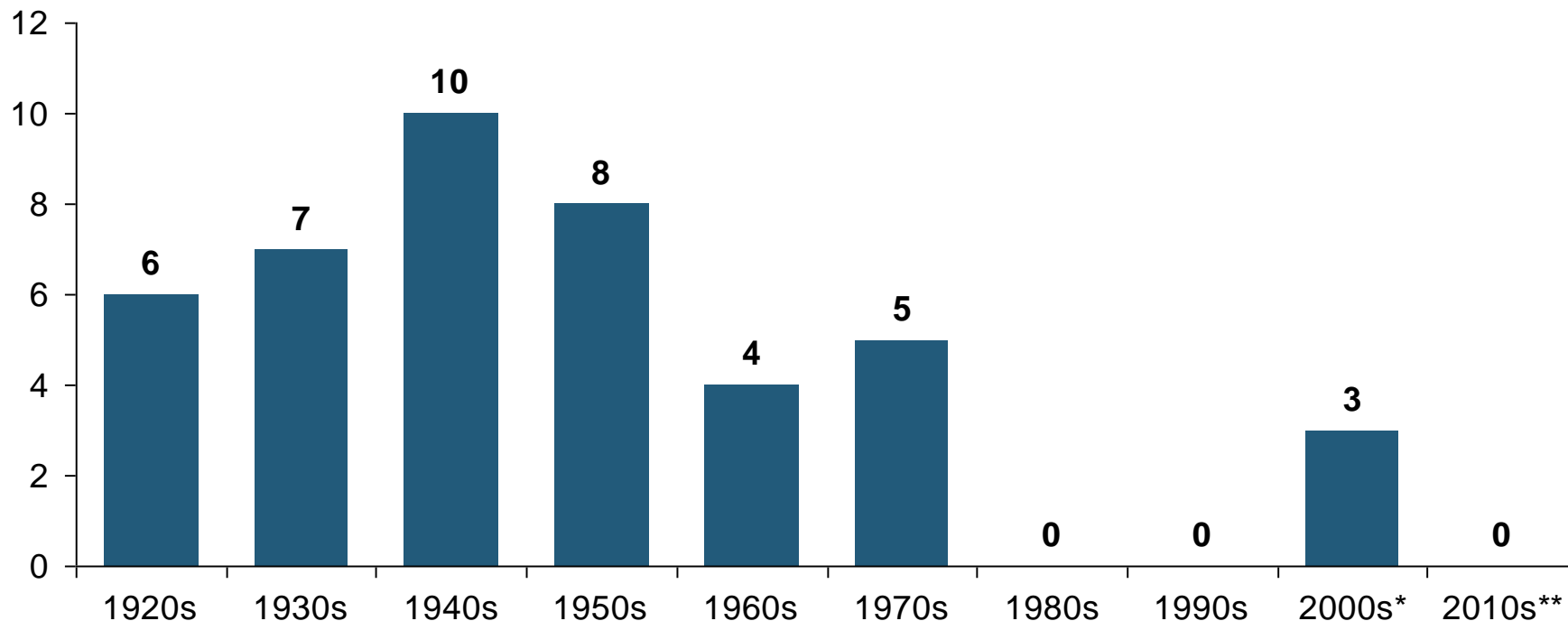
**Reserve Releases Remained Strong in 2010 But Tapered Off in 2011. Releases Are Expected to Further Diminish in 2012 and 2103**

Note: 2005 reserve development excludes a \$6 billion loss portfolio transfer between American Re and Munich Re. Including this transaction, total prior year adverse development in 2005 was \$7 billion. The data from 2000 and subsequent years excludes development from financial guaranty and mortgage insurance.

Sources: Barclays Capital; A.M. Best.

# Number of Years with Underwriting Profits by Decade, 1920s–2010s

## Number of Years with Underwriting Profits



**Underwriting Profits Were Common Before the 1980s (40 of the 60 Years Before 1980 Had Combined Ratios Below 100) – But Then They Vanished. Not a Single Underwriting Profit Was Recorded in the 25 Years from 1979 Through 2003**

\* 2009 combined ratio excl. mort. and finl. guaranty insurers was 99.3, which would bring the 2000s total to 4 years with an u/w profit.

\*\*Data for the 2010s includes 2010 and 2011.

Note: Data for 1920–1934 based on stock companies only.

Sources: Insurance Information Institute research from A.M. Best Data.



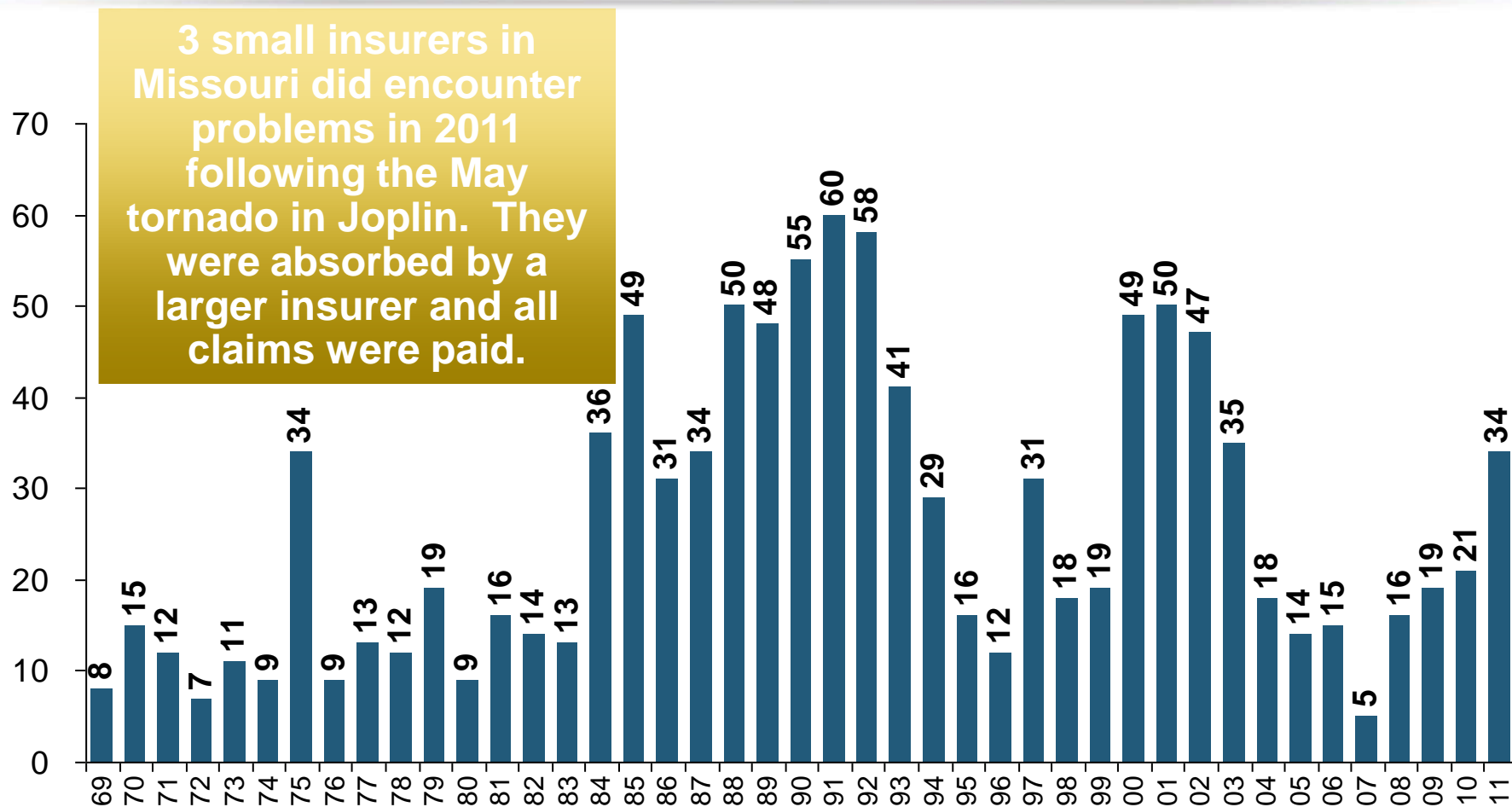
# P/C Estimated Loss Reserve Deficiency/ (Redundancy), Excl. Statutory Discount

Line of Business	2011
Personal Auto Liability	-\$1.8B
Homeowners	-\$0.2
Other Liab (incl. Prod Liab)	\$4.0
Workers Compensation	\$8.2
Commercial Multi Peril	\$1.5
Commercial Auto Liability	\$0.0
Medical Malpractice	-\$4.0
Reinsurance—Nonprop Assumed	\$3.4
All Other Lines*	-\$2.2
<b>Total Core Reserves</b>	<b>\$8.9</b>
Asbestos & Environmental	\$7.4
<b>Total P/C Industry</b>	<b>\$16.3B</b>

# **Financial Strength & Underwriting**

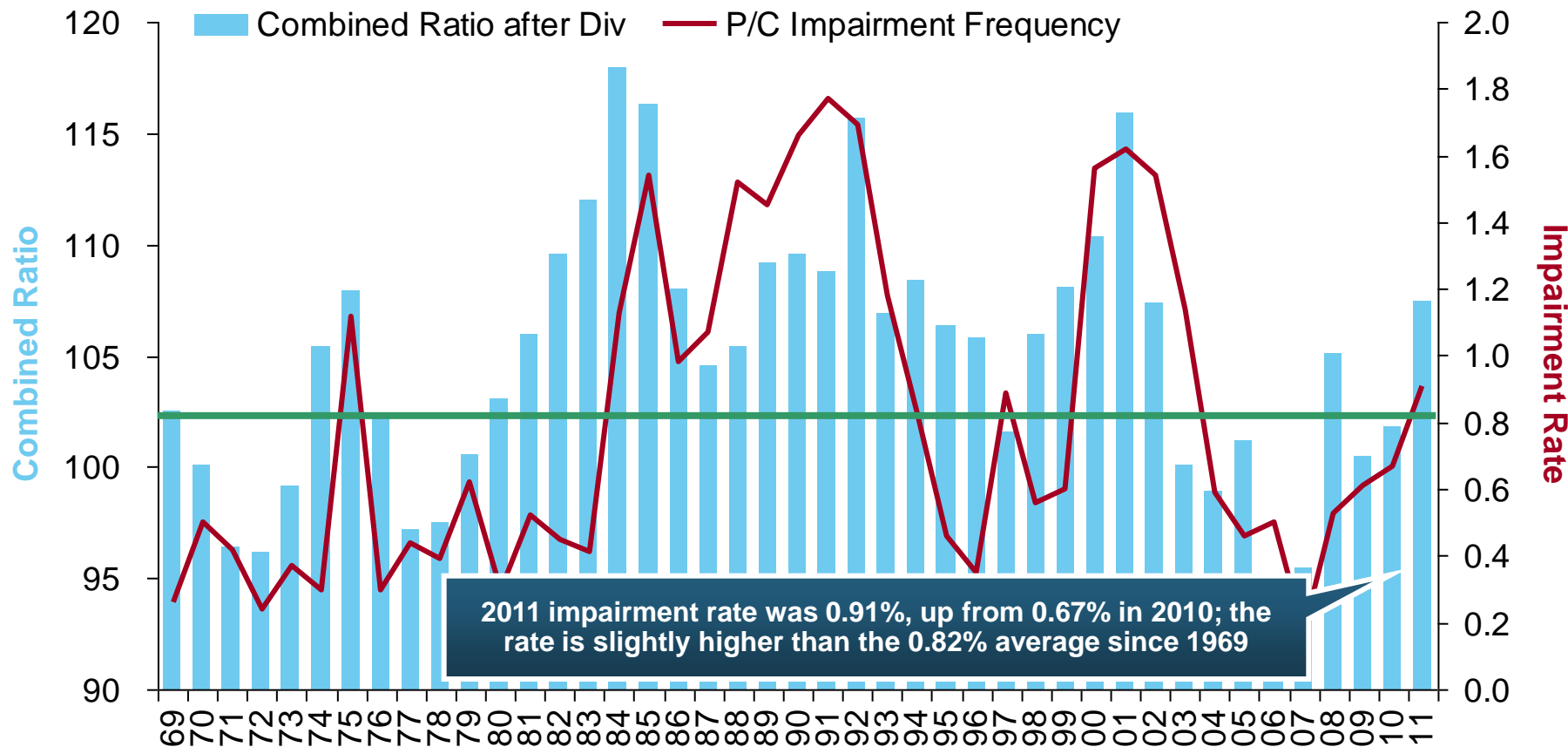
**Cyclical Pattern is P-C Impairment  
History is Directly Tied to  
Underwriting, Reserving & Pricing**

# P/C Insurer Impairments, 1969–2011



**The Number of Impairments Varies Significantly Over the P/C Insurance Cycle, With Peaks Occurring Well into Hard Markets**

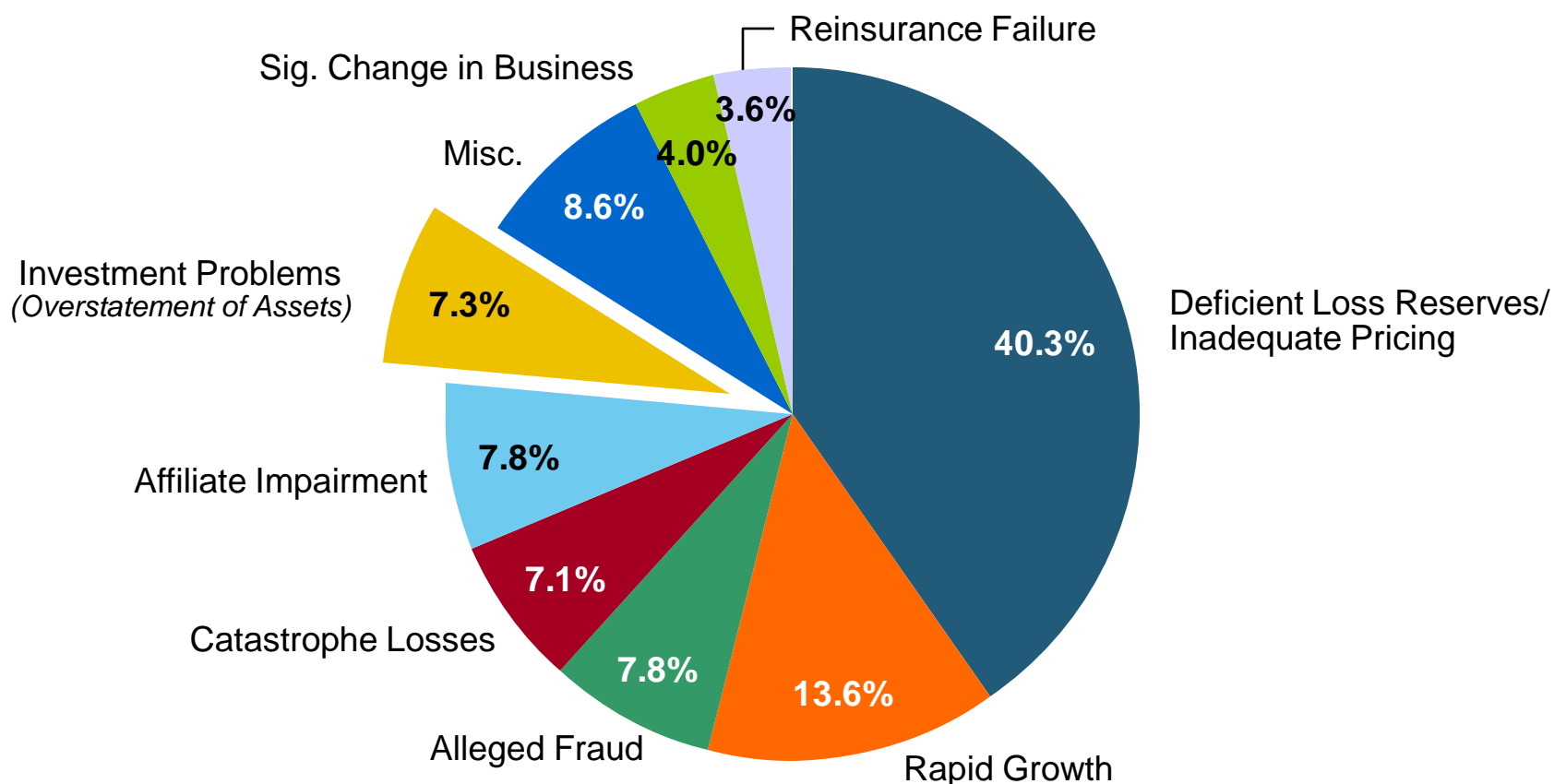
# P/C Insurer Impairment Frequency vs. Combined Ratio, 1969-2011



**Impairment Rates Are Highly Correlated With Underwriting Performance and Reached Record Lows in 2007; Recent Increase Was Associated Primarily With Mortgage and Financial Guaranty Insurers and Not Representative of the Industry Overall**

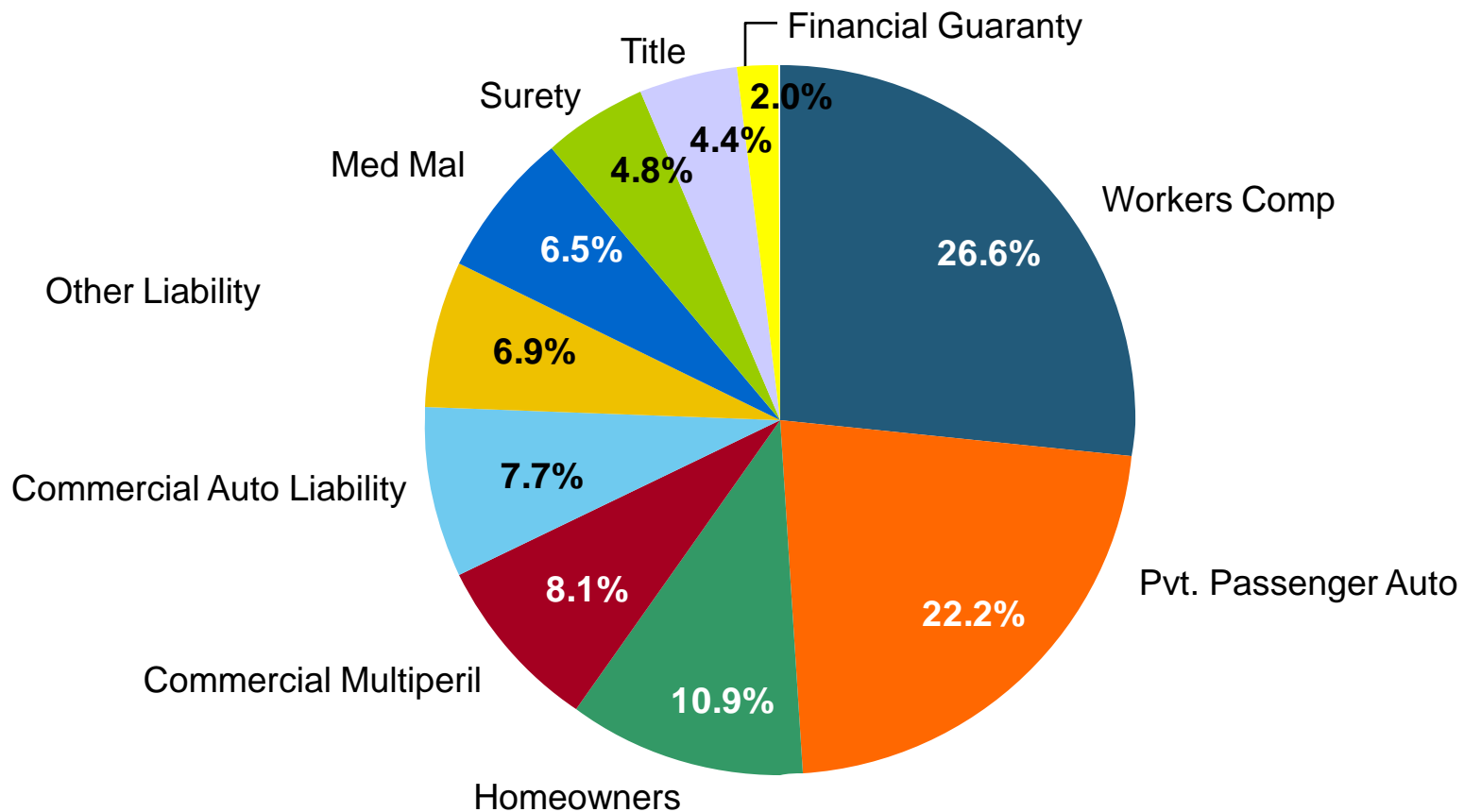
# Reasons for US P/C Insurer Impairments, 1969–2010

Historically, Deficient Loss Reserves and Inadequate Pricing Are By Far the Leading Cause of P-C Insurer Impairments. Investment and Catastrophe Losses Play a Much Smaller Role



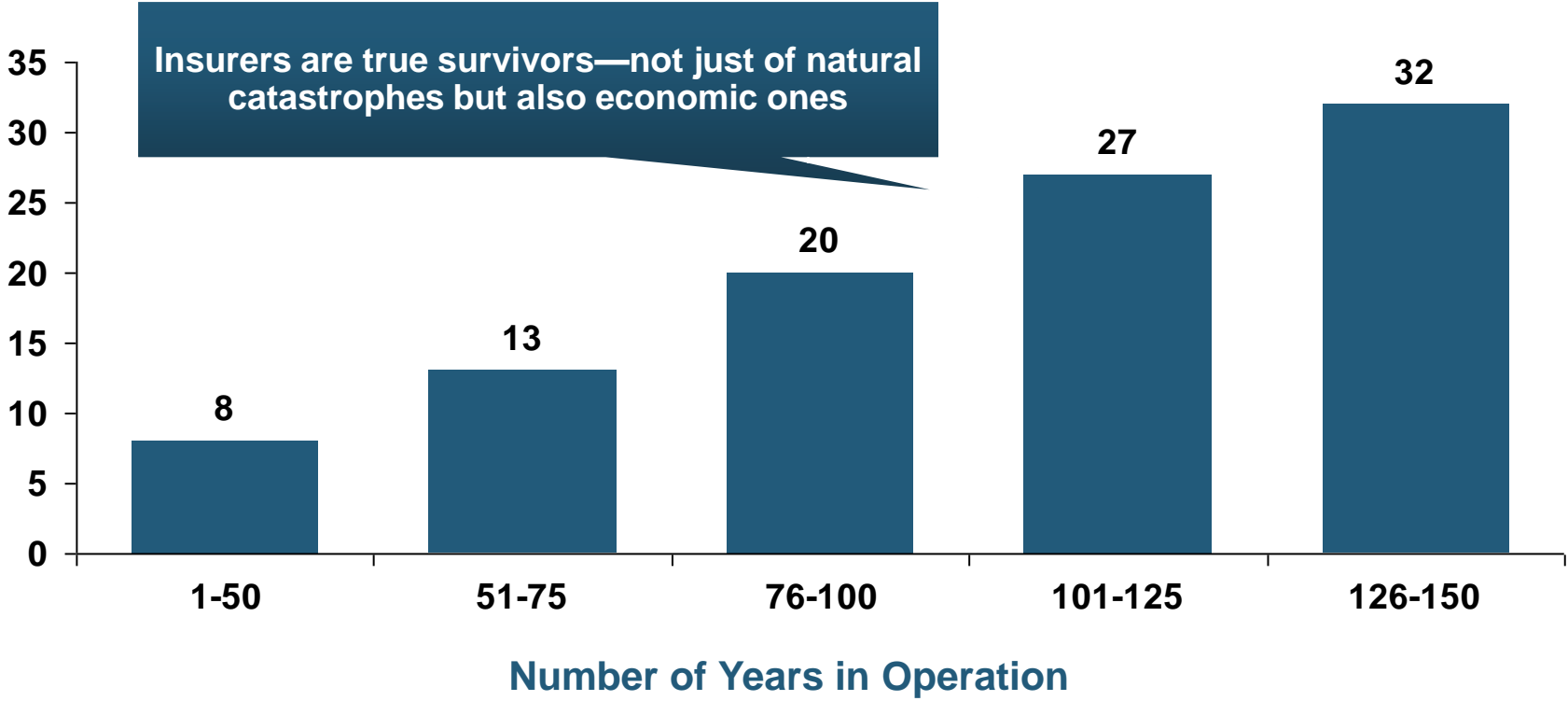
# Top 10 Lines of Business for US P/C Impaired Insurers, 2000–2010

Workers Comp and Pvt. Passenger Auto Account for Nearly Half of the Premium Volume of Impaired Insurers Over the Past Decade



# Number of Recessions Endured by P/C Insurers, by Number of Years in Operation

Number of Recessions Since 1860



Insurers are true survivors—not just of natural catastrophes but also economic ones

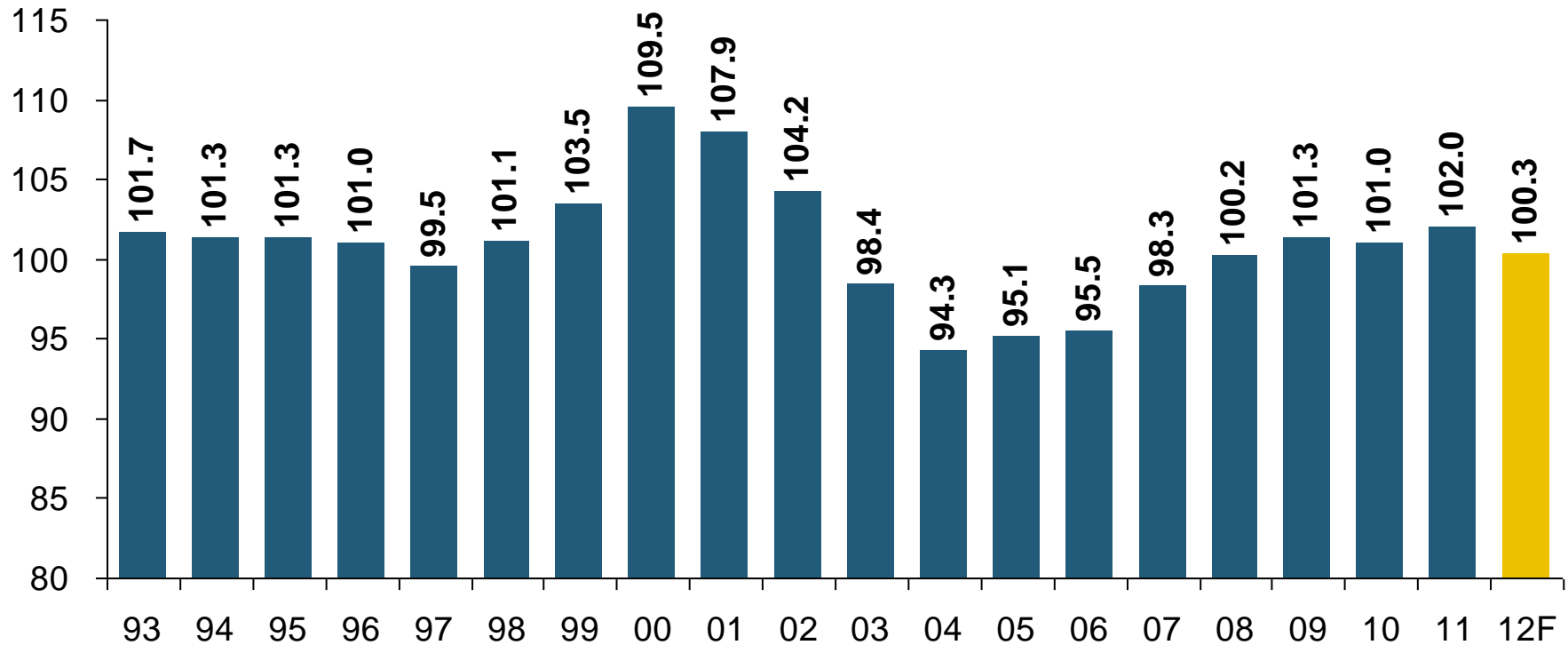
Many US Insurers Are Close to a Century Old or Older

Sources: Insurance Information Institute research from National Bureau of Economic Research data.

# Performance by Segment

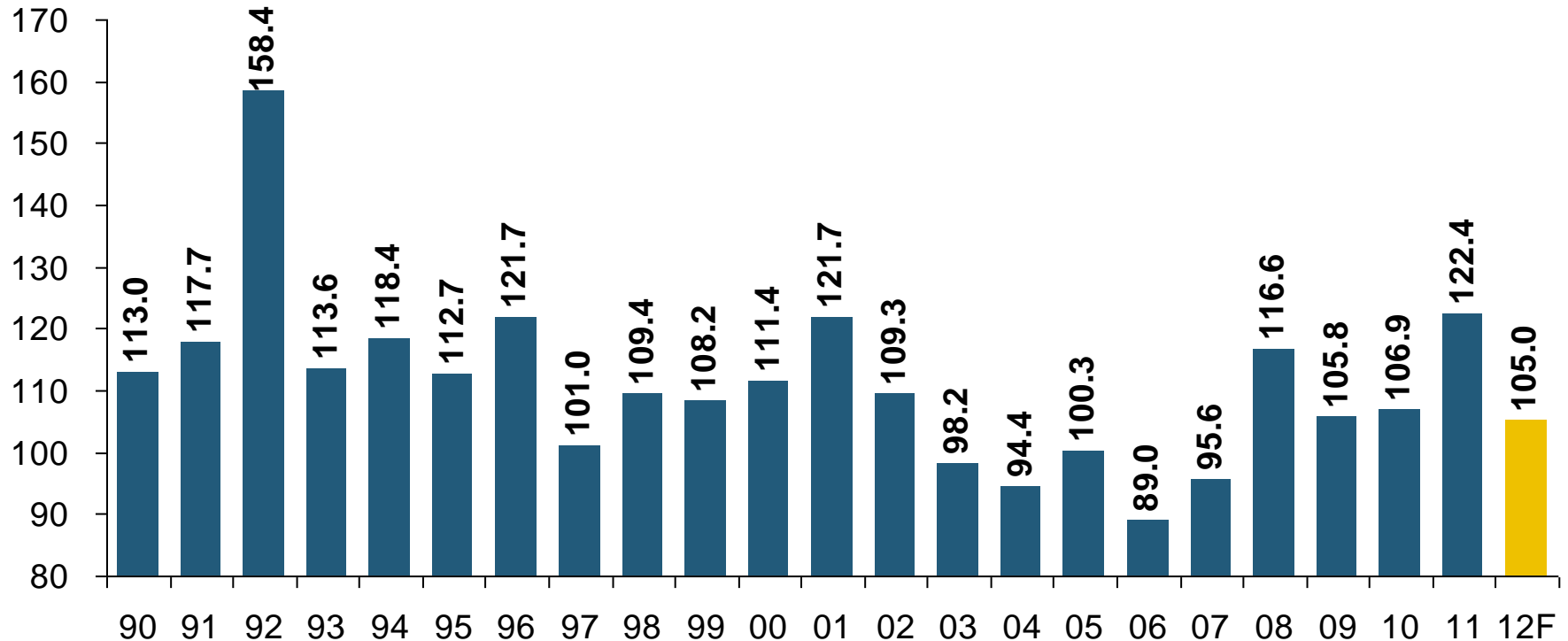


# Private Passenger Auto Combined Ratio: 1993–2012P



**Private Passenger Auto Accounts for 34% of Industry Premiums and Remains the Profit Juggernaut of the P/C Insurance Industry**

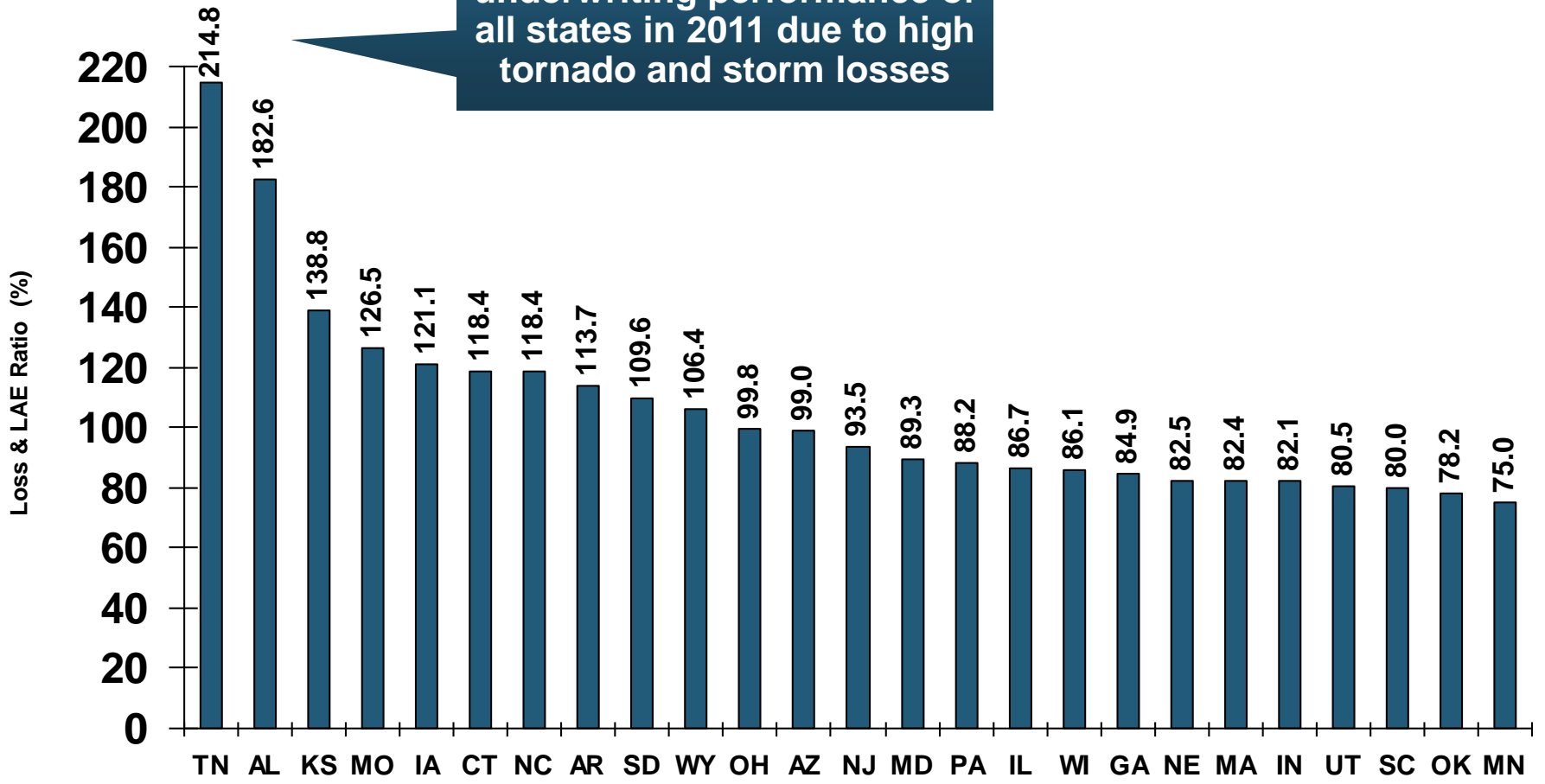
# Homeowners Insurance Combined Ratio: 1990–2012F



**Homeowners Performance Deteriorated in 2011 Due to Large Cat Losses. Extreme Regional Variation Can Be Expected Due to Local Catastrophe Loss Activity**

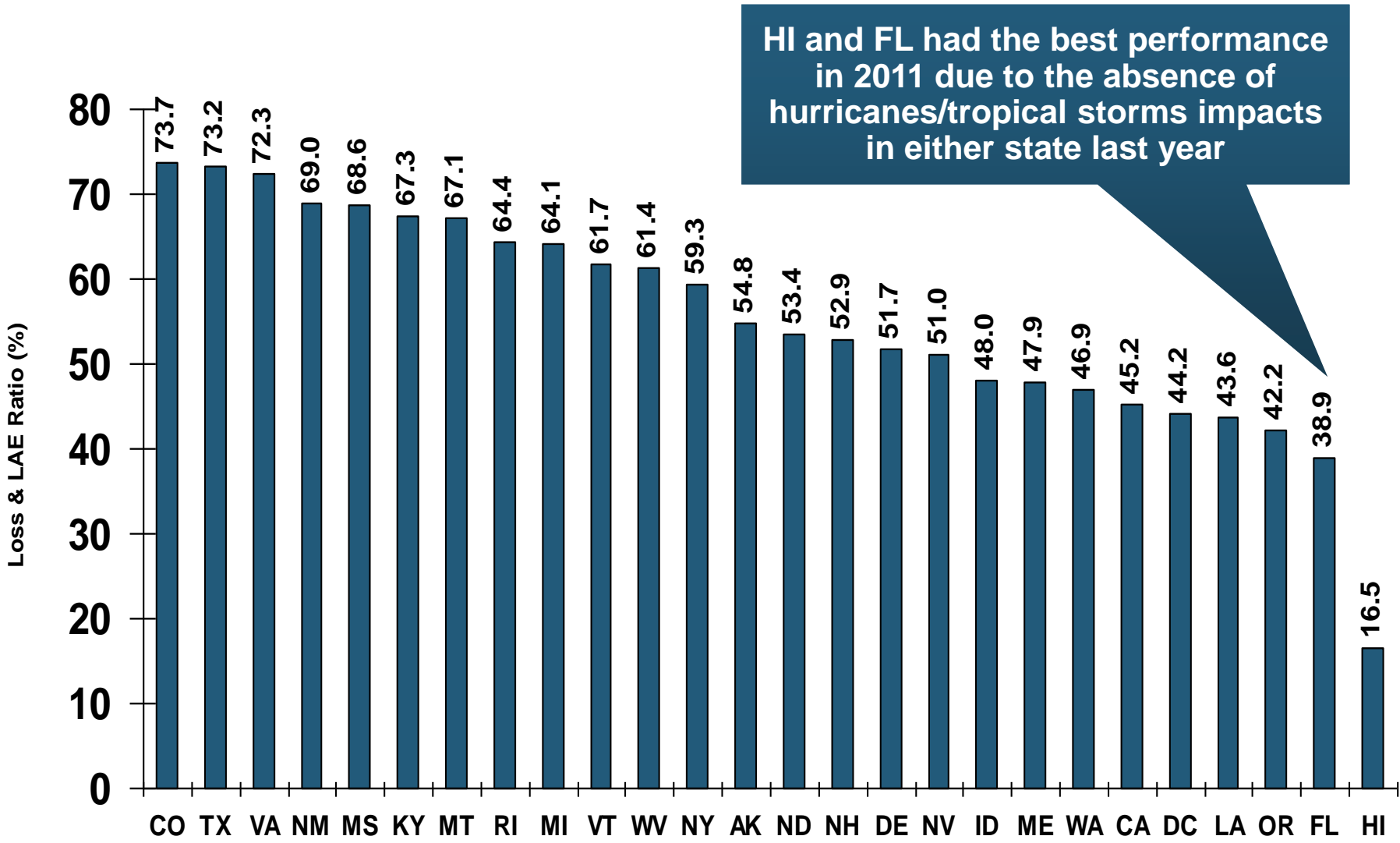
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TN and AL had the worst underwriting performance of all states in 2011 due to high tornado and storm losses



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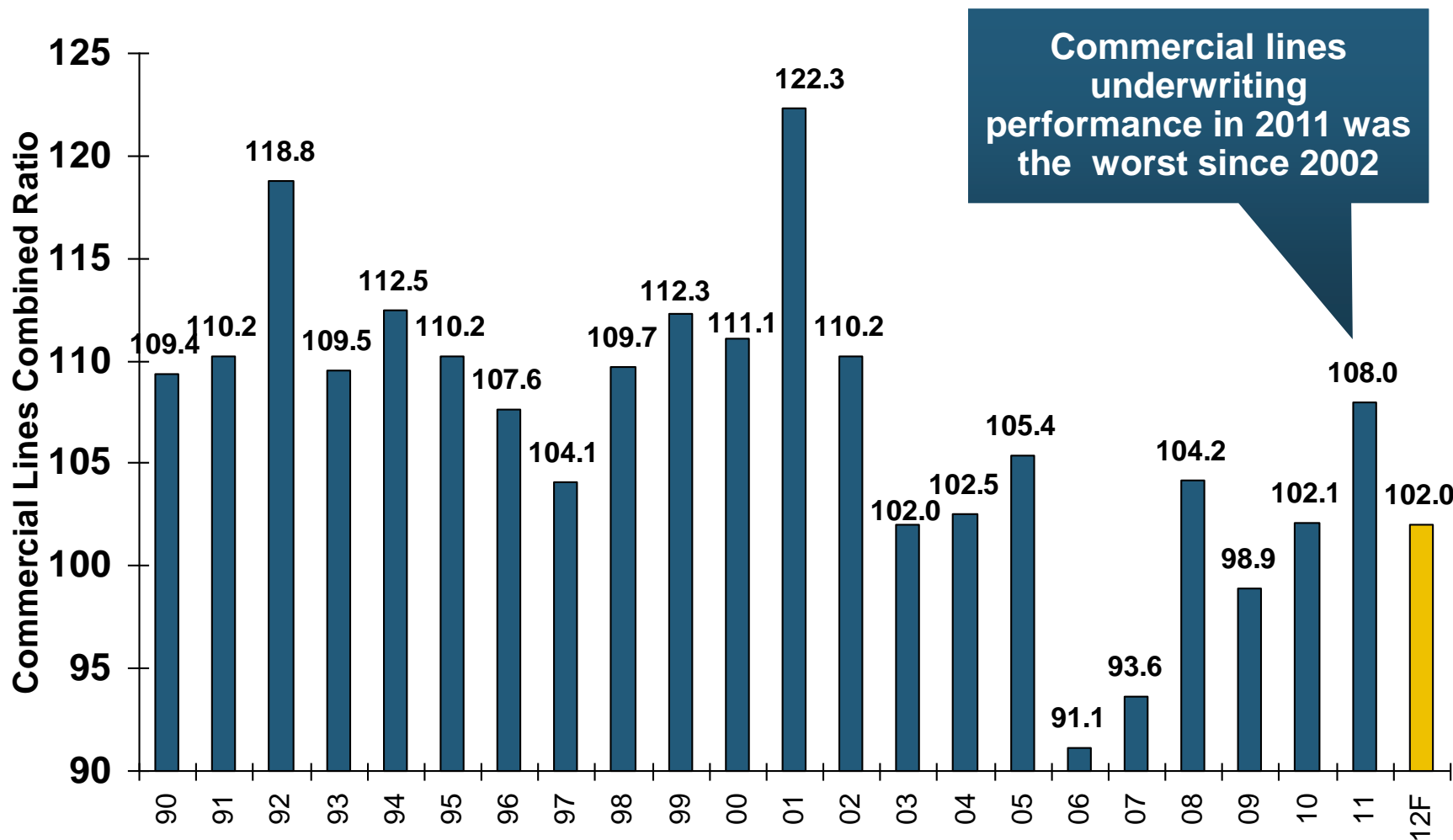
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HI and FL had the best performance in 2011 due to the absence of hurricanes/tropical storms impacts in either state last year

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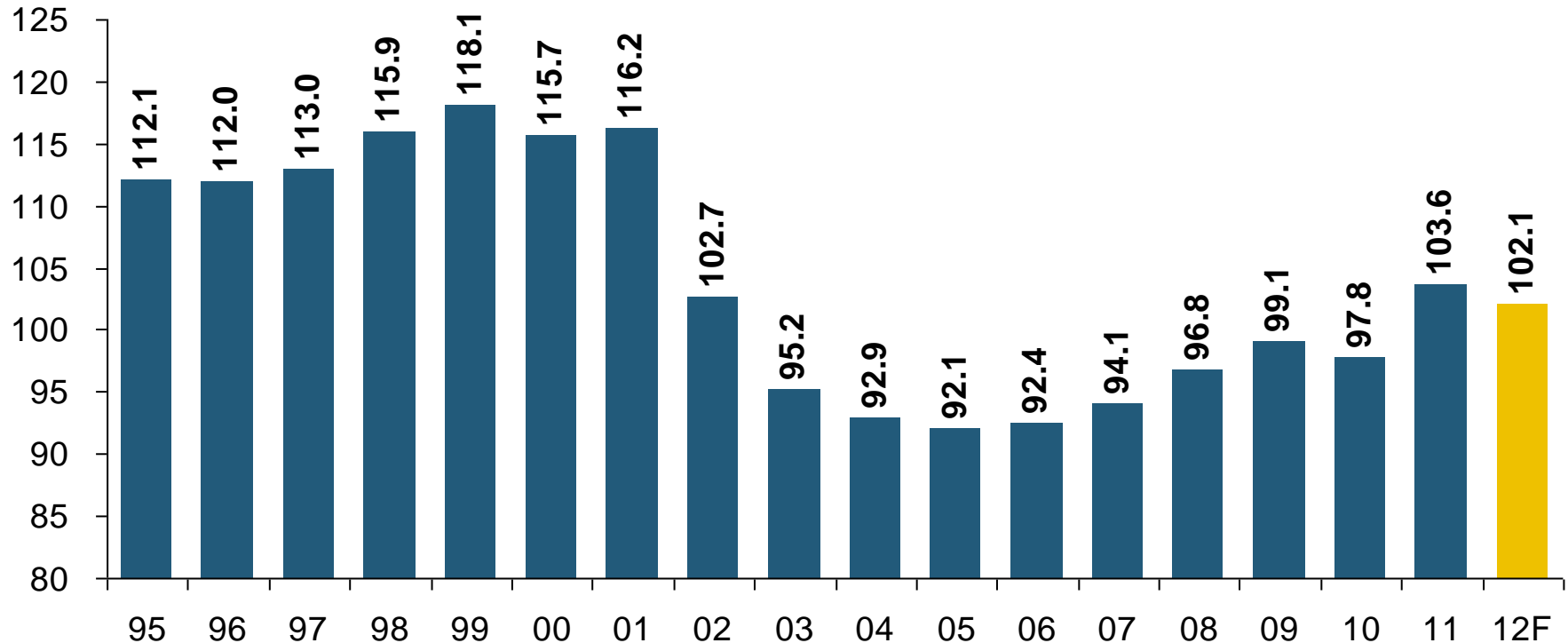
# Commercial Lines Combined Ratio, 1990-2012F\*



\*2007-2012 figures exclude mortgage and financial guaranty segments.

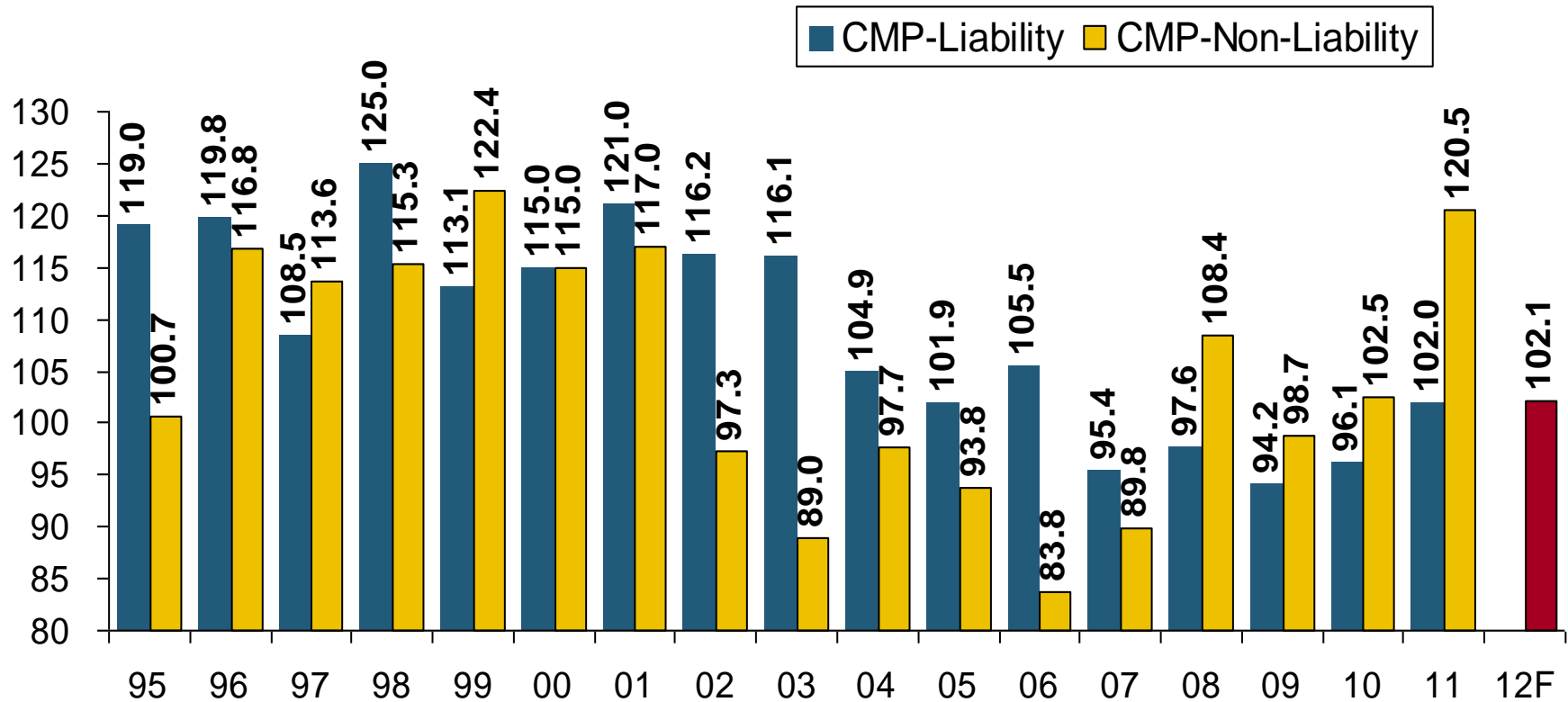
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# Commercial Auto Combined Ratio: 1993–2012F



**Commercial Auto is Expected to Deteriorate as Loss Frequency and Severity Trends Deteriorate 2011-2012**

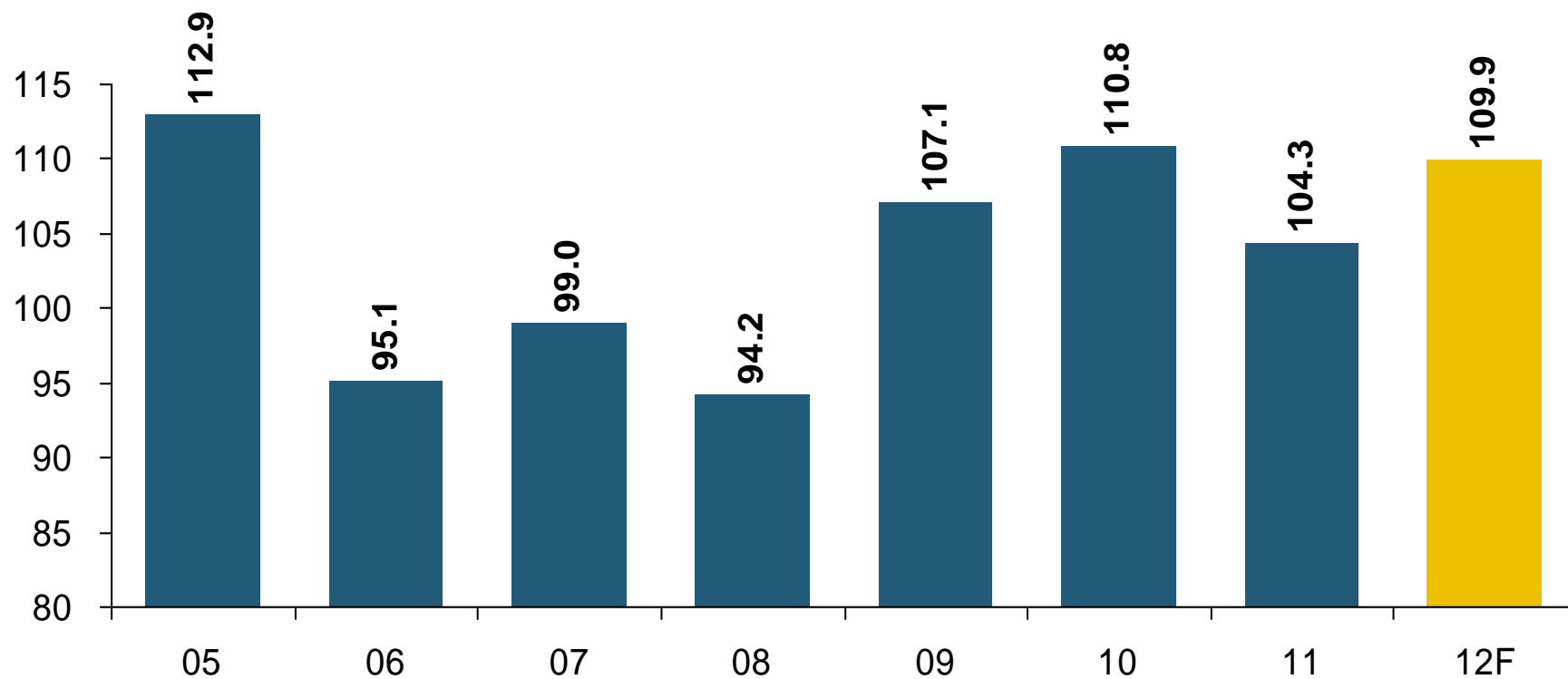
# Commercial Multi-Peril Combined Ratio: 1995–2012F



**Commercial Multi-Peril Underwriting Performance is Expected to Improve in 2012 Assuming Normal Catastrophe Loss Activity**

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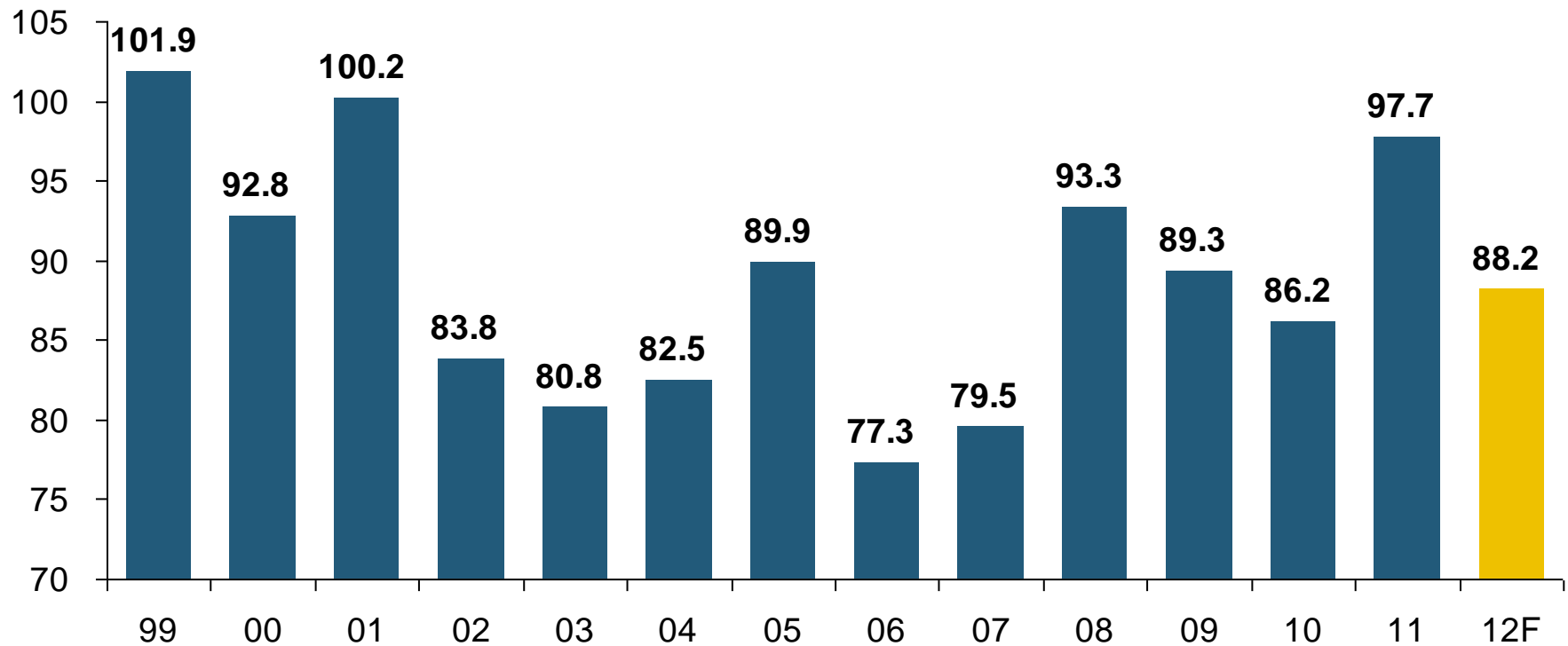
# General Liability Combined Ratio: 2005–2012F



**Commercial General Liability Underwriting  
Performance Has Deteriorated in Recent Years**

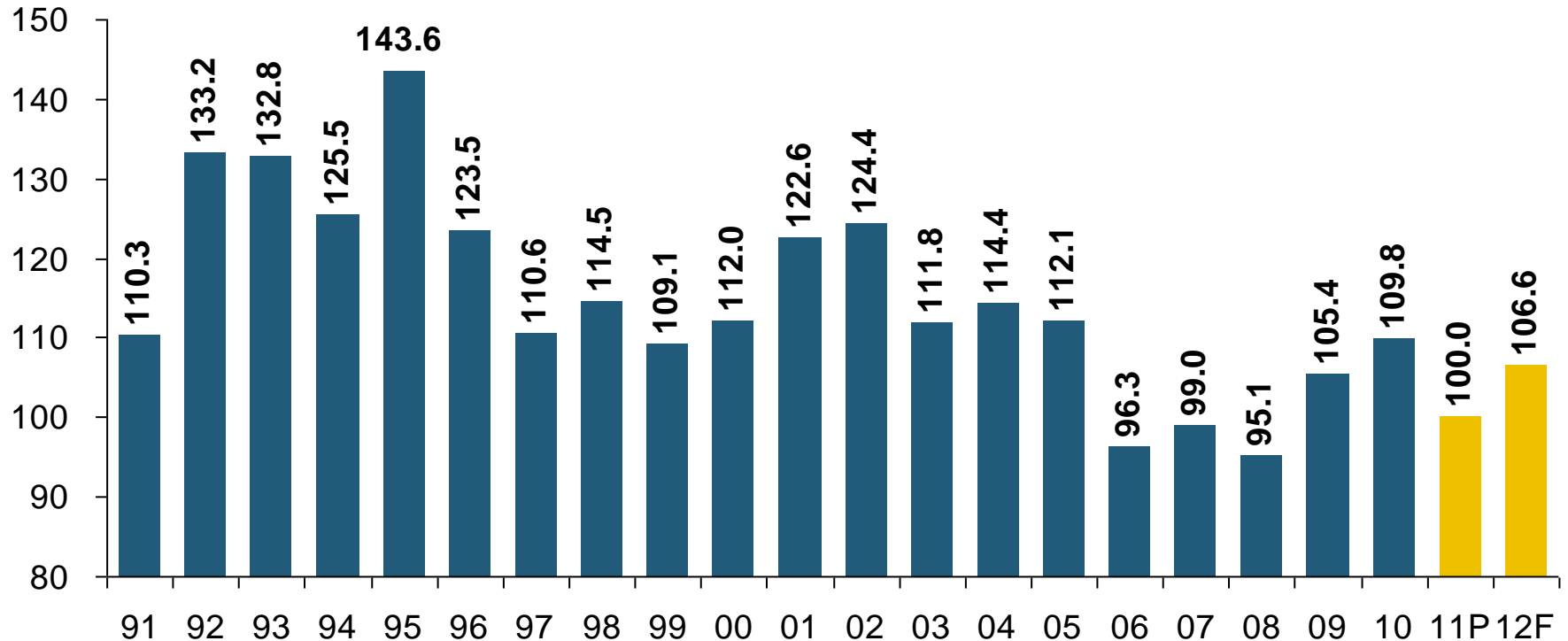


# Inland Marine Combined Ratio: 1999–2012F



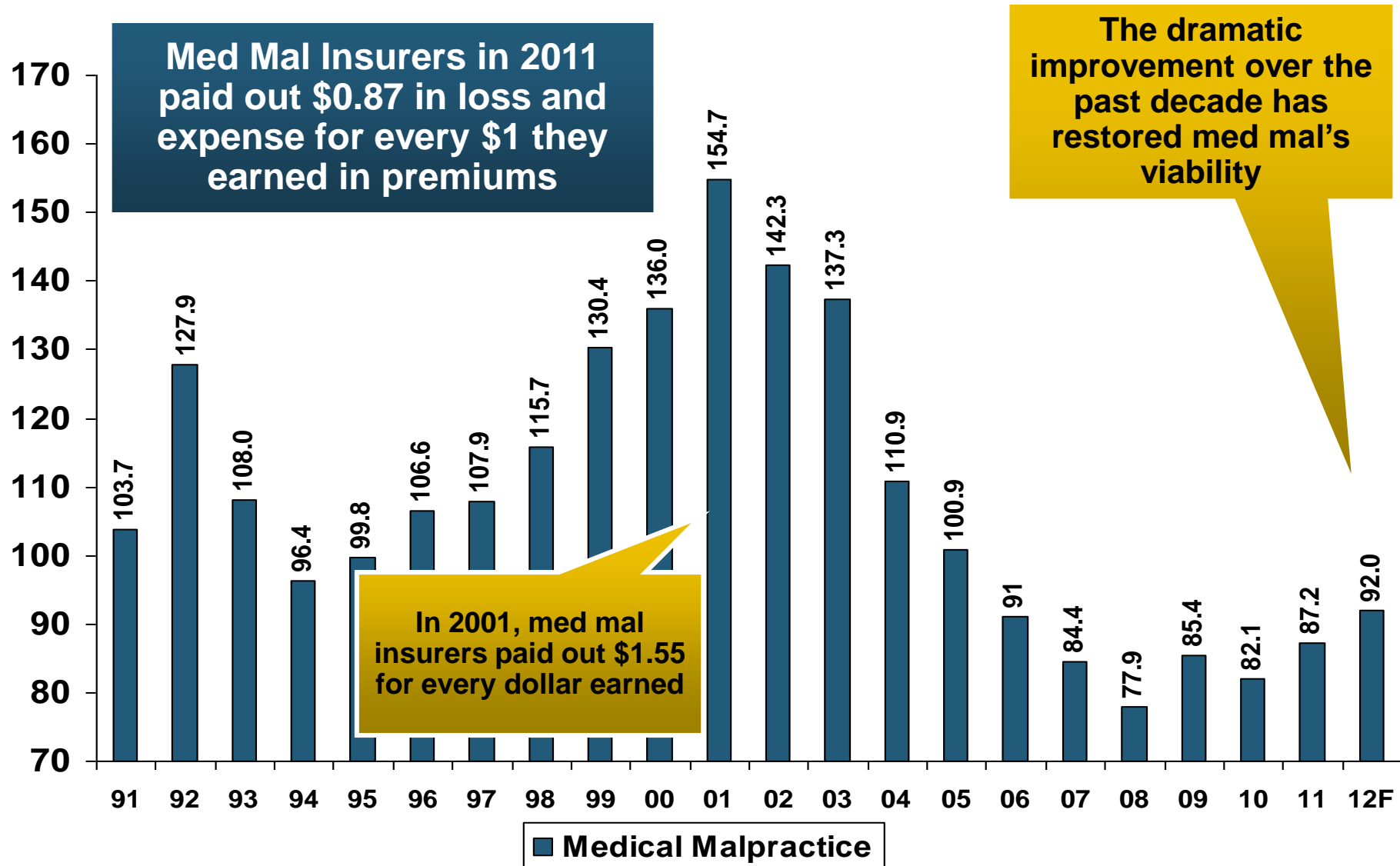
**Inland Marine is Expected to Remain Among the Most Profitable of All Lines**

# Other & Products Liability Combined Ratio: 1991–2012F

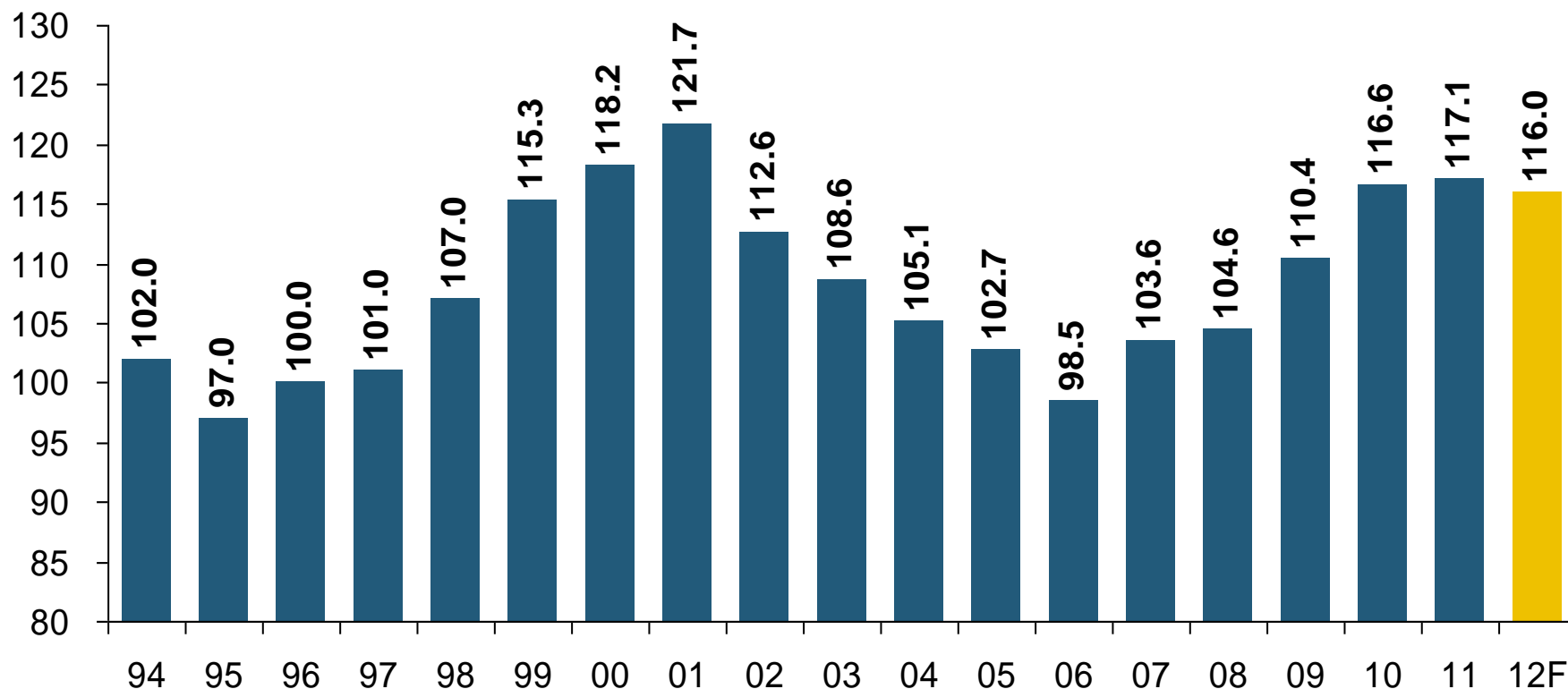


**Liability Lines Have Performed Better in the Post-Tort Reform Era (~2005), but There Has Been Some Deterioration in Recent Years**

# Medical Malpractice Combined Ratio vs. All Lines Combined Ratio, 1991-2012F



# Workers Compensation Combined Ratio: 1994–2012F



**Workers Comp Underwriting Results Are Deteriorating Markedly and the Worst They Have Been in a Decade**



# Workers Compensation Operating Environment

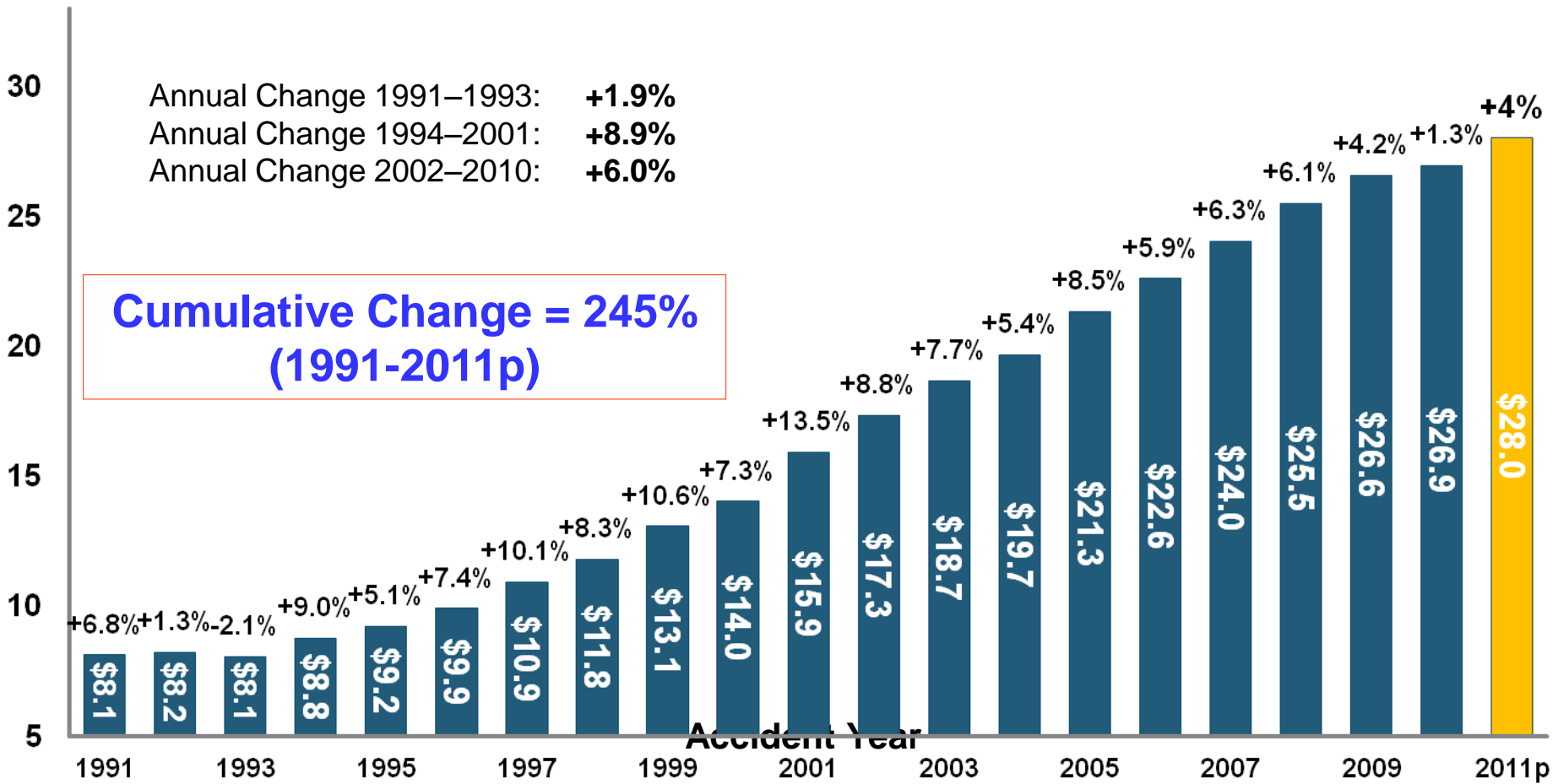
**The Weak Economy and Soft Market Have  
Made the Workers Comp Operating  
Increasingly Challenging**

# Workers Compensation Medical Severity Moderate Increase in 2011



## Average Medical Cost per Lost-Time Claim

Medical Claim Cost (\$000s)



**Cumulative Change = 245%  
(1991-2011p)**

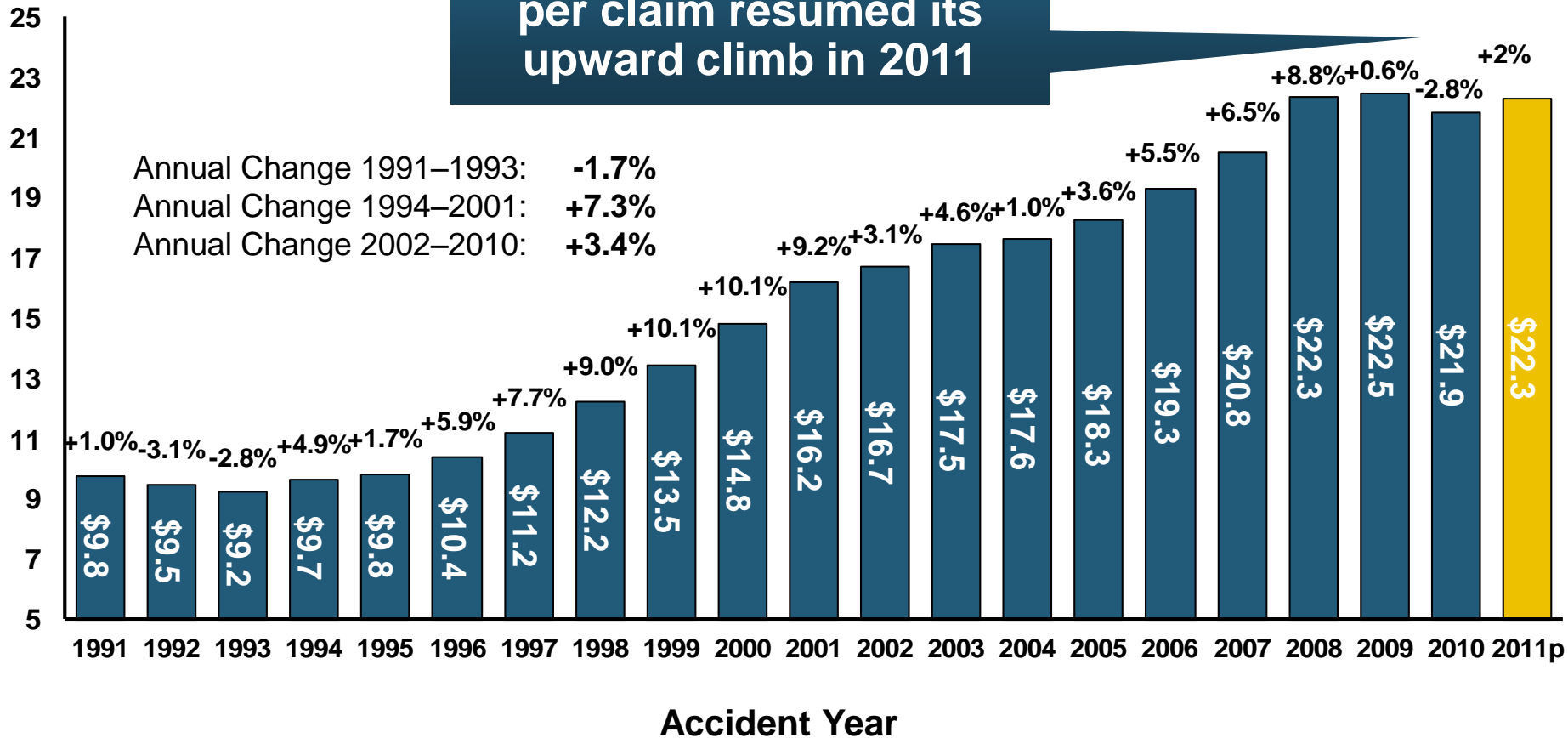
2011p: Preliminary based on data valued as of 12/31/2011  
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# Workers Comp Indemnity Claim Costs: Modest Increase in 2011

## Average Indemnity Cost per Lost-Time Claim

Indemnity Claim Cost (\$ 000s)

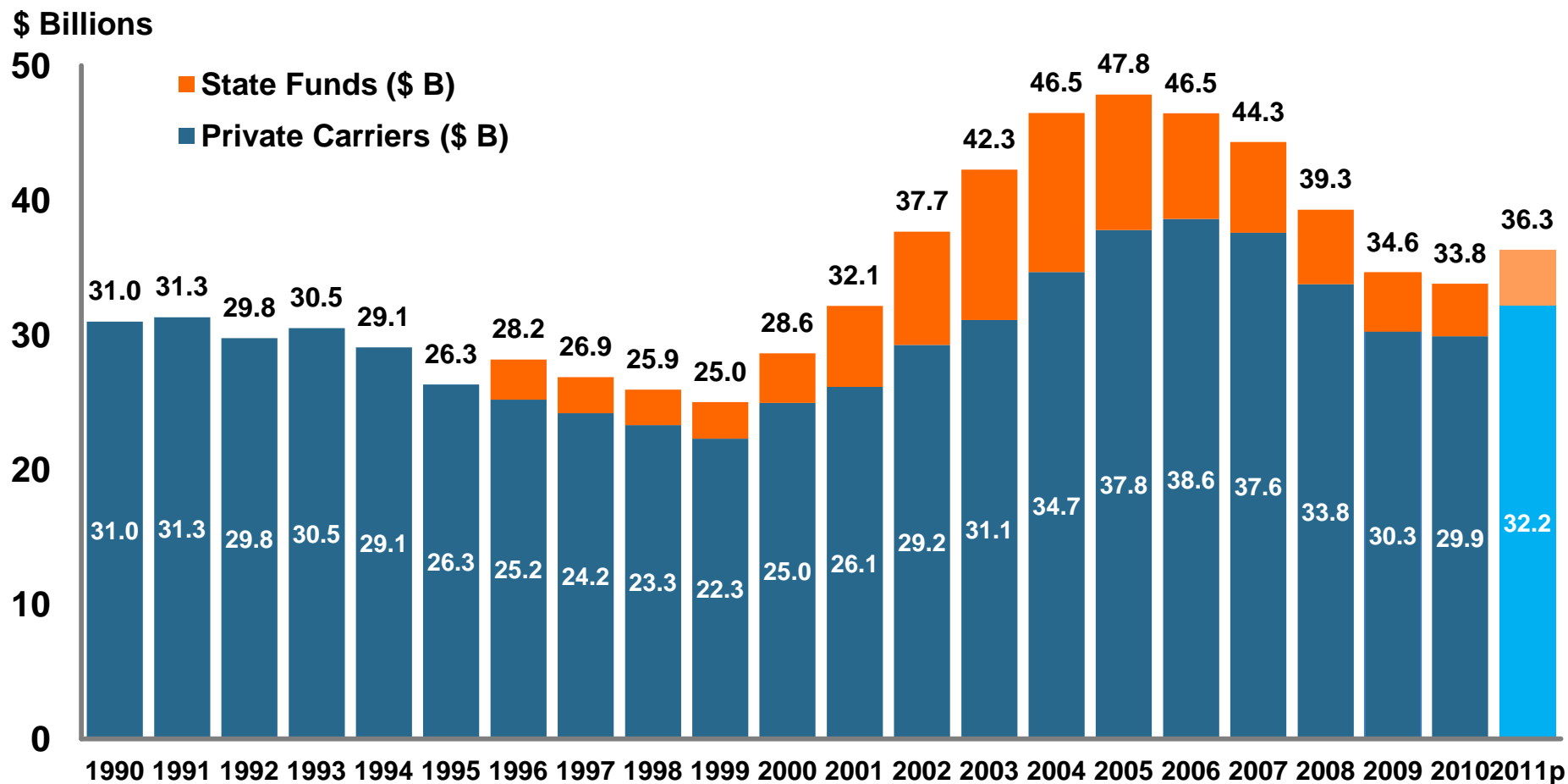
Average indemnity costs per claim resumed its upward climb in 2011



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# Workers Compensation Premium: First Increase in Years

## Net Written Premium



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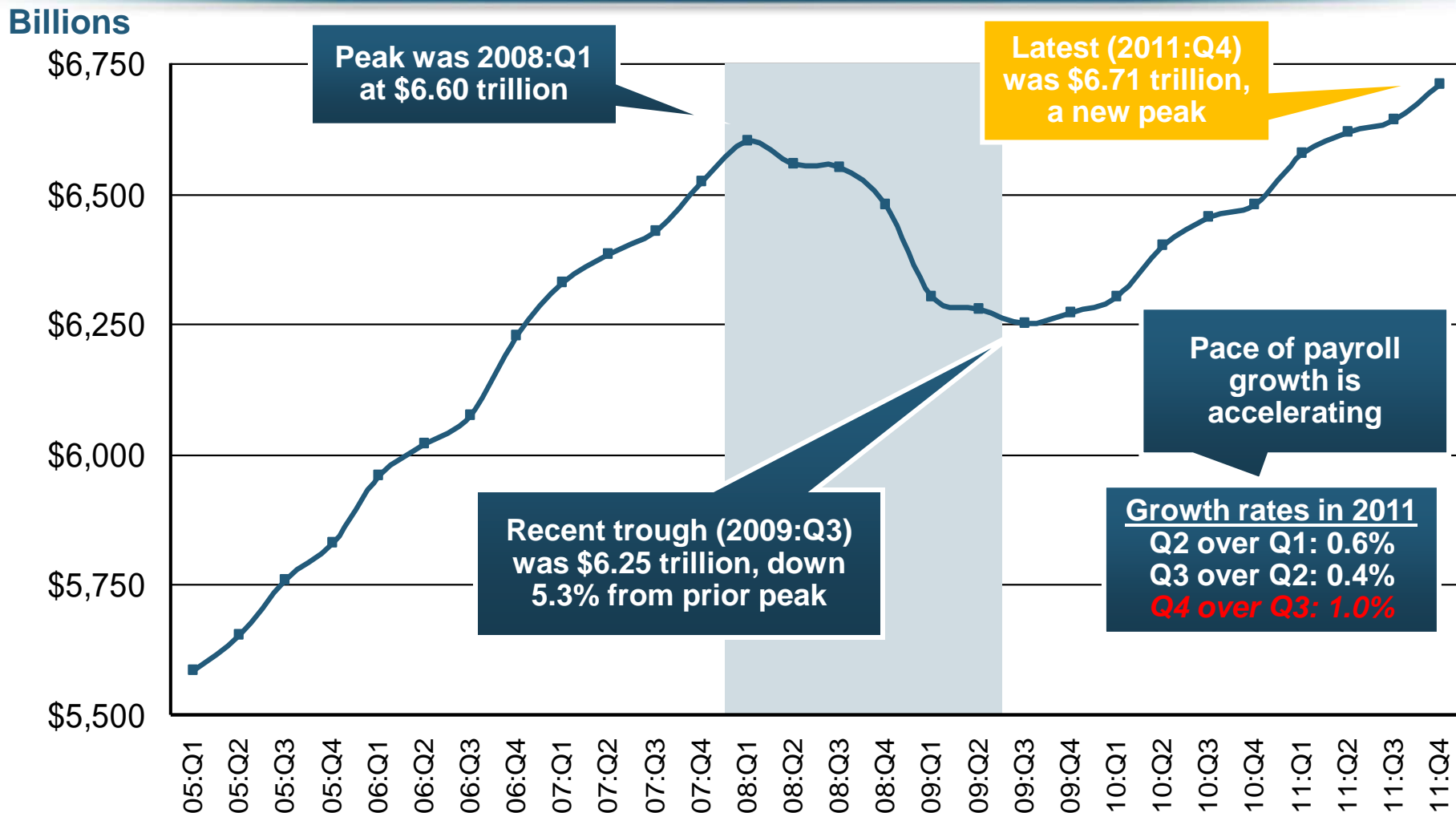
Source: 1990–2010 Private Carriers, *Best's Aggregates & Averages*; 2011p, NCCI

1996–2011p State Funds: AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, KY, LA, MD, MO, MT, NM, OK, OR, RI, TX, UT Annual Statements

State Funds available for 1996 and subsequent



# Nonfarm Payroll (Wages and Salaries): Quarterly, 2005–2011:Q4



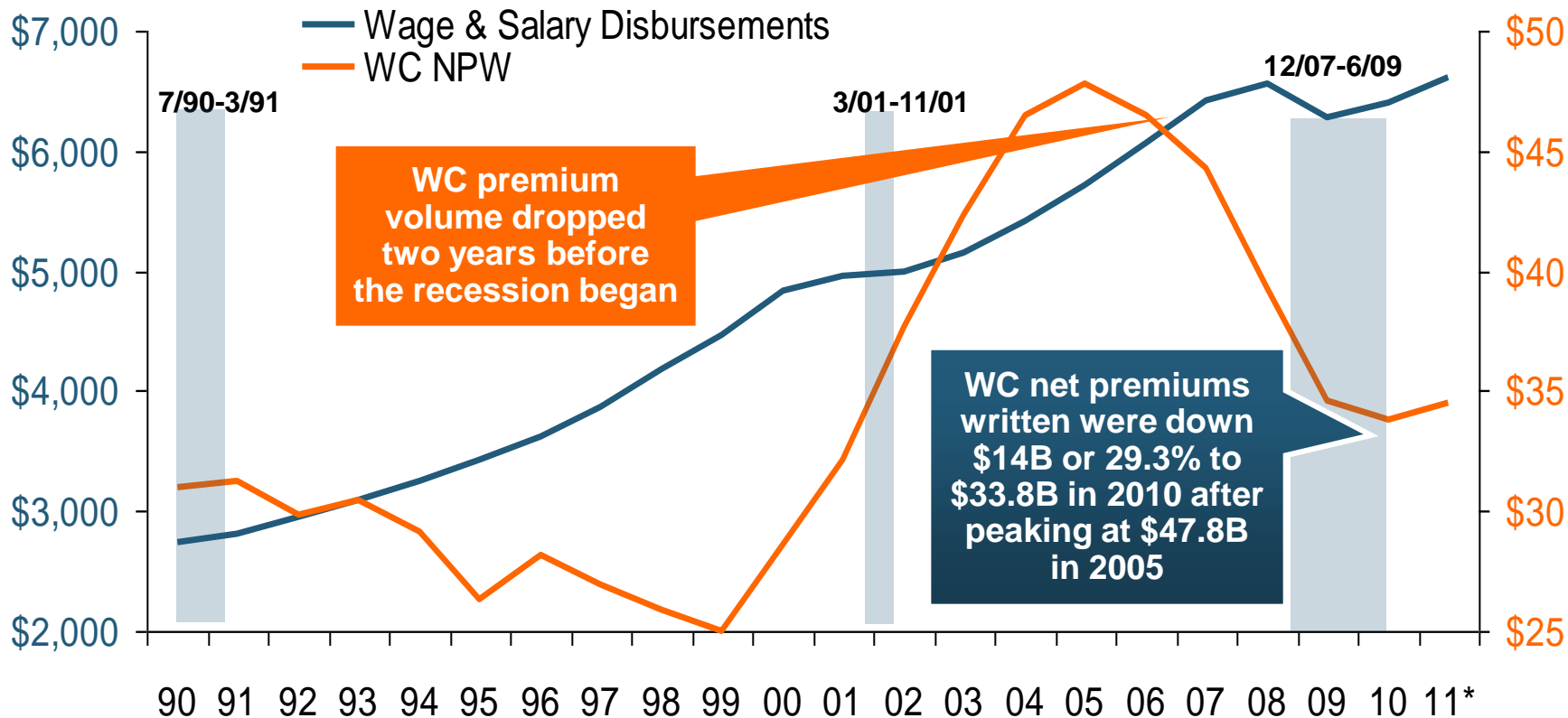
Note: Recession indicated by gray shaded column. Data are seasonally adjusted annual rates.

Sources: <http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2/series/WASCUR>; National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institute.

# Payroll vs. Workers Comp Net Written Premiums, 1990-2011

Payroll Base\*  
\$Billions

WC NWP  
\$Billions



**Resumption of payroll growth and rate increases suggests WC NWP will grow again in 2012**

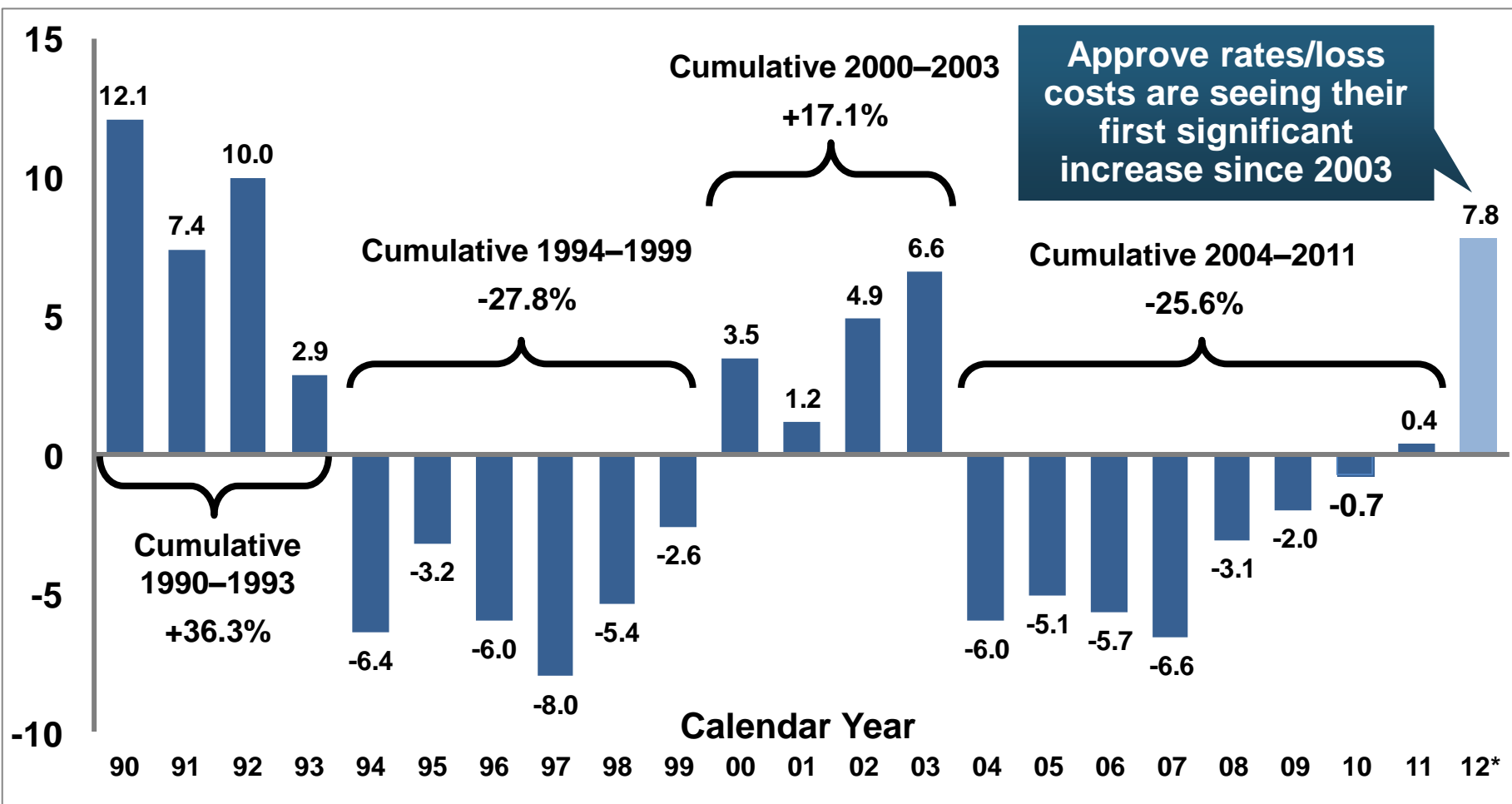
\*Private employment; Shaded areas indicate recessions. Payroll and WC premiums for 2011 is I.I.I. estimate

Sources: NBER (recessions); Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis at <http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2/series/WASCUR> ; NCCI; I.I.I.

# Average Approved Bureau Rates/Loss Costs

## History of Average WC Bureau Rate/Loss Cost Level Changes

Percent



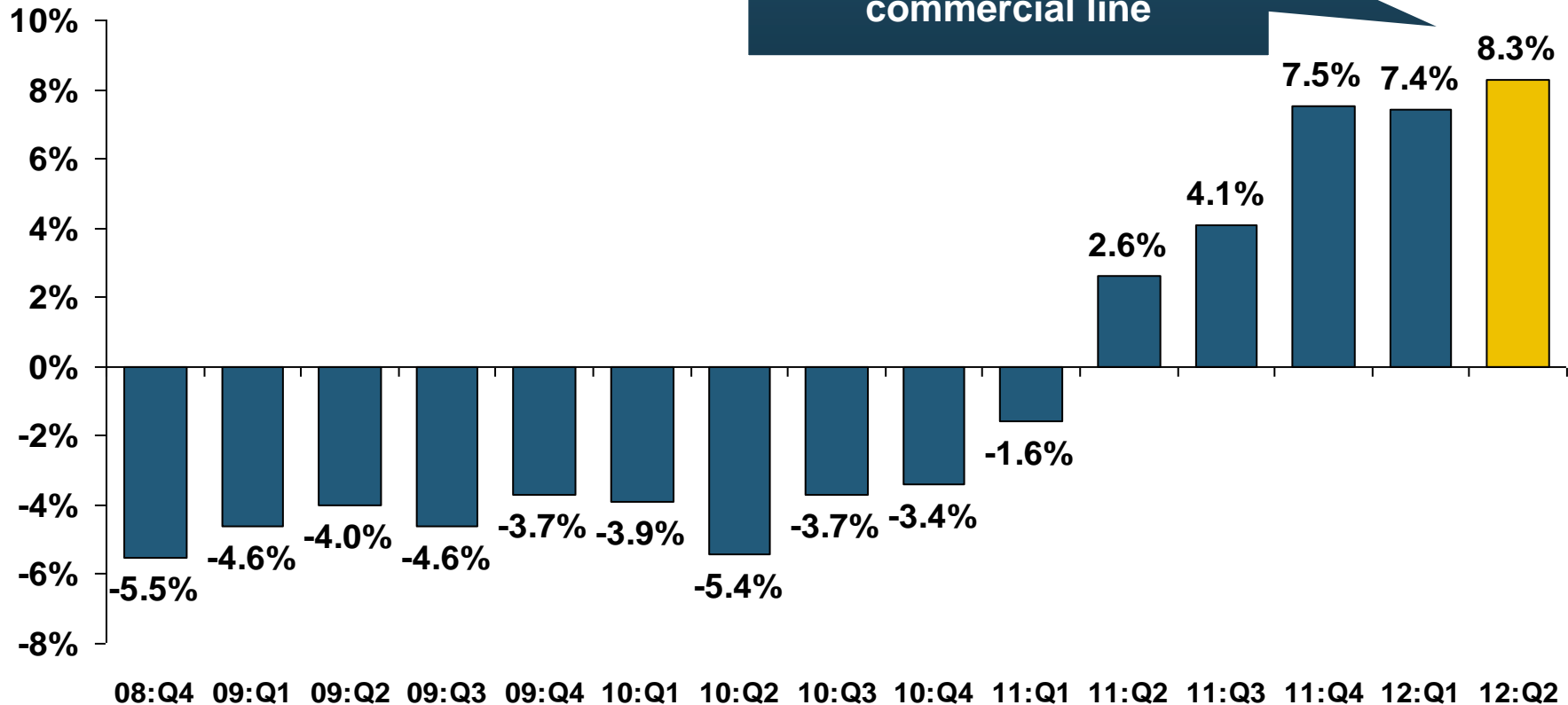
\*States approved through 7/31/12.

Note: Countrywide approved changes in advisory rates, loss costs and assigned risk rates as filed by applicable rating organization.

Source: NCCI.

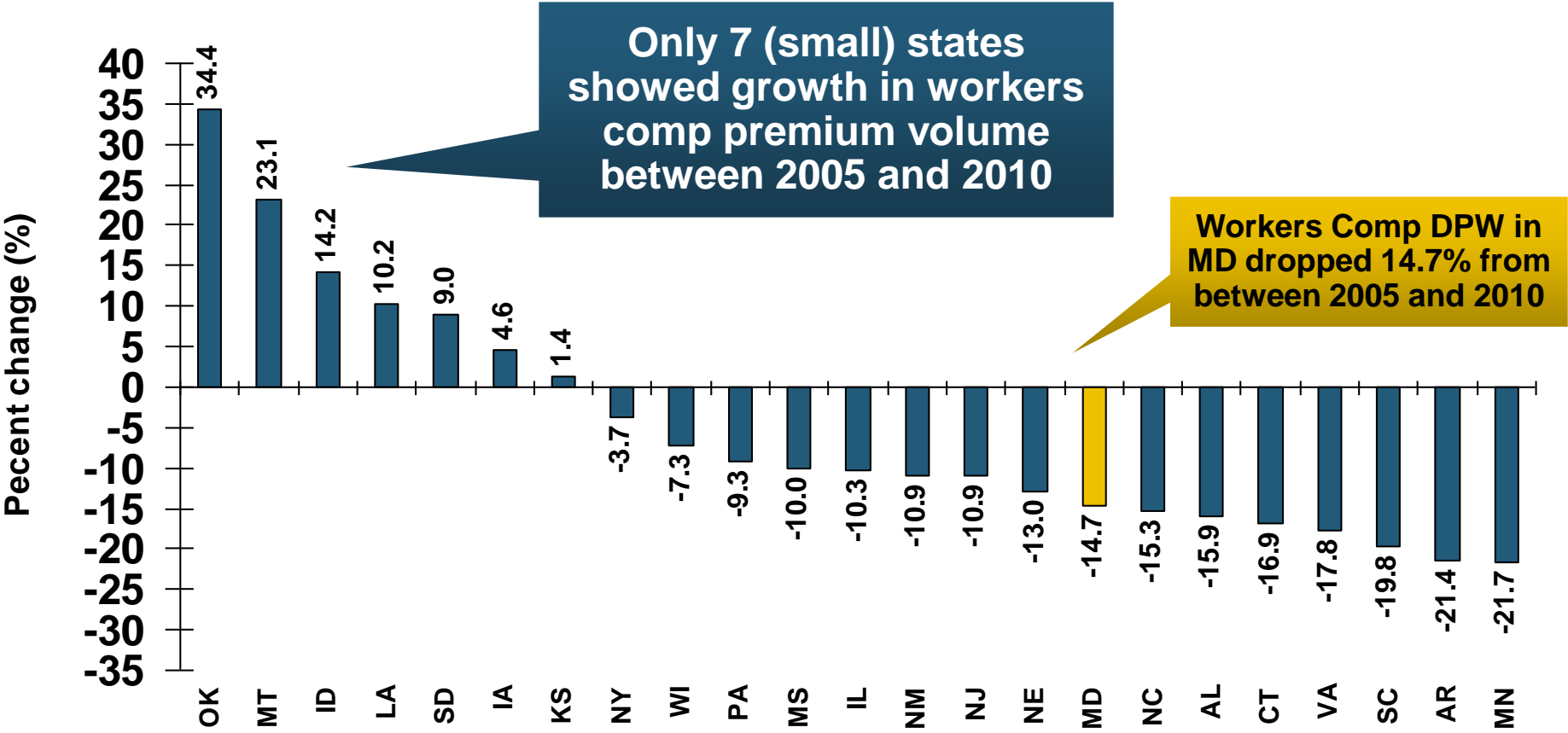
# Workers Comp Rate Changes, 2008:Q4 – 2012:Q2

(Percent  
Change)



# Direct Premiums Written: Worker's Comp Percent Change by State, 2005-2010\*

## Top 25 States

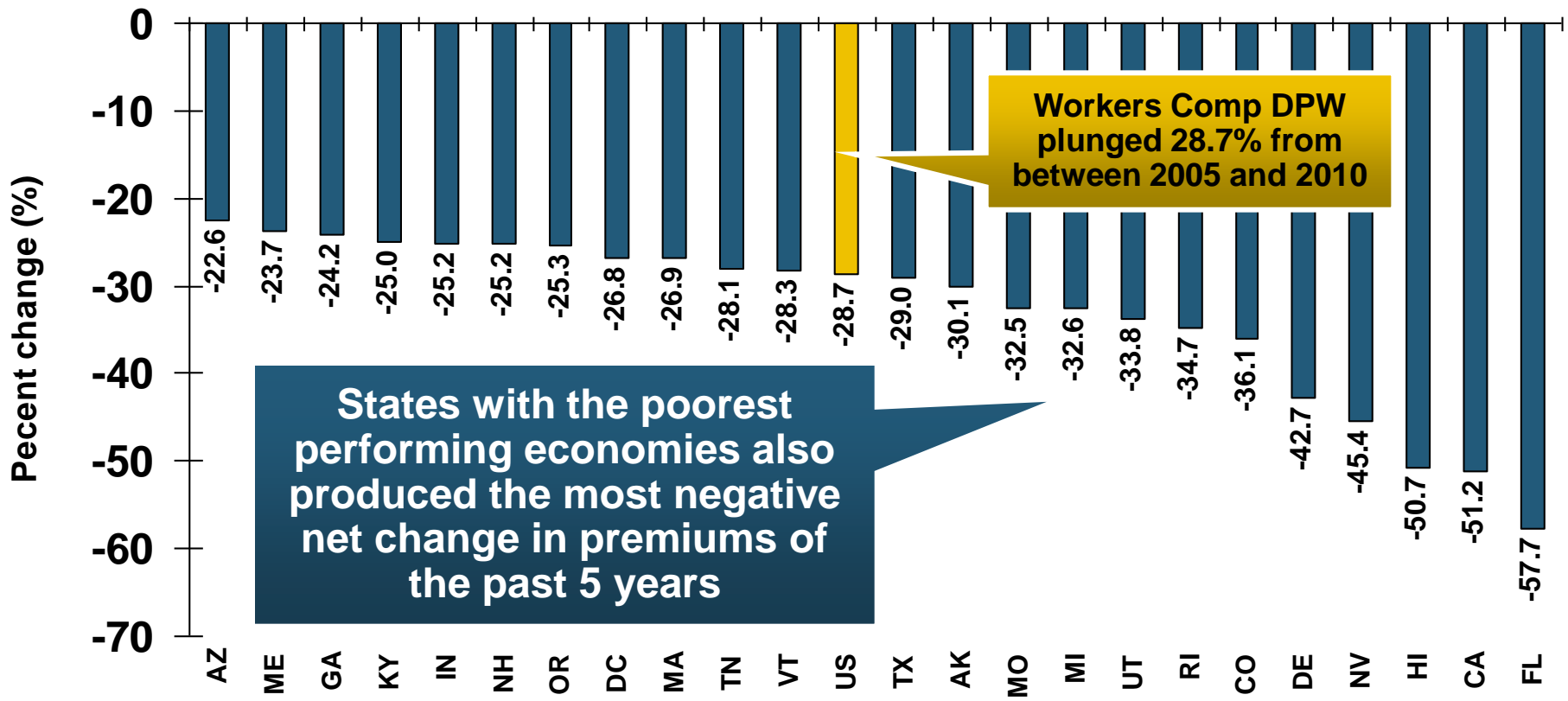


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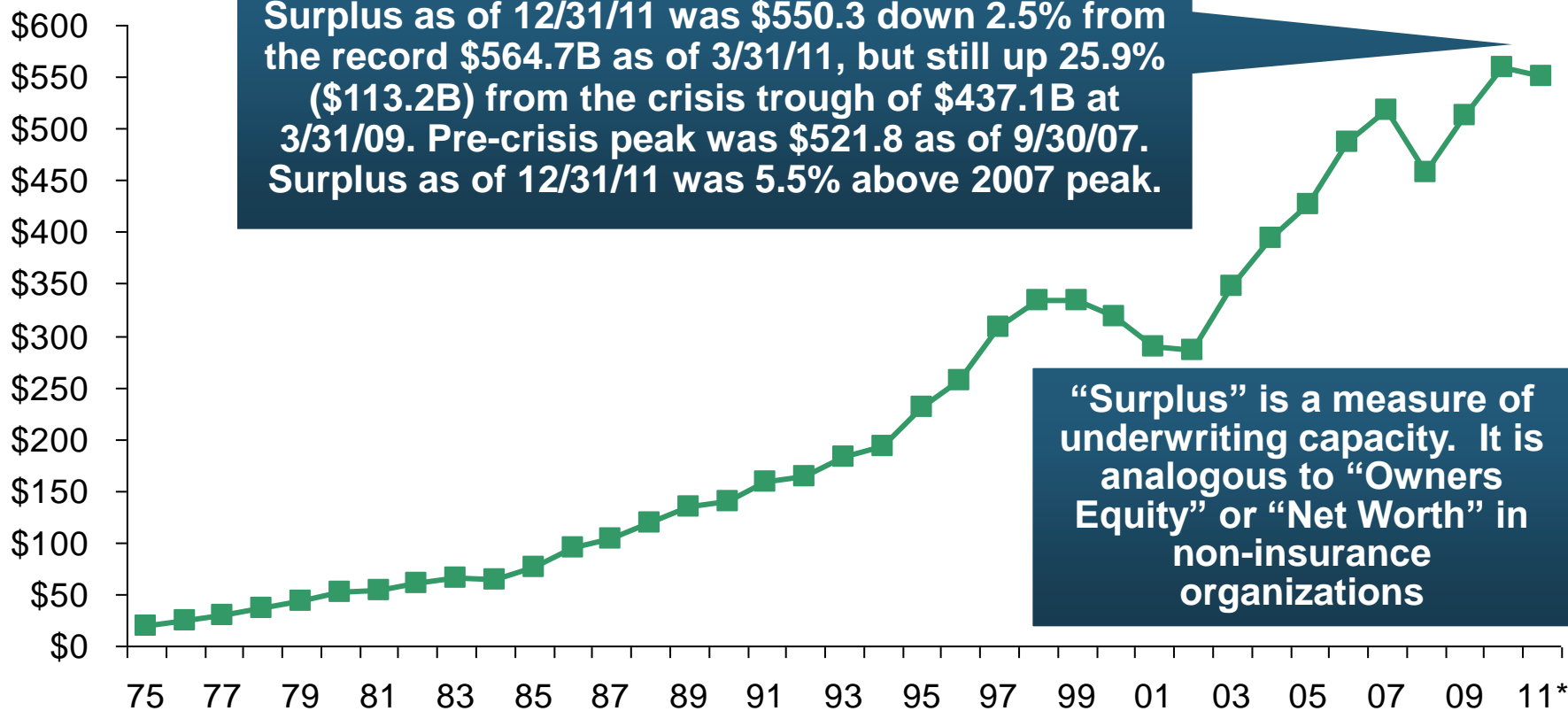
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## **2. SURPLUS/CAPITAL/CAPACITY**

**Have Large Global Losses Reduced Capacity in the Industry, Setting the Stage for a Market Turn?**

# US Policyholder Surplus: 1975–2011\*

(\$ Billions)



**The Premium-to-Surplus Ratio Stood at \$0.80:\$1 as of 12/31/11, A Near Record Low (at Least in Recent History)\***

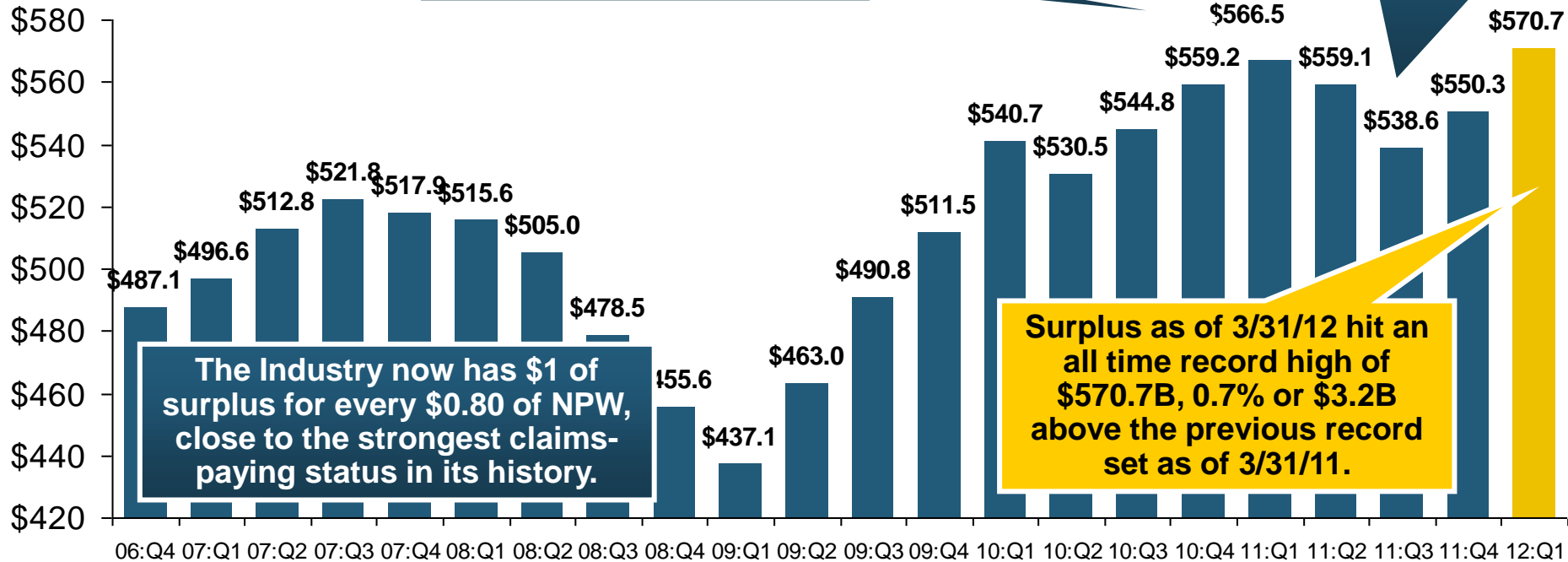
\* As of 12/31/11.

Source: A.M. Best, ISO, Insurance Information Institute.



# Policyholder Surplus, 2006:Q4–2012:Q1

(\$ Billions)



The Industry now has \$1 of surplus for every \$0.80 of NPW, close to the strongest claims-paying status in its history.

Surplus as of 3/31/12 hit an all time record high of \$570.7B, 0.7% or \$3.2B above the previous record set as of 3/31/11.

## Quarterly Surplus Changes Since 2011:Q1 Peak

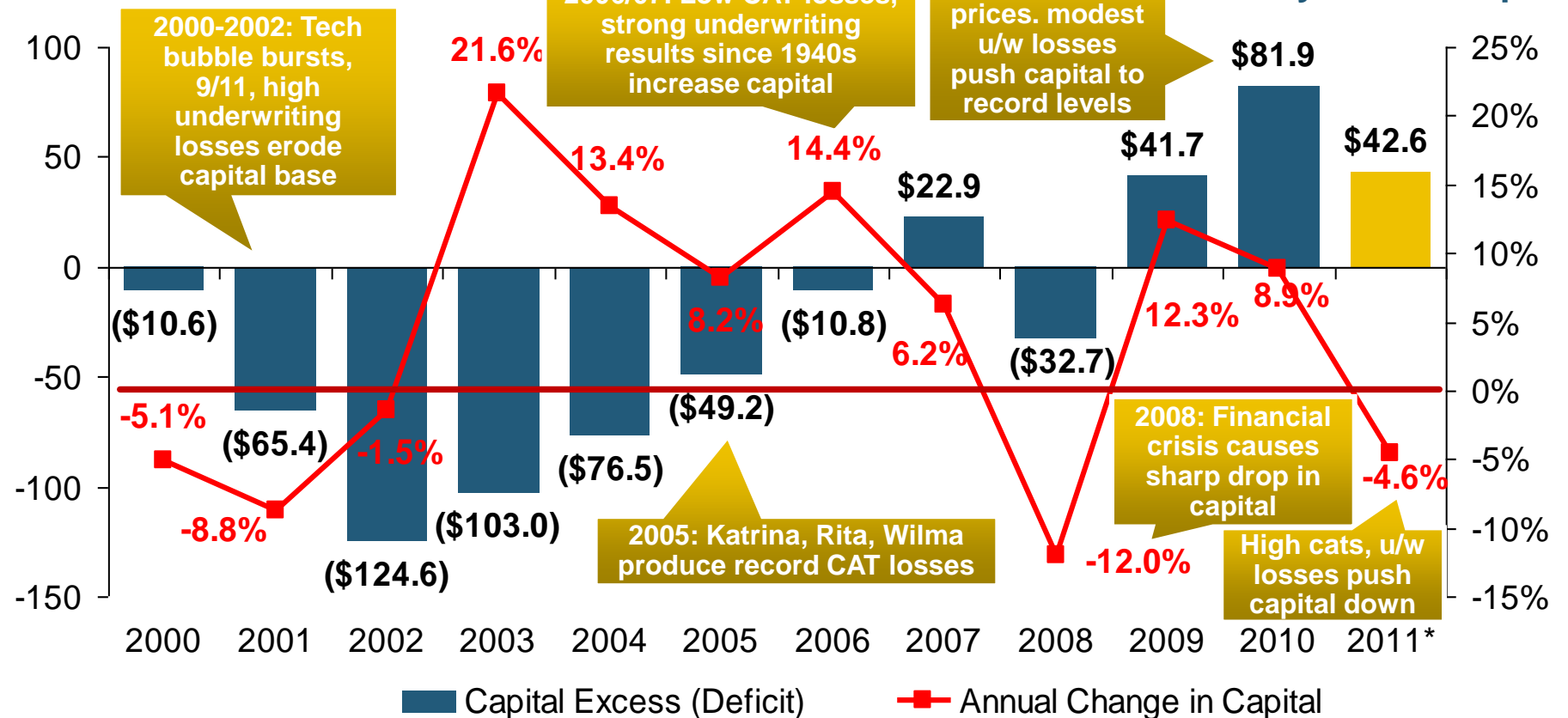
- 11:Q2: -\$7.4B (-1.0%)**
- 11:Q3: -\$27.9B (-4.6%)**
- 11:Q4: -\$16.2B (-2.5%)**
- 12:Q1: +\$3.2B (+0.7%)**

\*Includes \$22.5B of paid-in capital from a holding company parent for one insurer's investment in a non-insurance business in early 2010.

# Implied Excess (Deficit) Capital Assuming Premium/Surplus Ratio = 0.9:1

## Excess/(Deficit) Capital (Policyholder Surplus)

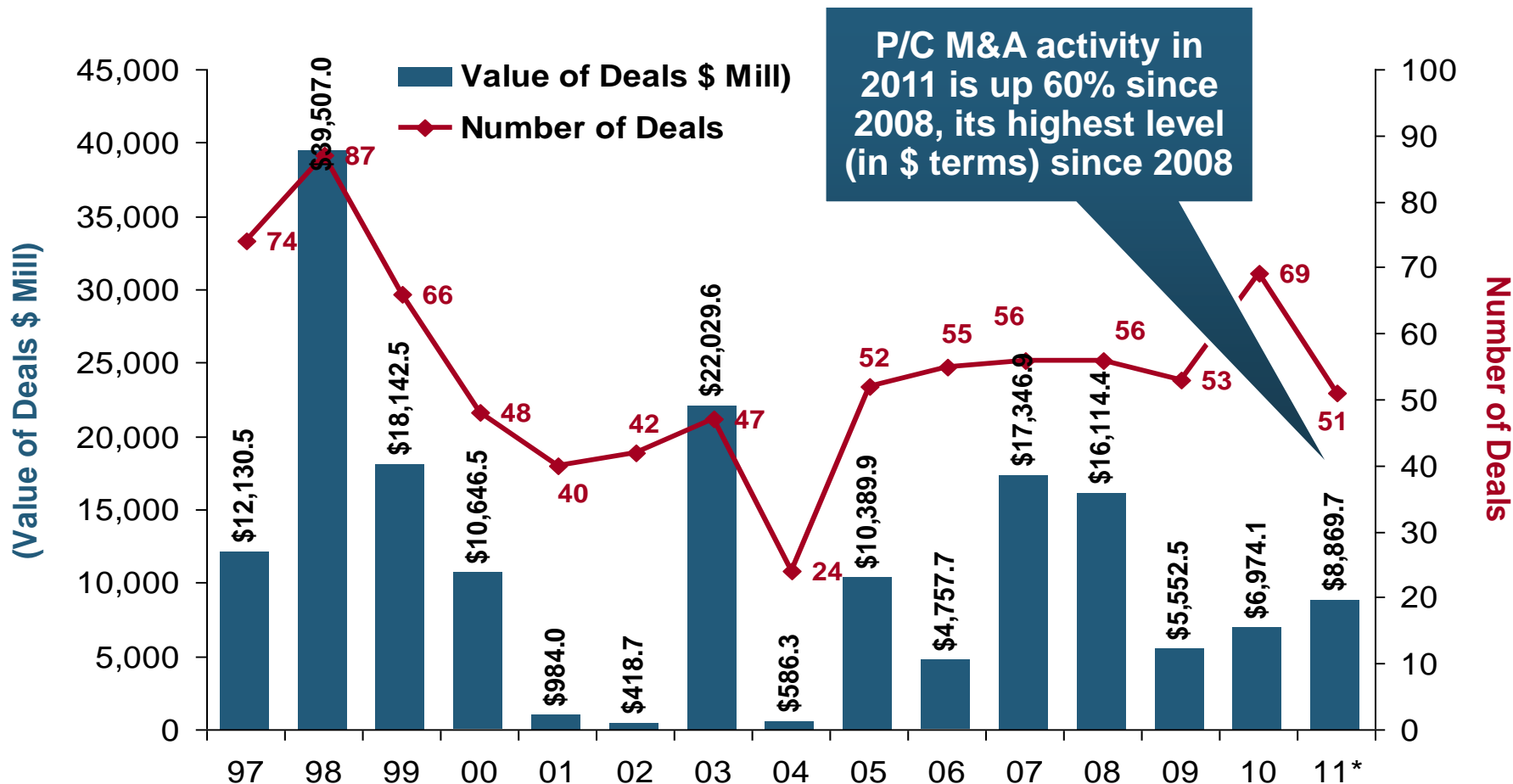
## Annual Change in Policyholder Surplus



**Record Policyholder Surplus (Capital) Resulted in Significant Excess Capital in the P/C Insurance Sector in 2010. Deteriorating Underwriting Losses, Higher CAT Activity, More Modest Market Returns Shrank Excess Capital in 2011 by Nearly Half.**

Note: The assumption of a 0.9:1 P/S ratio is derived from a Feb. 2011 announcement by Advisen, Ltd., that the US P/C insurance industry has \$74 billion in excess capital. The implied P/S ratio (calculated by III) is 0.88:1, which was rounded to 0.9:1.  
 Source: Insurance Information Institute calculations from A.M. Best and ISO data. \* Net Premiums Written 170

# M&A Activity in the US P/C Insurance Industry, 1997-2011\*



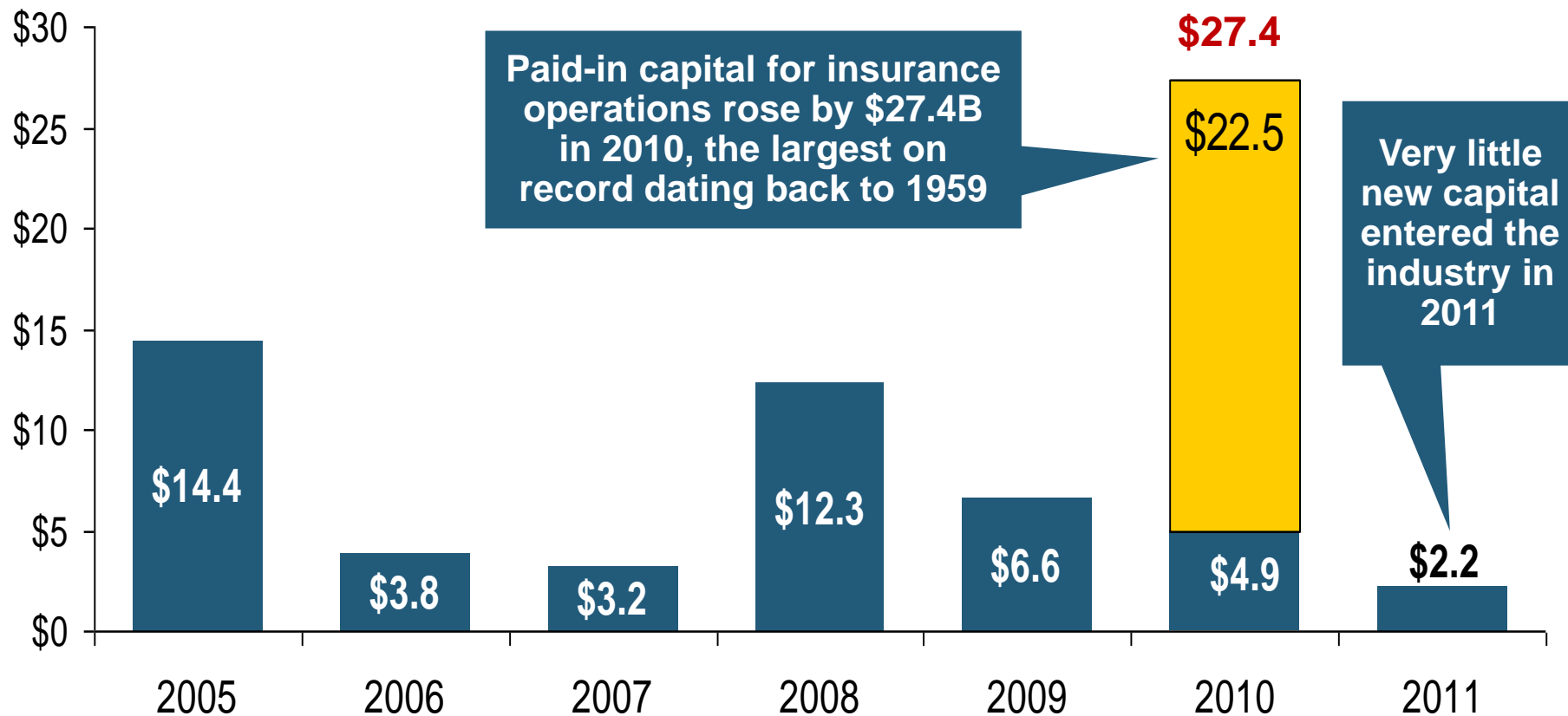
**M&A Activity in the P/C Insurance Industry Remains Well Below its 1990s Peak**

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Source: SNL Securities; Insurance Information Institute.

# Paid-in Capital, 2005–2011

(\$ Billions)

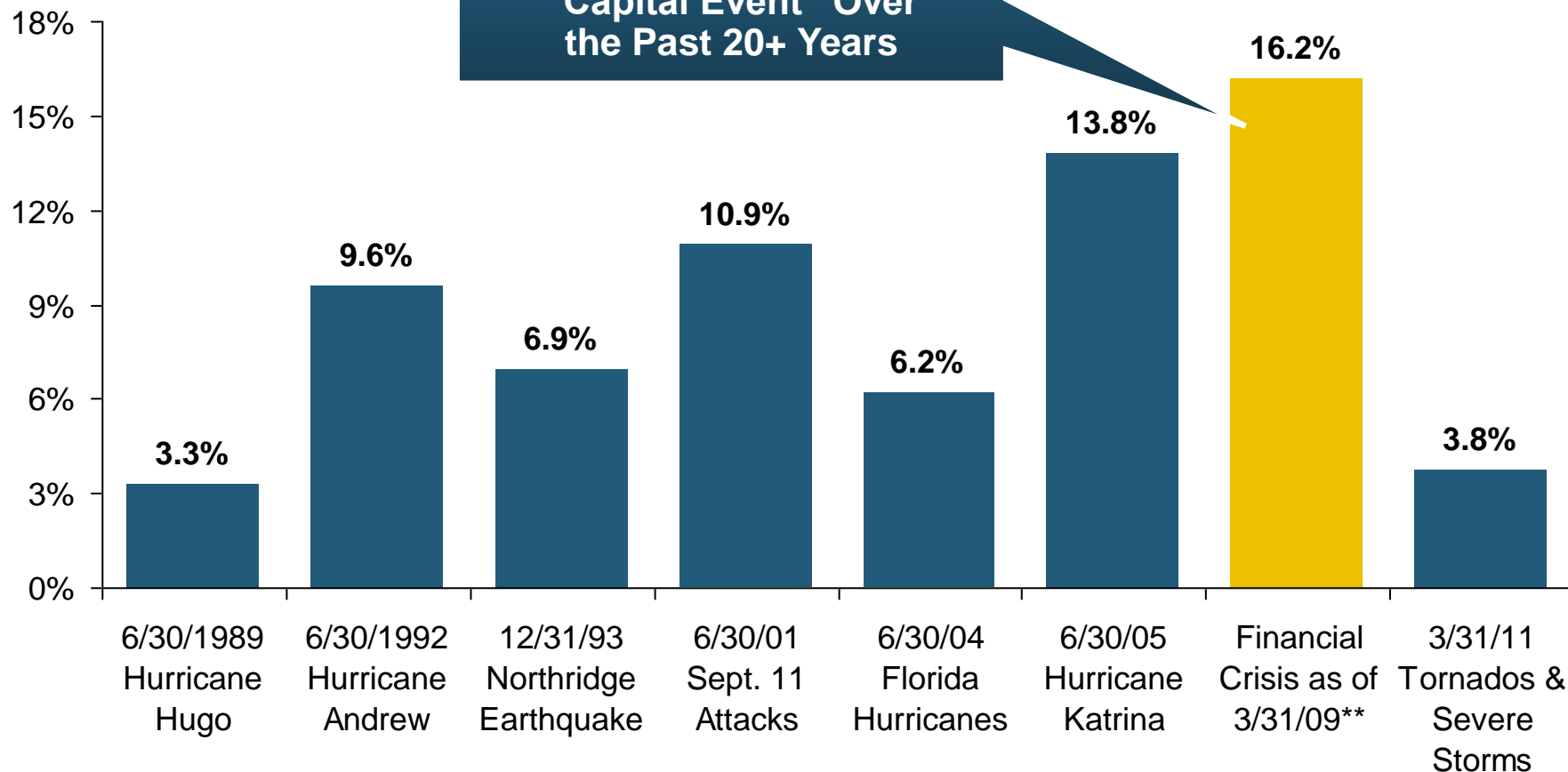


**In 2010 One Insurer's Paid-in Capital Rose by \$22.5B as Part of an Investment in a Non-insurance Business**

# Ratio of Insured Loss to Surplus for Largest Capital Events Since 1989\*

(Percent)

The Financial Crisis at its Peak Ranks as the Largest “Capital Event” Over the Past 20+ Years



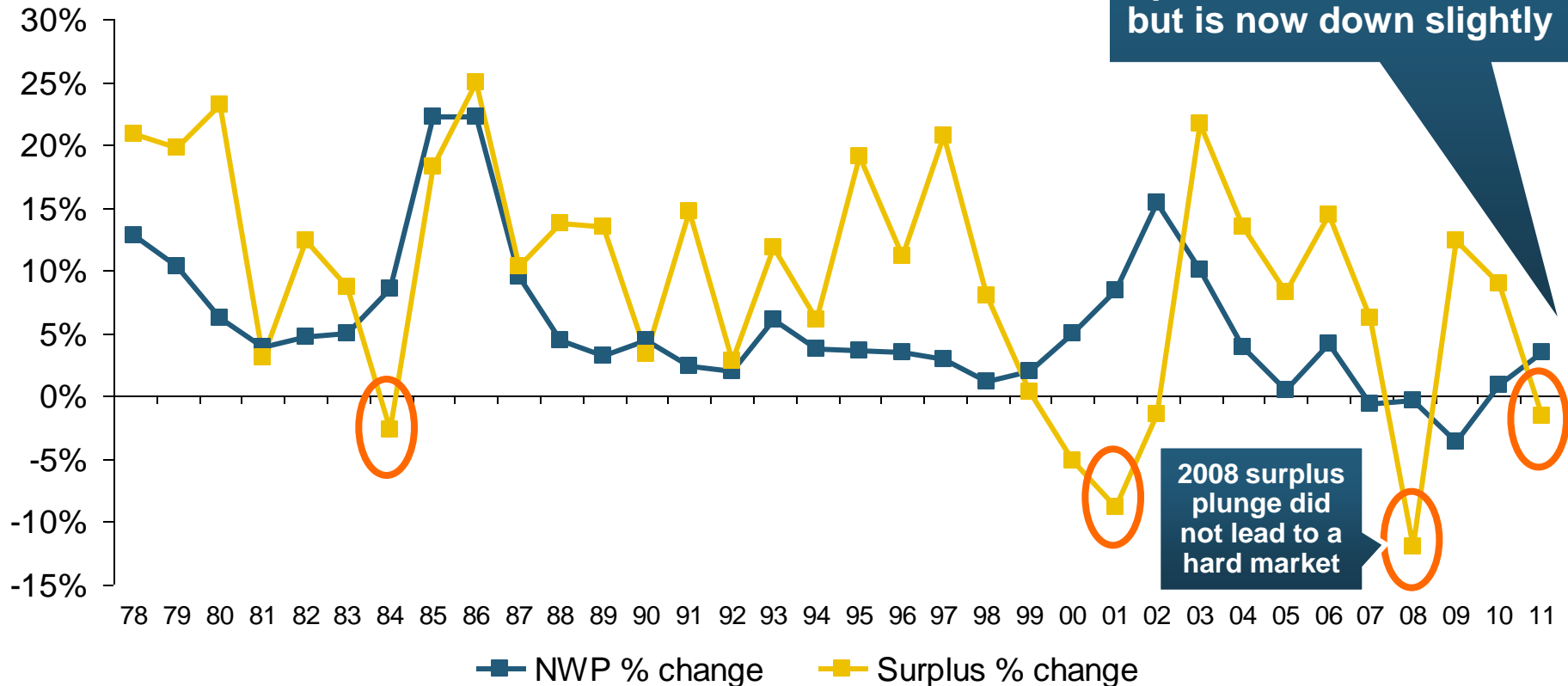
\* Ratio is for end-of-quarter surplus immediately after the event. Date shown is end of quarter prior to event

\*\* Date of maximum capital erosion; As of 9/30/09 (latest available) ratio = 5.9%

Source: PCS; Insurance Information Institute

# Historically, Hard Markets Follow When Surplus “Growth” is Negative\*

(Percent)

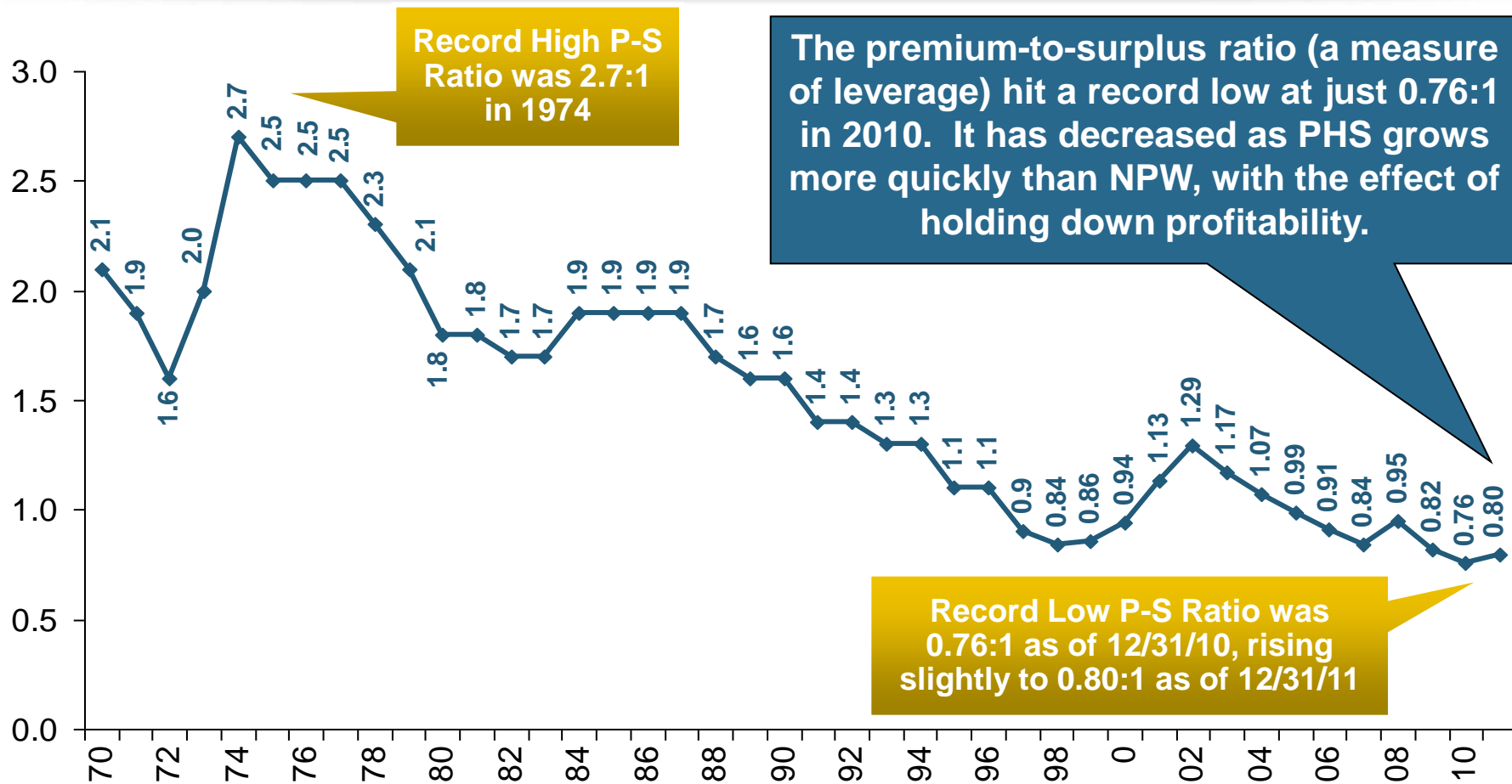


**Sharp Decline in Capacity is a Necessary but Not Sufficient Condition for a True Hard Market**

\* 2011 NWP and Surplus figures are % changes as of Q4:11 vs. Q4:10.

Sources: A.M. Best, ISO, Insurance Information Institute

# Ratio of Net Premiums Written to Policyholder Surplus, 1970-2011\*



Record High P-S Ratio was 2.7:1 in 1974

The premium-to-surplus ratio (a measure of leverage) hit a record low at just 0.76:1 in 2010. It has decreased as PHS grows more quickly than NPW, with the effect of holding down profitability.

Record Low P-S Ratio was 0.76:1 as of 12/31/10, rising slightly to 0.80:1 as of 12/31/11

**The Premium-to-Surplus Ratio in 2011:Q4 Implies that P/C Insurers Held \$1 in Surplus Against Each \$0.80 Written in Premiums. In 1974, Each \$1 of Surplus Backed \$2.70 in Premium.**

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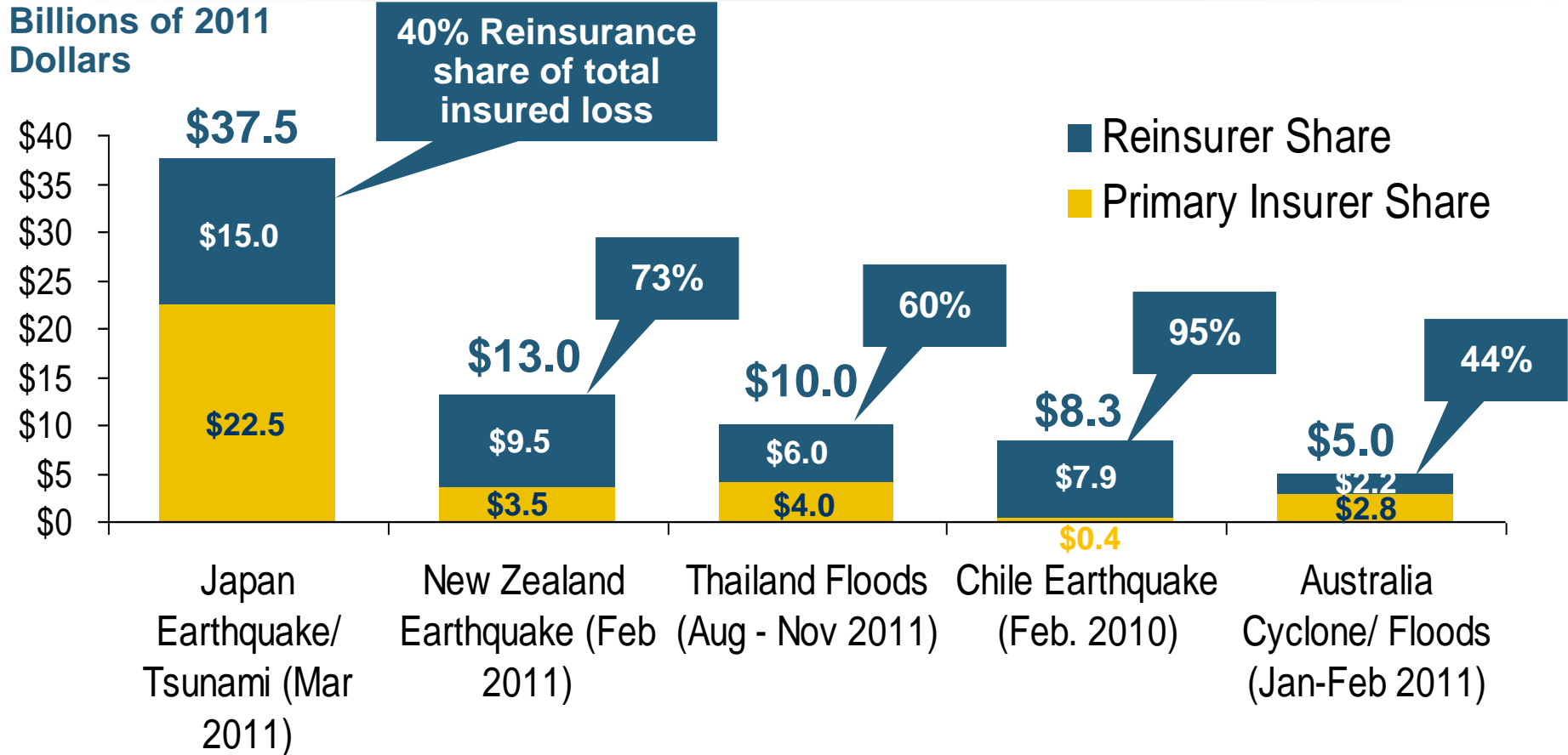
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## **3. REINSURANCE MARKET CONDITIONS**

**Record Global  
Catastrophes Activity is  
Pressuring Pricing**



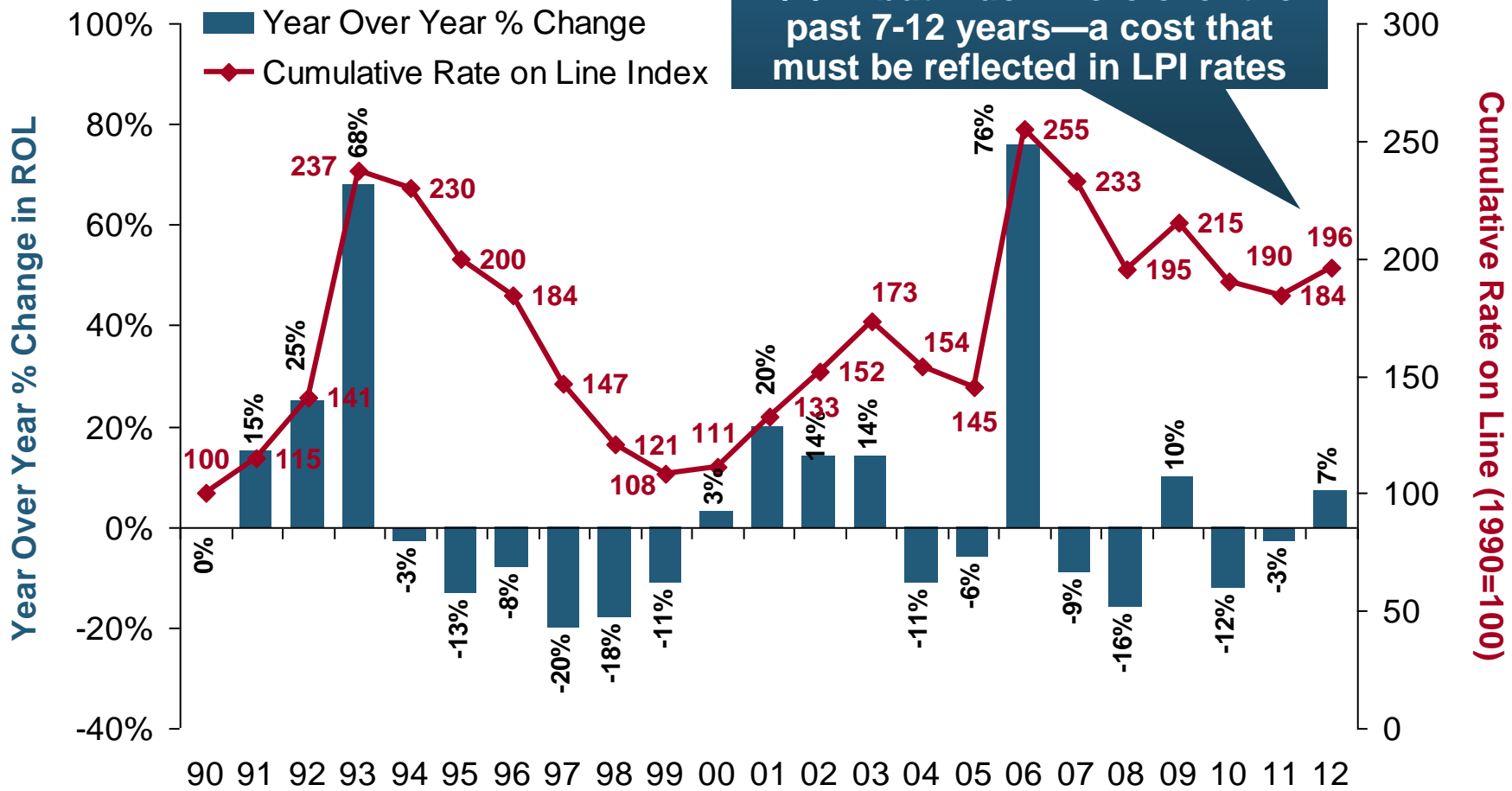
# Reinsurer Share of Recent Significant Market Losses



**Reinsurers Paid a High Proportion of Insured Losses Arising from Major Catastrophic Events Around the World in Recent Years**

# Global Property Catastrophe Rate on Line Index, 1990—2012 (as of July 1)

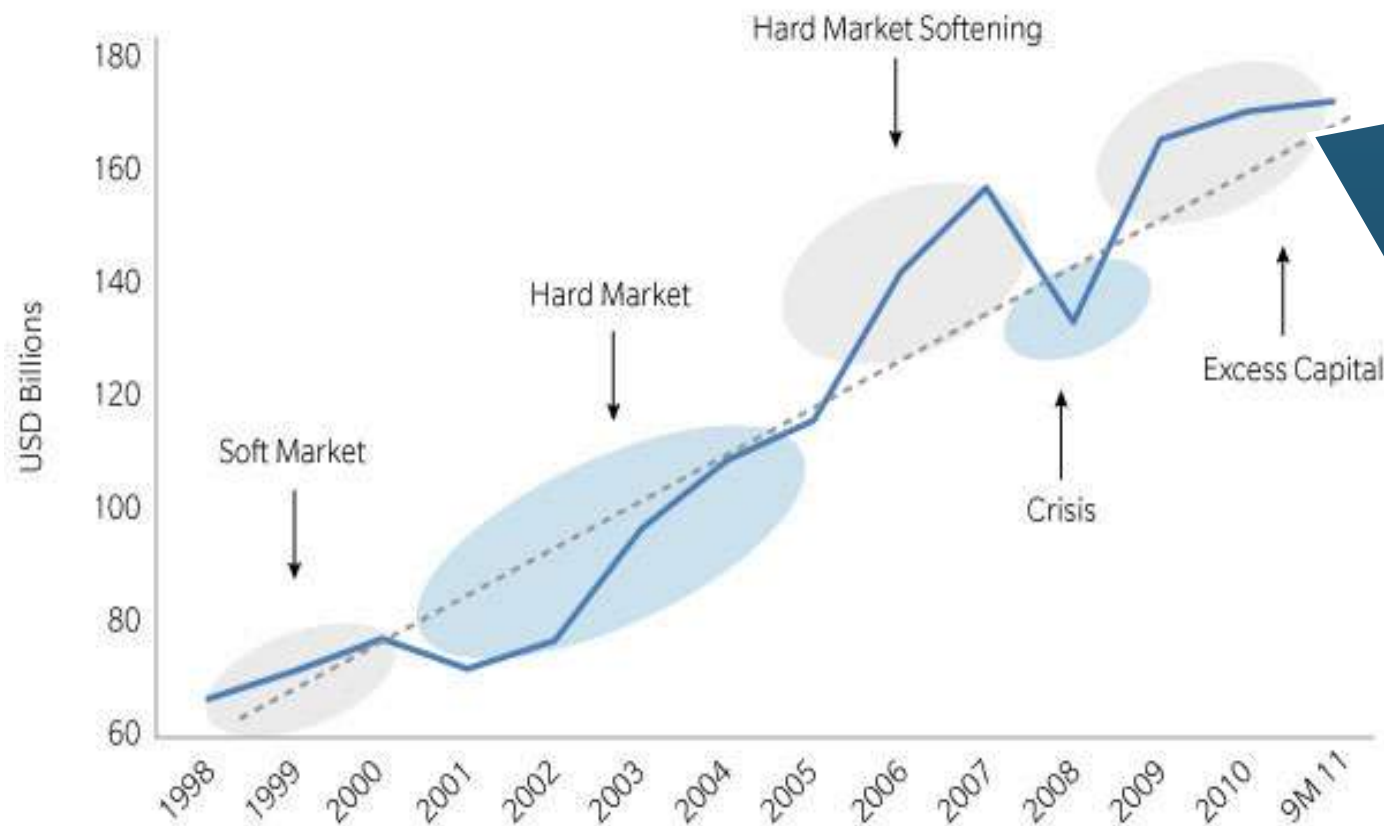
Property-Cat reinsurance pricing is up about 7% as of 7/1/12 but much more over the past 7-12 years—a cost that must be reflected in LPI rates



Sources: Guy Carpenter; Insurance Information Institute.

# Historical Capital Levels of Guy Carpenter Reinsurance Composite, 1998—3Q11

LONG-TERM EVOLUTION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS  
FOR THE GUY CARPENTER GLOBAL REINSURANCE COMPOSITE



**Most excess reinsurance capacity was removed from the market in 2011, but there does not appear to be a shortage, leading to modest increases in 2012 reinsurance renewals except in areas hit hard by CATs.**

Source: Guy Carpenter & Company, LLC

## **4. RENEWED PRICING DISCIPLINE**

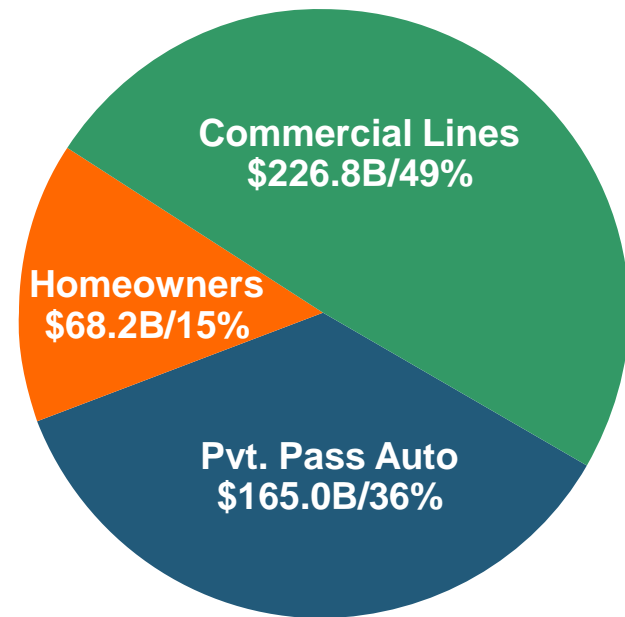
**Is There Evidence of a Broad  
and Sustained Shift in Pricing?**

# Distribution of Direct Premiums Written by Segment/Line, 2010

## Distribution Facts

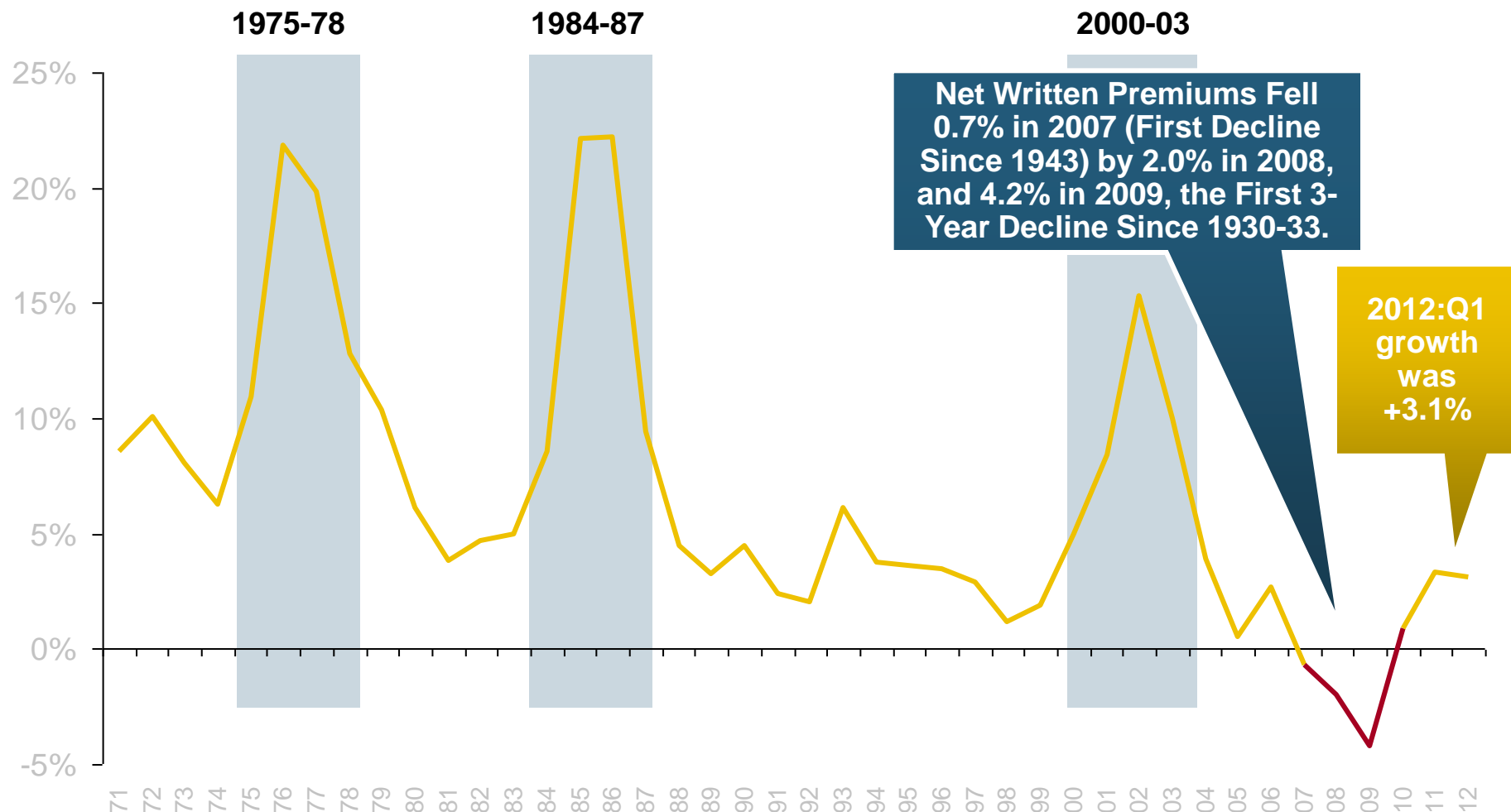
- Personal/Commercial lines split has been about 50/50 for many years; Personal Lines overtook Commercial Lines in 2010
- Pvt. Passenger Auto is by far the largest line of insurance and is currently the most important source of industry profits
- Billions of additional dollars in homeowners insurance premiums are written by state-run residual market plans

2010



# Premium Growth Is Up Modestly: More in 2012?

(Percent)

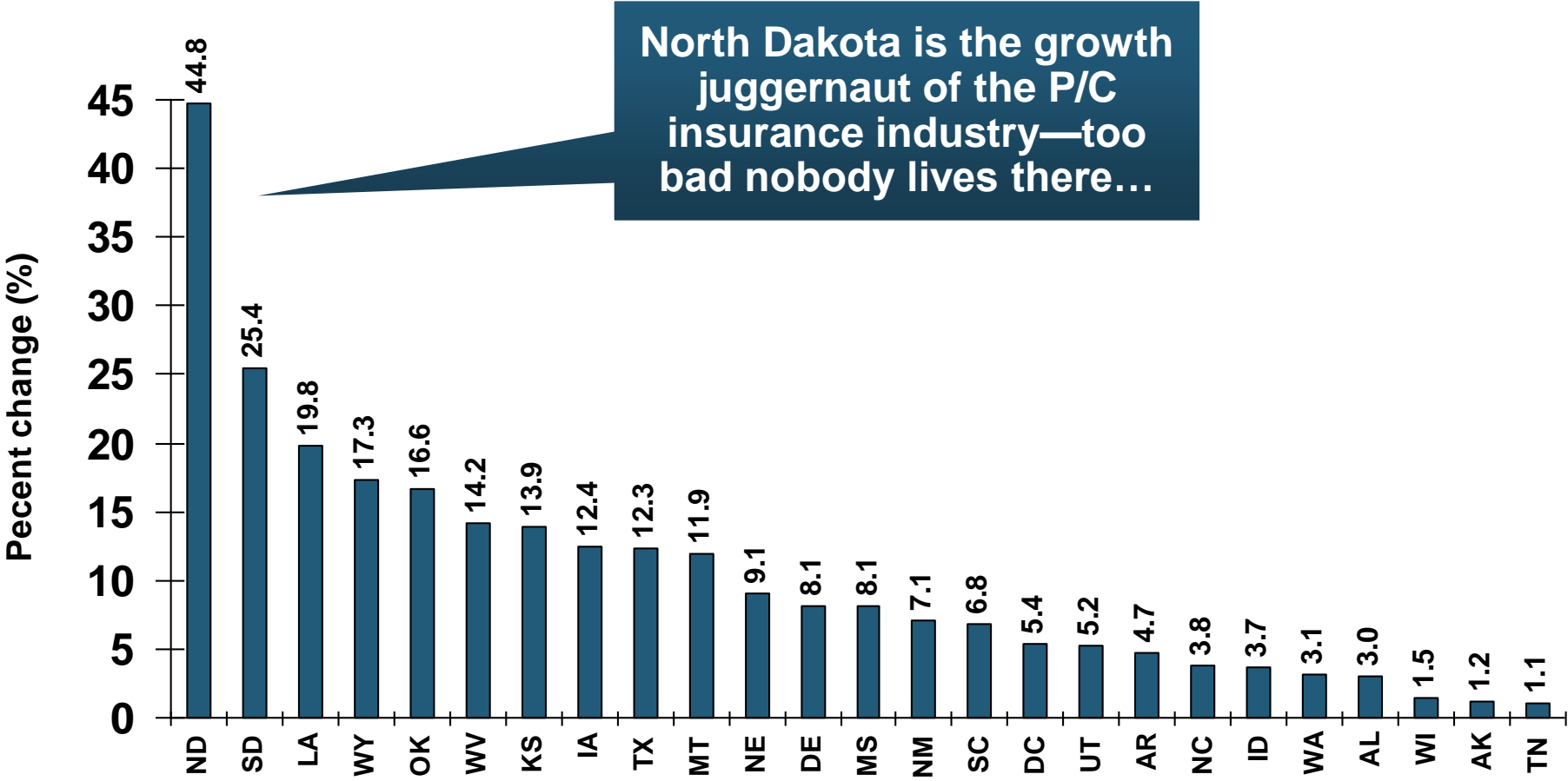


Shaded areas denote "hard market" periods

Sources: A.M. Best (historical and forecast), ISO, Insurance Information Institute.

# Direct Premiums Written: All P/C Lines Percent Change by State, 2005-2010

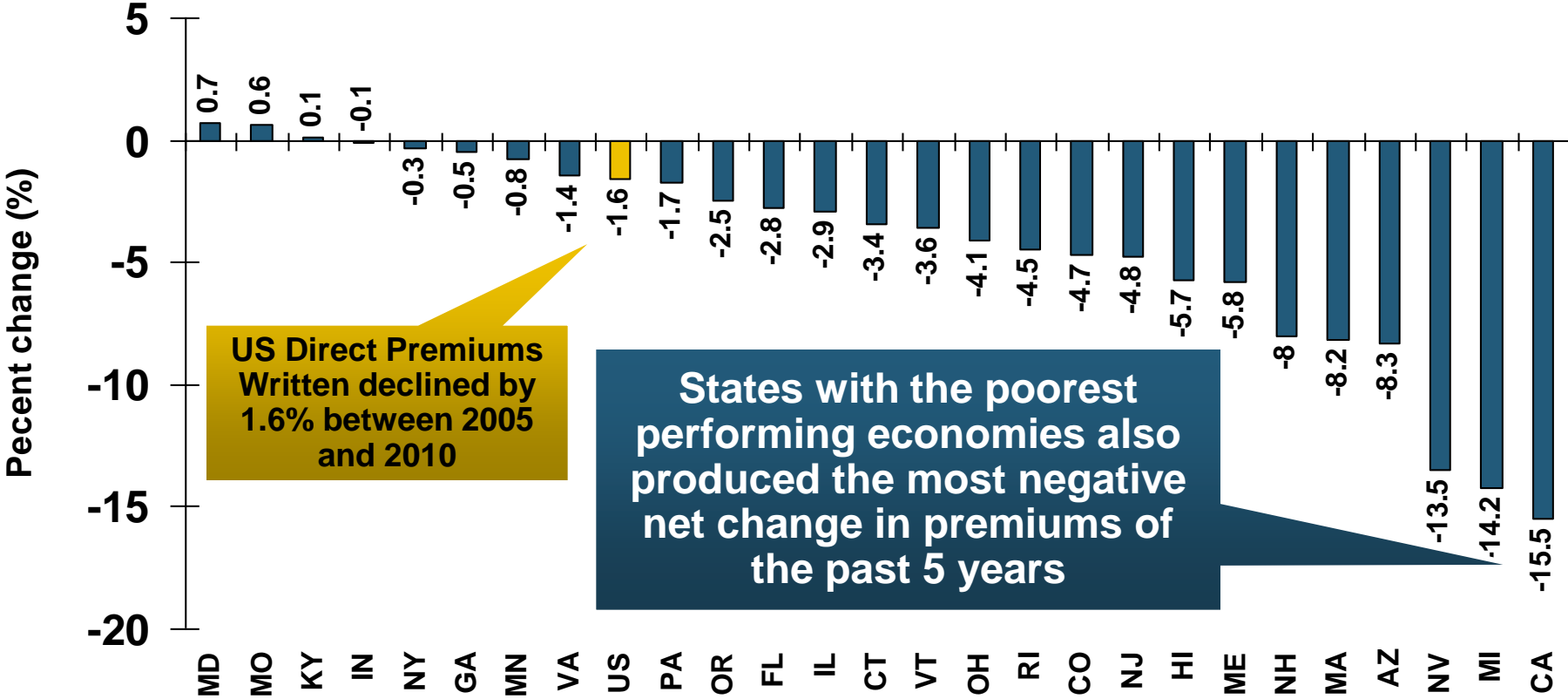
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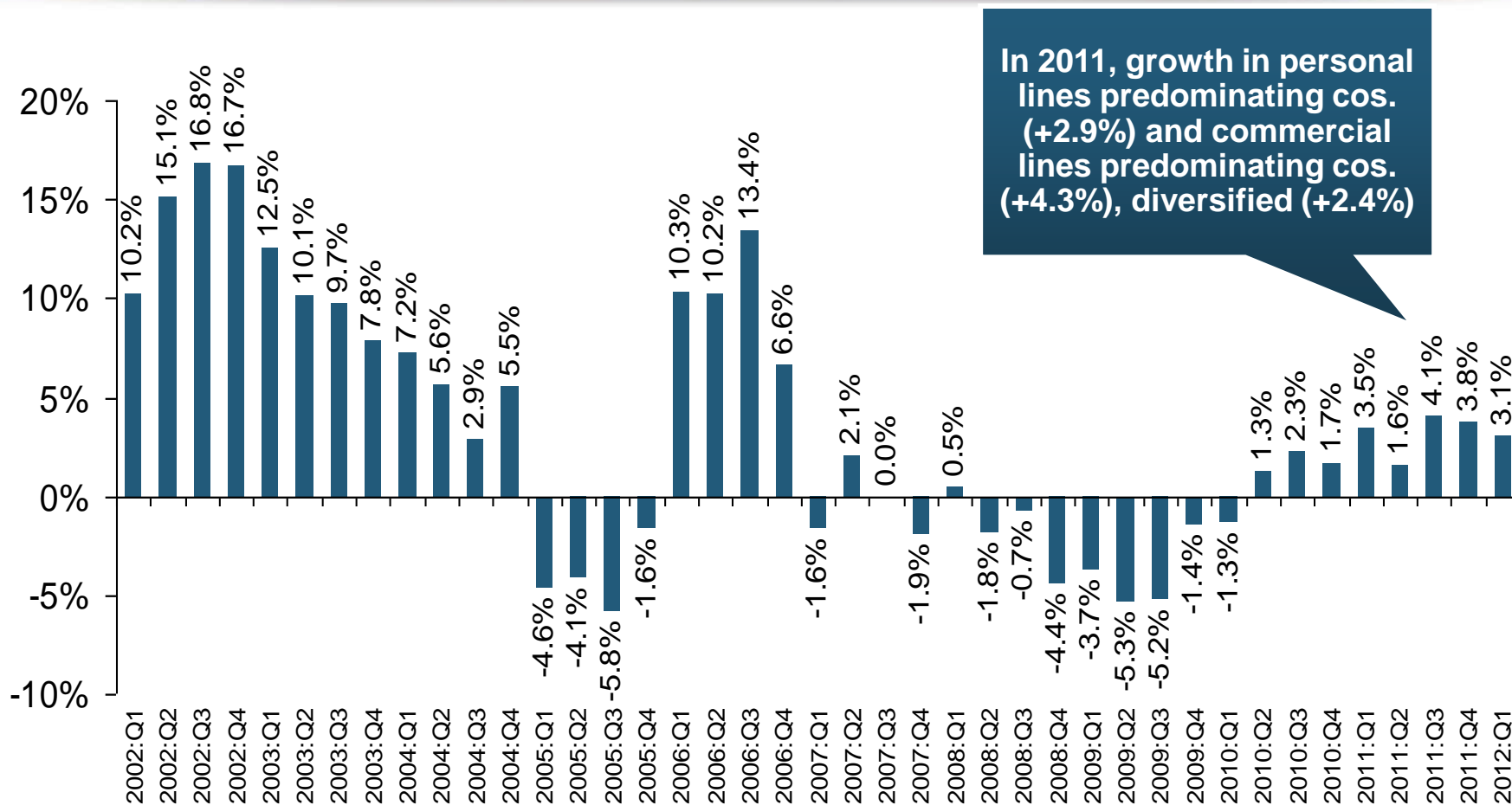
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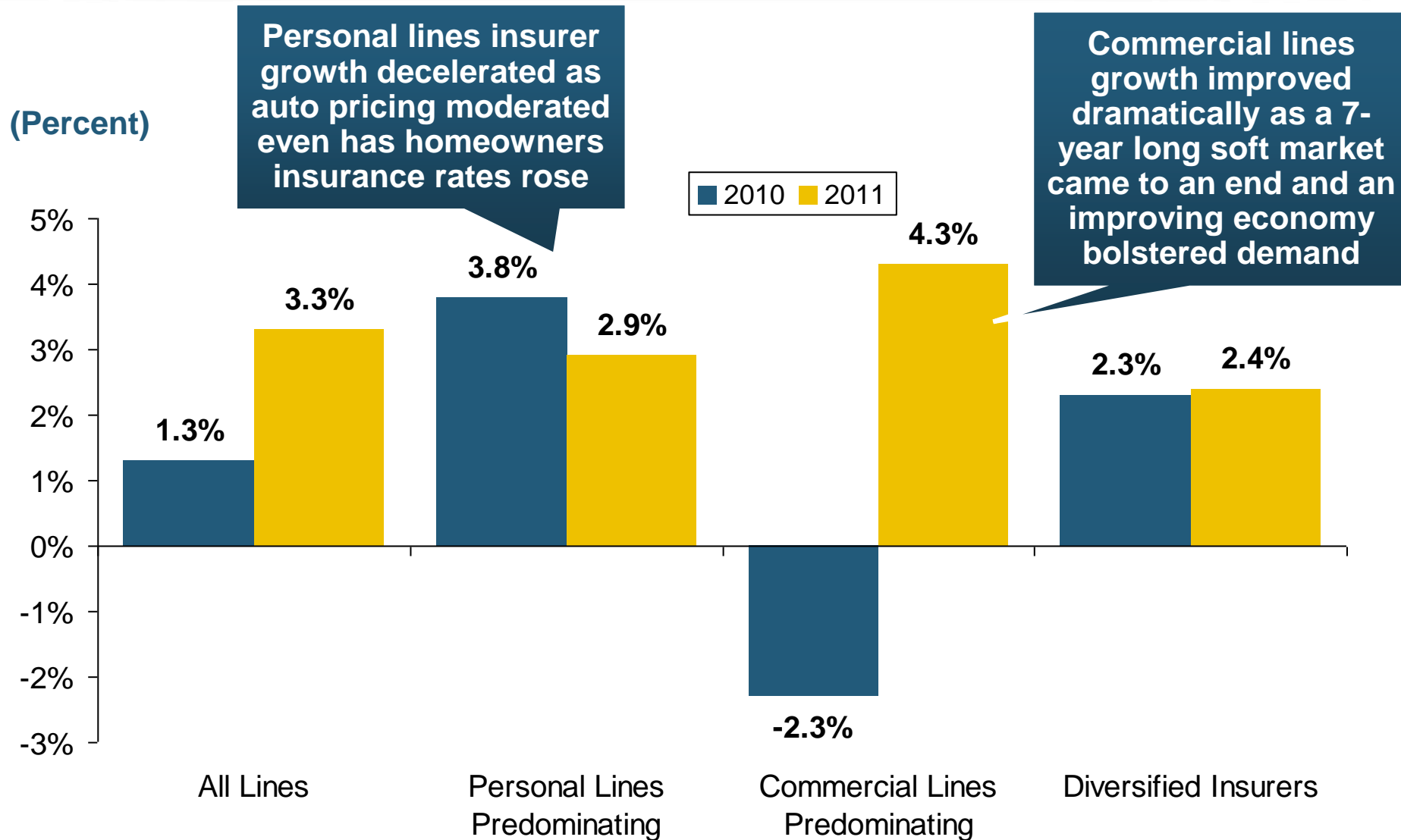
# P/C Net Premiums Written: % Change, Quarter vs. Year-Prior Quarter



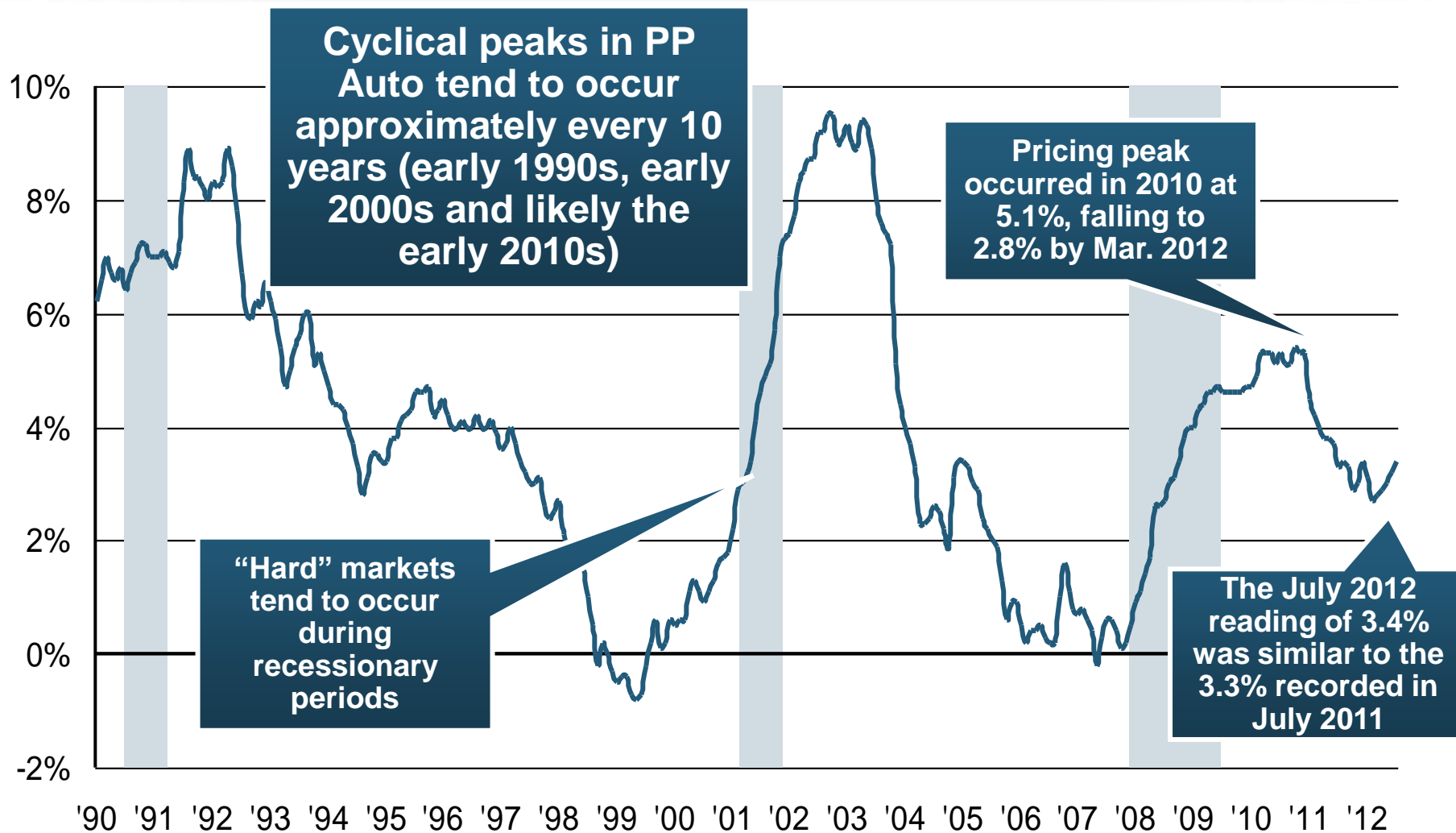
In 2011, growth in personal lines predominating cos. (+2.9%) and commercial lines predominating cos. (+4.3%), diversified (+2.4%)

**Finally! A sustained period of growth in written premium growth (vs. the same quarter, prior year)**

# Growth in Net Written Premium by Segment, 2011 vs. 2010



# Monthly Change\* in Auto Insurance Prices, 1991–2012\*

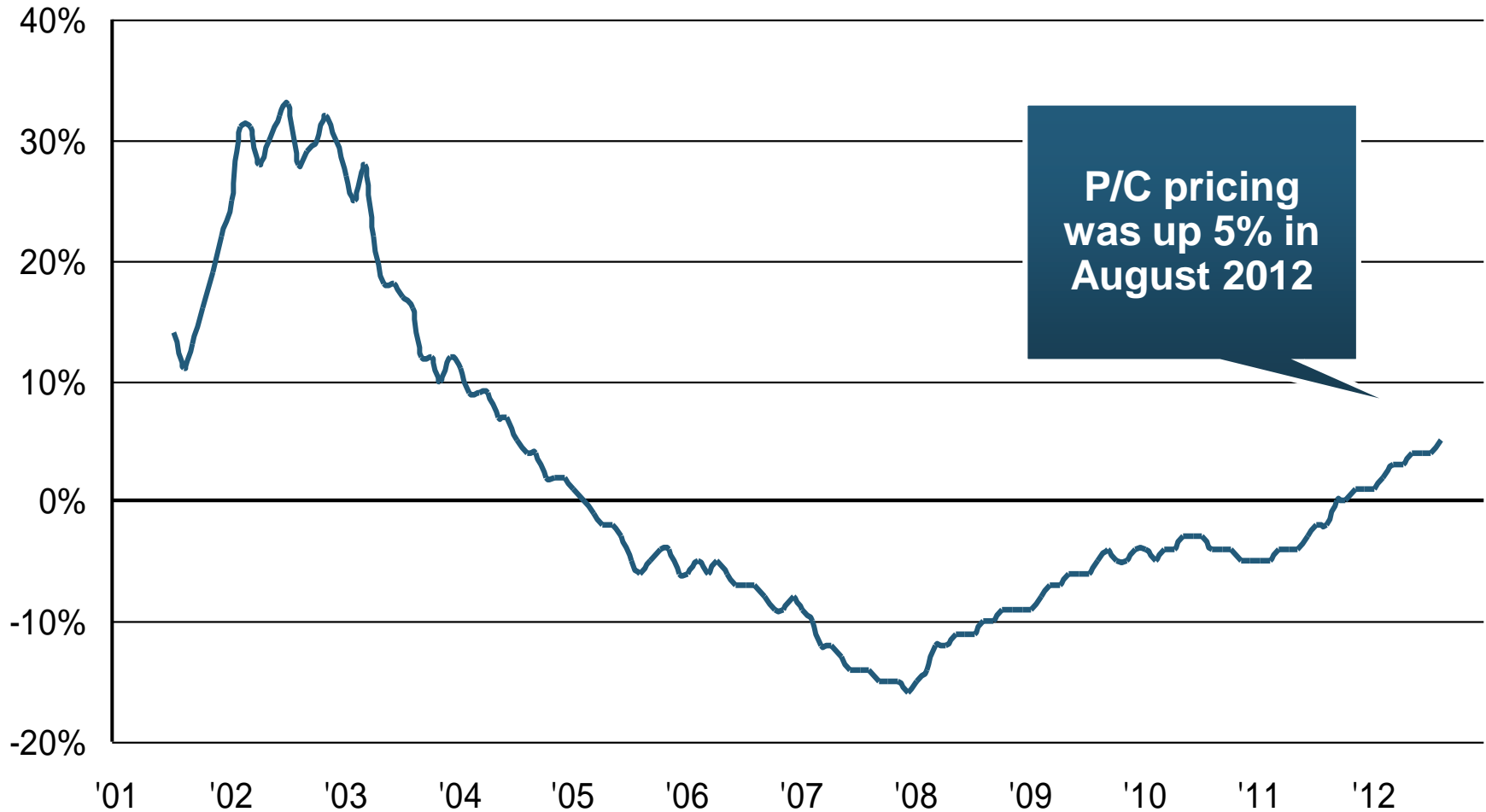


\*Percentage change from same month in prior year; through July 2012; seasonally adjusted

Note: Recessions indicated by gray shaded columns.

Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics; National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institutes.

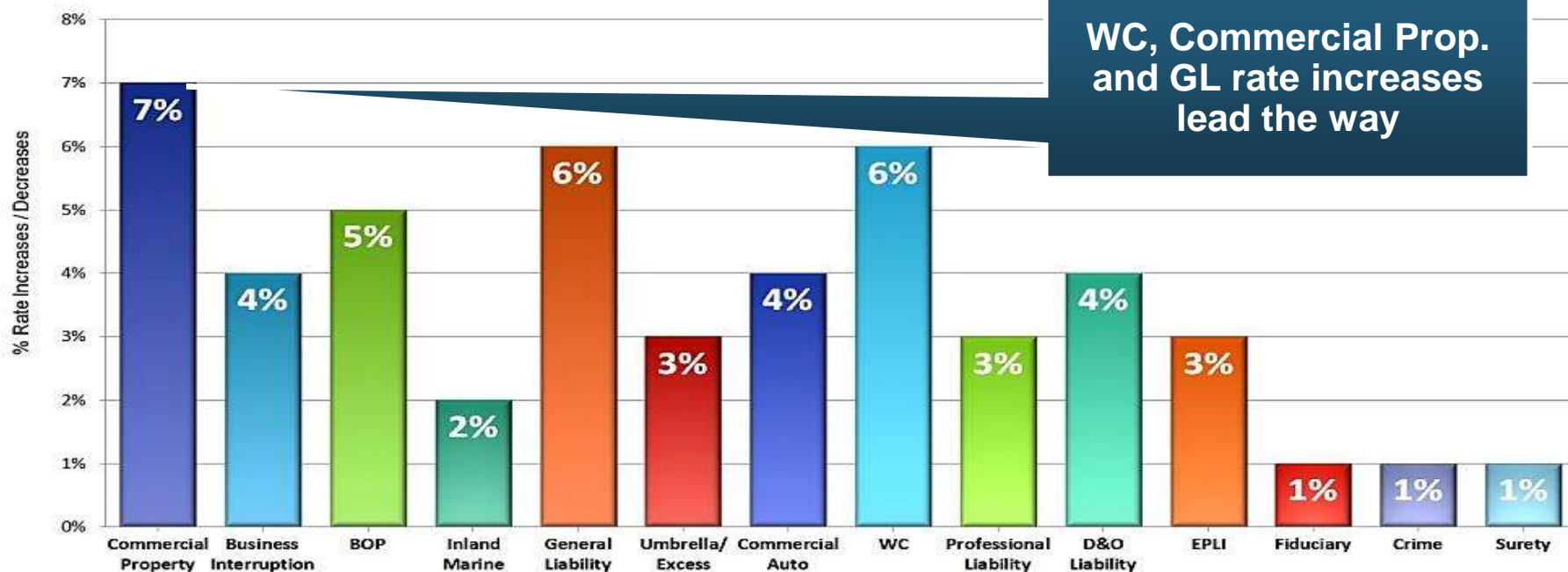
# Monthly Average P&C Rate Change, 2001—Aug. 2012



# Change in Commercial Rate Renewals, by Line: August 2012

## Percentage Change (%)

Premium Trends by Coverage Class  
August 2012



Source: MarketScout Corporation

Major Commercial Lines Are Renewed Upward in Aug. 2012

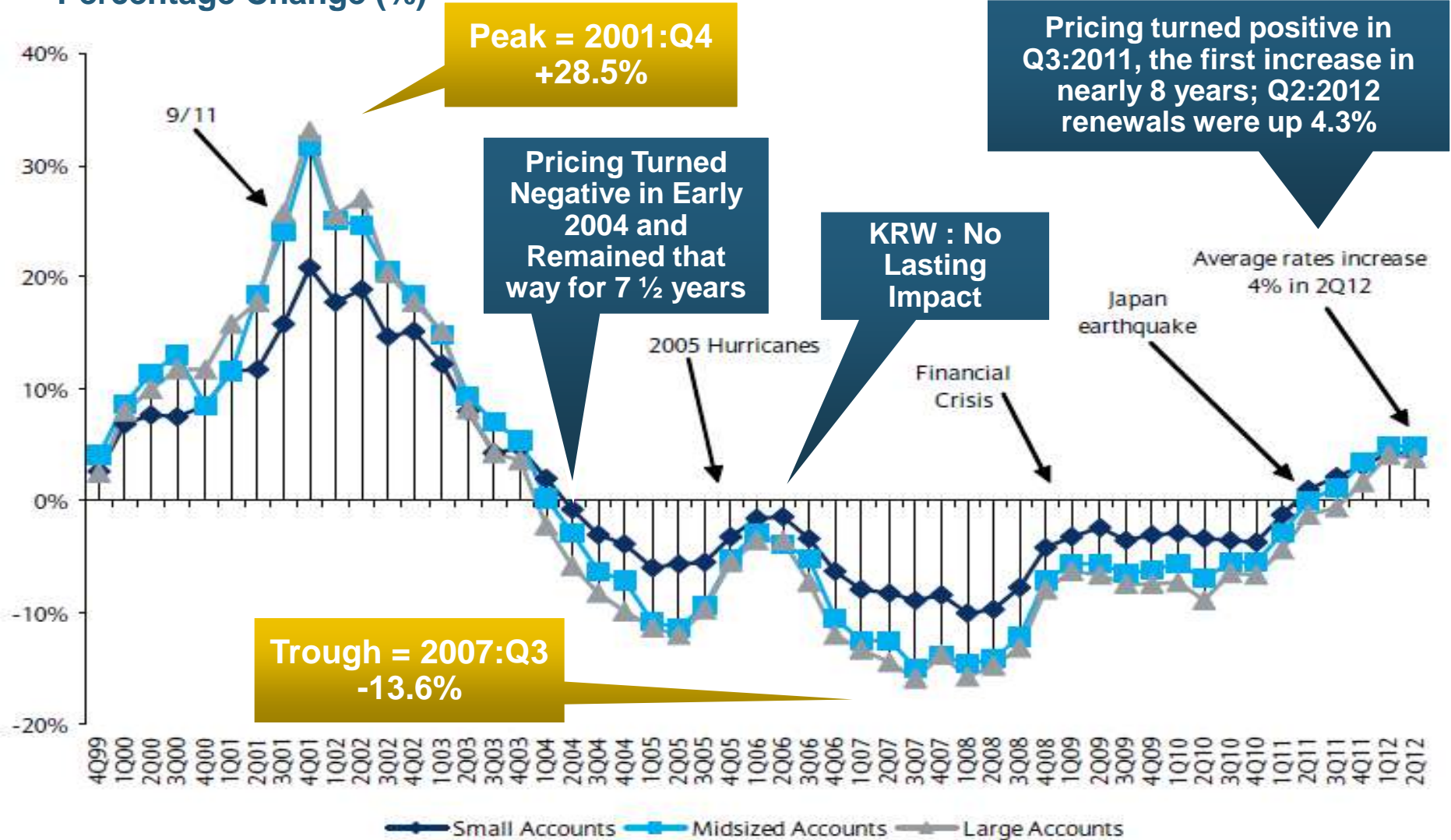
# Average Commercial Rate Change, All Lines, (1Q:2004–2Q:2012)

(Percent)



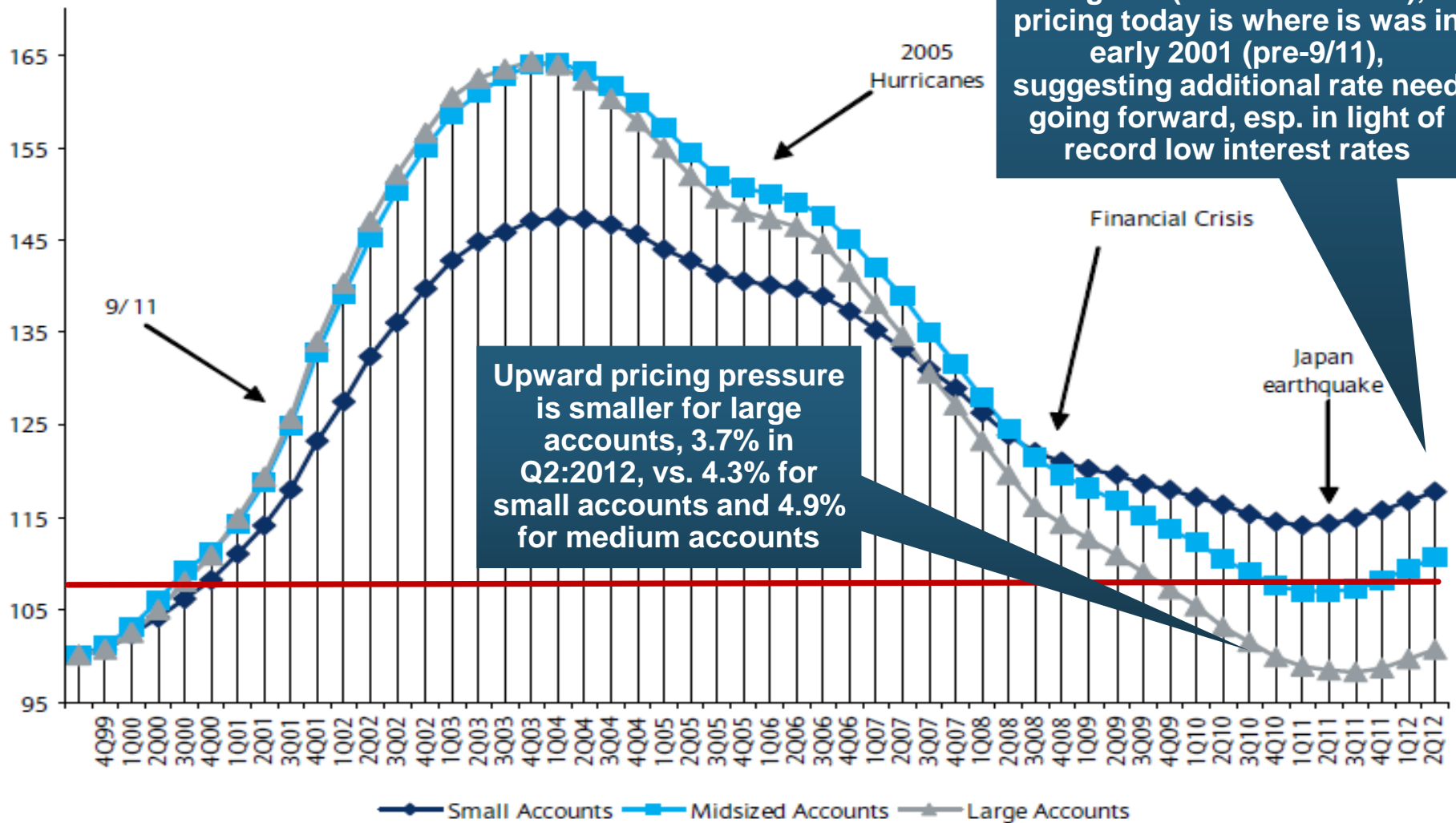
# Change in Commercial Rate Renewals, by Account Size: 1999:Q4 to 2012:Q2

Percentage Change (%)



# Cumulative Qtrly. Commercial Rate Changes, by Account Size: 1999:Q4 to 2012:Q2

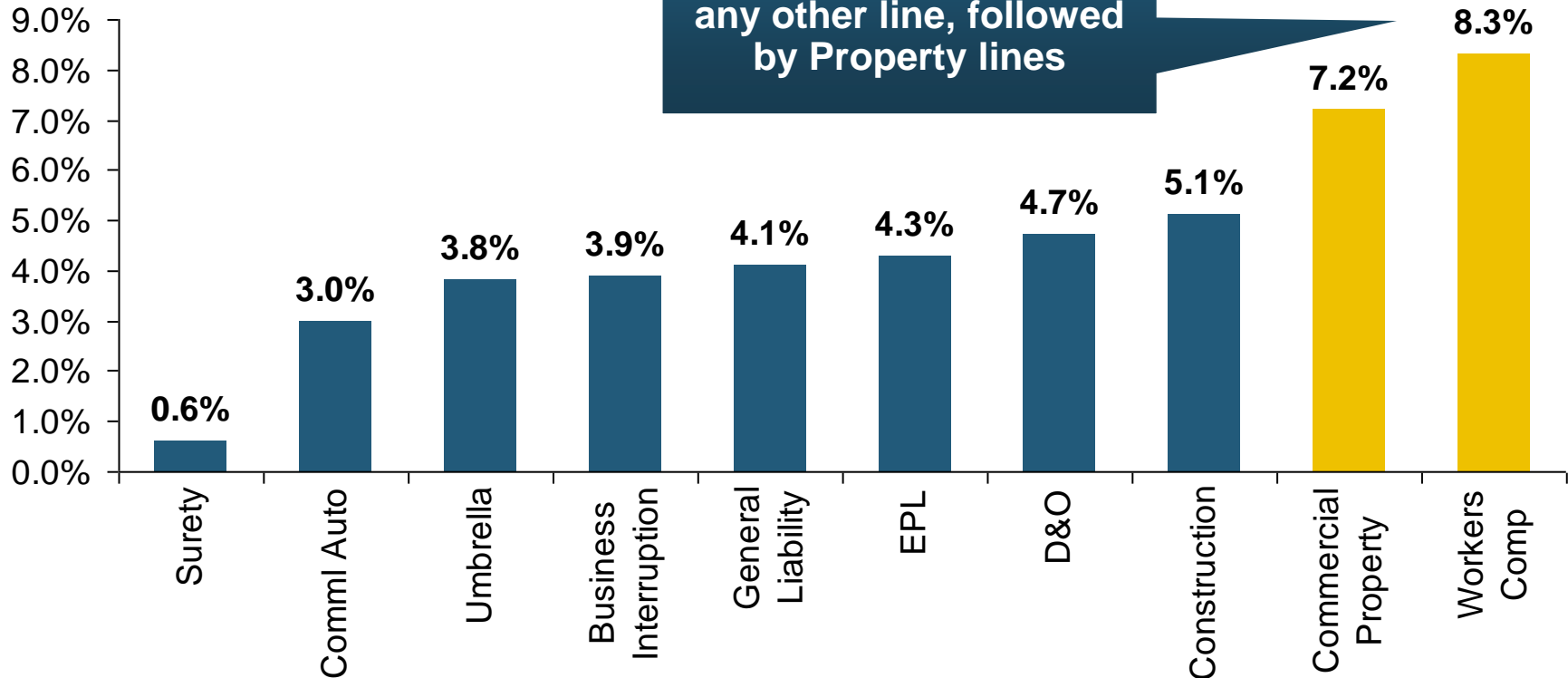
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# Change in Commercial Rate Renewals, by Line: 2012:Q2

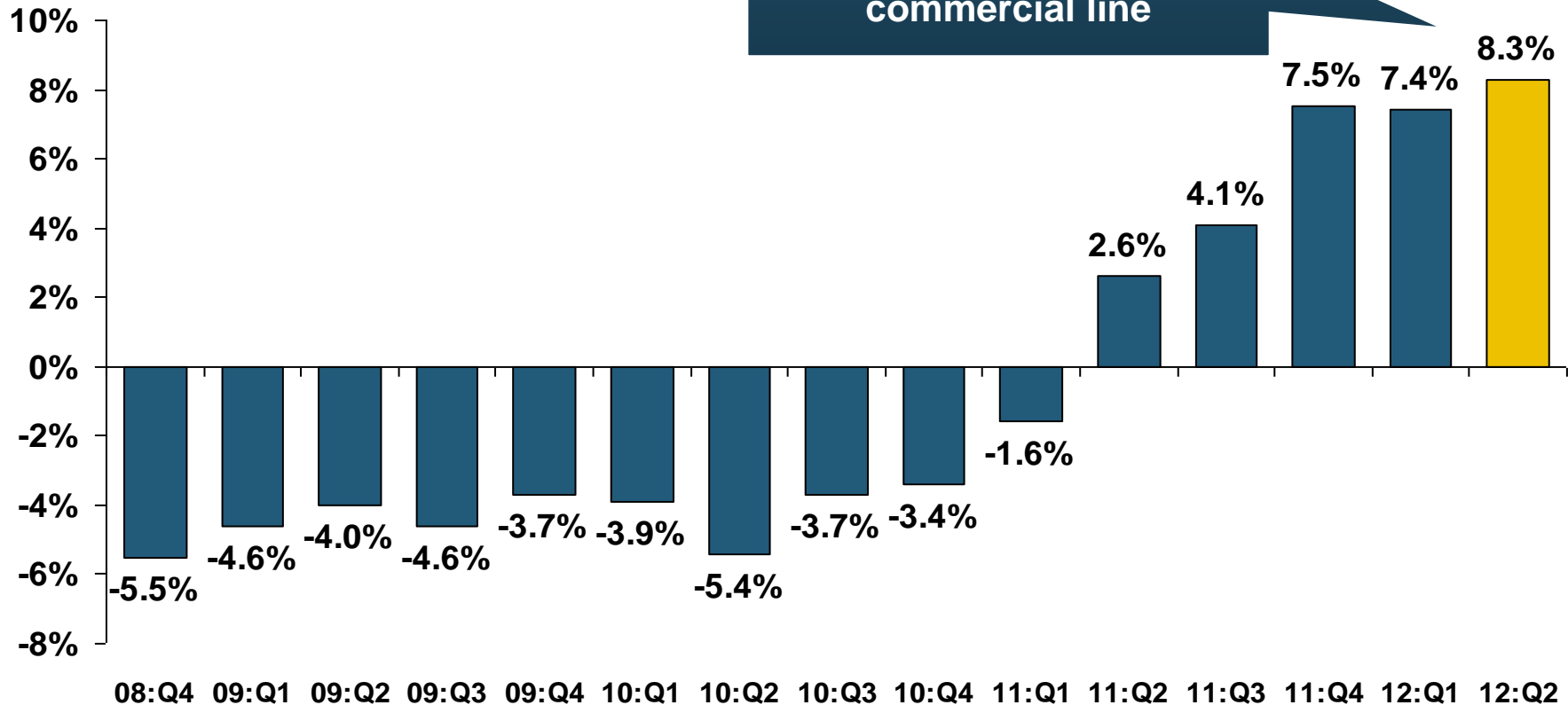
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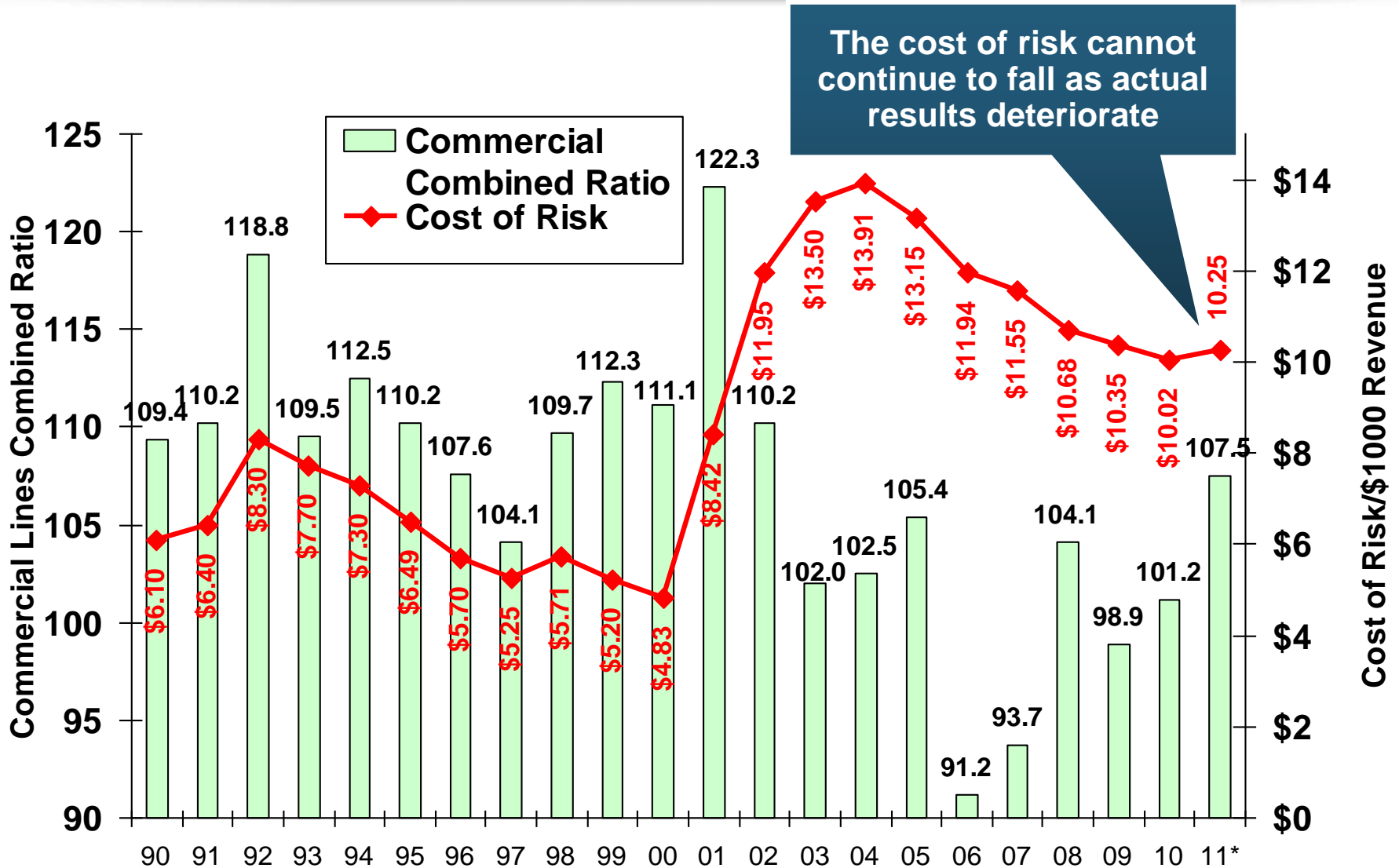
**Major Commercial Lines Renewed Uniformly Upward in Q2:2012 for Only the Fourth Time Since 2003; Property Lines & Workers Comp Leading the Way; Cat Losses and Low Interest Rates Provide Momentum Going Forward**

# Workers Comp Rate Changes, 2008:Q4 – 2012:Q2

(Percent  
Change)



# Cost of Risk vs. Commercial Lines Combined Ratio



\*Insurance Information Institute estimates for 2011.

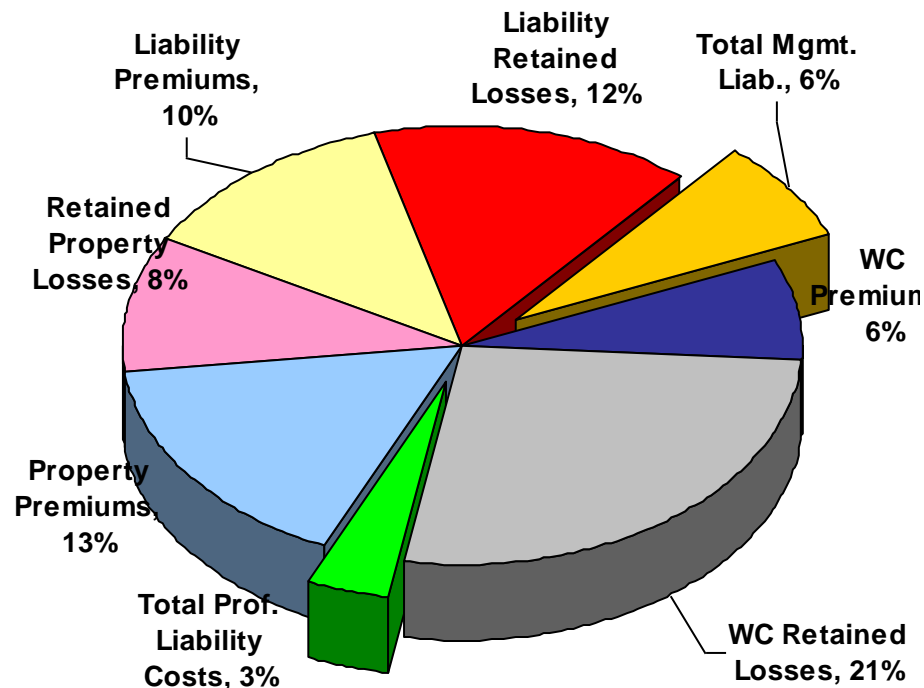
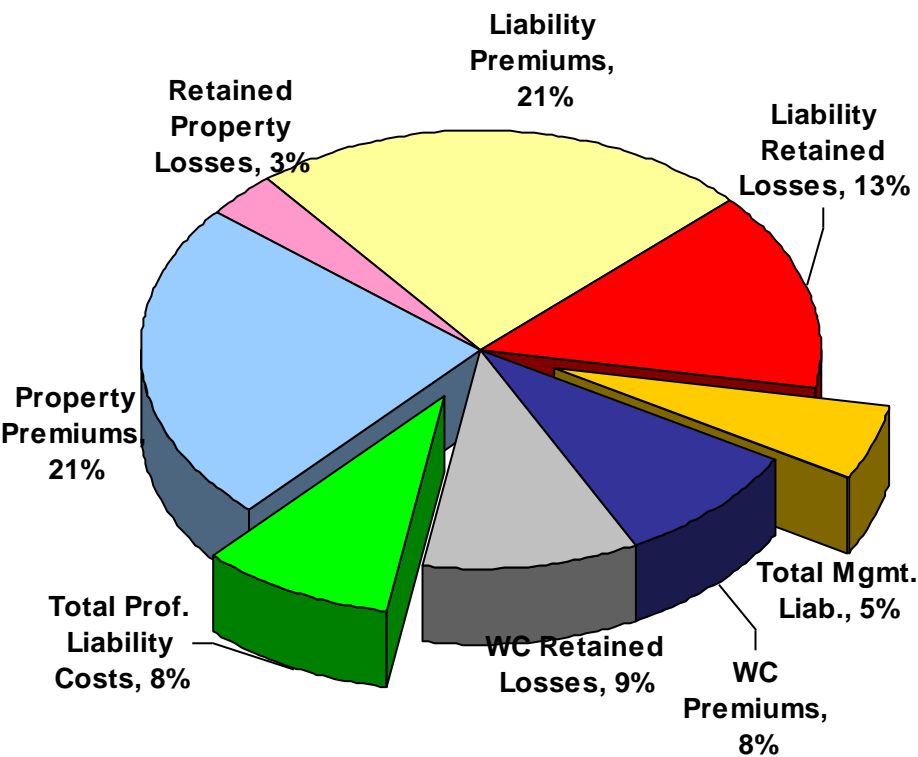
Source: 2011 RIMS Benchmark Survey; A.M. Best; Insurance Information Institute

# How the Risk Dollar is Spent (2011)

**Management & Professional Liability Costs Account for 9% - 13% of the Risk Dollar**

Firms w/Revenues < \$1 Billion

Firms w/Revenues > \$1 Billion

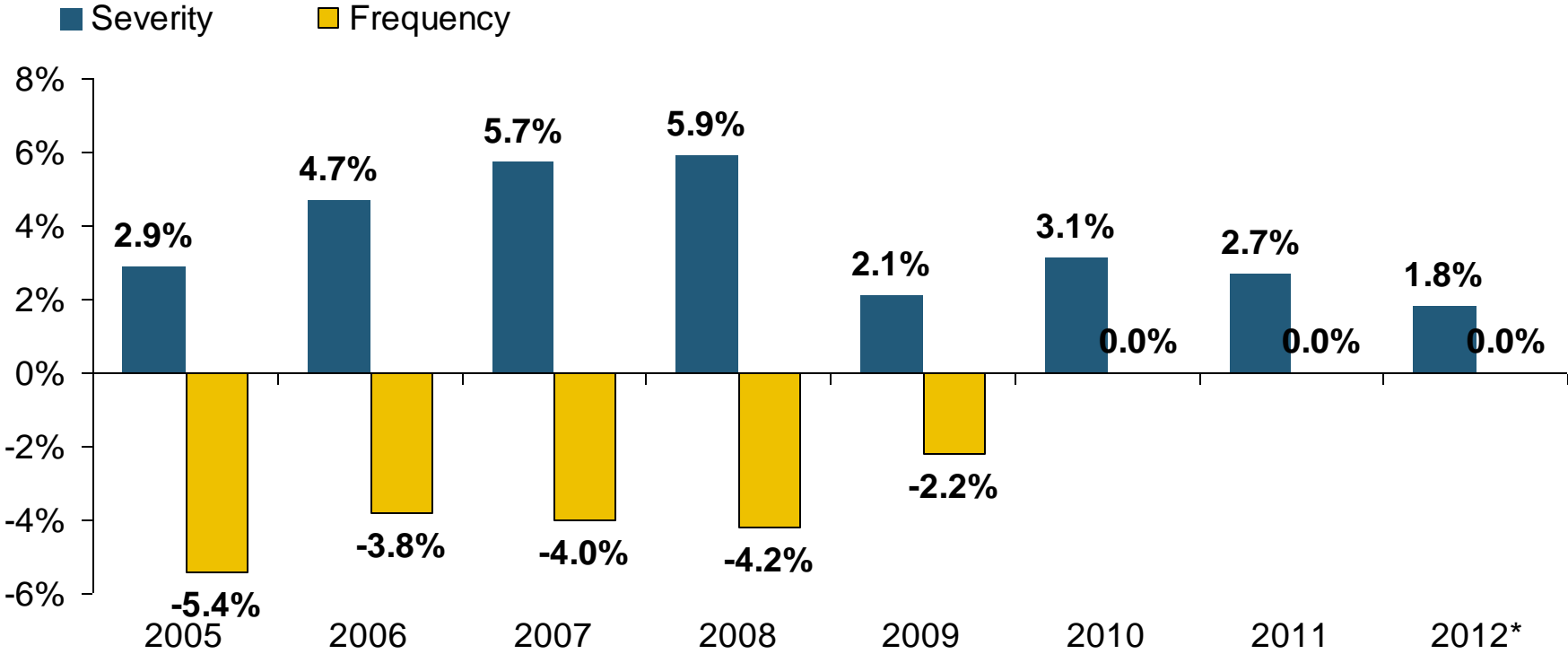


# Claim Trends in Auto Insurance

**Rising Costs Held in Check by  
Falling Frequency:  
Can That Pattern Be Sustained?**

# Bodily Injury: Severity Trend Is Up, Frequency Decline Ended and Is Now Flat

Annual Change, 2005 through 2012\*

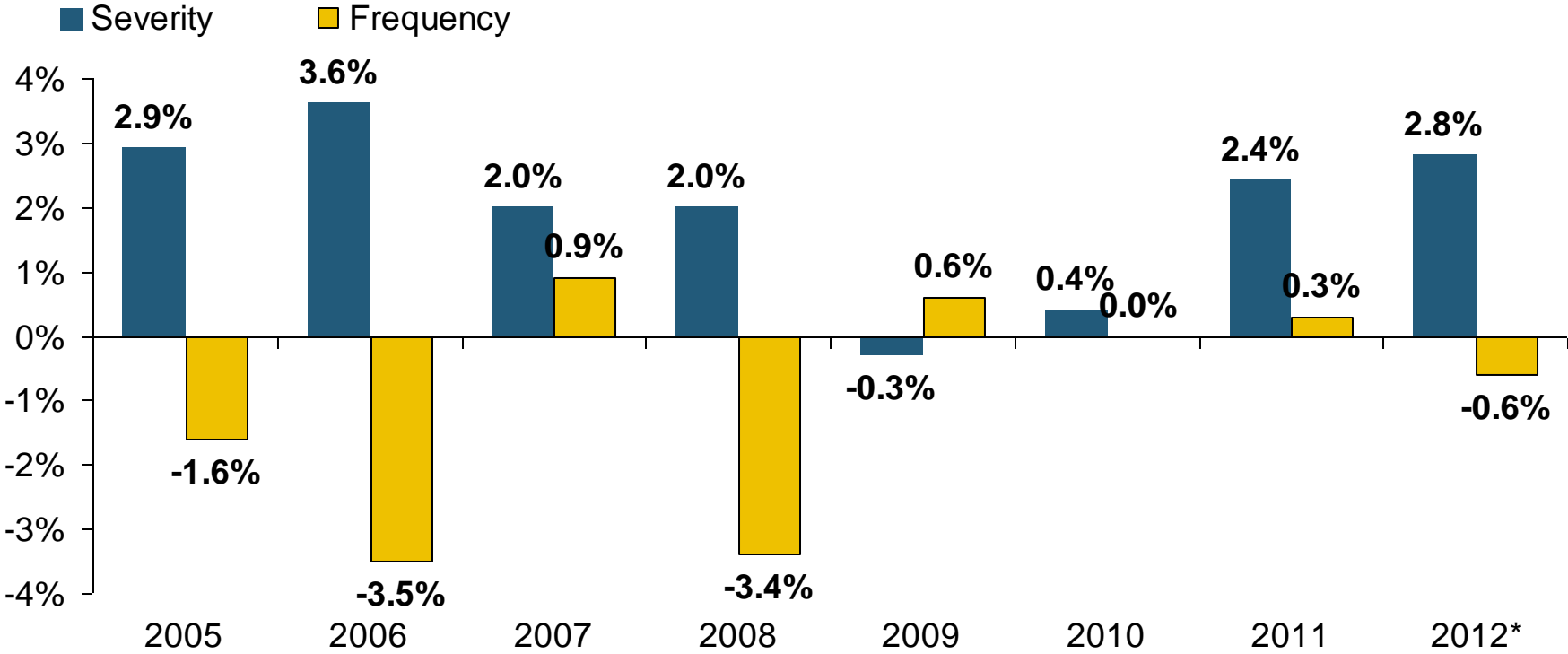


**Cost Pressures Will Increase if BI Severity Increases Continue or Frequency Ticks Up**

\*2012 figure is for the 4 quarters ending with 2012:Q1.  
 Source: ISO/PCI *Fast Track* data; Insurance Information Institute

# Property Damage Liability: Severity is Up, Frequency Nearly Flat Since 2009

Annual Change, 2005 through 2012\*

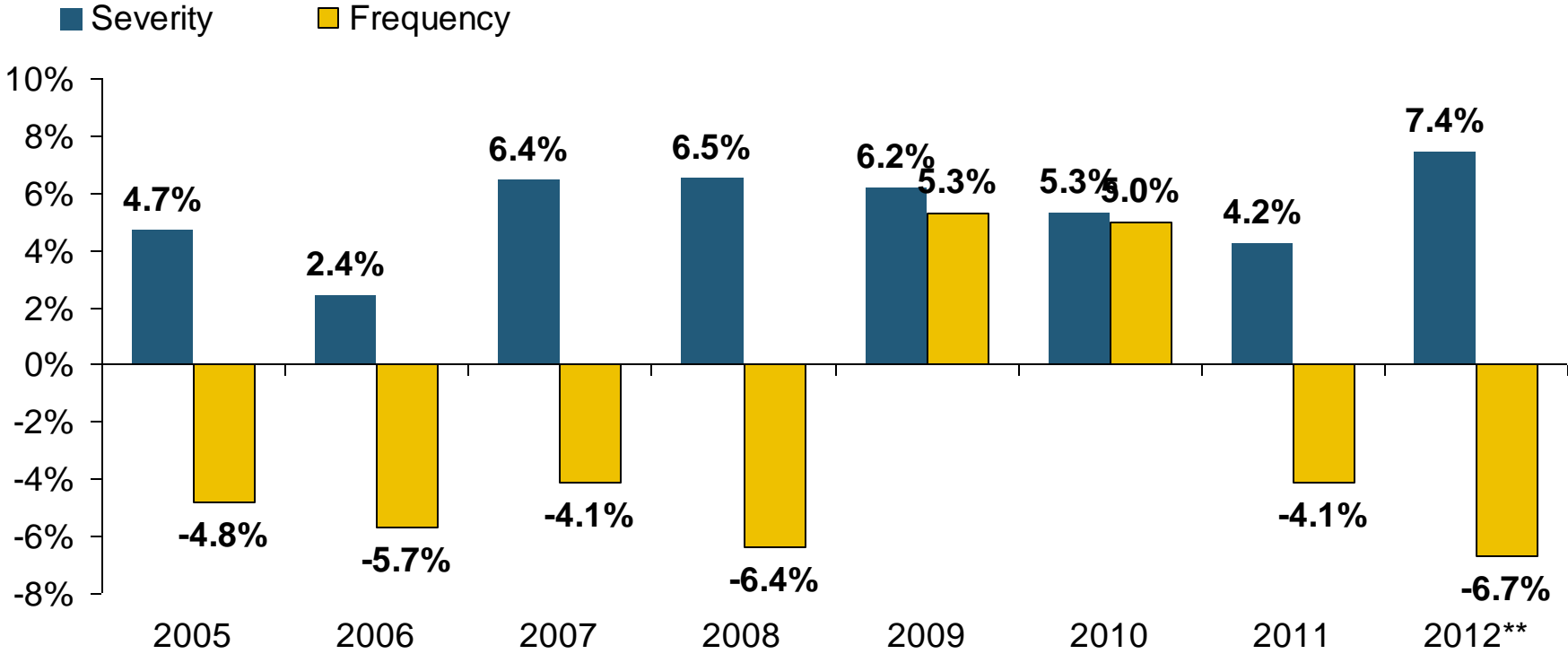


**Severity/Frequency Trends Have Been Volatile, But Rising Severity in 2011 Is a Concern**

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 Source: ISO/PCI *Fast Track* data; Insurance Information Institute

# No-Fault (PIP) Liability: Severity Trend Remains Adverse\*

Annual Change, 2005 through 2012\*\*



**Multiple States Are Experiencing Severe Fraud and Abuse Problems in their No-Fault Systems, Especially FL, MI, NY and NJ**

\*No-fault states included are: FL, HI, KS, KY, MA, MI, MN, NY, ND and UT.

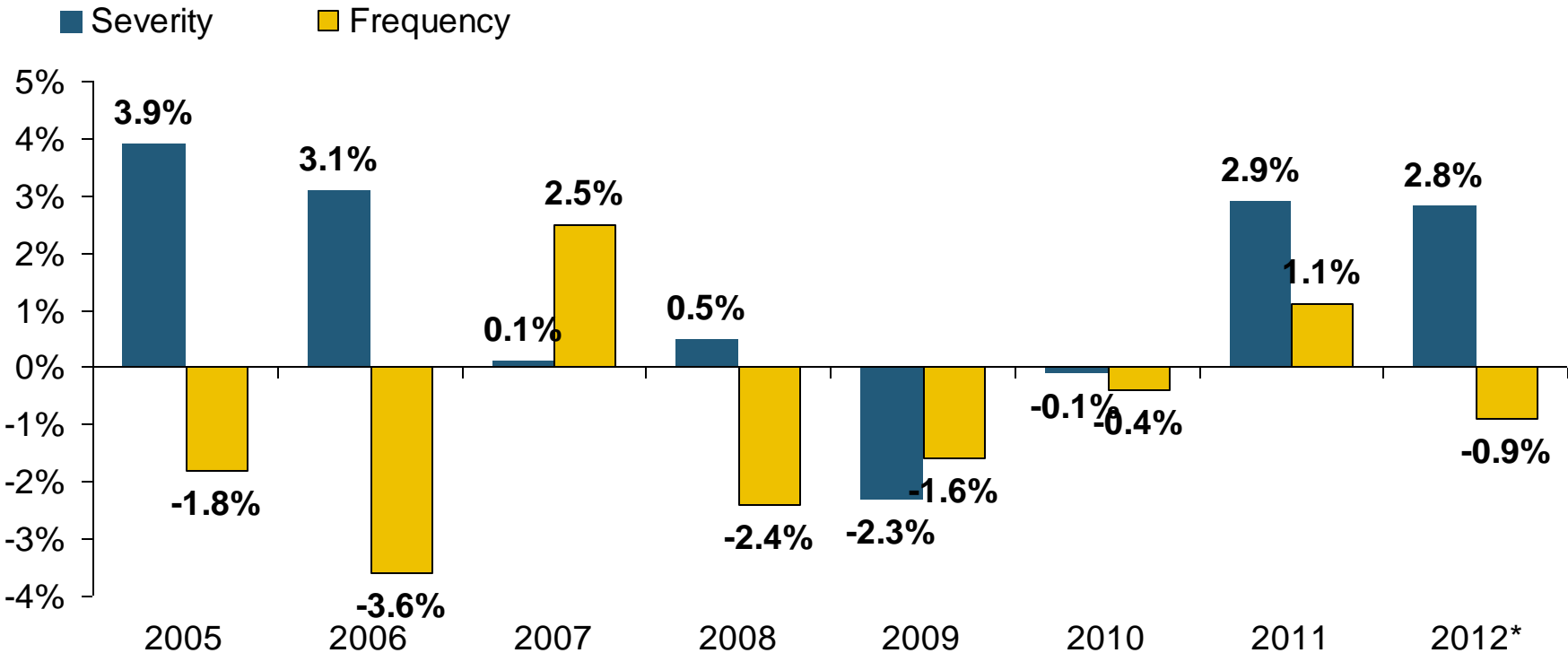
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# Collision Coverage: Severity Trend Is Up While Frequency Is Down in 2012\*

Annual Change, 2005 through 2012\*

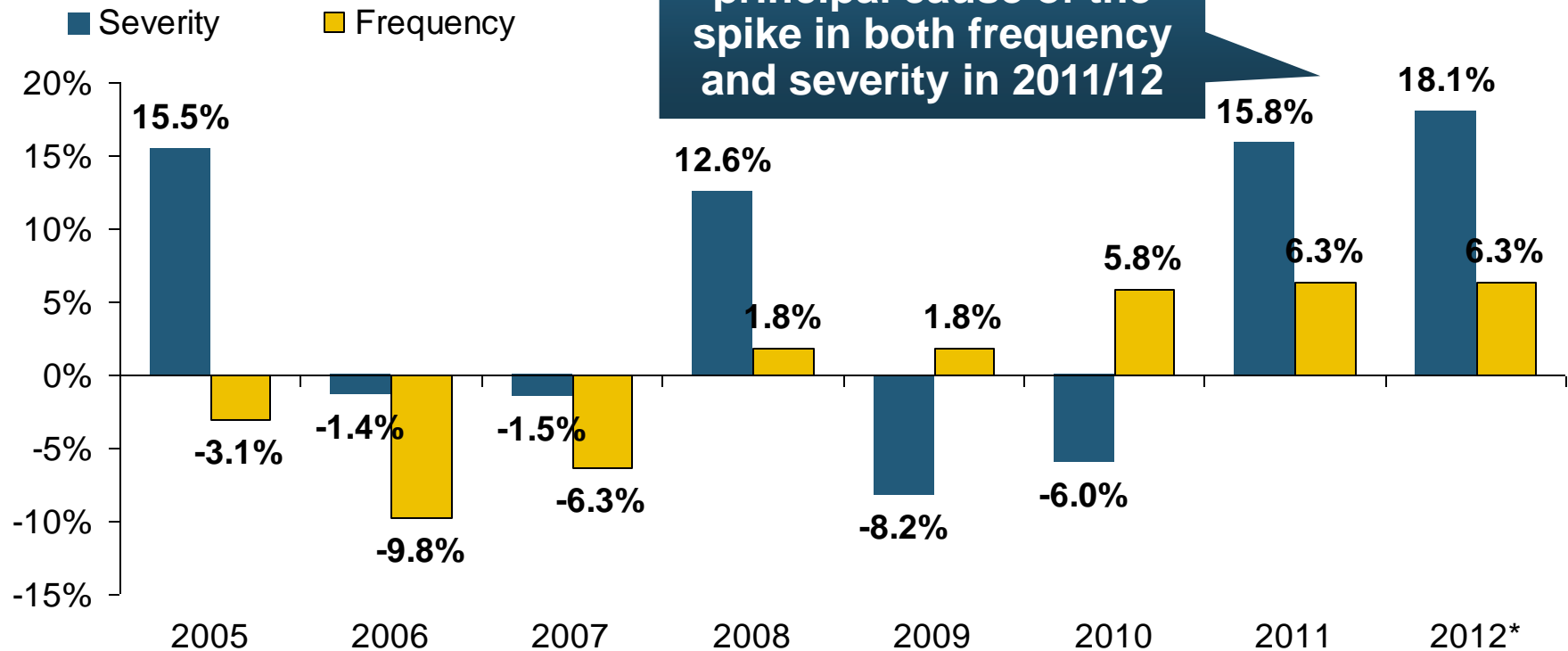


**The Recession, High Fuel Prices Have Helped Temper Frequency and Severity, But this Trend Will Likely Be Reversed Based on Evidence from Past Recoveries**

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# Comprehensive Coverage: Frequency and Severity Trends in Are Unfavorable

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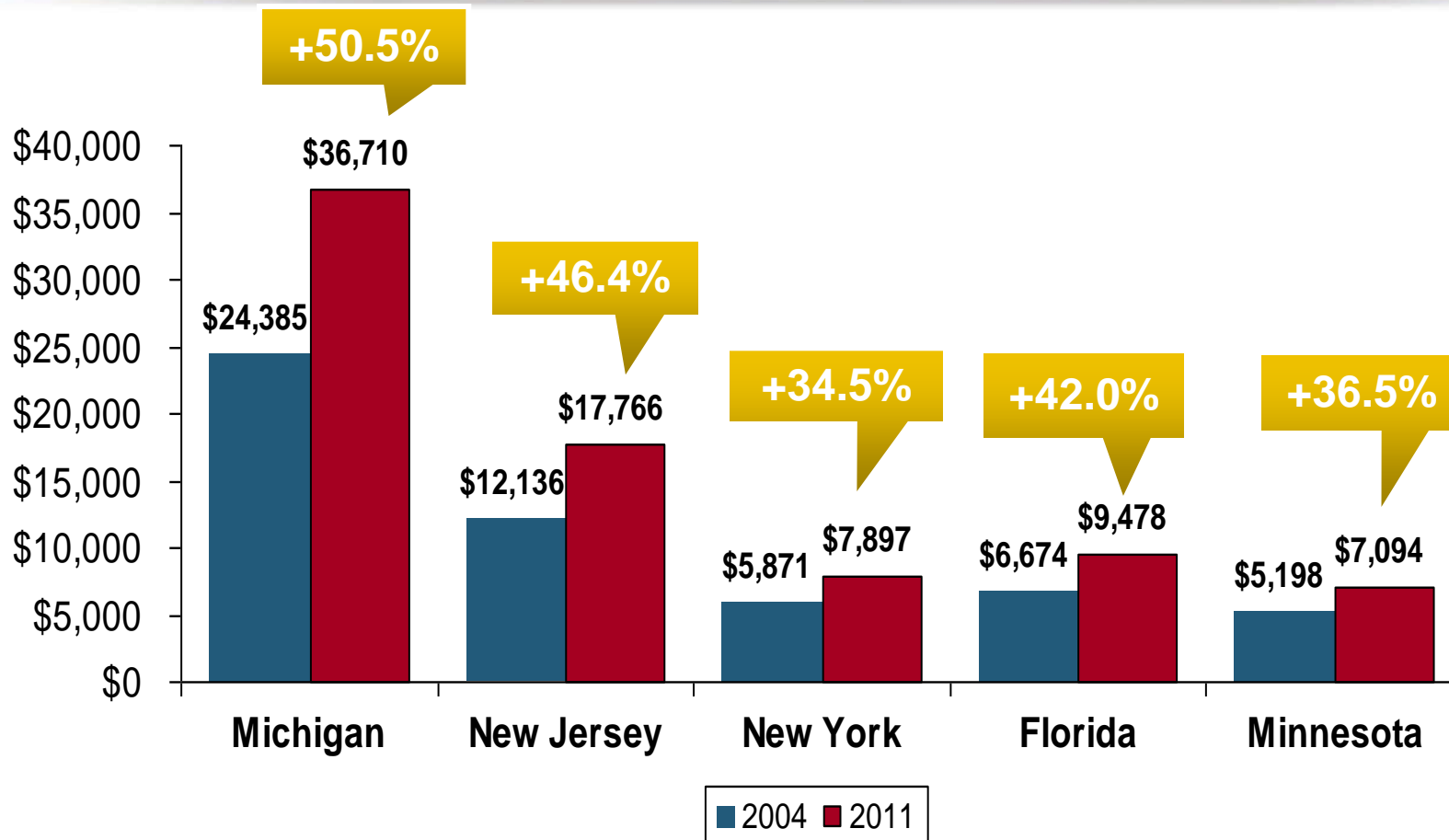


**Weather Creates Volatility for Comprehensive Coverage; Recession Has Helped Push Down Frequency and Temper Severity, But This Factor Will Weaken as Economy Recovers**

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# Increase in No-Fault Claim Severity: Selected States, 2004-2011

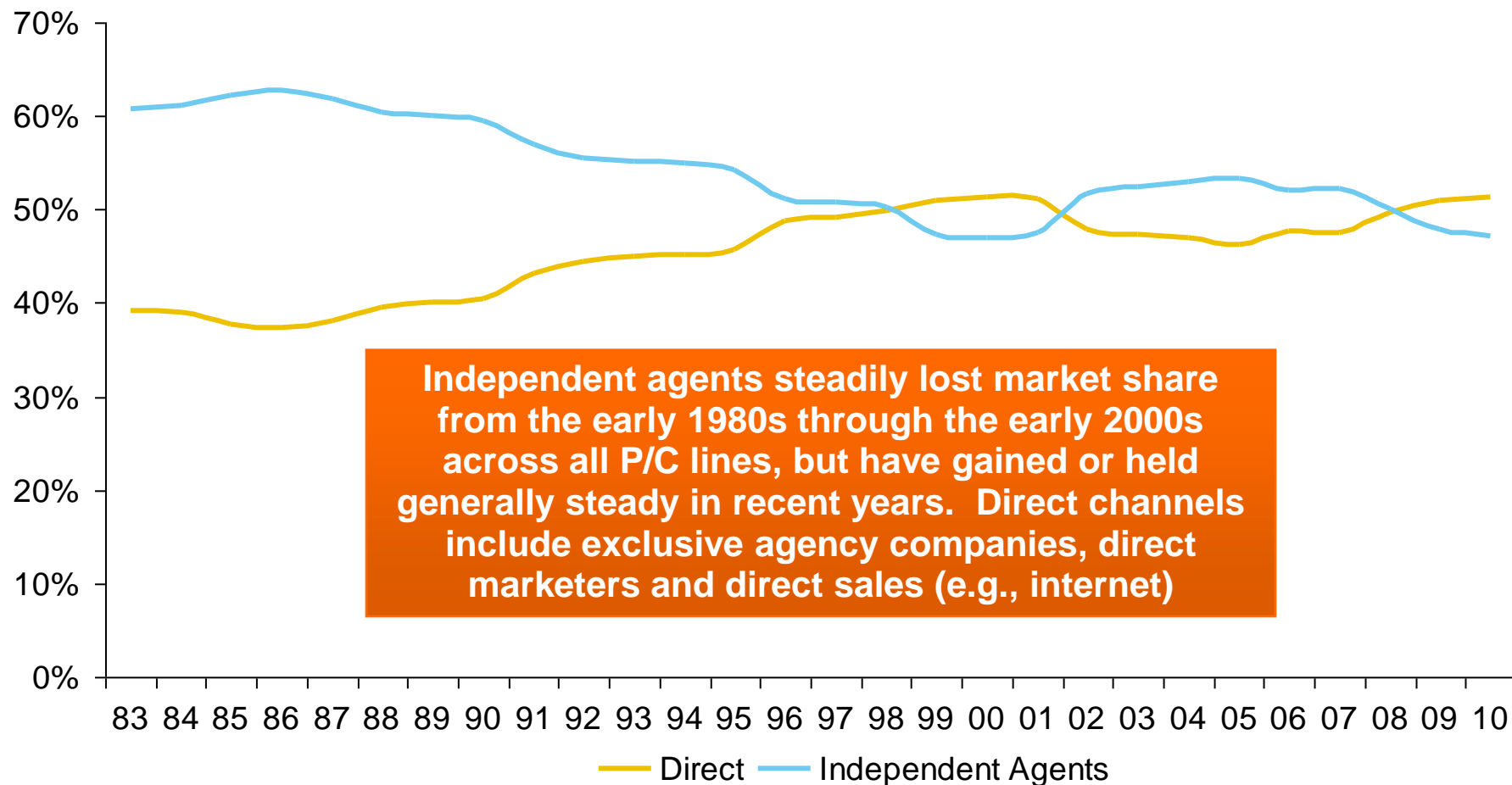


The no-fault systems in MI, NJ, NY, FL, and MN are under stress due to rising fraud and abuse, which leads to higher premiums for honest drivers.

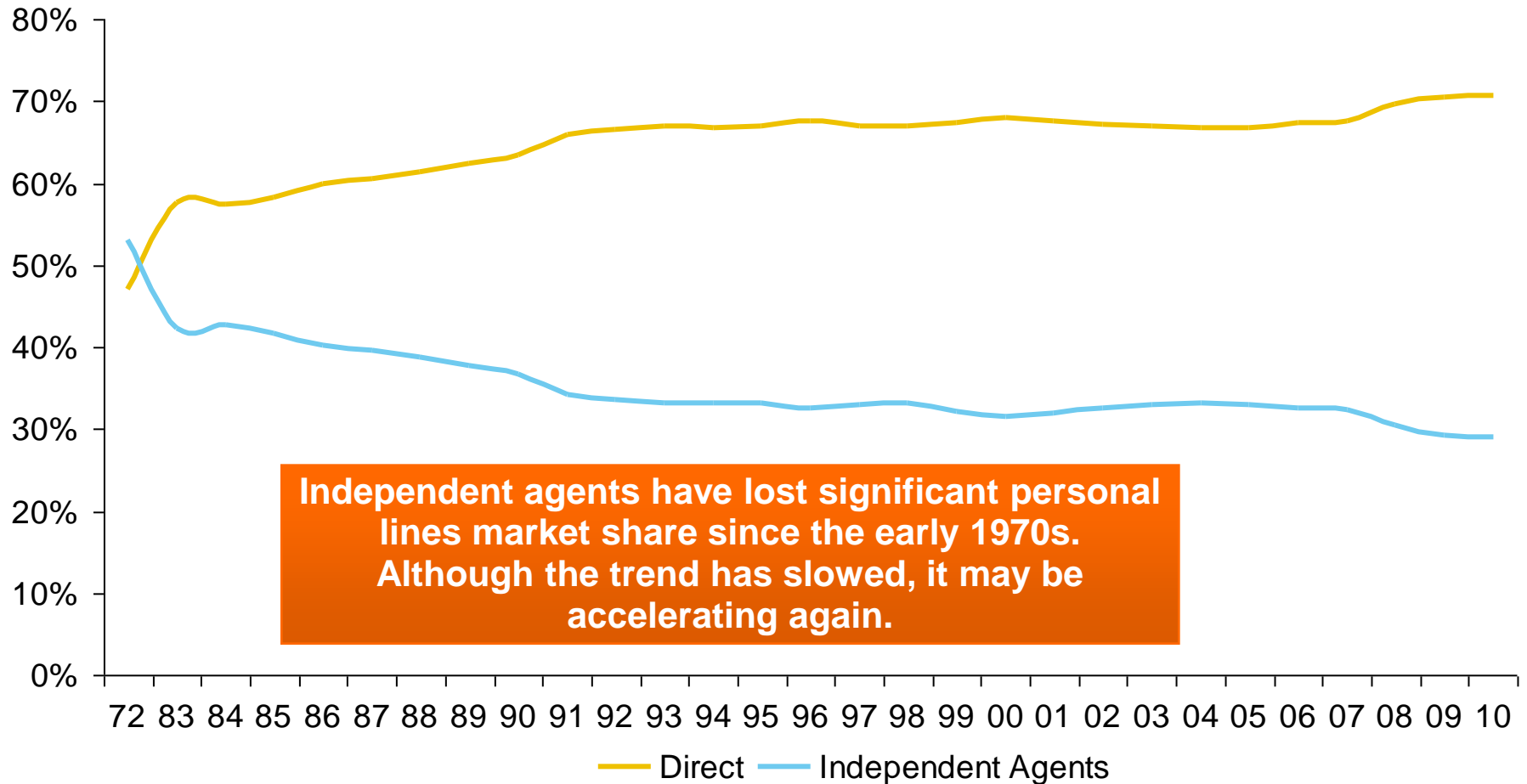
# Distribution Trends

## Distribution by Channel Type Continues to Evolve

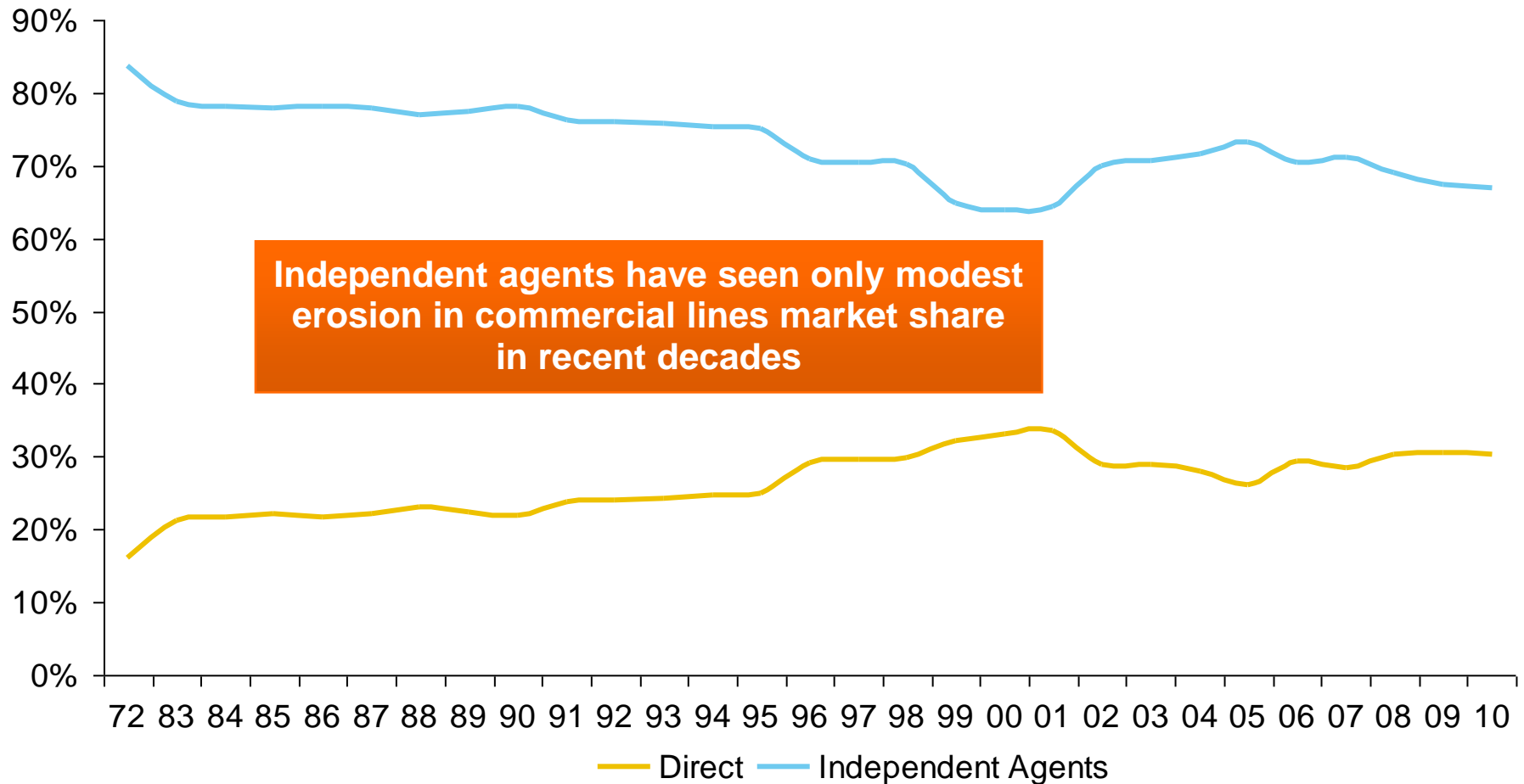
# All P/C Lines Distribution Channels, Direct vs. Independent Agents



# Personal Lines Distribution Channels, Direct vs. Independent Agents



# Commercial P/C Distribution Channels, Direct vs. Independent Agents



# Other Cycle-Influencing Factors

**Could Other Factors Act as  
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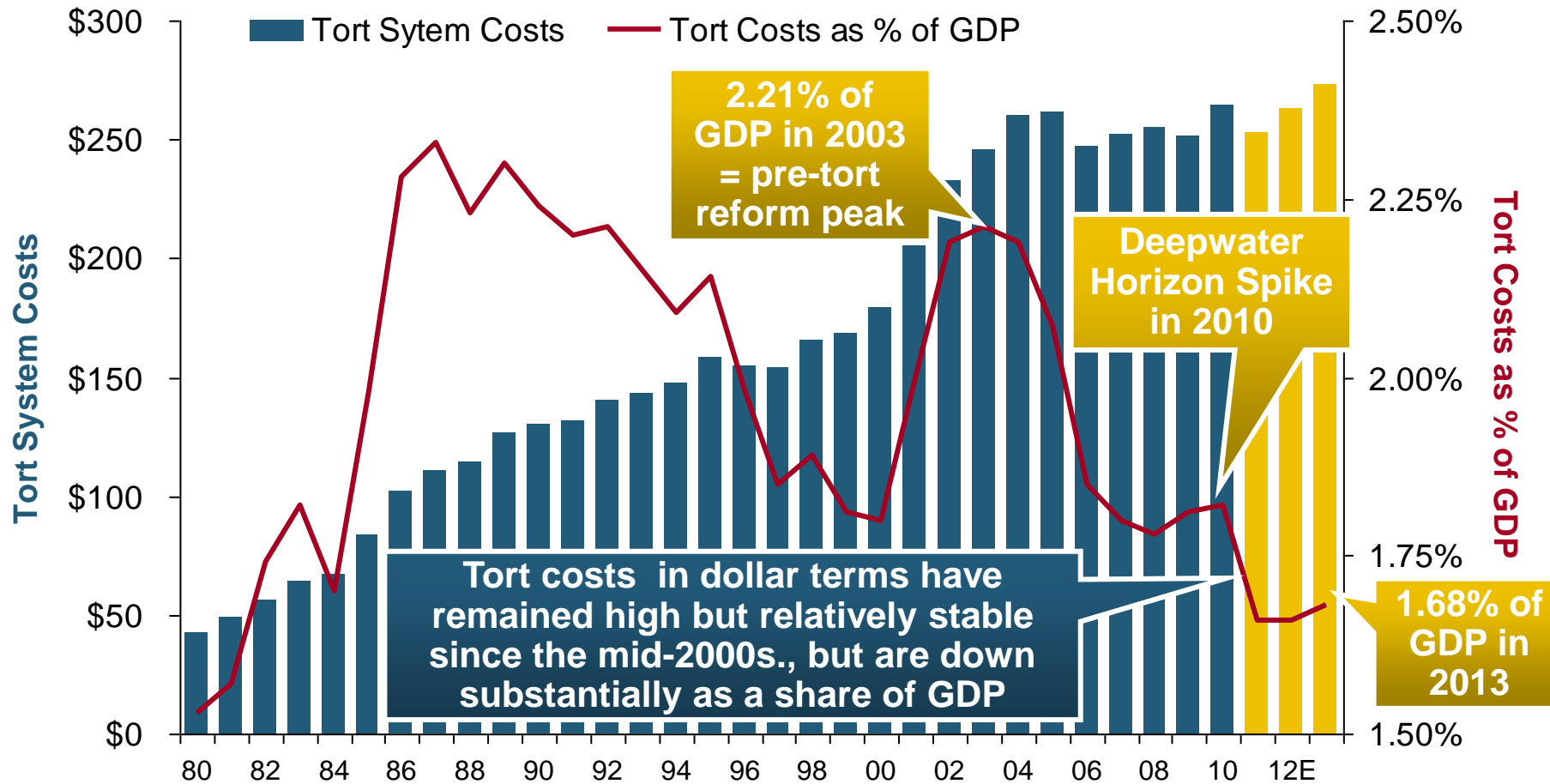


# Shifting Legal Liability & Tort Environment

## Is the Tort Pendulum Swinging Against Insurers?

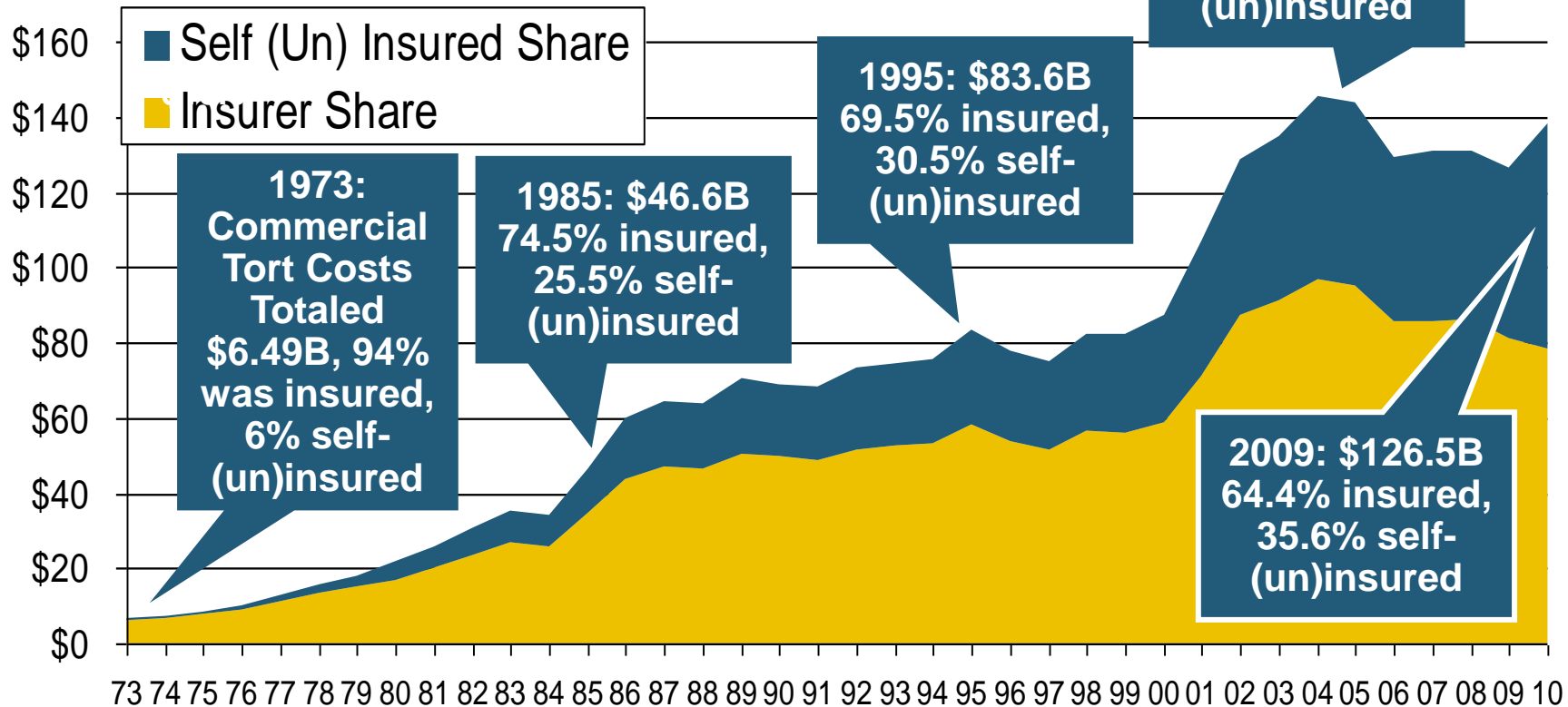
# Over the Last Three Decades, Total Tort Costs as a % of GDP Appear Somewhat Cyclical, 1980-2013E

(\$ Billions)



# Commercial Lines Tort Costs: Insured vs. Self-(Un)Insured Shares, 1973-2010

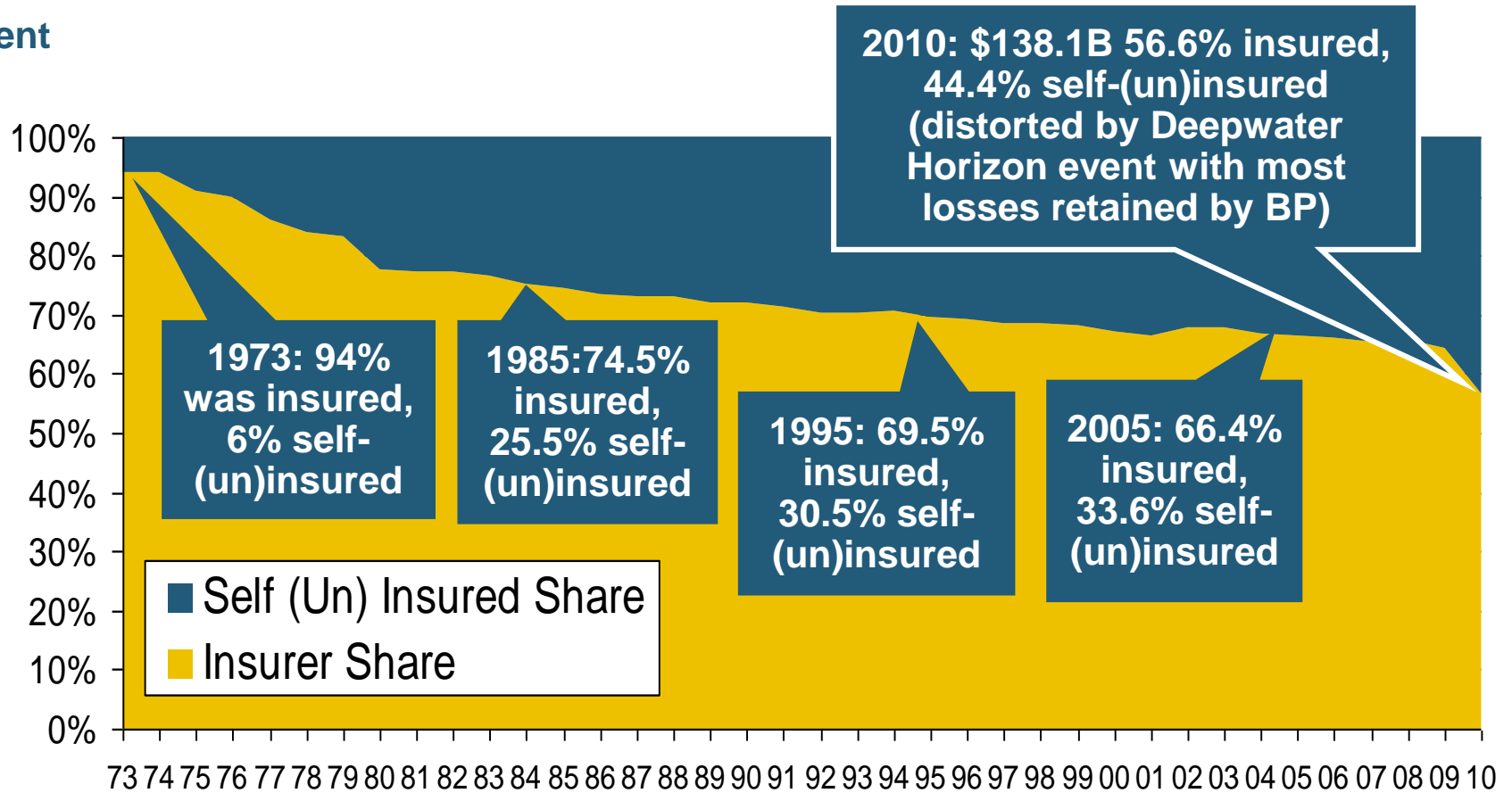
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**Tort Costs and the Share Retained by Risks Both Grew Rapidly from the mid-1970s to mid-2000s, When Tort Costs Began to Fall But Self-Insurance Shares Continued to Rise**

# Commercial Lines Tort Costs: Insured vs. Self-(Un)Insured Shares, 1973-2010

Percent



**The Share of Tort Costs Retained by Risks Has Been Steadily Increasing for Nearly 40 Years. This Trend Contributes Has Left Insurers With Less Control Over Pricing.**

# Business Leaders Ranking of Liability Systems in 2012

## Best States

1. Delaware
2. Nebraska
3. Wyoming
4. Minnesota
5. Kansas
6. Idaho
7. Virginia
8. North Dakota
9. Utah

### New in 2012

- Wyoming
- Minnesota
- Kansas
- Idaho

### Drop-offs

- Indiana
- Colorado
- Massachusetts
- South Dakota

## Worst States

41. Florida
42. Oklahoma
43. Alabama
44. New Mexico
45. Montana
46. Illinois
47. California
48. Mississippi
49. Louisiana
50. West Virginia

### Newly Notorious

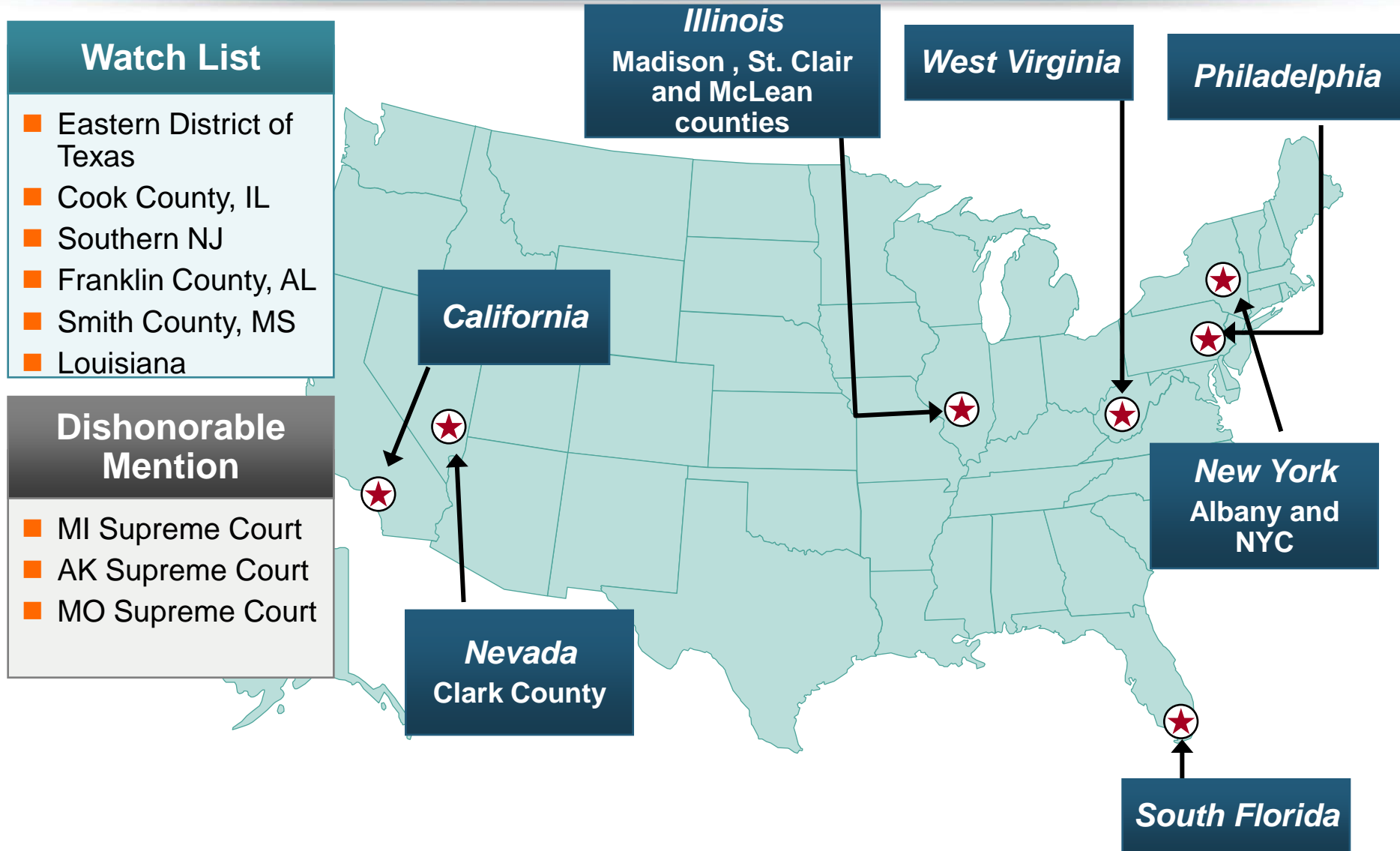
- Oklahoma

### Rising Above

- Arkansas

**10. Iowa**

# The Nation's Judicial Hellholes: 2011

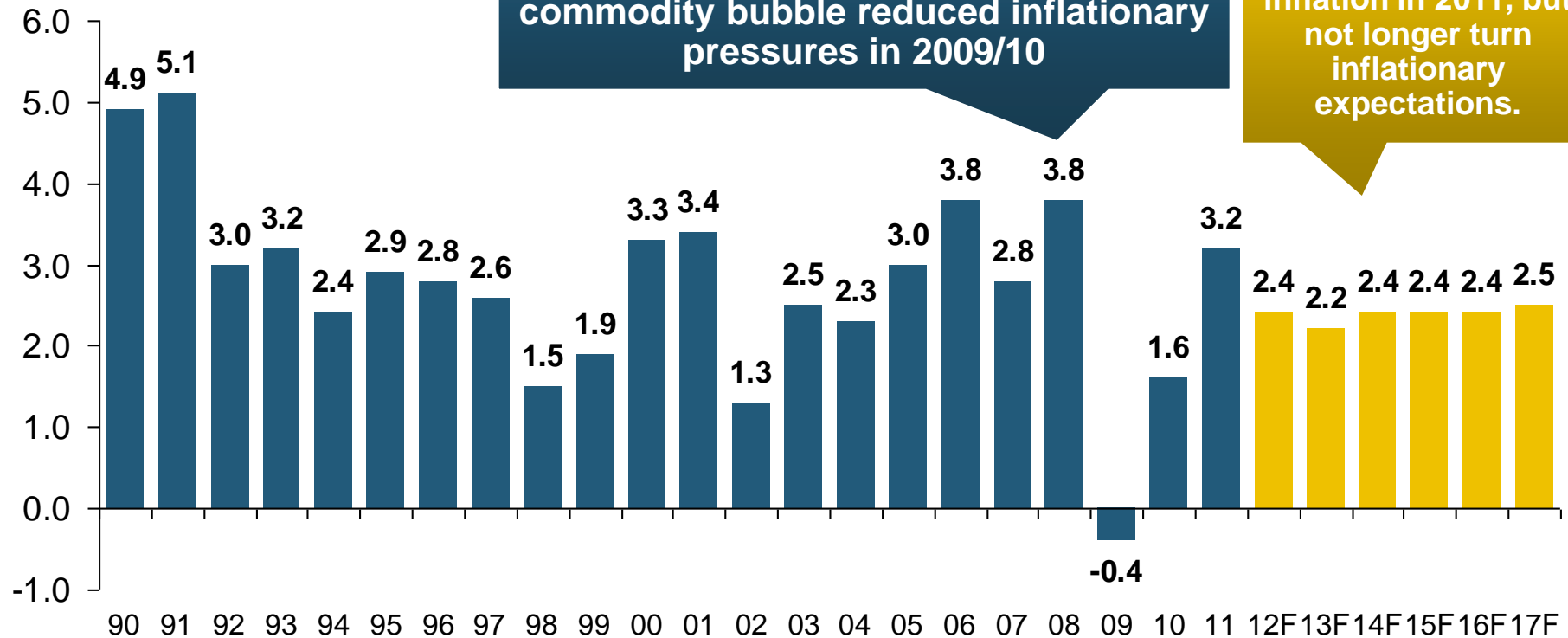


# Inflation

**Is it a Threat to Claim Cost  
Severities**

# Annual Inflation Rates, (CPI-U, %), 1990–2017F

Annual Inflation Rates (%)



Inflation peaked at 5.6% in August 2008 on high energy and commodity crisis. The recession and the collapse of the commodity bubble reduced inflationary pressures in 2009/10

Higher energy, commodity and food prices pushed up inflation in 2011, but not longer turn inflationary expectations.

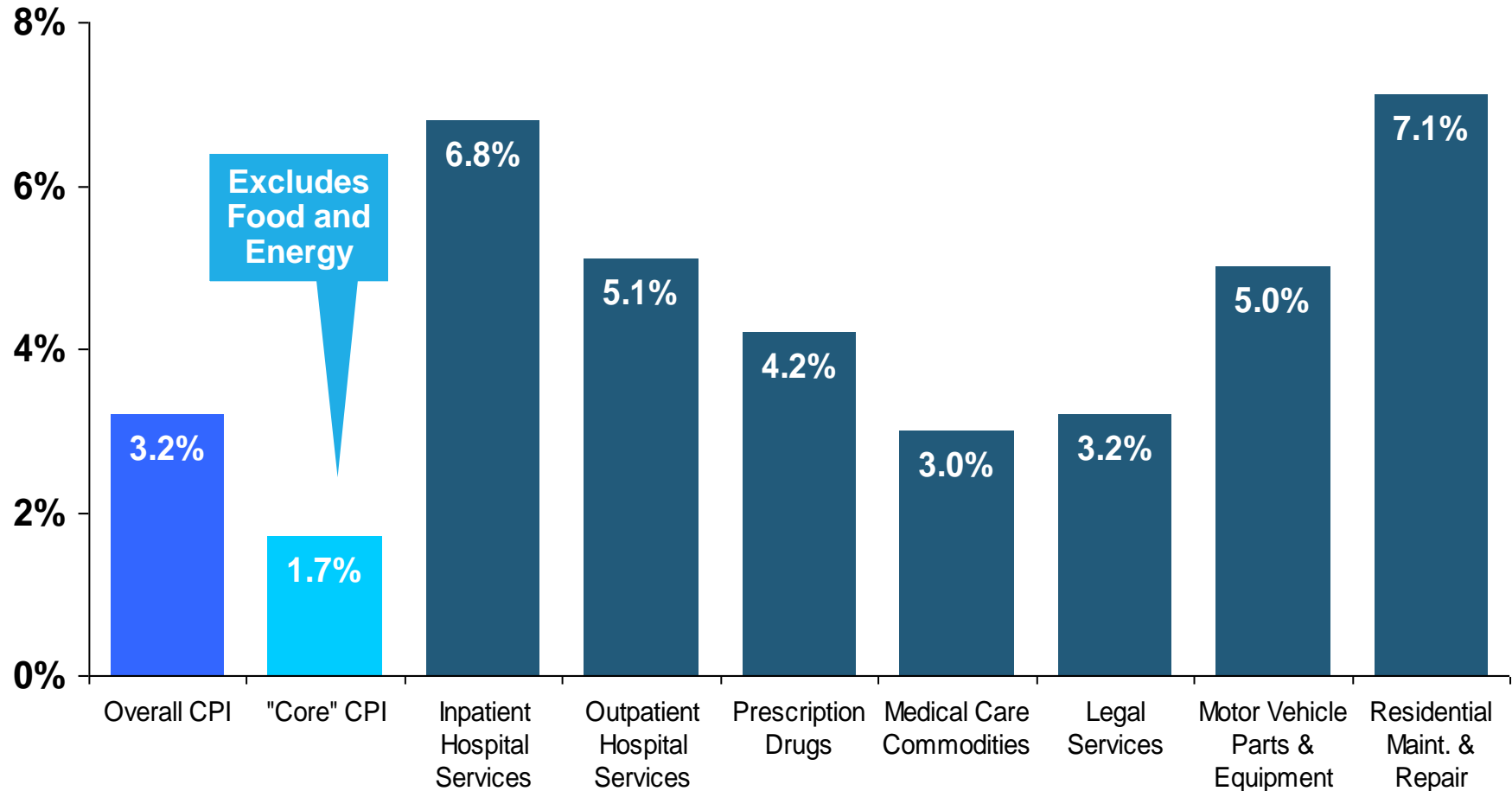
The slack in the U.S. economy suggests that inflationary pressures should remain subdued for an extended period of times. Energy, health care and commodity prices, plus U.S. debt burden, remain longer-run concerns

Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics; Blue Chip Economic Indicators, 10/11 and 5/12 (forecasts).



# P/C Personal Insurance Claim Cost Drivers Grow Faster Than the Core CPI Suggests

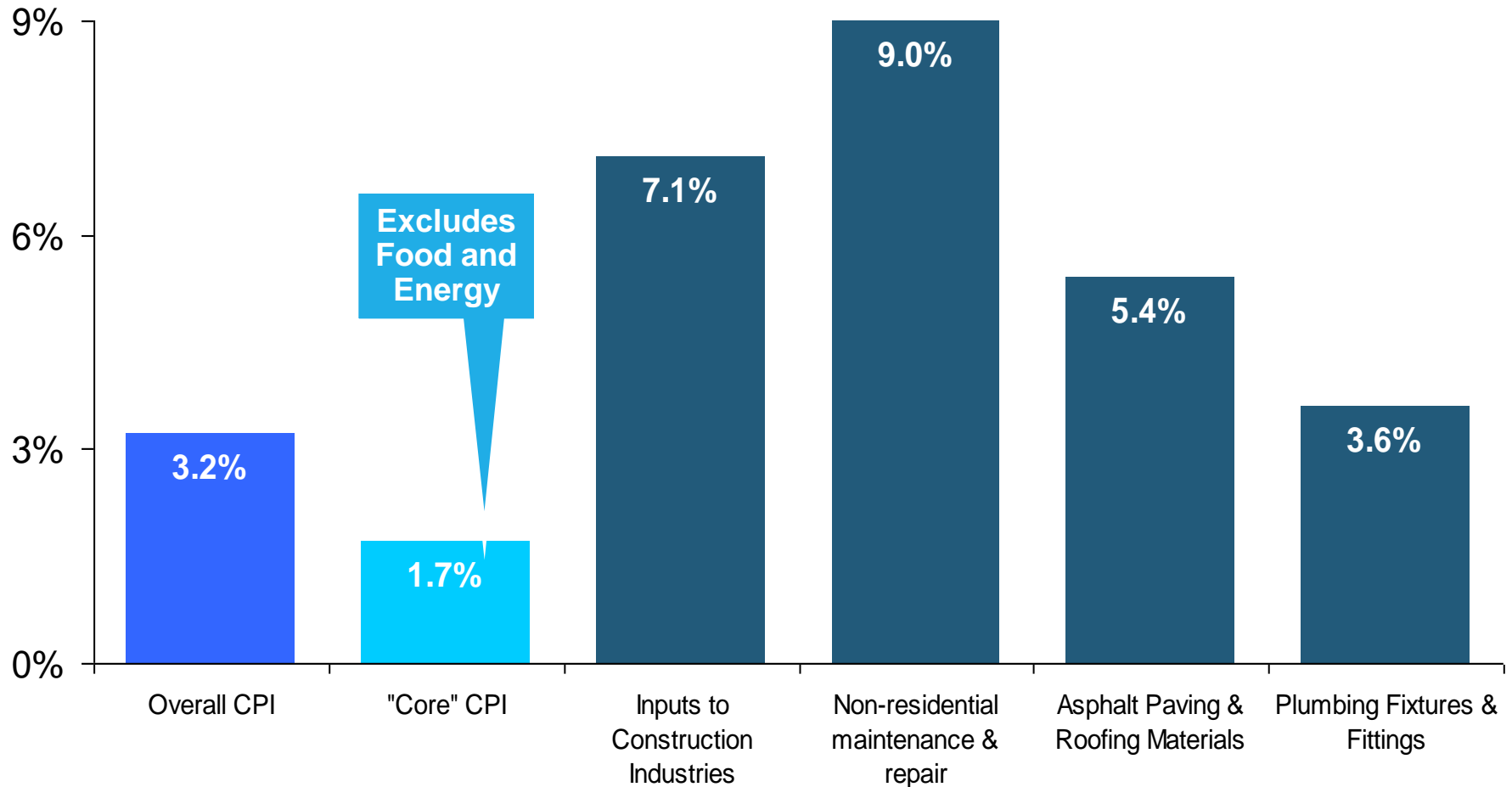
Price Level Change: 2011 vs. 2010



**Healthcare costs are a major liability, med pay, and PIP claim cost driver. They are likely to grow faster than the CPI for the next few years, at least**

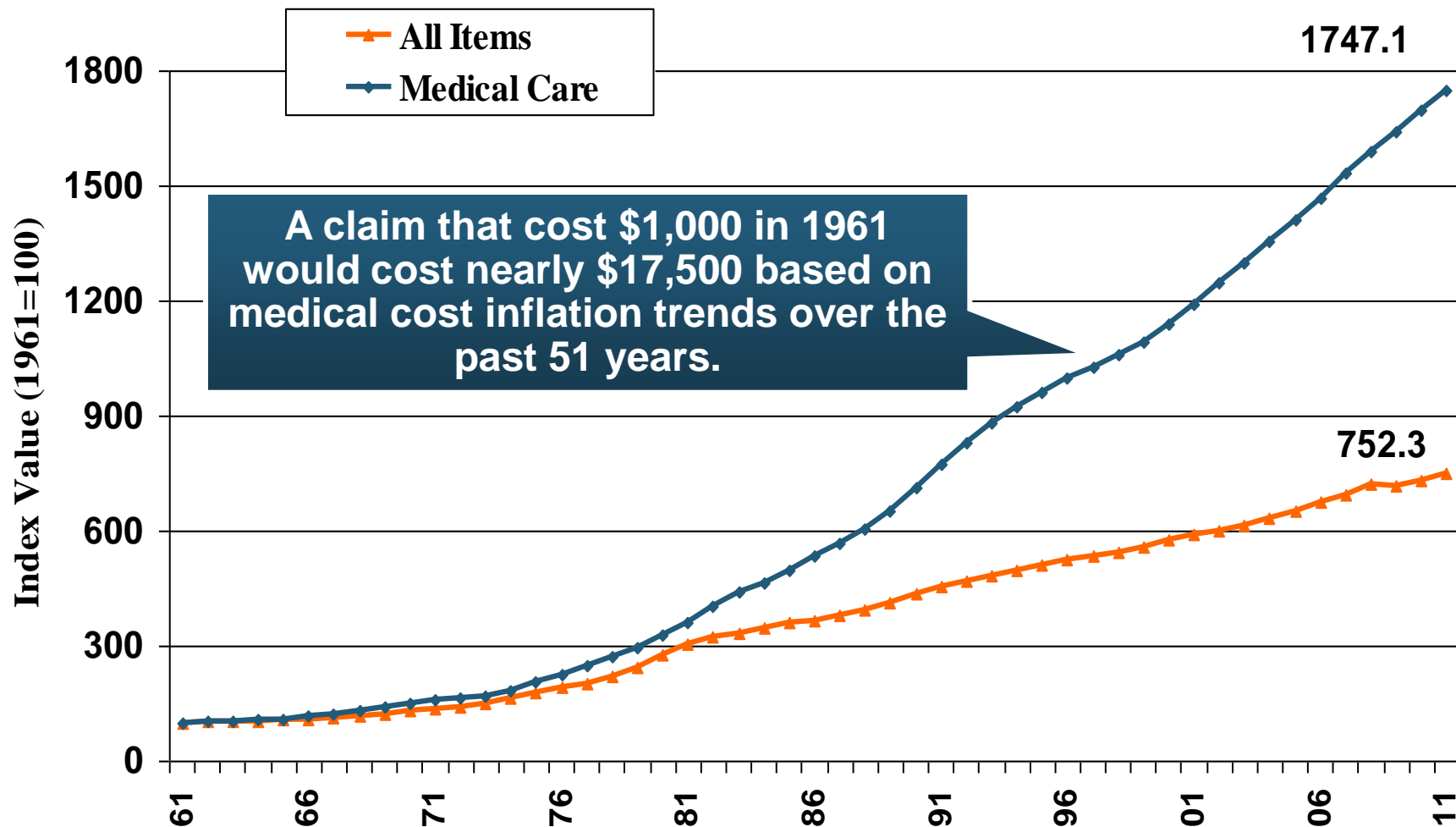
# P/C Commercial Property Insurance Claim Cost Drivers Grow Faster than the Overall CPI Suggests

## Price Level Change: 2011 vs. 2010



**Copper prices spiked and retreated in 2011. In July its price was 33% higher than a year earlier; by November it cost 8% less than in November 2010.**

# Medical Cost Inflation Has Outpaced Overall Inflation For Over 50 Years



Source: Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

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