

Storm

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setwd("C:/Users/John/Desktop/ReprdResearch-Week4-STORM-data")
#Synopsis
# Storms and other severe weather events can cause both public health and economic problems for communi
# This project involves exploring the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) sto

#Data processing

tinytex::install_tinytex()
library("data.table")
library("ggplot2")
library(tinytex)

raw_data <- read.csv("/Users/John/Desktop/ReprdResearch-Week4-STORM-data/repdata_data_StormData.csv.bz2")
#Questions #1

# For Questions #1, events will be evaluated by which are most harmful with respect to population helth
# Total number of casualties (TOTAL_CAS)
# is estimated as the sum of INJURIES and FATALITIES for all events.

raw_data$TOTAL_CAS <- raw_data$FATALITIES + raw_data$INJURIES

# Questions #2
# For Question #2, events which have the greatest economic consequences will be evaluated.
# The assumption where the economic consequences is the sum of crop damage and property damage TOTAL_DM
# To construct the TOTAL_DMG variable, PROPDMGEXP and CROPDMGEXP will be transformed in 1000, 1e+06 and

value <- function(x) {
  x <- tolower(x)
  if (x == "k") res <- 1000
  if (x == "m") res <- 1e+06
  if (x == "b") res <- 1e+09
  else res <- 1
  res
}

raw_data$PROP_DMG <- raw_data$PROPDMG * apply(raw_data$PROPDMGEXP, value) /1000000
raw_data$CROP_DMG <- raw_data$CROPDMG * apply(raw_data$CROPDMGEXP, value) /1000000
raw_data$TOTAL_DMG <- raw_data$PROP_DMG + raw_data$CROP_DMG

#Taking only relevant variables, a new data set is constructed. The new data set is aggregated by EVTYPE

proc_data <- raw_data[,c("EVTYPE", "FATALITIES", "INJURIES", "TOTAL_CAS", "PROP_DMG", "CROP_DMG", "TOTAL
proc_data <- aggregate(proc_data[,2:7], by=list(proc_data$EVTYPE),FUN=sum, na.rm=TRUE)
colnames(proc_data) <- c("EVTYPE", colnames(proc_data[2:7]))
#top_data() function takes data frame (df), column number (col) and returns the top results.
```

```
top_data <- function(df, col, top) {
  df <- df[,c(1, col)]
  df <- df[order(df[,2], decreasing = T),]
  df <- df[1:top,]
  rownames(df) <- NULL
  df
}
```

#Results

Question 1

Across the United States, which types of events are most harmful with respect to population health?

The top 3 events with most FATALITIES are:

```
top_data(proc_data, 2,3)
```

```
##          EVTYPE FATALITIES
## 1      TORNADO      5633
## 2 EXCESSIVE HEAT      1903
## 3   FLASH FLOOD       978
```

The top 3 events with most INJURIES are:

```
top_data(proc_data, 3,3)
```

```
##          EVTYPE INJURIES
## 1      TORNADO   91346
## 2 TSTM WIND     6957
## 3      FLOOD    6789
```

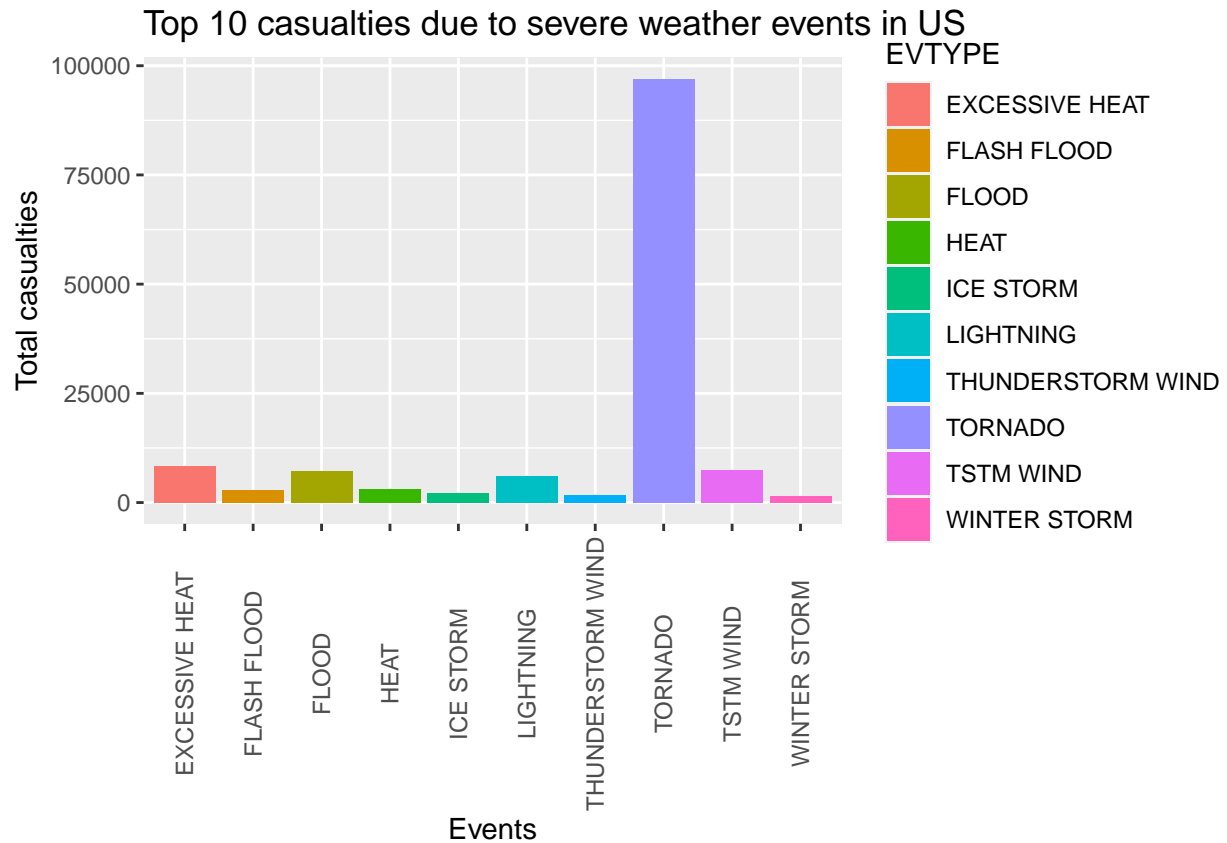
The top 10 events with most Total casualties are:

```
cas_data <- top_data(proc_data, 4,10)
print(cas_data)
```

```
##          EVTYPE TOTAL_CAS
## 1      TORNADO   96979
## 2 EXCESSIVE HEAT   8428
## 3      TSTM WIND   7461
## 4      FLOOD      7259
## 5      LIGHTNING   6046
## 6      HEAT       3037
## 7   FLASH FLOOD   2755
## 8      ICE STORM   2064
## 9 THUNDERSTORM WIND 1621
## 10 WINTER STORM   1527
```

Plot top 10 events with most Total casualties:

```
ggplot(cas_data, aes(x=EVTYPE, y=TOTAL_CAS, fill=EVTYPE)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  ggtitle("Top 10 casualties due to severe weather events in US") +
  xlab("Events") +
  ylab("Total casualties") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust=0.5))
```



Question 2

Across the United States, which types of events have the greatest economic consequences?

The top 3 events causing most property damages are:

```
top_data(proc_data, 5,3)
```

```
##          EVTYPE  PROP_DMG
## 1          FLOOD 122500.90
## 2 HURRICANE/TYPHOON 65500.01
## 3      STORM SURGE 42560.02
```

The top 3 events causing most crop damages are:

```
top_data(proc_data, 6,3)
```

```
##          EVTYPE CROP_DMG
## 1    RIVER FLOOD 5000.003
## 2    ICE STORM 5000.002
## 3 HURRICANE/TYPHOON 1510.005
```

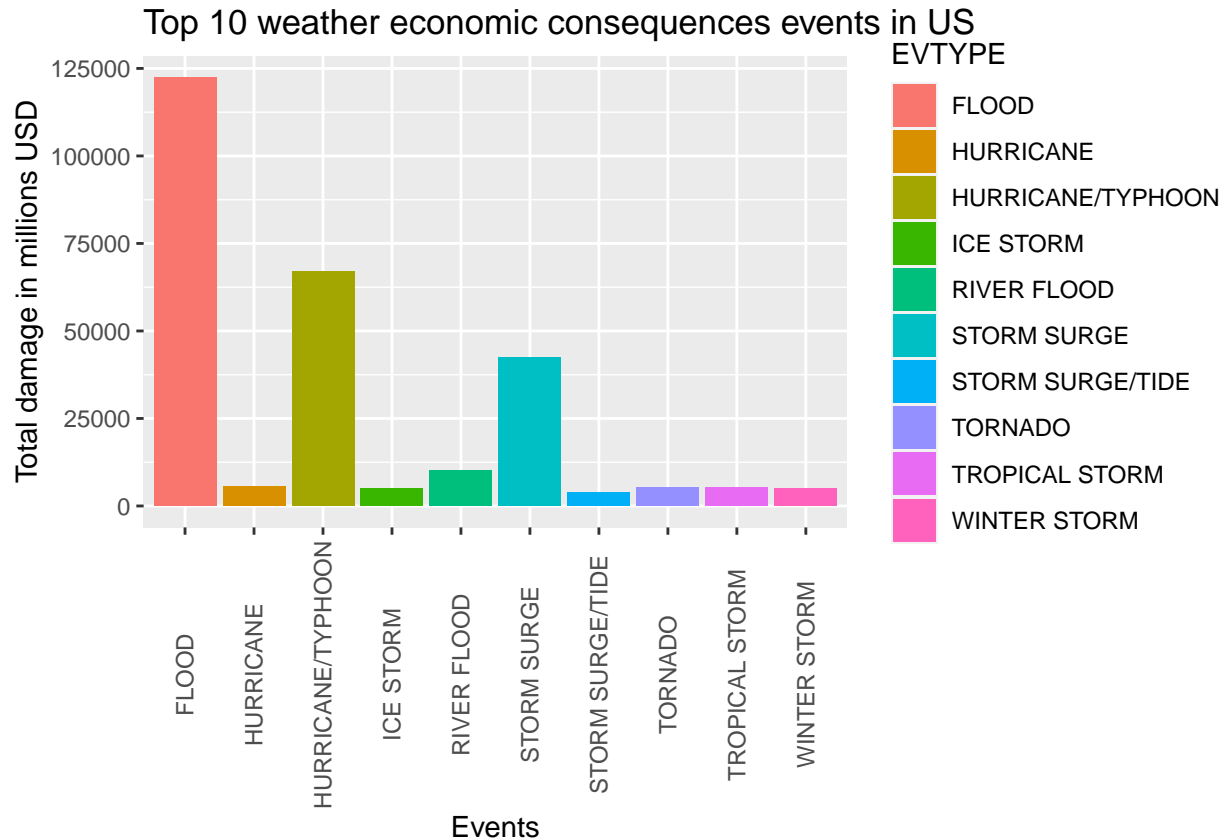
The top 10 events with most Total casualties are:

```
dmg_data <- top_data(proc_data, 7,10)
print(dmg_data)
```

```
##          EVTYPE  TOTAL_DMG
## 1          FLOOD 122501.068
```

```
## 2  HURRICANE/TYPHOON 67010.011
## 3      STORM SURGE 42560.019
## 4      RIVER FLOOD 10000.017
## 5      HURRICANE 5700.021
## 6      TORNADO 5303.312
## 7      TROPICAL STORM 5150.054
## 8      WINTER STORM 5000.135
## 9      ICE STORM 5000.068
## 10 STORM SURGE/TIDE 4000.008
```

```
# Plot top 10 events causing most damage:
ggplot(dmg_data, aes(x=EVTTYPE, y=TOTAL_DMG, fill=EVTTYPE)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  ggtitle("Top 10 weather economic consequences events in US") +
  xlab("Events") +
  ylab("Total damage in millions USD") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, vjust=0.5))
```



Results

Across the United States, which types of events are most harmful with respect to population health?

Across the United States, which types of events have the greatest economic consequences? – The 5 most