# Using Unstructured Data to Better Manage Defense Costs

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## **Agenda**

- The Current MPL Environment
- Using Unstructured Data
- Uniform Task Based Management System
- Unstructured Defense Costs Data
- Defense Cost Insight
- Other Considerations

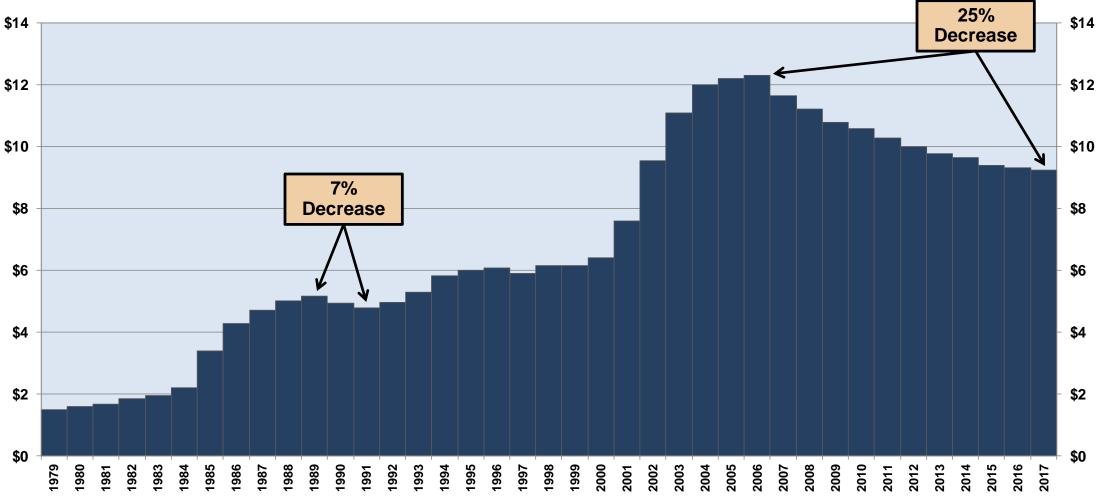


Topic #1

**The Current MPL Environment** 

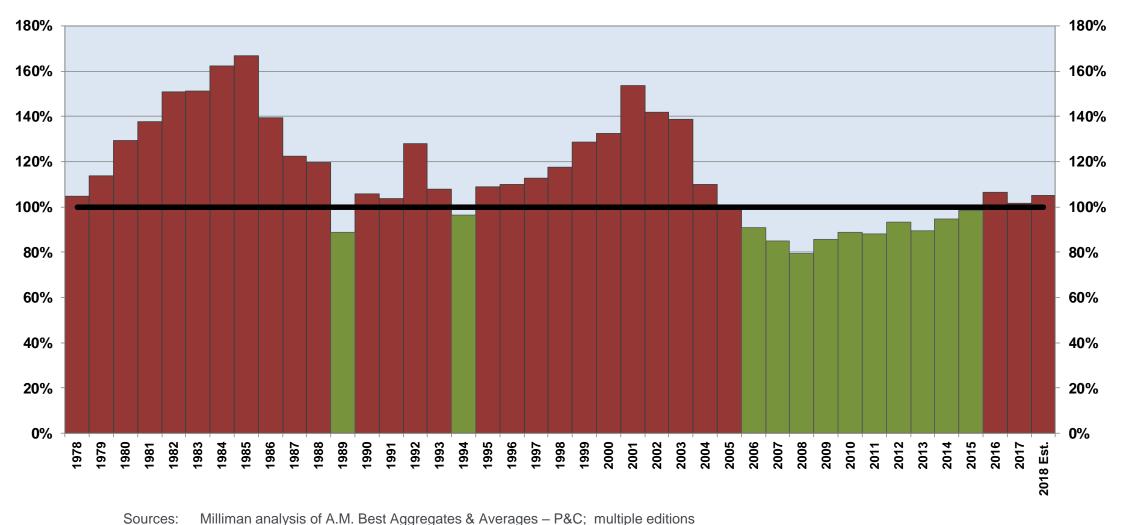
### MPL Direct Written Premium

Countrywide (\$Billions)



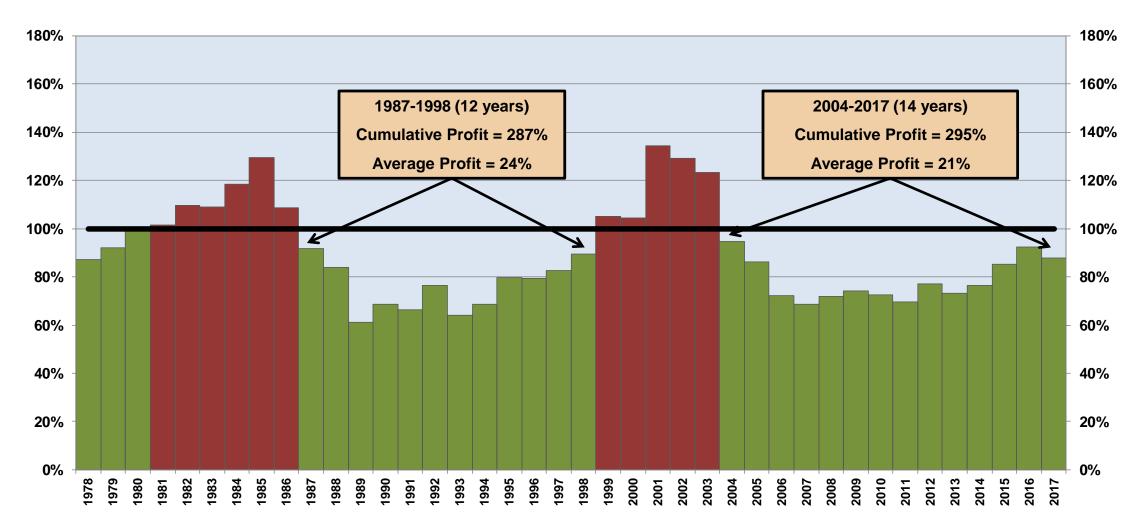


### MPL Combined Ratio after Policyholder Dividends





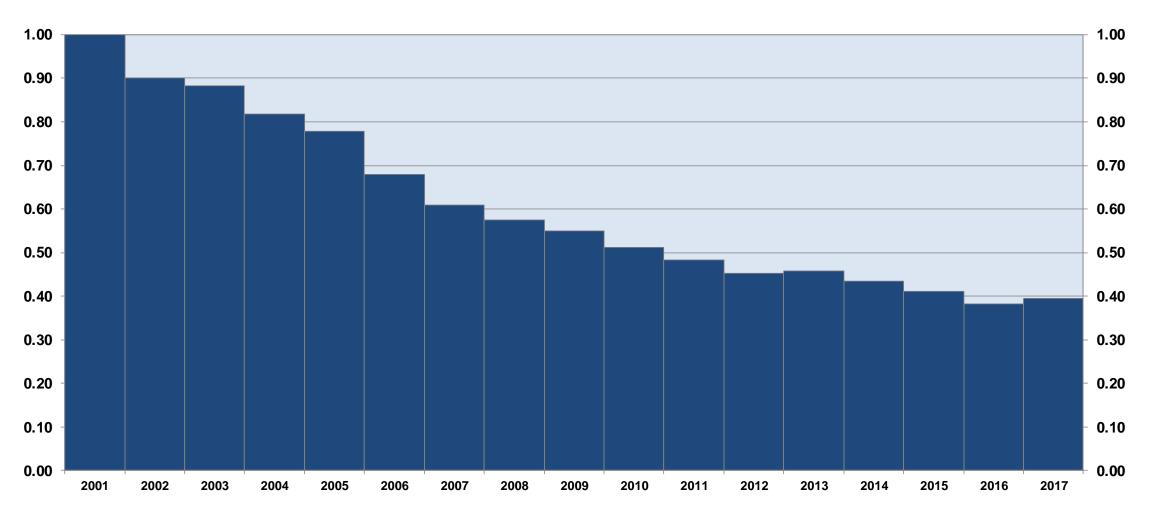
### MPL Operating Ratio





### Closed Claim Frequency per Physician

Relative to 2001

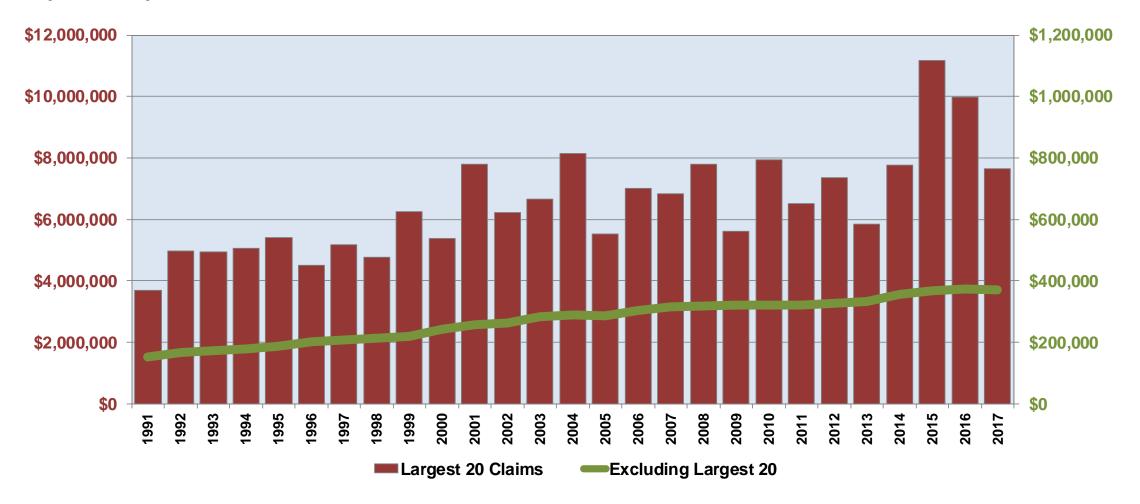




Sources:

### Paid Indemnity Severity

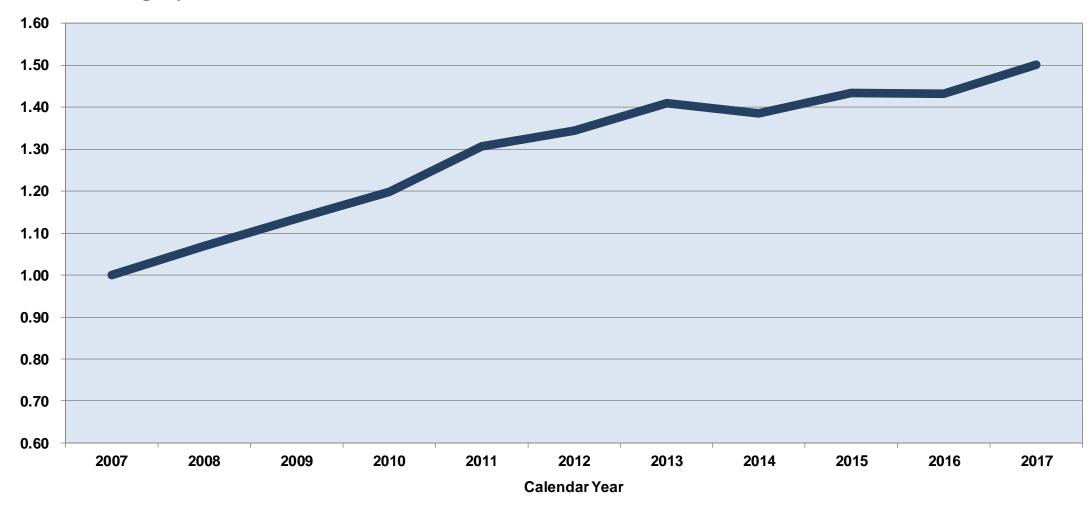
Countrywide, by Closed Year





### Paid ALAE Severity

Three Year Rolling by Calendar Year, Relative to 2007





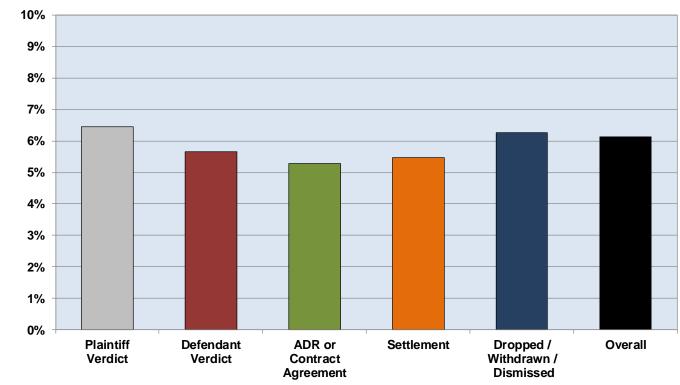
Source: Milliman analysis of individual company data

### Paid ALAE Severity Trend



### ADR or Contract Agreement Defendant **Plaintiff** Verdict Verdict 18% 4% Settlement 37% Dropped / Withdrawn / Dismissed 38%

### **Annual Trend Rate (Relative to 2003)**



## Topic #2

**Using Unstructured Data** 

### What Is Unstructured Data?

- Information that exists without a pre-defined data model or is not organized in a pre-defined manner
- Oftentimes characterized by text instead of numbers
- Not conductive to analysis using traditional, formulaic type commands and inquiries

#### **BIG DATA & AI LANDSCAPE 2018**





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## **Defense Costs = Big Data**

<ul> <li>Assumed Annual Defense Costs Paid \$50,000,000</li> </ul>
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<ul> <li>Average Billing Increment</li> </ul>	0.21 hours
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<ul><li>Average Hourly Rate</li></ul>	\$141.86
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- Average Line Items per Page11.5
- Thickness of 100 Pieces of Paper 17/32"
- Weight of 100 Pieces of Paper19 oz.
- Height of Defense Costs Paper
   64' 7<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"
- Weight of Defense Costs Paper 1,732 lbs. 4 oz.
- Number of Line Item Descriptions 1,679,272



## Topic #3

Uniform Task Based Management System

- Developed in the mid-1990s by a joint American Bar Association committee to create a consistent electronic billing standard
- Created an electronic version of the bill called a LEDES file
  - > Almost all firms/billing systems have adopted some form of LEDES
  - >LEDES 1998B is the most common (pipe delimited "txt" file)
  - >LEDES 2000 is a XML version but adoption has been slow
  - ➤ Additional versions are being developed to allow more flexibility at the firm level
- The litigation code sets require judgmental assignments and thus are inconsistent from firm to firm and even within an individual firm





### **ABA GROUPS**

Uniform Task-Based Management System

Participants and Liaisons

Litigation Code Set

Litigation Code Set Sample Budget Format

Litigation Code Definitions

Background, Definitions, Principles, and Assumptions

### **Participants and Liaisons**

### Uniform Task-Based Management System Participants and Liaisons

### **Corporate Participants**

- American Airlines Inc.
- · Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A.
- Chrysler Corporation
- CIGNA Corporation
- · Citicorp/Citibank N.A.
- · Dow Chemical Company
- DuPont Company
- · Eastman Kodak Company
- · Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
- · NationsBank Corporation
- · Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
- NYNEX Corporation
- The Pacific Telesis Group
- · Philip Morris Companies Inc.
- · Prudential Insurance Company of America
- · TRW Inc.
- · Viacom International Inc.
- · Westinghouse Electric Corporation

### Law Firm Participants

- Abelman, Frayne & Schwab
- Adams, Duque & Hazeltine
- Crowell & Moring
- · Goodwin, Procter & Hoar
- Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe
- · Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue
- · Kenyon & Kenyon
- King & Spalding
- · McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen
- McMillan Binch
- · Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy
- Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle
- O'Melveny & Myers
- Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison
- Peterson & Ross
- Pillsbury Madison & Sutro
- · Reed Smith Shaw & McClay
- Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold
- · Shearman & Sterling
- Sidley & Austin
- · Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom
- Weil, Gotshal & Manges
- · White & Case
- Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering



### Uniform Task-Based Management System Litigation Code Set

#### L100 Case Assessment, Development and Administration

L110 Fact Investigation/Development

L120 Analysis/Strategy

L130 Experts/Consultants

L140 Document/File Management

L150 Budgeting

L160 Settlement/Non-Binding ADR

L190 Other Case Assessment, Development and

Administration

### **L200 Pre-Trial Pleadings and Motions**

L210 Pleadings

L220 Preliminary Injunctions/Provisional Remedies

L230 Court Mandated Conferences

L240 Dispositive Motions

L250 Other Written Motions and Submissions

L260 Class Action Certification and Notice

### L300 Discovery

L310 Written Discovery

L320 Document Production

L330 Depositions

L340 Expert Discovery

L350 Discovery Motions

L390 Other Discovery

### L400 Trial Preparation and Trial

L410 Fact Witnesses

L420 Expert Witnesses

L430 Written Motions and Submissions

L440 Other Trial Preparation and Support

L450 Trial and Hearing Attendance

L460 Post-Trial Motions and Submissions

L470 Enforcement

### L500 Appeal

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L510 Appellate Motions and Submissions

L520 Appellate Briefs

L530 Oral Argument

#### A100 Activities

A101 Plan and prepare for

A102 Research

A103 Draft/revise

A104 Review/analyze

A105 Communicate (in firm)

A106 Communicate (with client)

A107 Communicate (other outside counsel)

A108 Communicate (other external)

A109 Appear for/attend

A110 Manage data/files

A111 Other

### E100 Expenses

E101 Copying

E102 Outside printing

E103 Word processing

E104 Facsimile

E105 Telephone

E106 Online research

E107 Delivery services/messengers

E108 Postage

E109 Local travel

E110 Out-of-town travel

E111 Meals

E112 Court fees

E113 Subpoena fees

E114 Witness fees

E115 Deposition transcripts

E116 Trial transcripts

E117 Trial exhibits

E118 Litigation support vendors

E119 Experts

E120 Private investigators

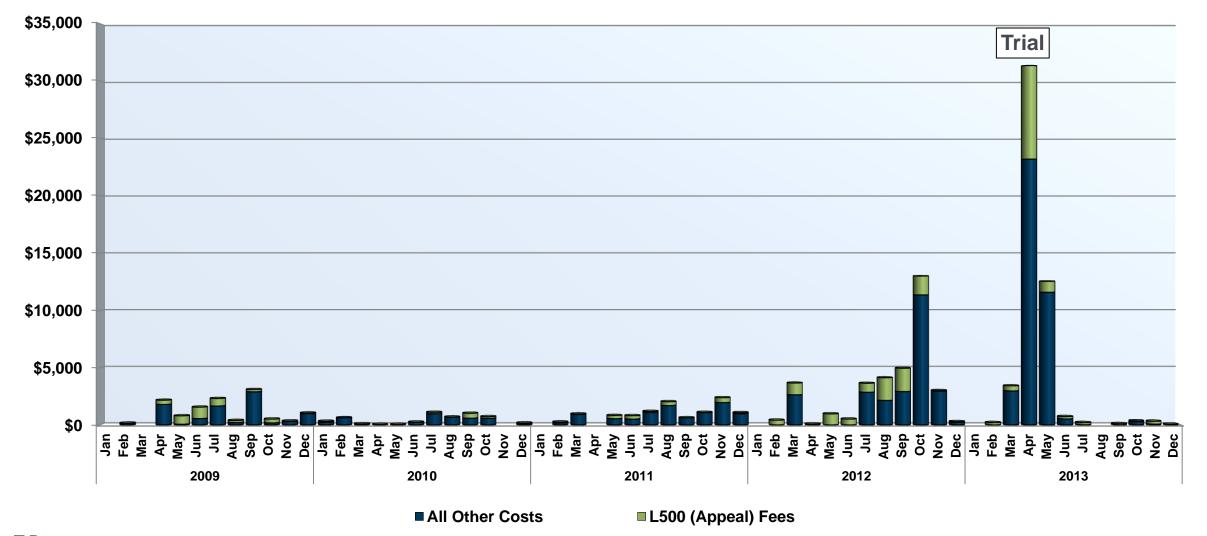
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E122 Local counsel

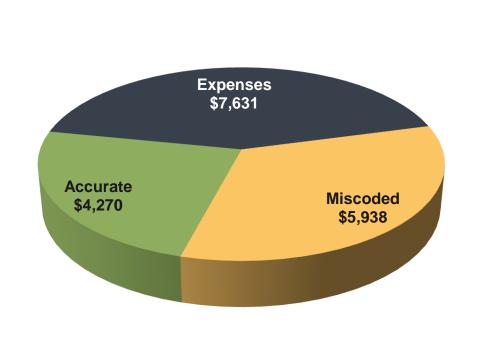
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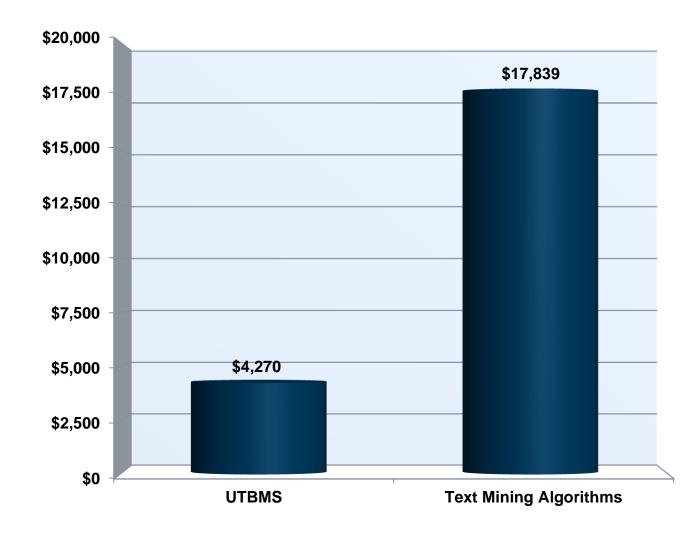


### **UTBMS** Codes are Incorrect



### Incomplete and Erroneous Coding – Deposition Costs







## Topic #4

**Unstructured Defense Costs Data** 

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Medical Malpractice Insurance Co.
123 Main Street, Suite 100
Milwaukee, WI 12345

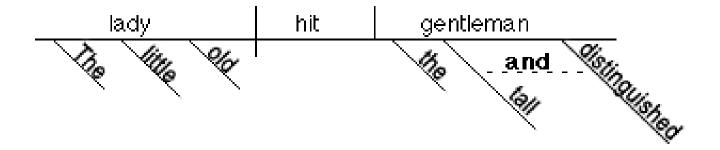
OUR FEE	S		Hours	Rate	Total
4/7/2009	JWM	Receipt and review of correspondence from adversary regarding deposition of co-defendant.	0.1	150	\$15.00
4/7/2009	JWM	Receipt and review of lengthy notice of videotaped deposition of co-defendant.	0.2	150	\$30.00
4/7/2009	JWM	Receipt and review of correspondence from co-defendant's attorney regarding objections to plaintiff's Notice of videotaped deposition.	0.1	\$15.00	
4/7/2009	JWM	Review of co-defendant's objections to plaintiff's Notice of videotaped deposition.	0.2	150	\$30.00
4/9/2009	JWM	Attendance at and participation in deposition of John Smith (9:00 - 11:50).	2.8	150	\$420.00
4/9/2009	JWM	Travel time to and from Hartford (rush hour traffic and construction traffic).	3.3	150	\$495.00
4/9/2009 JWM Preparation for the deposition of John Smith, including review of expert reports, interrogatory answers, medical records and responses to Notice to Produce.		1.5	150	\$225.00	
			8.2		\$1,230.00
DISBURS	EMEN	гѕ			
4/9/2009	JWM	Parking - \$22.00	1	22	\$22.00
4/9/2009	JWM	Mileage Expense - To/From Hartford	100	0.55	\$55.00
					\$77.00



### **Unstructured Defense Costs Data**

Sentence Diagram

The little old lady hit the tall and distinguished gentleman.





### **Unstructured Defense Costs Data**

### Results of Text Mining

4/5/2009 JWM Analysis of correspondence from adversary regarding deposition of defendant.

4/6/2009 JWM Review of file in preparation for meeting with defendant Dr. J. Smith.

4/7/2009 JWM Extended telephone conference with defendant in preparation for his deposition.

4/7/2009 JWM Receipt and review of letter from co-defs attorney regarding our client's upcoming deposition.

4/8/2018 JWM Preparation for the deposition of John A. Smith of General Hospital, including review of expert reports, interrogatory answers, medical records and responses to Notice to Produce.

4/9/2009 JWM Meeting with Dr. Smith prior to his deposition.

4/9/2009 JWM Attendance at and participation in deposition of John Smith, MD (9:00 - 11:50).

4/9/2009 JWM Travel time to and from Hartford (rush hour traffic and construction traffic).



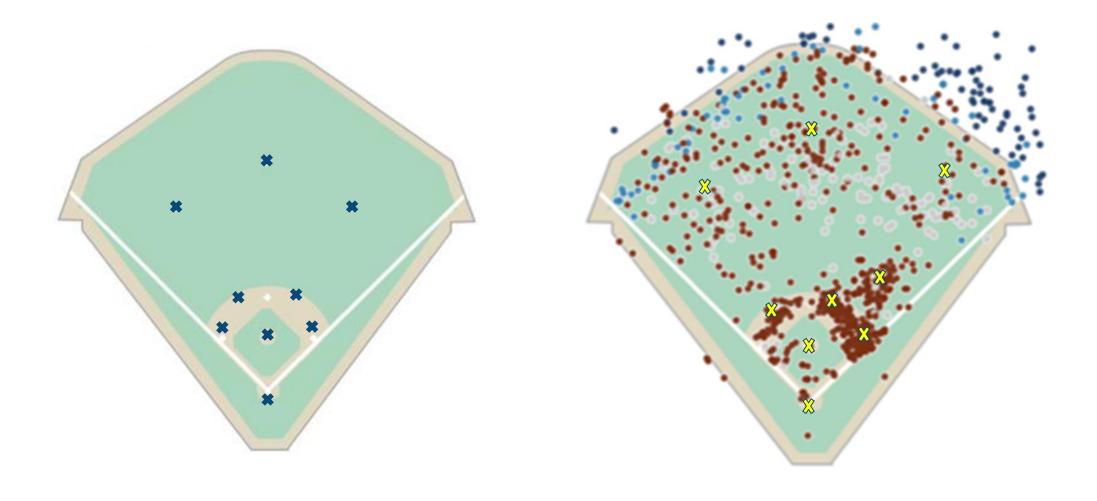
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4/5/2009	review	correspondence	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD			Hours
4/6/2009	review	file	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD			Hours
4/7/2009	communicate	conference call	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD			Hours
4/7/2009	review	correspondence	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD			Hours
4/8/2009	plan/prepare	deposition	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD			Hours
4/9/2009	attend	meeting	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD		Hartford	Hours
4/9/2009	attend	deposition	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD		Hartford	Hours
4/9/2009	travel	deposition	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD	to/from	Hartford	Hours
4/9/2009	travel	deposition	deposition	defendant Dr. John A. Smith, MD	to/from	Hartford	Parking
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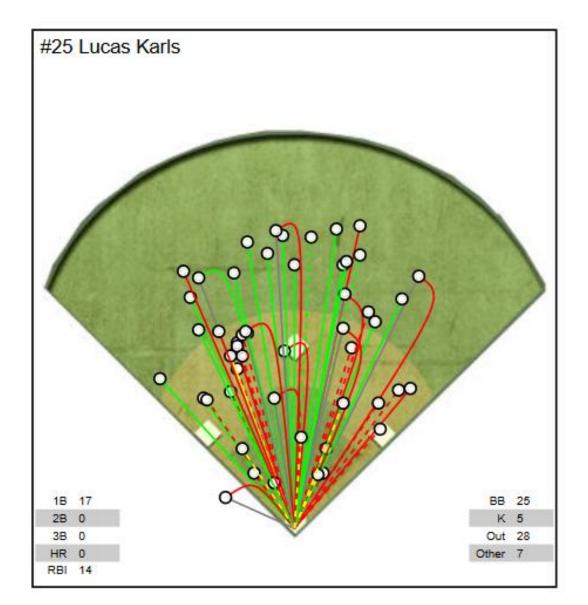
**Defense Cost Insights** 

Better Intelligence Starts with Better Data





### Better Intelligence Starts with Better Data





### Business Intelligence Reporting

### Auditing Features

- > Duplicate services, improper rate, travel restrictions
- ➤ Unauthorized activities, work management issues
- ➤ Outlier time charges, inconsistent charges

### Defense Firm Management Reports

- ➤ Peer firm comparisons
- ➤Outlier firm identification
- ➤ Actual results versus predicted results

### Management Reports

- >Actual versus expected impact of bulling guideline changes
- ➤ Reduced variability in ALAE patterns

### Better Practice of Claims Defense

- >Timing of depositions impact on CWIP ratio
- ➤ Efficiency of Motions for Summary Judgment

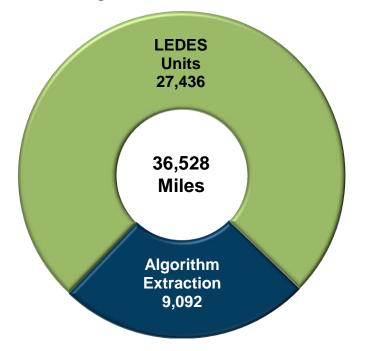


### Reimbursed Expenses – Mileage

Even When Costs Are Correct, Coding Is Often Incorrect



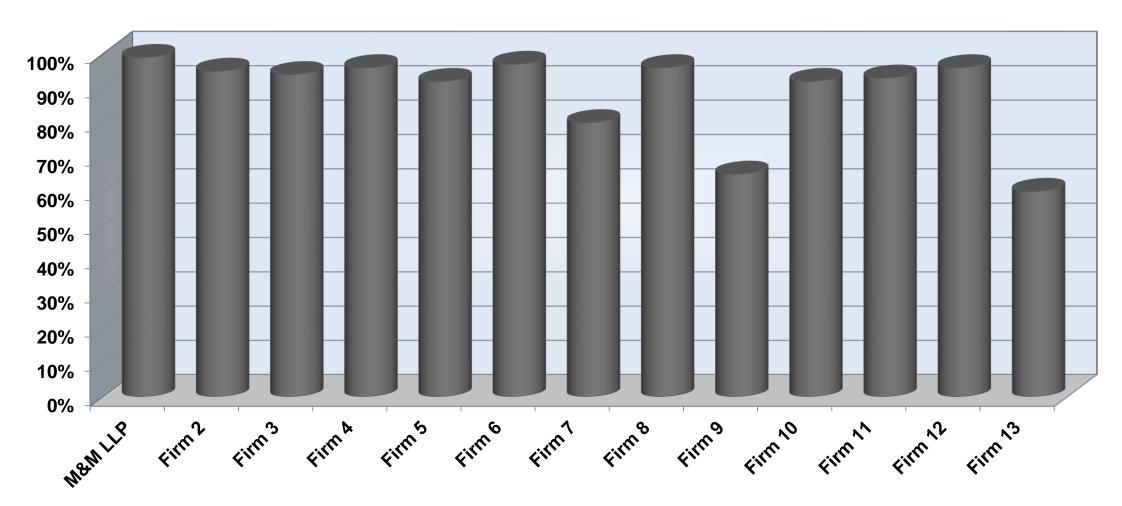
### Mileage Reimbursement Q4 2014





### Defense Firm Management – Initial Claim Report

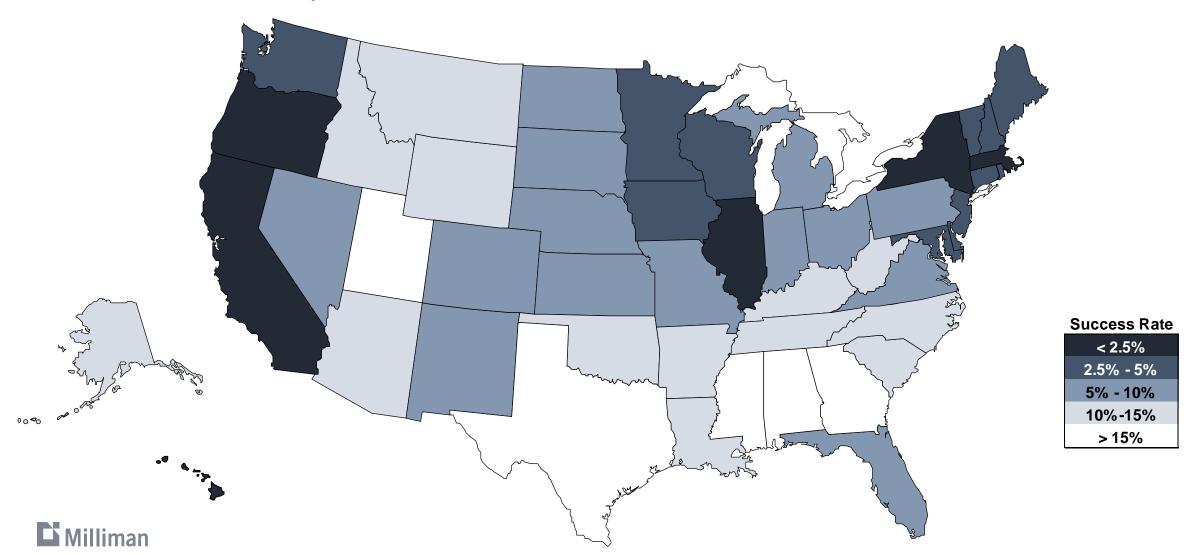
Compliance Percentage





## Motion for Summary Judgment

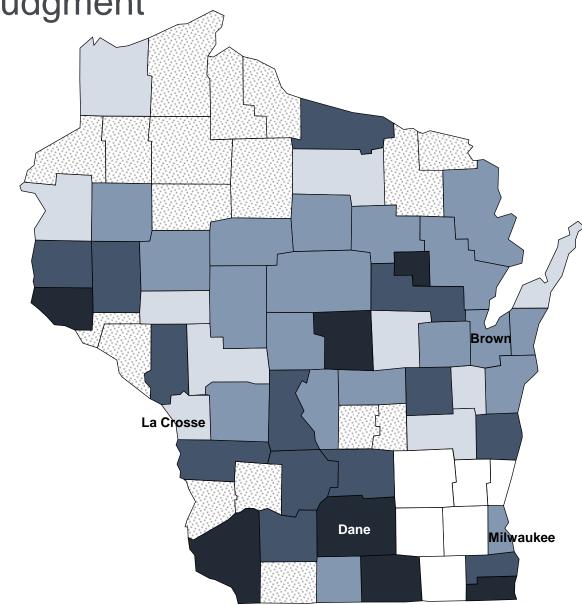
Success Rate - Countrywide



Motion for Summary Judgment

Success Rate - Wisconsin

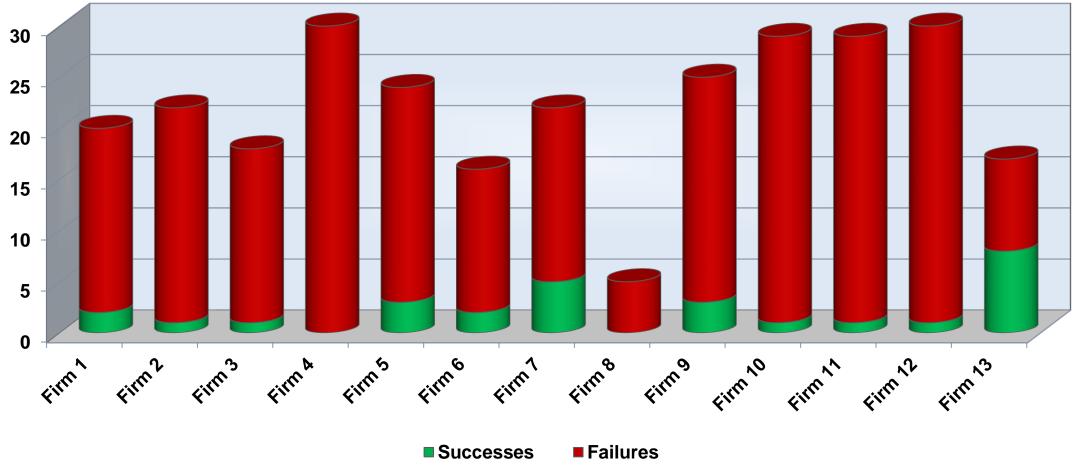
Success Rate
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2.5% - 5%
5% - 10%
10%-15%
> 15%
no data





### Motion for Summary Judgment

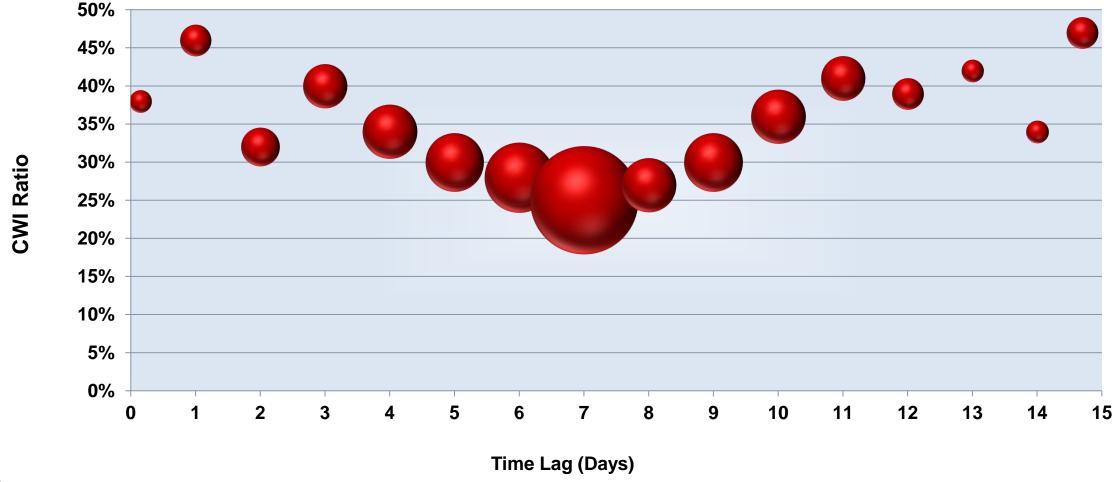
Number Filed and Success Rate





### Predictive Analytics – Timing of Deposition

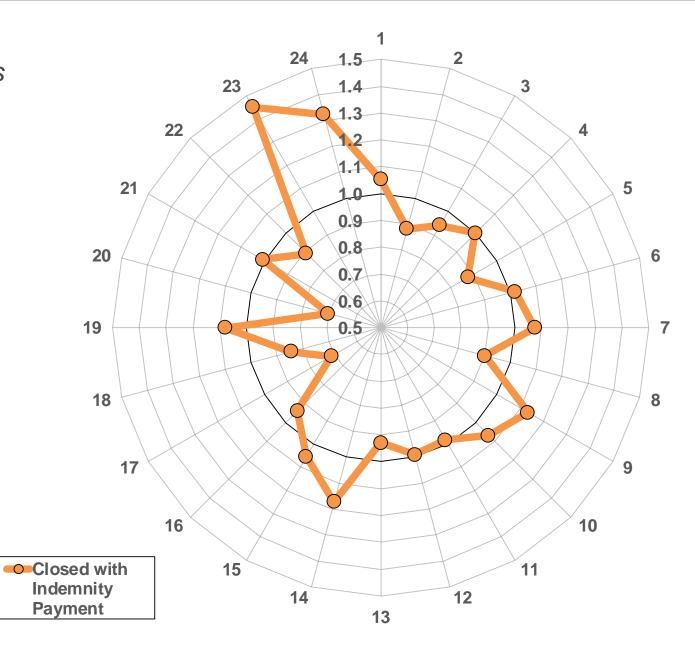
Claim Result Grouped by Deposition Lag





### Loss Cost Components

Actual versus Predicted CWI Claims

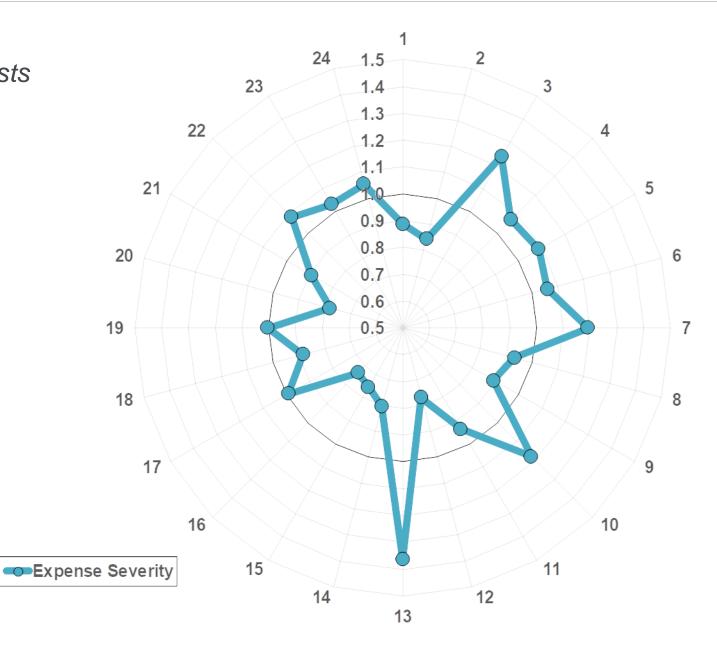


Source: Milliman analysis of Datalytics client data



Loss Cost Components

Actual versus Predicted ALAE Costs

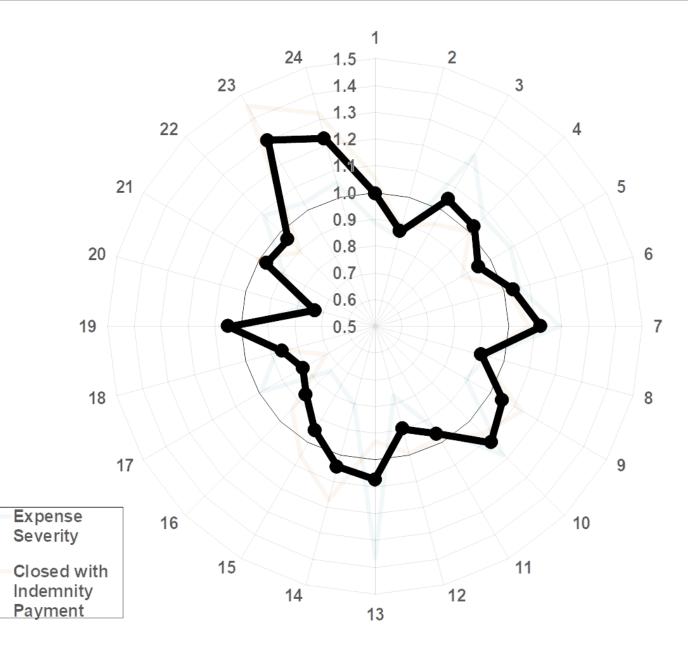


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### Loss Cost Components

Actual versus Predicted Total Costs



Source: Milliman analysis of Datalytics client data



## **Other Considerations**

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