Additional Exposure Data and its Impact on Loss Expectations

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Many Sources of Third Party Property-Specific Data and Analytical Tools

- Public records
 - Based primarily on county tax records
 - Data quality is inconsistent across jurisdictions
- Survey-based data
 - Based on site inspection
 - Most reliable data source
- Private data providers
 - Proprietary data collection methodologies
- Replacement cost estimators
 - Maintaining ITV over time is essential for portfolio cat analyses
 - Several methodologies to assess replacement cost estimates



Original Source Data Needs to be Vetted and Converted Before Use in Modeling



Percentage of Locations Where Construction was Augmented by the Property-Specific Data Source



Percentage of Locations Where Occupancy was Augmented by the Property-Specific Data Source



Percentage of Locations Where Number of Stories was Augmented by the Property-Specific Data Source



Percentage of Locations Where Year Built was Augmented by the Property-Specific Data Source



Percentage and Magnitude of Underinsured Locations Compared with ISO Property Valuation Solutions





Data Quality and Enhancement Case Study One: U.S. Wide Residential Book Coded for Earthquake



An Exposure Data Analysis Highlights Some Potential Areas of Concern





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The Portfolio Contains No Information on Number of Stories





The Replacement Values for These Policies May Deserve Further Investigation





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Augmentation Provides Number of Stories for More Than 50 Percent of the Locations

Pre Augmentation







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Post Augmentation

Augmenting Replacement Values Reveals Potential Underinsurance by State



Updating Property Characteristics and Replacement Values Increases Gross Losses



Data Quality and Enhancement Case Study Two: Texas Commercial Hurricane Book





An Exposure Data Analysis Shows a Prevalence of Known Occupancy Values





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Further Digging Uncovers that Many Occupancies are Simply Coded 'General Commercial'

30% Original Augmented 25% 20% 15% 10% 5% 0% Heavy fabrication & assembly Personal and repair services Prof. tech. & bus. services Univ. colleges & tech. schools Health care services Entertainment & recreation Light fabrication & assembly Netal & minerals processing General commercial Telephone & telegraph Petail trade Hightechnology Agriculture ©2010 AIR WORLDWIDE CONFIDENTIAL

Occupancy Classes

Updating Occupancy Types Decreases Gross Losses





Exposure Data Quality is Still Concern, but New Solutions Can Help Companies Assess and Enhance Data

- Exposure data quality varies widely among insurer portfolios
 - There are still many missing values from exposure data files and even if data is "known" it may not be correct
 - Replacement cost estimates are a particular concern as they are difficult to maintain over time
- Objective, third party data sources can help companies enhance questionable data quality before catastrophe analysis
 - When exposure data is enhanced, we see both increased and decreased modeled losses

