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2023

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**Summary:** Around the world, insured damages inflicted by natural catastrophes are climbing fast and set to double in roughly 10 years according to the Swiss Re Institute — the research arm of the giant reinsurance firm. Insured losses from natural catastrophes have been on a slow and steady rise. Although last year saw a drop from 2022 and 2021, it was the fourth year in a row when they topped \$100 billion. Only about 40% of economic losses globally are insured, meaning the total economic losses are much higher. Swiss Re estimates that climate change was responsible for only a fraction of increase in damages, about one-eighth, although it expects that its contribution will rise. With factors like inflation, exposure, and rising natural perils combined, total insured losses will likely rise 5% to 7% a year over the next decade. Related: A Hidden Crisis In US Housing and As Texas Burns, Property Insurance Costs Soar and The Uninsurable World: What Climate Change Is Costing Homeowners

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