



# Real Estate & Climate Resilience

Drivers | Impacts | Responses

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Real estate cannot run away from a changing climate. It can and should prepare to thrive under new shocks and stressors.

# Drivers

## Motivating Factors

### Empirical Evidence

**Evidence** for the impacts of climate change and the urgency for climate action is now stronger than ever

### Investor Demand

Climate risk **disclosure** is a high priority for institutional investors

### Investor Pressure

Climate risk disclosure **mandates** have begun to go into force in leading markets

### Occupant Expectations

Tenant **expectations** that facilities to be resilience to climate shocks

### Disaster Losses

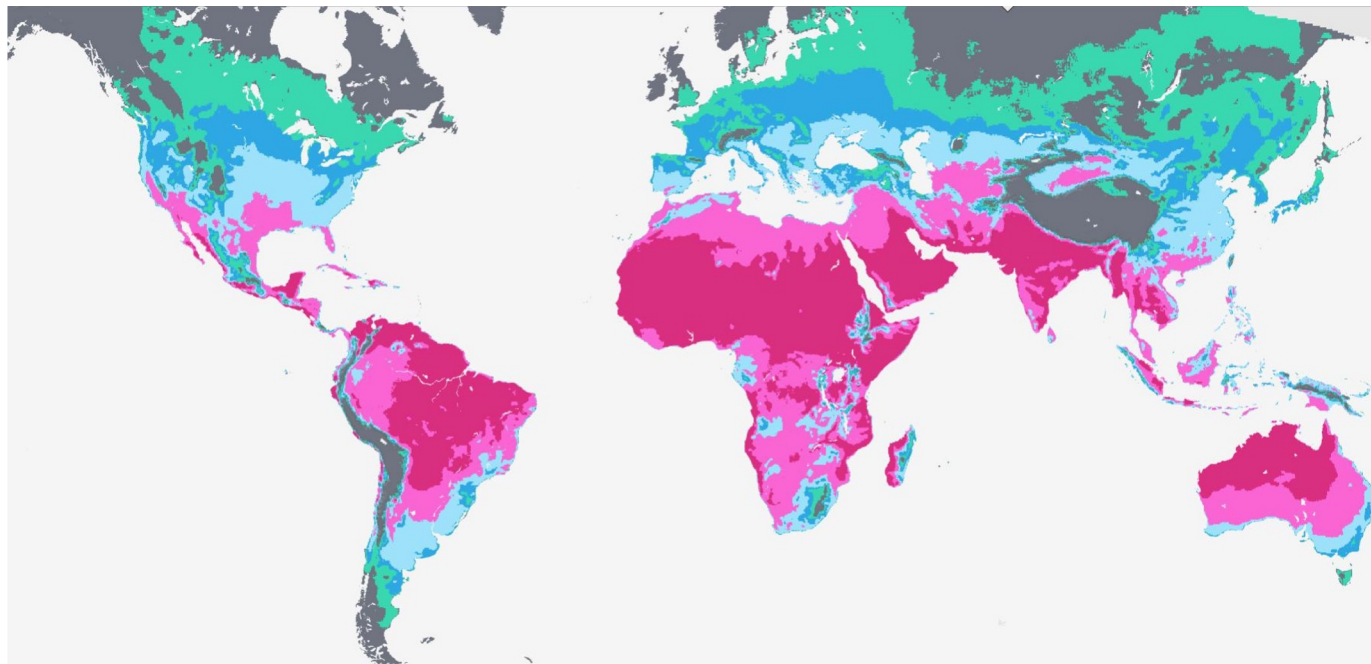
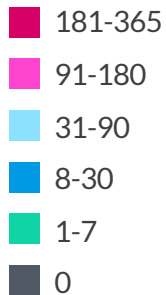
Climate-related **events** are driving broad and significant losses

# More Heat Global

## 2°Celsius

At 2°C of global warming, regions that never experience temperatures above 32°C (90°F) will start to have them. Hot places become even hotter.

### NUMBER DAYS PER YEAR



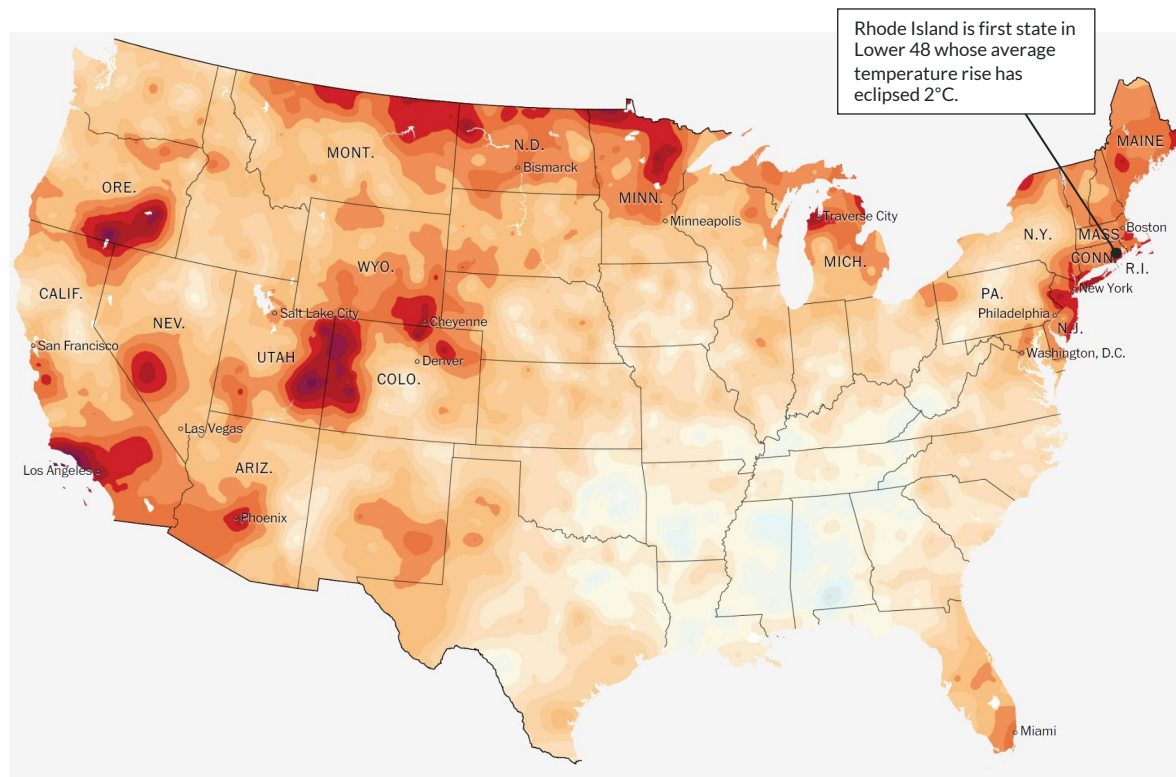
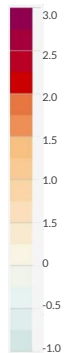


# More Heat U.S.

## Heat Map

An analysis of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration temperature data across 3,107 counties found that major areas are nearing or have already crossed the 2°C mark.

1865-2018 (C°)



# More Fire

Death

Disruption

Dislocation

Damage

Pollution

How smoke from  
California wildfires  
turns the sky red

Los Angeles Times, Sept. 15, 2020



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# More Floods

Death

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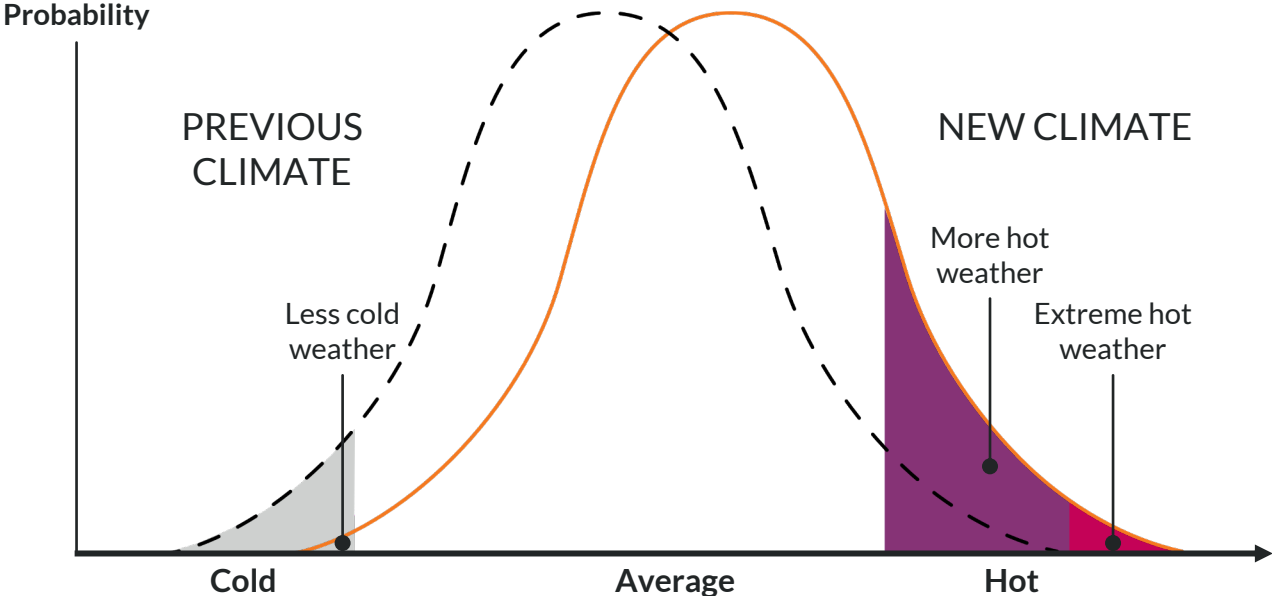
Europe's deadly  
floods leave  
scientists stunned

ScienceInsider, July 20, 2021



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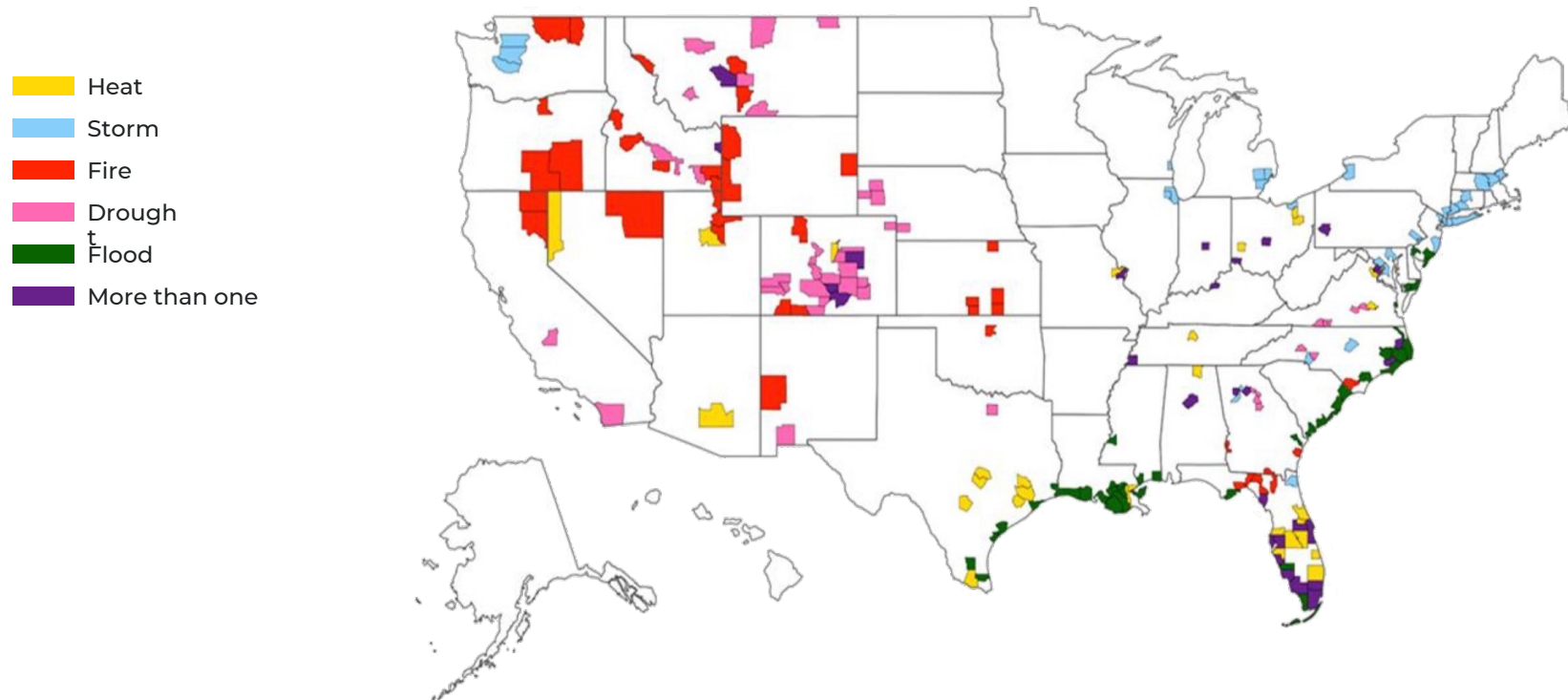
# More Extreme Weather



Source: BBC | U.S. EPA

# More Places at Risk

## U.S. Locations





# More People at Risk

## U.S. Counties

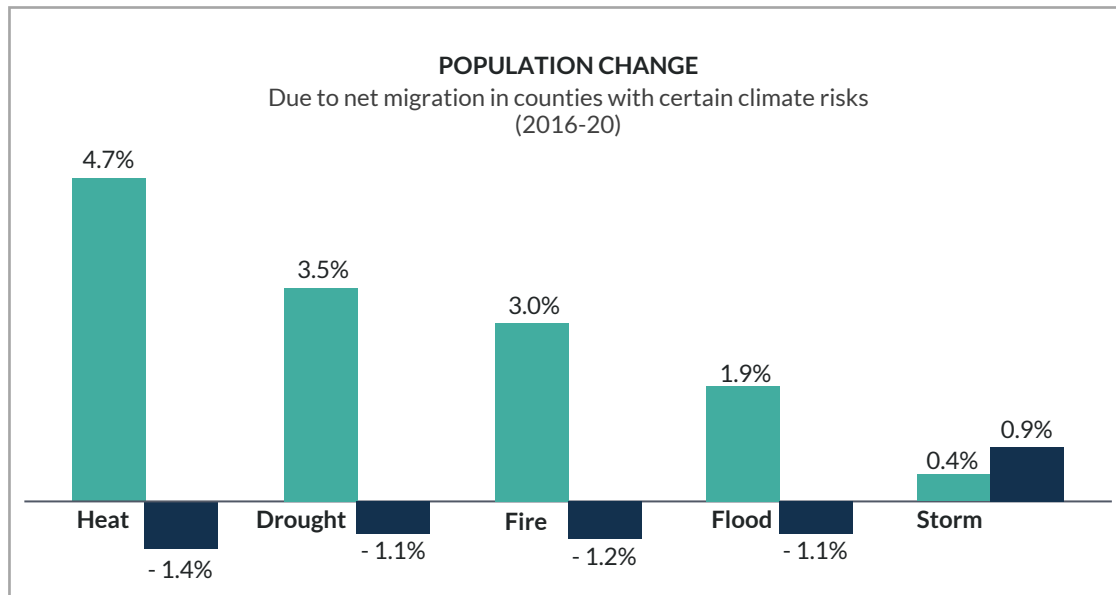
### REDFIN

America's climate-endangered areas are becoming more populous.

- Counties with smallest share of homes facing risk
- Counties with largest share of homes facing risk

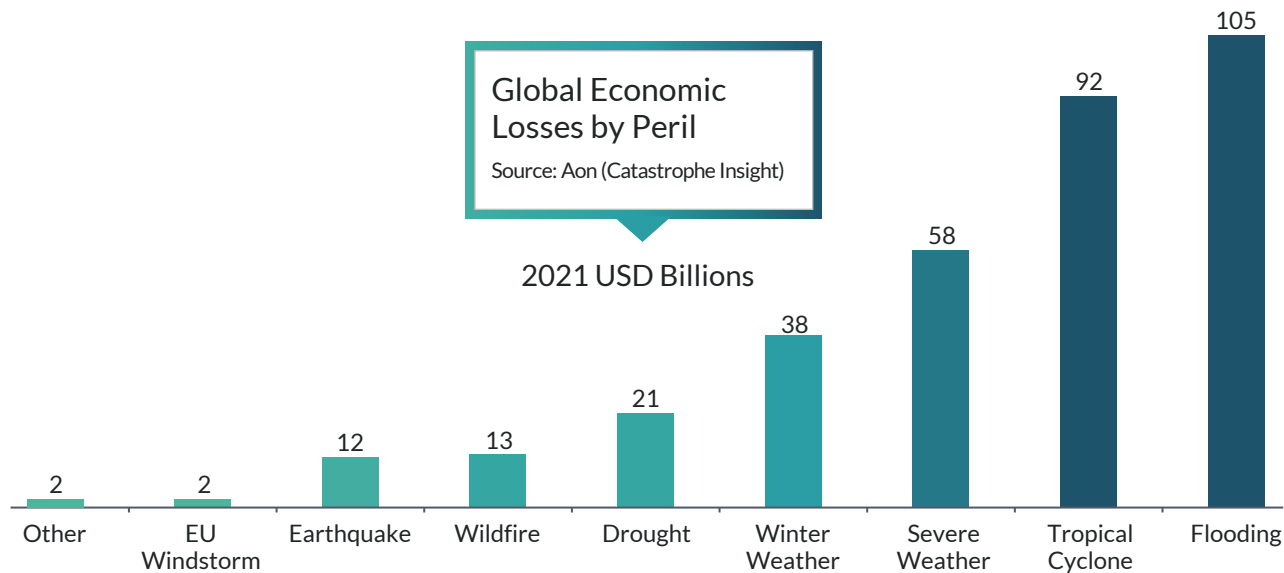
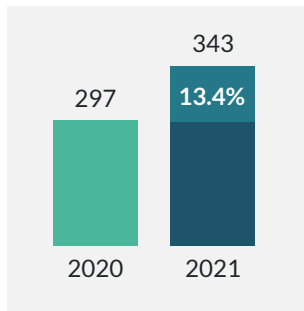
People are moving in and out of areas facing high risk of climate change.

Lily Katz & Sebastian Sandoval-Olascoaga, 8/25/21; updated 9/8/21



# More Money at Lost 2021

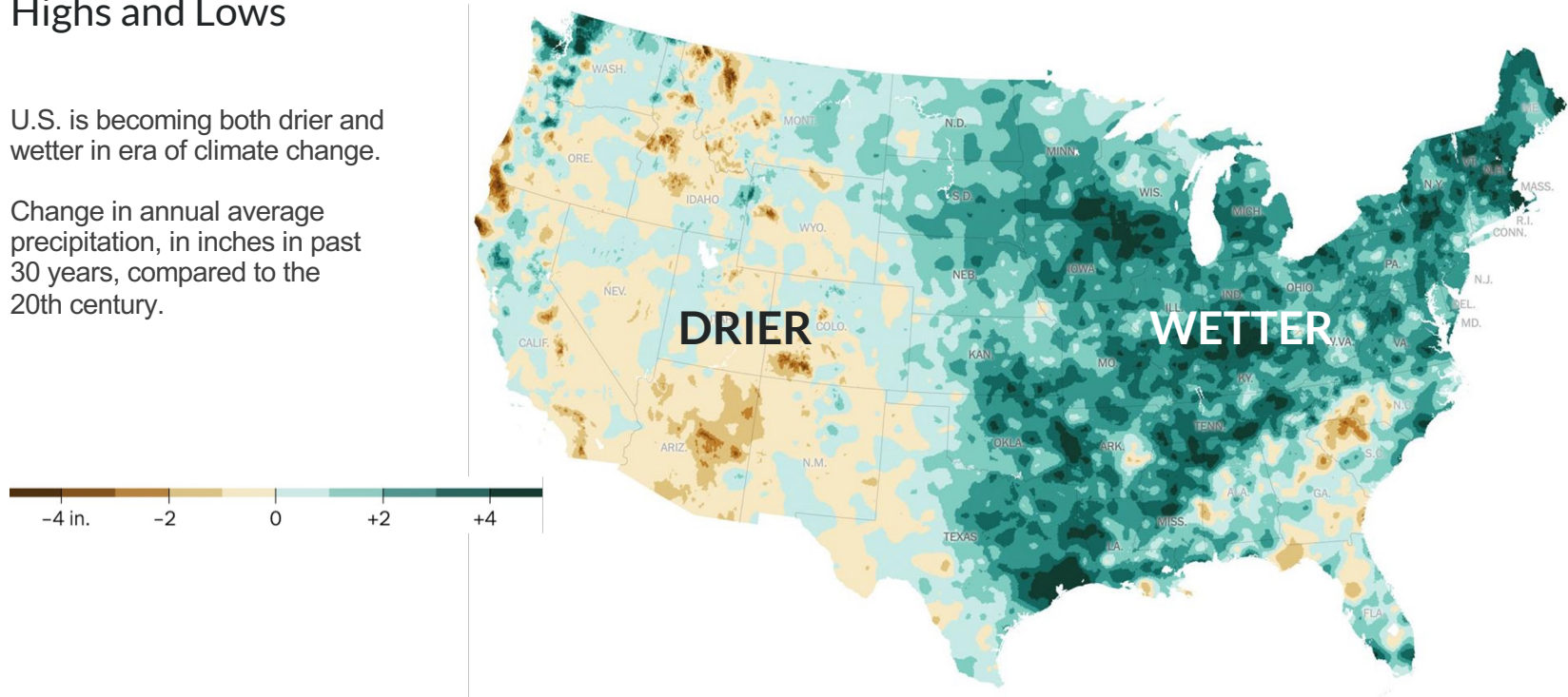
Increase in global weather-  
and catastrophic-related  
economic losses:



# More Extreme Precipitation Highs and Lows

U.S. is becoming both drier and wetter in era of climate change.

Change in annual average precipitation, in inches in past 30 years, compared to the 20th century.



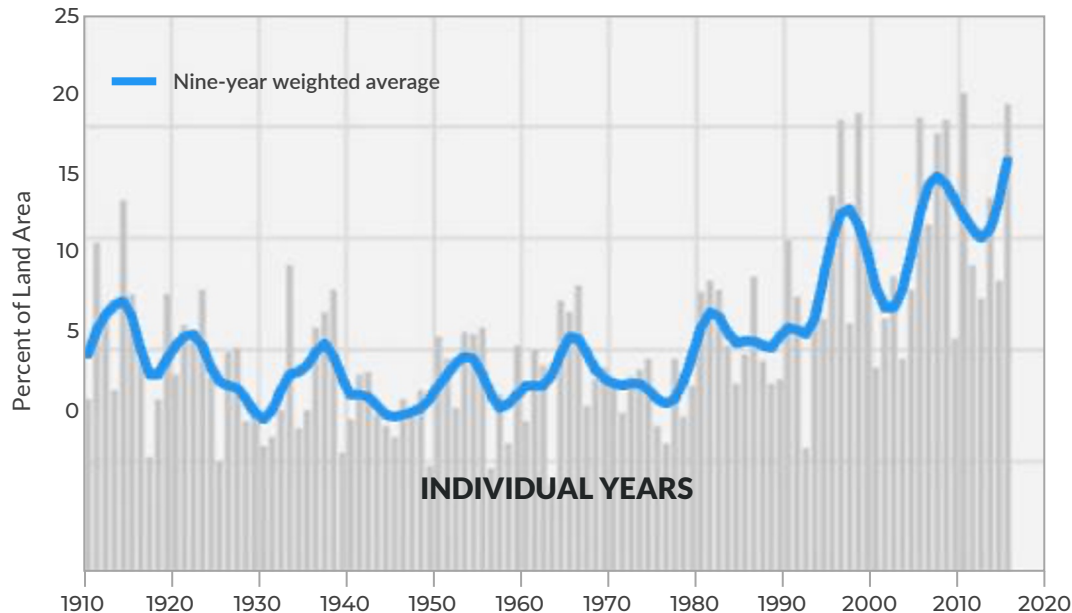
Source: NOAA | National Centers for Environmental Information

# Changing Extremes

## One-Day Events

### Extreme Increases

Chart shows the percentage of land area in 48 contiguous states where much greater than normal total annual precipitation came from extreme one-day events:



Source: NOAA | National Centers for Environmental Information

# Building for the Past Infrastructure

## Hurricane Harvey

Even before Harvey dropped 60' of rain, damaged 100,000 homes and cost \$125 billion, city planners had realized infrastructure was not designed for even weaker storms.

CLIMATE

An unexpected item is blocking cities' climate change prep: obsolete rainfall records


February 9, 2022 • 5:00 AM ET

LAUREN SOMMER



Source: NOAA | National Centers for Environmental Information





**Individual action**  
Everyone for themselves



# Coordinated action

## Mitigating risk together



# Investor Response

## Climate Leadership



TCFD recommendations are designed to help companies provide better information to support informed capital allocation.



Source: NOAA | National Centers for Environmental Information

# TCFD

## Global Influence

### Supporter Growth (2021)

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**2,500+**

Supporters globally

**120+**

Regulators & governmental entities

**89**

Countries & jurisdictions represented

**25 TN**

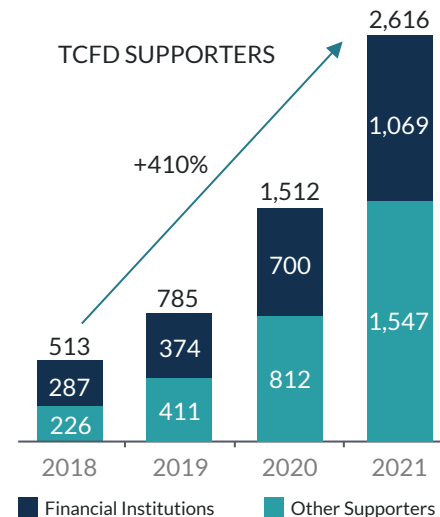
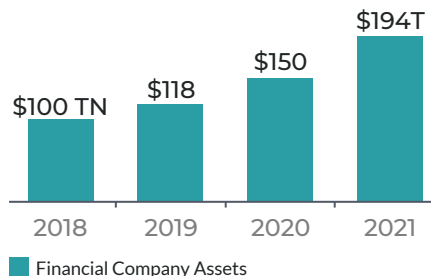
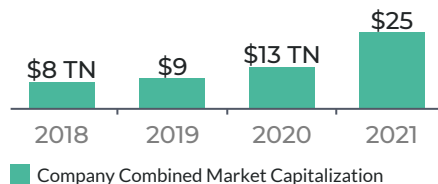
Combined company market capitalization

**194 TN**

Financial company assets

### TCFD MARKET COVERAGE

(USD Trillions)

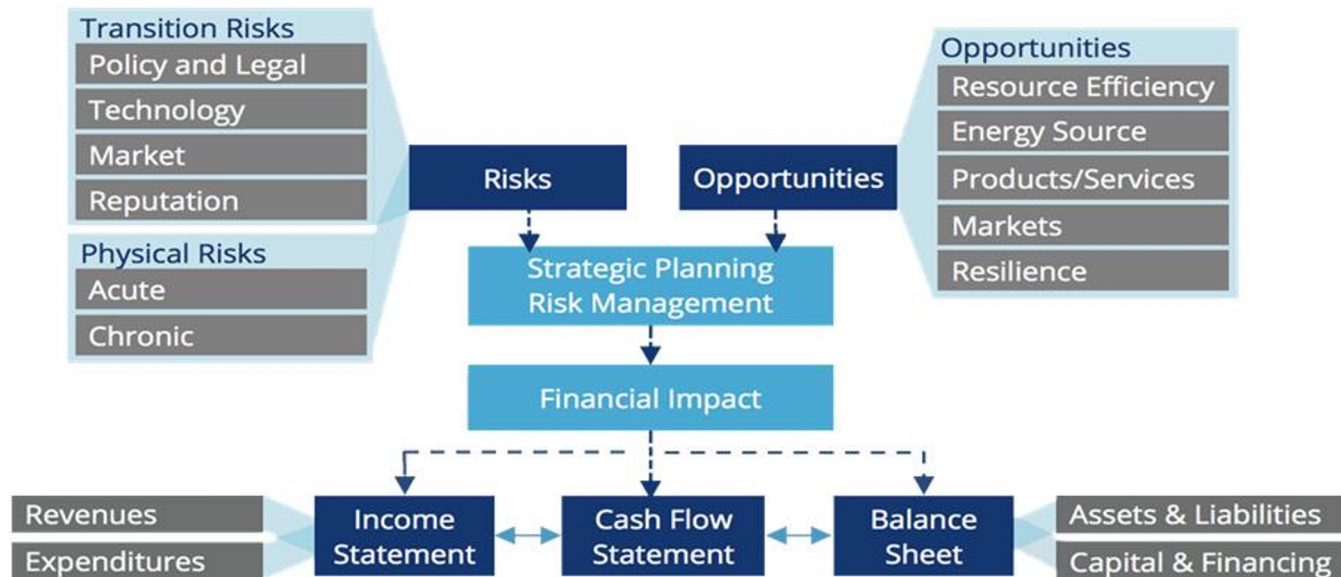


# TCFD

## Recommendations

### Risk and Reward

Demand growing for information about bottom-line impact of transition and risks.





# TCFD

## Real Estate Implications

### Property Parameters

- Capital requirements
- Vacancy and retention rate
- Utility expenses
- Operating income
- Purchase price
- Sales price
- Market conditions

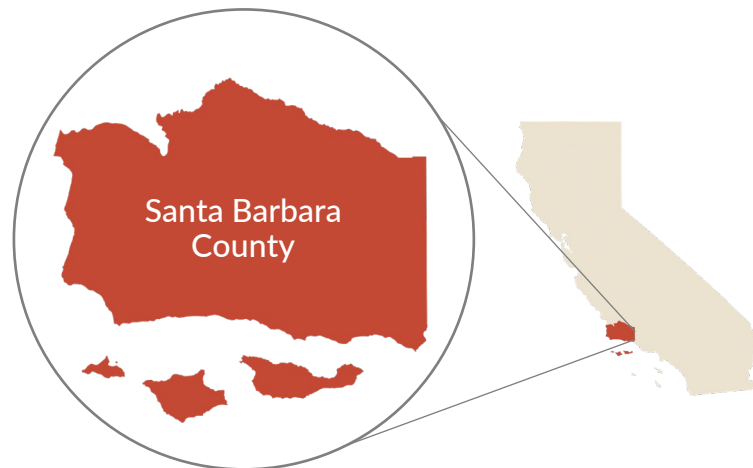


# Analyzing Real Estate Risk

## Market Impact

### Moderate Wildfire Risk Ratios

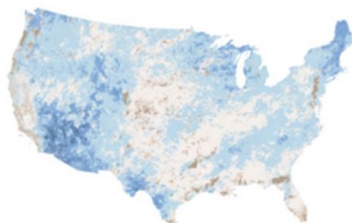
Residential	99,008 of 110,222 homes
Commercial	4,594 of 6,700 commercial properties
Critical Infrastructure	482 of 543 infrastructure facilities
Social Facilities	407 of 514 social facilities



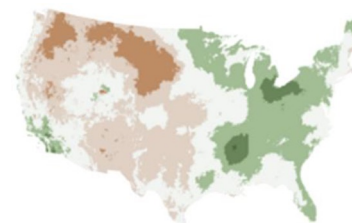
### Birth of a Wildfire



Air Temperatures



Precipitation Change



Decreasing Humidity



Source: Risk Factor Pro™

# Managing Investment Risks

Investors & Stakeholders | Implications



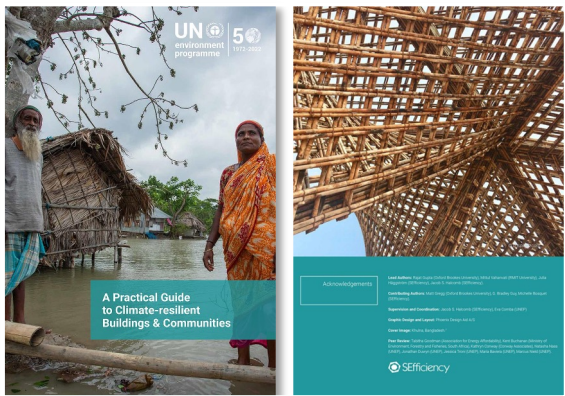
## Heitman Real Estate Investment

“A growing number of firms have shifted operations to areas with lower physical risk exposure after experiencing disasters or near misses firsthand.”

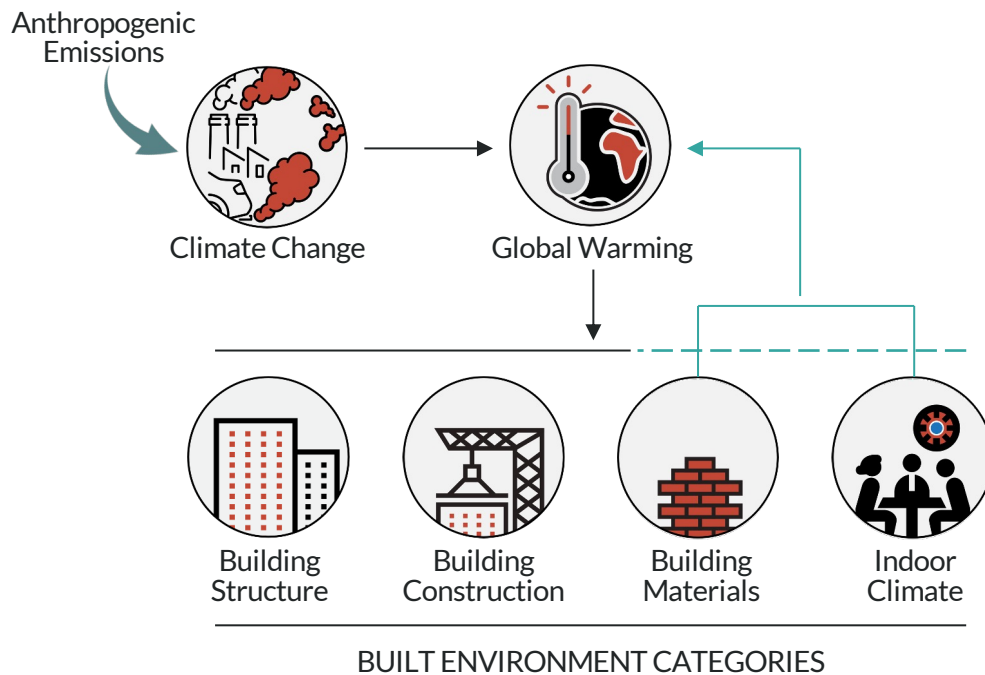
# Facility Impacts

## Site Specific

The vulnerability of housing and infrastructure depends on a number of factors, including their design (making them more or less resistant to storms) and location.



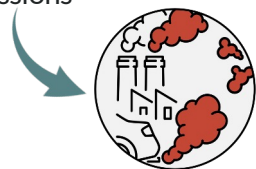
Source: UN Environment Programme



# Hazards & Vulnerabilities

HAZARD	VULNERABILITY
Overheating	Cooling
Interface Fire	Power
Air Quality	Ventilation
Water Shortage	Water
Wind/Hail/Ice/Rain/ Lightning/Tornado	Structure/Enclosure Power Telecom Goods
Transportation Disruption	Goods
Flood	Structure/Enclosure Sewage

Anthropogenic Emissions



Climate Change



Global Warming



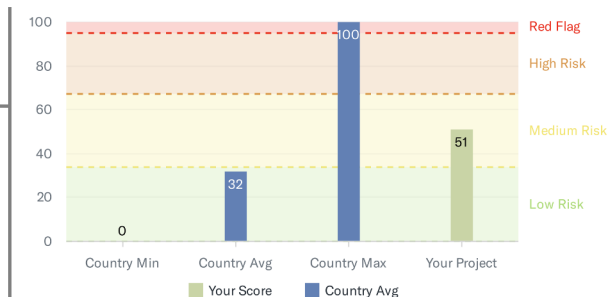
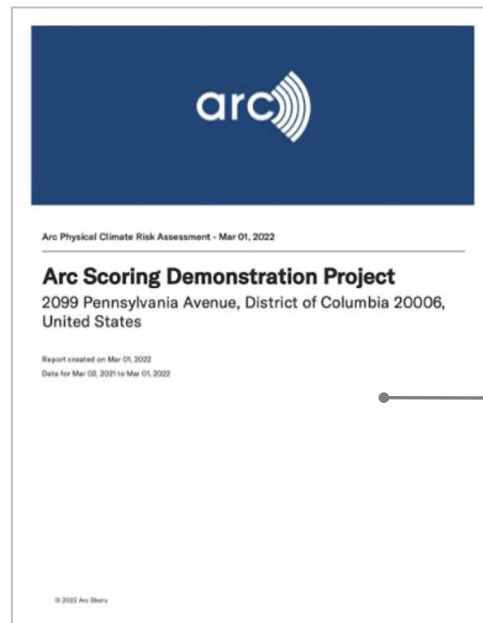
BUILT ENVIRONMENT IMPACTS



# Analysis

## Site Specific

- 1 Hazard Exposure  
**RESEARCH** climate risks and hazards to the site and community.
- 2 Risk Assessment  
**UNDERSTAND** and prioritize potential impacts with respect to facility management goals.
- 3 Resilience Strategies  
**GATHER** comprehensive market intelligence from knowledge experts and asset management teams.
- 4 Hazard Exposure  
**CARRY OUT** the strategies and evaluate results.



# Building Resilience

## Facility Managers | Strategies

### Protection

Strategies to reduce a building's vulnerability to **extreme weather**:

1. Wet Floodproofing
  2. Dry Floodproofing
  3. Site Perimeter Floodproofing
- Resilient Elevators
  - Backwater Valves
  - Sump Pumps

### Adaptation

Strategies that improve a facility's ability to adapt to **climate change**:

- 1 - 2 Window Shading
- Envelope Efficiency
  - Elevated Equipment
  - Elevated Living Space
  - Surface Stormwater Management
  - Contributing Heating and Cooling

### Backup

Strategies that provide critical needs during **loss of power or services**:

- Maintenance of Backup Power to Critical Systems
- Emergency Lighting
- Access to Potable Water

### Community

Strategies that encourage behaviors that enhance **communal resilience**:

- Building Community Ties
- Creating Community Resilience Spaces
- Developing Emergency Management Manual
- Organizing for Community Resilience

# Facility Management Examples

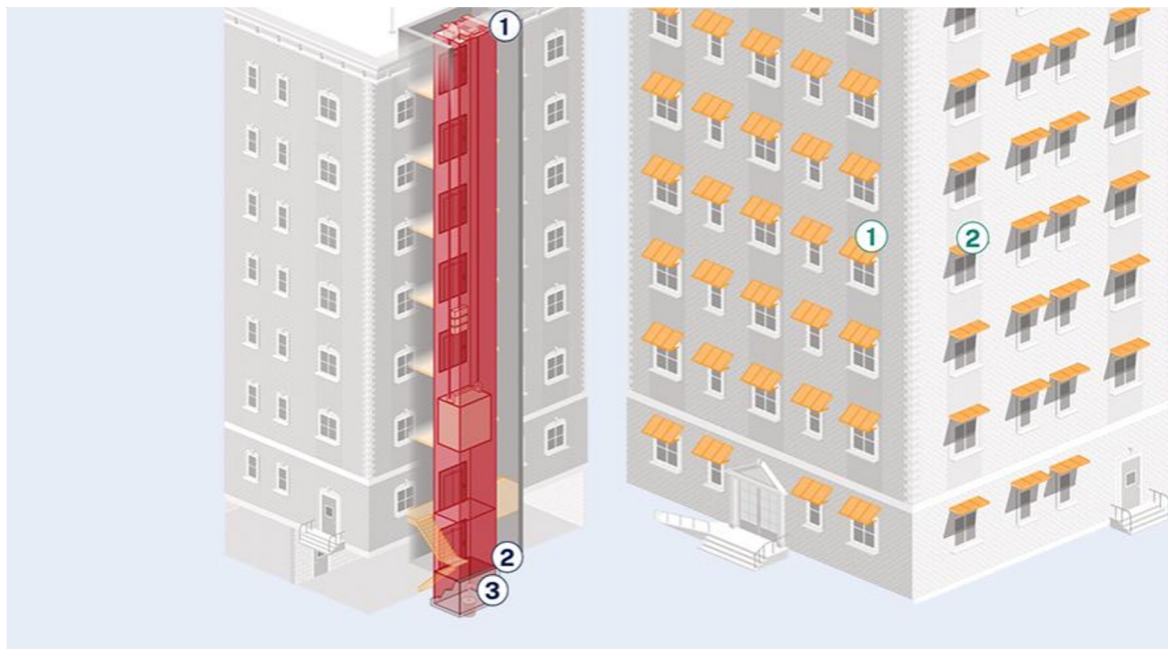
These demonstrate examples of action steps you can take:

## Protection

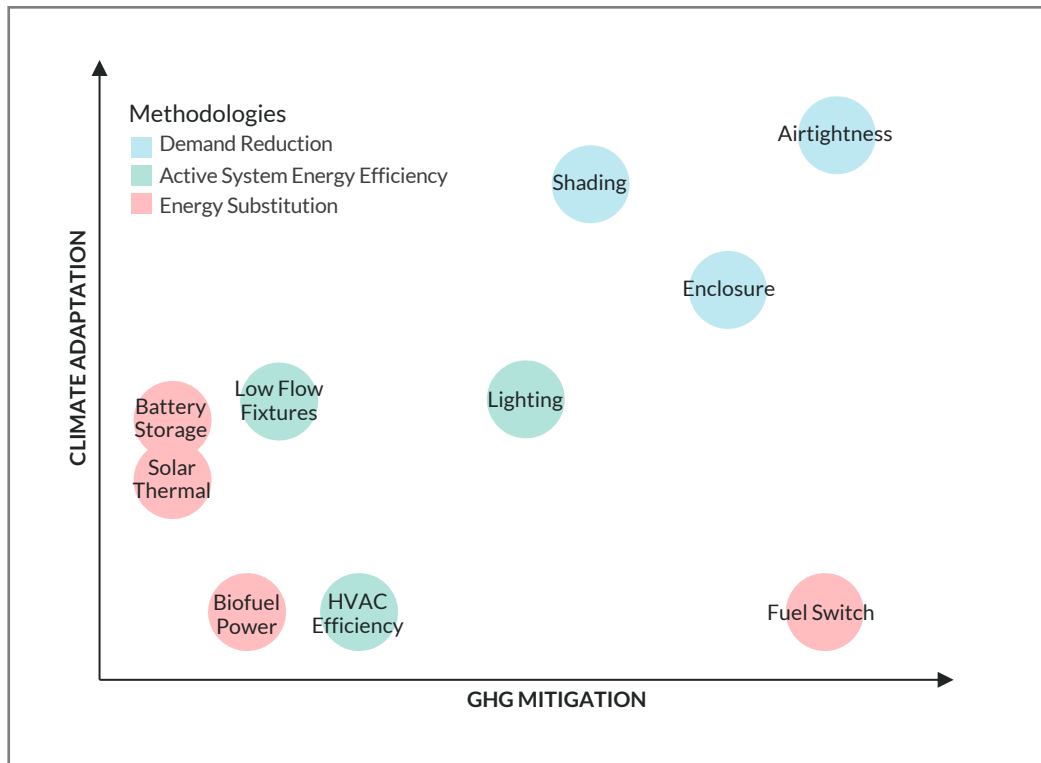
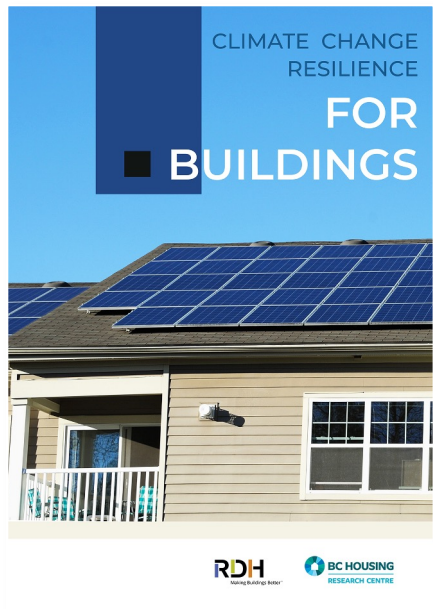
1. Wet Floodproofing
2. Dry Floodproofing
3. Site Perimeter

## Adaption

- 1 - 2 Window Shading



# Mitigating Impact Property Design



Sources: RDH Building Science Inc. / BC Housing Research Centre

# Corporate Management

## GRESB indicators

### Distribution of Responses (By TCFD Category)

Demonstration of a more comprehensive climate risk and resiliency program is a higher priority for those funds earning top-level GRESB scores.

### Indicators

For climate-resilient management and operations:

- Leadership
- Accountability
- Governance
- Business Strategy
- Risk Assessment
- Implementation
- Evaluation



# GRESB

## ESG Performance

### Key Findings

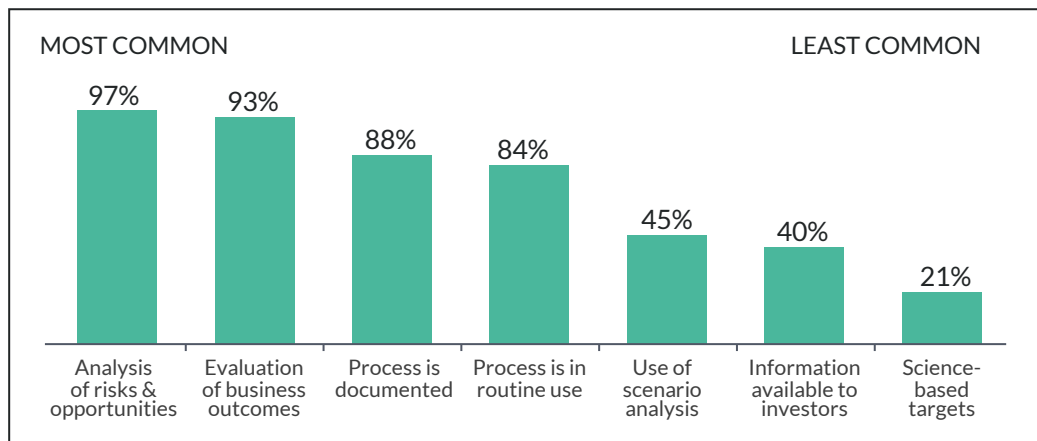
- Management actions and operations vary significantly
- Many practices are implemented inconsistently
- Leaders use more than 75% of practices - most use less than 50%.

**GRESB** = Provides validated ESG performance data and peer benchmarks for investors and managers to improve business intelligence, industry engagement and decision-making.

**Benefit:** Helps investors make better ESG-related decisions

**TCFD** = Increases the clarity, relevance and use of climate-related information in organizational disclosures so financial markets can have more sustainable and resilient investment options.

**Benefit:** Brings greater clarity to climate-based disclosures, helping to influence markets





# Resilience for Investors Engagement

- 1 Understand.  
Gain a clear understanding of asset, portfolio and market risks.
- 2 Consider.  
Consider impacts on operating income, expenses, purchase price, sales price and market conditions.
- 3 Plan.  
Plan for resilience across the plausible range of site, portfolio and market conditions.
- 4 Execute and Evaluate.  
Ensure accountable execution of the plan and manage for uncertainty – checking assumptions and outcomes.

This GRESB Special Report is an additional resource.



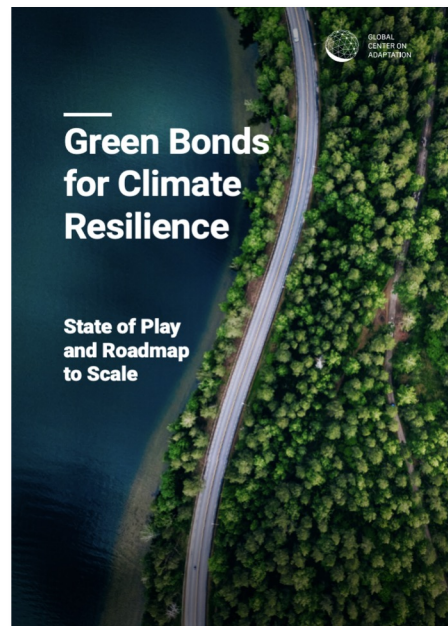
Climate change is the **highest** priority ESG issue facing investors.

Principles for Responsible Investment

# Access to Capital Green Bonds

- 1 Framework  
Establish a framework to guide the use of proceeds – usually supported by third-party review.
- 2 Execution  
Use proceeds to create or improve facilities – carefully tracking investments.
- 3 Monitor & Report  
Evaluate investment impacts and facility performance over time – report periodically to investors and stakeholders.



New guidance  
to access  
capital for  
resilient  
buildings








# Access to Capital

## Green Bonds



Size	US\$500 million
Tenor	10-year
Issue Date	10th January 2018
Coupon	3.5%
Issue Price	99.566%
Ranking	Senior Unsecured
Joint Lead Managers & Bookrunners / Joint Green Advisors	Bank of America Merrill Lynch HSBC
Ratings	A – Fitch A2 – Moody's
Certification	First Green Bond in Hong Kong to obtain Green Finance Certification from HKQAA 
Second Party Opinion Provider	 SUSTAINALYTICS
Inclusion in Green Bond Indices	Bloomberg Barclays MSCI Green Bond Index ICE BofAML Green Bond Index

Our Green Bond Framework is available online. Net proceeds will be used to fund green projects meeting one or more of the following categories of eligibility recognised in the Green Bond Principles.

-  Renewable Energy
-  Energy Efficiency
-  Sustainable Water and Wastewater Management
-  Climate Change Adaptation
-  Green Buildings

### 1 USE OF PROCEEDS

**Overall comment on section (if applicable):**  
 Proceeds of the green bonds will be used to finance or refinance expenditures related to investments in Swire Properties' real estate assets or properties with the view of improving their environmental performance, specifically projects relating to: (i) Renewable Energy; (ii) Energy Efficiency; (iii) Sustainable Water and Wastewater Management; (iv) Climate Change Adaptation; and (v) Green Buildings (LEED® Gold / Platinum and BEAM Plus Gold / Platinum).

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# Learn More

## Best Practice Example

### Understand risk and improve facilities.

Assess site-specific risks and prioritize risk mitigation strategies.

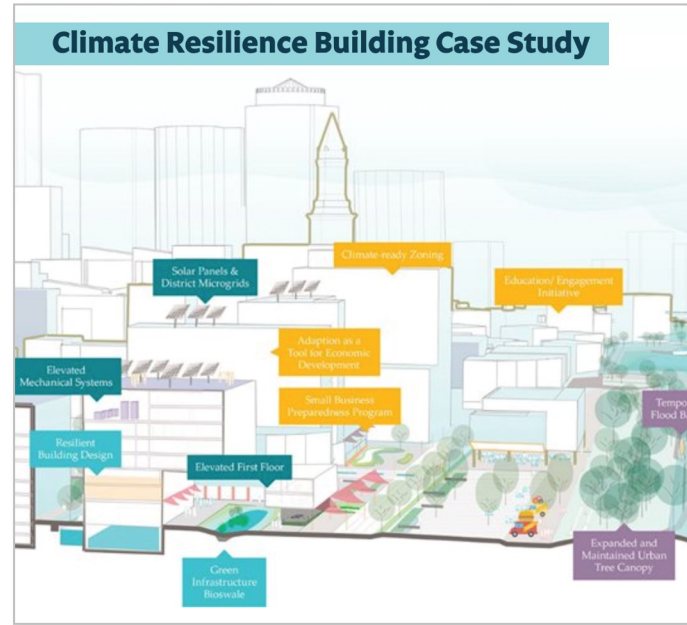
### Communicate management and performance to investors.

Use proceeds to create or improve facilities – carefully tracking investments.

### Considering pursuing new resources and capital.

Evaluate investment impacts and facility performance over time – report periodically to investors and stakeholders.

More  
inspiration





We all contribute to greater **RESILIENCE**