

Trends in Coastal Property Risk in the Post-Katrina Decade

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2005-2014: A Bust for Hurricane-Force Winds...

...but a BOOM in Catastrophe Exposure

In 2012, Total Value of Insured Atlantic & Gulf Coastal Exposure: \$10.6 Trillion



Source: AIR Worldwide

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Total Potential Home Value Exposure to Storm Surge Risk in 2014*



*Insured and uninsured property, assuming total loss of the home. Source: Storm Surge Report 2014, Table 2, CoreLogic, published July 2014. NSURANCE

Post-Katrina P/C Industry Homeowners Claim Frequency, US, 2006-2013



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Post-Katrina U.S. Insured Catastrophe Losses





These numbers are national, not coastal, but are often largely coastal in origin. The volatility is obvious.

Sources: Property Claims Service/ISO; <u>https://www.fema.gov/statistics-calendar-year/loss-dollars-paid-calendar-year</u> Insurance Information Institute.

U.S. Insured Catastrophe Losses



*Through 12/31/14.

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.)

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10 Costliest Coastal Storms in U.S. History

(Insured Losses, 2013 Dollars, \$ Billions)



2 of the 4 most expensive coastal storms in U.S. history have occurred in the decade after Katrina (and Rita and Wilma). A \$15 or \$20 billion storm isn't that unusual anymore.

Sources: PCS; Insurance Information Institute inflation adjustments to 2013 dollars using the CPI.



Public Attitudes About Flood Insurance

Too Many People Are in Denial About the Risk

Residential NFIP Flood Take-Up Rates in NY, CT (2010) & Sandy Storm Surge





Source: Wharton Center for Risk Management and Decision Processes, *Issue Brief,* Nov. 2012; Insurance Information Institute.

Share of Flood Damaged Structures with Flood Insurance: Long Island





Source: Newsday, 1/14/13 from FEMA and Small Business Administration.



Claims Management

Following KRW*, the P/C Insurance Industry learned that it needed more claims adjusters

*Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma in 2005

Number of NFIP Claims Paid, Yearly, 2005-2013*

How many adjusters are needed each year to handle flood claims? Three times since 2005 NFIP has paid 75,000 claims in a calendar year; that never happened before. (And this excludes claims closed without payment.)



*calendar years

Source: http://www.fema.gov/statistics-calendar-year/number-losses-paid-calendar-year; Insurance Information Institute

U.S. Employment in Claims Adjusting, 1990–2015*

Thousands



'90 '91 '92 '93 '94 '95 '96 '97 '98 '99 '00 '01 '02 '03 '04 '05 '06 '07 '08 '09 '10 '11 '12 '13 '14 '15

*As of January, 2015; not seasonally adjusted.

Note: Recessions indicated by gray shaded columns.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; National Bureau of Economic Research (recession dates); Insurance Information Institute.

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Number of NFIP Claims Paid, 2013-14,* Coastal New England and Mid-Atlantic States



2013 2014

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Capital/Capacity

Storm-Free Years Helped Insurers Build Financial Resources for the Next Big One

Policyholder Surplus, 2006:Q4–2014:Q3





The industry now has \$1 of surplus for every \$0.73 of Net Premiums Written, close to the strongest claims-paying status in its history.

2010:Q1 data includes \$22.5B of paid-in capital from a holding company parent for one insurer's investment in a non-insurance business.

The P/C insurance industry entered 2015 in very strong financial condition.

Sources: ISO, A.M .Best.

Premium-to-Surplus Ratio: 1985–2014*





The Premium-to-Surplus Ratio Stood at \$0.75:\$1 as of 9/30/14, a Record Low (at Least in Recent History)

* As of 9/30/14.

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

Global Reinsurance Capital (Traditional and Alternative), 2006 - 2014



Total reinsurance capital reached a record \$570B in 2013, up 68% from 2008.



But alternative capacity has grown 210% since 2008, to \$50B. It has more than doubled in the past three years.

2014 data is as of June 30, 2014.

(Billions of USD)

Source: Aon Benfield Analytics; Insurance Information Institute.

Growth of Alternative Capital Structures, 2002 - 2014



Rapid Growth of Alternative Capital puts downward pressure on Rates Charged by Traditional Reinsurers

2014 data is as of June 30, 2014. Source: Aon Benfield Analytics: Insurance Information Institute.



Latest Developments

Just a little more than "60 Minutes"

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The Role of Engineers: New Lawsuits and NFIP Shake-up



- When flood claims are adjusted, sometimes an engineer is assigned to help determine the cause of loss
- Recently in New York lawsuits were filed alleging that engineering reports were fraudulently rewritten to deny NFIP claims
- The story got a big media boost when it was featured on CBS' "60 Minutes"
- NFIP subsequently announced significant personnel and structural changes, particularly regarding oversight of the claims process



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