

Table 1-1. Sources of flood damage estimates.

| Source | Timespan | Spatial Scale | Scope |
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| National Weather Service flood damage data sets | 1925–present | Nation State Basin | Estimates of direct physical damage from significant flooding events that result from rainfall or snowmelt |
| Insurance records (National Flood Insurance Program, private insurers) | 1969–present | Nation Community | Personal property claims made by individuals holding flood insurance |
| Disaster assistance records (Federal Emergency Management Agency) | 1992–present | Nation State | Federal and state outlays for public assistance, individual assistance, and temporary housing in presidentially declared disasters |
| State and local government records | Varies | State | Varies |
| Newspaper archives | Varies | Community | Varies |