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Property Reinsurance

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Innovations

- Side cars
- Select Cat

Top Global Reinsurers: Combined Ratio

	Combined Ratio		
	2005	2006	6 Year Average
Munich Re	111.7	92.6	109.7
Swiss Re	112.3	90.4	104.6
Berkshire Hathaway Re	114.3	70.1	108.9
Hannover Re	112.8	98.4	102.9
Lloyd's	111.8	83.1	103.5
Everest Re	119.4	89.7	102.8
XL Re	127.0	83.4	117.0
Partner Re	115.9	84.6	104.7
Average	115.6	86.5	106.8

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New capital

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2006 Reinsurance Marketplace – Capital Raising

- Capital Flows In
 - Capital Raising by
 Existing Reinsurers (\$5.3 billion)

Company	Capital Raised by Existing Reinsurers (millions)	
Allied World	\$ 344	
Arch Capital	\$ 125	
Arch Capital	\$ 200	
Aspen Re	\$ 200	
Flagstone	\$ 175	
Glacier Re	\$ 30	
MS Frontier	\$ 100	
Montpelier Re	\$ 100	
Olympus Re	\$ 140	
Renaissance Re	\$ 300	
Scor	\$ 501	
Swiss Re	\$ 1,100	
Swiss Re	\$ 2,000	

Softening reflects supply increases

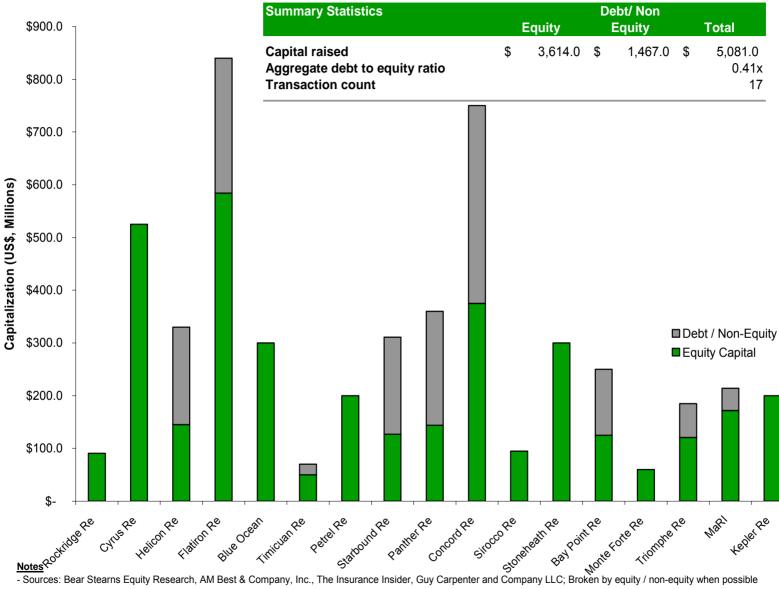
2006 Reinsurance Marketplace – Capital Raising

- Capital Flows In
 - Capital Raising by New Ventures

Company	Capital Raised by New Ventures (million)	
Advent Re	\$ 20	
Asia Capital Re	\$ 620	
Aeolus Re	\$ 500	
Bay Point Re	\$ 250	
Blue Ocean Re	\$ 300	
Castle Point	\$ 265	
Cyrus	\$ 525	
Concord Re	\$ 730	
Flatiron	\$ 256	
Helicon	\$ 150	
Mont Fort Re	\$ 60	
New Point Re	\$ 250	
Norton Re	\$ 108	
Panther Re	\$ 360	
Paris Re	\$ 1,500	
Petrel Re	\$ 200	
Rockridge Re	\$ 91	
Sirocco Re	\$ 95	
Starbound Re	\$ 311	
Stoneheath Re	\$ 350	
Syncro	NA	
Timicuan Re	\$ 70	

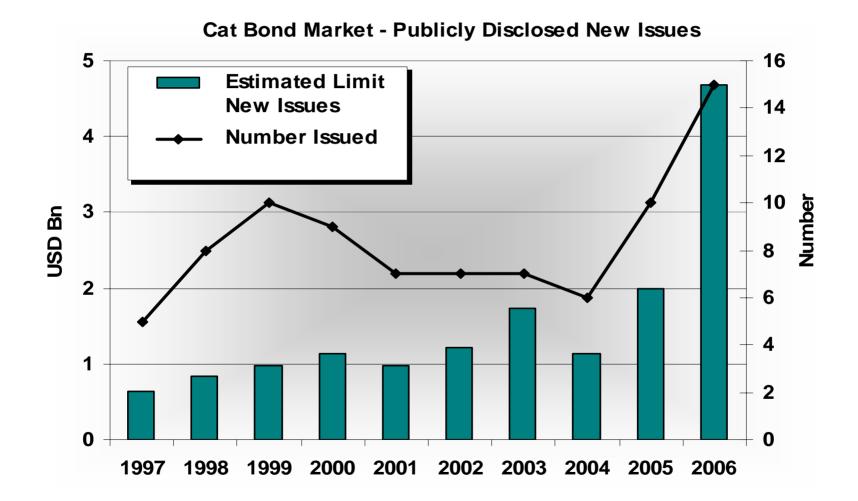
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Post-Katrina Sidecars



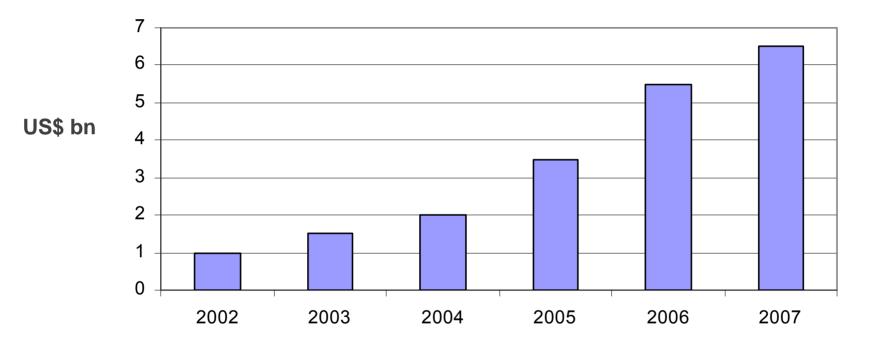
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Cat Bond Market – New Issues



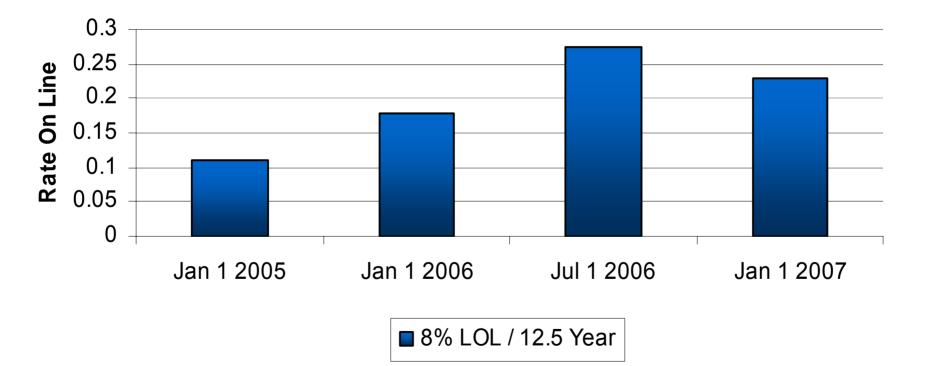
ILW Market Size

Estimated ILW Market Size (Limit)



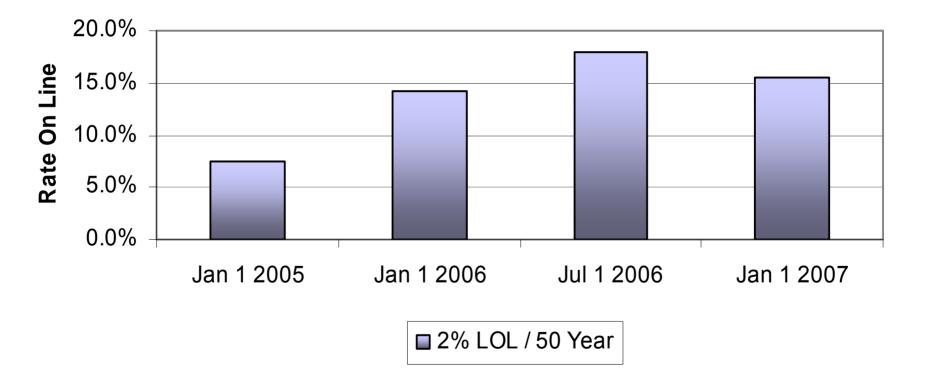
US Property Cat Pricing Exposure Adjusted Price Movements

National Programmes ROL v. 8% LOL



US Property Cat Pricing Exposure Adjusted Price Movements

National Programs ROL v. 2% LOL



Utility Analysis for Reinsurance programs

Choosing among reinsurance programs

- Assume a utility function for the cedent of U (W, R). Here W is current wealth, and R is risk.
- Departing from prior theory (expected utility and prospect theory), R is included directly in the utility function, to emphasize the choice or tradeoff between price and risk.
- U (W, R) is a positive function of W and a negative function of R.
- Consider a reinsurance policy with price P and change in risk of ΔR .
- If U1 is the Utility after the purchase of the reinsurance contract, then:
- U1 = U1 (W-P, R- ΔR).
- The cedent will purchase the program, if:
- U1 > U.

Utility Analysis (continued)

- We next assume a linear utility function:
- U = α W β R, where α and β are greater than zero.
- If U1 > U, a little algebra gets us to the condition:
- $\beta \Delta R > \alpha P$, leading to:
- $\Delta R/P > \alpha /\beta$
- In words, a reinsurance program will be purchased if the reduction in risk relative to the price is greater than the ratio α /β, which we can call the risk/price ratio.
- So for a particular client we can look at past purchases and calculate ΔR/ P. If we look at N programs, the lowest value gives us an upper bound on α /β.
- By reviewing past programs $\underline{rejected}$ by the cedent, we can get a lower bound on α / $\beta.$
- We can also derive an industry average, allowing for the firm to adopt "best practices."

Utility Analysis (Continued)

Comparing two programs.

- Consider two programs, #1 and #2.
- #1 will be preferred to #2 if the utility from #1 (U1) is greater than the utility from #2 (U2).
- Similar algebra as above indicates that #1 will be chosen over #2 if:
- $(\Delta R1 \Delta R2) / (P1 P2) > \alpha /\beta$.