# The Business Case for Building More Resilient Communities Lessons Learned from Major Catastrophes 

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## Natural Disasters Global and US - Historical Overview

> Natural Disasters Worldwide, $1980-2013$ (Number of Events)



Losses Due to Natural Disasters Worldwide, 1980-2013 (Overall \& Insured Losses)


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## Natural Loss Events: <br> Full Year 2013

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(2013 Dollars, \$ Billions)



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## Inflation Adjusted U.S. Catastrophe Losses by Cause of Loss, 1993-2012



- Excludes snow.
- Does not include NFIP flood losses
- Includes wildland fires
- Includes civil disorders, water damage, utility disruptions and non-property losses such as those covered by workers compensation.


## Total Value of Insured Coastal Exposure in 2012

(2012, \$ Billions)



## Top 12 Most Costly Hurricanes in U.S. History

10 of the 12 most costly hurricanes in insurance history occurred over the past 9 years (2004-2012)
(Insured Losses, 2012 Dollars, \$ Billions)

*PCS estimate as of 4/12/13.
Sources: PCS; Insurance Information Institute inflation adjustments to 2012 dollars using the CPI.

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## What Happened <br> Sandy at a Glance

- On Monday October 29, 2012 Superstorm Sandy made landfall just south of Atlantic City with winds in excess of 80 mph
- Largest hurricane ever to hit the mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions of the United States
- Winds extending 580 miles from the center approximately 1,000 miles wide (twice the size of Texas)
- Delivered over 12" of rain in certain areas of the northeast over a 36 hour span
- Massive flooding throughout the NY Metro area


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## What Happened <br> Sandy at a Glance

- Storm surge reached 12.5 ft in some areas
- Storm surge level at Battery Park was nearly 4 feet higher than the record set by Hurricane Donna in 1960
- Peak surge of the storm hit within 30 minutes of high tide
- Full moon
- Sandy was more than double the size of Katrina in diameter and affected over 2.5M more people


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## Economic Losses Quantifying the Devastation

- Over 8.6 MM people lost power according to the US Dept of Energy
- At least 110 confirmed deaths in the United States
- According to FEMA, the assistance to NY, NJ and CT will total more than $\$ 455 \mathrm{M}$
- NYSE closed for 2 days
- First time since 1888 that this happened due to a weather event
- Almost 20,000 flights cancelled accordingly to FlightAware



## Insurable Losses Quantifying the Devastation

- Insured Losses topped \$20B, Sandy is the second most expensive hurricane in history, trailing only Hurricane Katrina's \$41.1B
- Based on density population, the volume of claims reported broke industry records in personal and commercial insurance markets
- NY Metro region has the highest population density in the country
- Population affected by Sandy is over 17.5M (compared to 15M in Katrina)
- More than 70,000 property owners filed claims with NFIP according to FEMA
- The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) is paying \$8B in indemnity payments alone
(http://www.consumerfed.org/news/607)

| Company | Insuredtoss Extimate (in USD billions) | Notes | Dute of Estimate |
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| AR Woridwide | 70-15.0 | Does not include: Losses paid out by the National Flood Insurance Program, resulting from the compromise of existing defenses, the fooding of tunnels and subways, uninsured properties, infrastructure, states distark to the storm's center, extra-contractual obligations, hazardous Waste cleanup, vandalism, civil commotion, other non-modeled losses and losses for US, offshore assets and non-US. property. | 10/31/2012 |
| Dowling is Partners | 20.0 | Expect initial reported losses will rikely not equal "ultimate losses:" At a USD2O billion market loss, Sand/ should help North American pricing on the mangin, but it won't "turn" the market. | 11/5/2012 |
| Endurance Specialty Holdings, Ltd. | 15.0 | CEO David Cash, 'It's mysense today that coonomic damage in excess of USD30 billion and insured loeses in excess of USD 15 bilion are quite plausible," O32012 Earnings CaV. | 11/1/2012 |
| EQECAT | $10.0-20.0$ | Insured losses would be in the range of USD 10 billion to USD20 billion, with total economic darnago rising to USD30 billion to USD50 billion. Most insured losses will be triggered from business interruption losses. Geographic breahdown of estimated losses are: New York (34 percent). New Jersey ( 30 percent) and Pennsy/vanis (20 percent) with the balance in the remaining states affected. | 11/1/2012 |
| RMS | None | On November 2, Vice President Claire Souch, "It Is evident that Sandy's impacts are widespread and multiple, with mounting super-cat like elements. The event is still live and several variables are yet to play out. Consequently, it remains too early to provide a reliable estimate of the total insured losses." | 11/2/2012 |
| Medianofall maximum estimates in market' | 20.0 |  |  |

## Issues Facing Real Estate Firms Areas of Concern - Rebuild \& Recover After Sandy

- Lease Review and Contract Certainty
- Rent abatement and lease termination clauses
- Loss of rent or extended business interruption
- Marketing to prospective tenants
- Possibility for reimbursement only up to 12 months
- Every lease is different
- Increased cost of construction in NYC
- Highest in nation
- High demand but low supply - demand surge for
 contractors and materials
- Loss Invoices were higher than under normal industry conditions
- Rebuilding and Code Issues
- Reconstruction permits and enforcement of stringent building codes:
- American with Disabilities Act (ramps, elevators, restrooms)
- Electrical. Sprinklers, Roof/Structural
- Generators to higher floors
- Redevelopment of Coastal/Waterfront Areas new code
- Mayor Bloomberg Report on Sandy


## Insurance Market Impact How Sandy Will Affect the Insurance Marketplace

- Analytical Modeling - shift due to Sandy and Irene
- Tier 1 \& Tier 2 Counties
- Wind models traditionally focused on Florida and Texas
- Northeast coastal exposures have greater focus post Sandy \& Irene
- Lenders and Loan Covenants
- Loan Covenants have increased focus on mandated windstorm and flood coverage within the NY Metro area and Northeast
- Pricing
- Underwriters may look for price adjustments in conjunction with deductible increases
- Portfolio allocations may change dramatically in the Mid-Atlantic/Northeast
- Business Continuity Planning and Hurricane Preparedness
- Insurance and Reinsurance Market Conditions
- Capital \& Surplus has reached record levels in 2014
- New RMS PML Models released in 2013
- 2013 benign Hurricane Season
- Windstorm risk including Northeast Wind is a focus as well as flooding risk


## Reinsurance/Insurance Industry Analytics Regional Property Catastrophe Rate Online Index


(Source: Guy Carpenter)

# Reinsurance/Insurance Industry Analytics <br> Global Property Catastrophe Reinsurance Rate-on-Line Index Inferring pricing cycles and stabilization from history 



Source: Guy Carpenter \& Company, LLC
(all losses in 2012 USD)

## Questions and Answers


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