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Tornados



Floods



Hurricanes



Wild Fires



Earthquakes



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Hurricane Season Facts

- Hurricane season runs from June 1 through the end of November each year. The busiest part of the season is typically in August and September.
- NOAA scientists predict 9 to 14 named storms, with four to seven becoming hurricanes, of which three could become major hurricanes of Category three strength or higher.

Natural Disaster Preparedness

- 91 % of Americans live in places at moderate to high risk of natural disasters. Yet only 16% of Americans say they are well prepared for the next natural disaster or public emergency (Ripley)
- Natural disasters have increased more than 4005 in the last two decades. (Oxfam)
- Only 15% of Americans believe that the government is adequately prepared to handle natural disasters. (Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research)
- More than 60 percent of Texas Gulf Coast residents do not believe themselves to be well prepared for the next hurricane. (CPL Retail Energy)

Gulf Coast Recovery

- 37,000 people on the Gulf Coast are still living in trailers supplied by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (Oxfam)
- Only 12 percent of African-American evacuees who returned to New Orleans after the hurricanes have been able to find work, compared with 45 percent of white evacuees. (Oxfam)