Habitation Claims

GSU Data Visualization Course HW2

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Content

Business Problem:

Executives of insurance company ABC suspect that habitational claims are becoming a
more prominent component of loss ratios for the company. Executives would like for the
data science team to investigate this particular type of claim and make recommendations
based on their findings.

Definitions:

- Insurance company ABC: is a property and casualty insurance company that sells commercial P&C insurance to clients in the habitational sector.
- <u>Habitational Sector</u>: Buildings that are primarily used for habitational purposes, like apartments, hotels, and condominiums.
- <u>Habitational Claims</u>: Failure to provide safe and livable housing.

 https://www.nolo.com/Iools-Intel/post/habitability-lawsuits-raise-new-risks-for-apartment-owners-insurers?portalid=34

 https://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/free-books/renters-rights-book/chapter7-2.html

Data set

Compositions & Characteristics

☐ Dimensions: 44,658 rows by 920 columns

Rows: Each row represents a property

location

☐ Date Range: 2016-2020

☐ States: All

☐ Features: 386

Other Claims & Premium variables

Row Labels Tount of C	Column_Name
feature	190
rate	4
premium	43
limit	31
deductible	19
Location	
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Date	
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PolicyType	
Grand Total	364

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Grand Total		386

Metrics By Year

Objective:

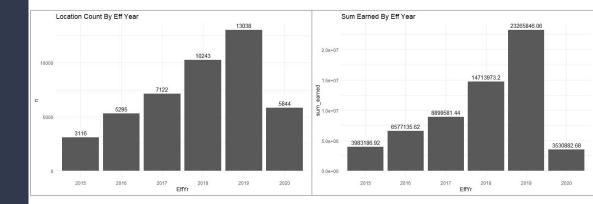
Illustrate key profit and loss metrics by year.

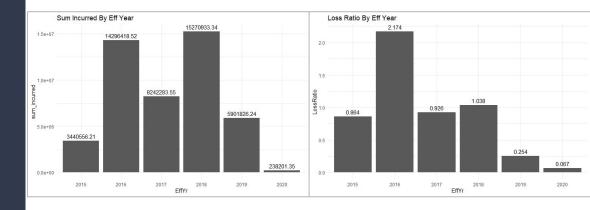
Plots:

Loss count, sum earned, sum incurred and loss ratio by year.

Observations:

- The book of business in terms of count of policies and earned premium is increasing monotonically over time.
- Incurred amounts are inconsistent by year and loss ratios are trending downward.





Claims Composition

Objective

Illustrate trend in claim counts by year

Plots

 All claim counts and liability claim counts by year.

Observations

- Total claim counts appear to increase year of year. Liability claim counts fall off after 2018 while property claims increase.
- Habitational claims appear to have a downward trend over time.



Habitational Claims By State

Objective

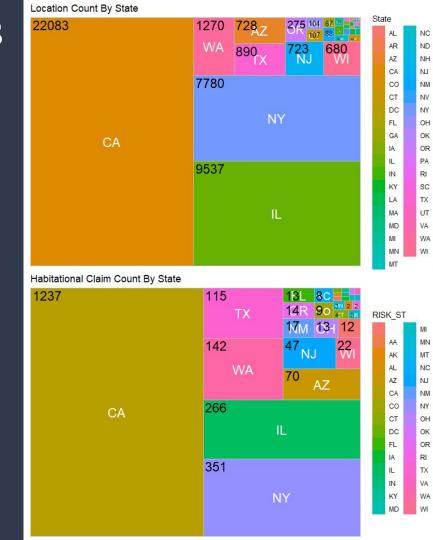
 Determine if there are any geographic attributes to habitational claims.

Plots

• Location count and habitational claim count by state.

Observations

 The count of habitational claims appears to be proportional to the largest states (CA, IL, NY)



Habitational Claims Loss Distribution

Objective

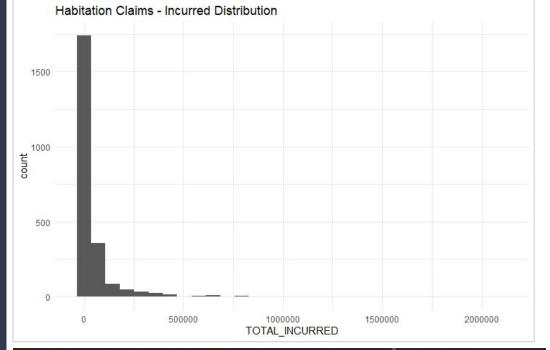
 Illustrate the distribution of habitational claims by incurred amount.

Plots

 Distribution of habitation claim incurred amounts as well as measures of central tendency.

Observations

- The majority of the claims are small, around \$0-5k.
- There are a few very large outliers that may have contributed to materially to the overall loss ratio.





Habitational Claims

Large Losses (> 250k)

Objective

 Illustrate the distribution of large losses and trend of occurrence over time.

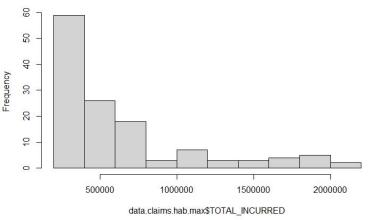
Plots

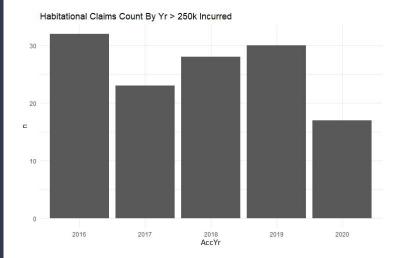
- Distribution of large losses
- Count of large losses by year

Observations

- There appear to be a significant number of claims > 250k.
- While overall habitation claim counts have decreased over time larger losses appear to have increaed.

Hab Claims > \$250k Incurred





Conclusion | Key Takeaways

- Senior management shared concerns about a perceived increase in habitational claims that could cause a problem in future loss ratios.
- Insurance company ABC appears to have a growing and increasing profitable business over time.
- While overall claims counts appear to be increasing in light with the growth of the book of business, liability, and in particular, habitational claims are decreasing.
- There does not appear to a be significant difference in the distribution of habitation claims by state.
- Losses tend to be small and infrequent with the potential for large losses.
- While in the aggregate habitational claims are decreasing over time, large losses, defined as those with incurred amounts > 250k, are increasing.
- The fact that habitational claims have exhibited large losses in the past combined with the fact that these large losses are increasing over time could have contributed to the executives perception that this particular claims type is becoming a problem.