

Climate Change Impact on Property and Casualty Insurance



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Climate Change Impact

2023 Renewal Premiums

■ Drivers of renewal rates

- **Increased Cost of Construction**

- Property limits **increase by 9.5%** (7.2% premium impact)

- **Reinsurance Inflation Impact**

- Average reinsurance **premiums increased by 21%** (21% premium impact)

- **Loss Experience, Expected Loss & Social Inflation**

- (11.2% premium impact)

- **TOTAL AVERAGE ACTUARIAL INDICATION: Rate increase of 39.4%**

■ 2023 average renewal premium

- **Increased by 17.7%**

An Ounce of Prevention...



Generate multiple disaster response plans



Identify person(s) to implement plan



Prepare an emergency kit



Monitor weather events often



Back-up computer files regularly and store offsite



Identify safe shelter on property



Communicate internally and externally



Locate and know how to shut off gas and water main valves



Winter Storms



- Trim trees adjacent to structures
- Insulate pipes/wrap in heat tape
- Clean gutters
- Arrange for snow/ice removal from roofs
- Inspect all walkways and parking areas for ice or snow accumulations
- Offer location as staging area for authorities

The Big Chill

The cold snap of February 2021 hit Central and Southern states.



Tornadoes

Unpredictable and fast moving

- Appoint someone to monitor weather/conditions
- Determine on site shelter
- Maintain adequate supplies, e.g., flashlight, first aid kit, blankets, nonperishable food items, water, etc.
- Establish ability to alert people to take shelter immediately

Texas Twister

St. Luke's suffered extensive damage.



Wildfires Can Happen Anywhere



- Create a zone to impede fire spread
- Remove dry brush or other materials that may burn easily
- Offer location as staging area for authorities
- Do not fight the wildfire; follow evacuation orders
- Purchase respirators or dust masks marked “NIOSH with N95 or P1000”

Camp Fire in Paradise, CA

St. Nicholas suffered only minor damage after the fire department used the property as a staging area.



Hurricanes



- Utilize sump pumps and check regularly
- Waterproof basements/install French drains
- Install a generator
 - Install in flood-free area
 - Designate someone to manage it
- Offer location as staging area for authorities

Stormy Weather

The Gulf Coast saw six named storms in 2020. These were treated as one event with one deductible—which saved a lot of money for those impacted



Hurricane Ian (2022)



- Killed ~160 people
- Destroyed ~5,000 homes
- Damaged ~30,000 homes
- Third costliest US hurricane
- Cost to Church Insurance more than \$18M

Available Resources



- Episcopal Safety Program
- Safety and Insurance Handbook
- One-on-one meetings
- Checklists, tip sheets, factsheets, webinars

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