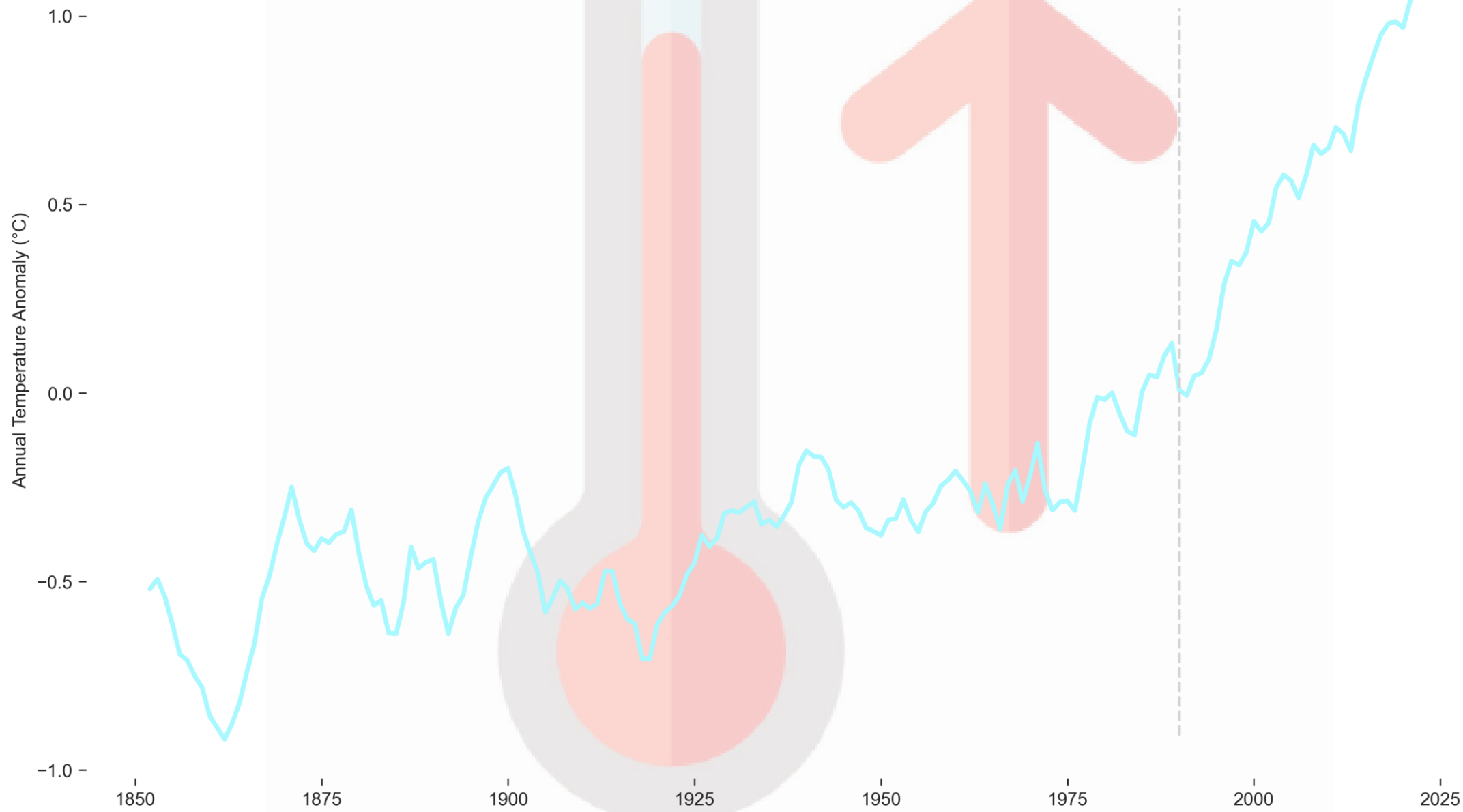


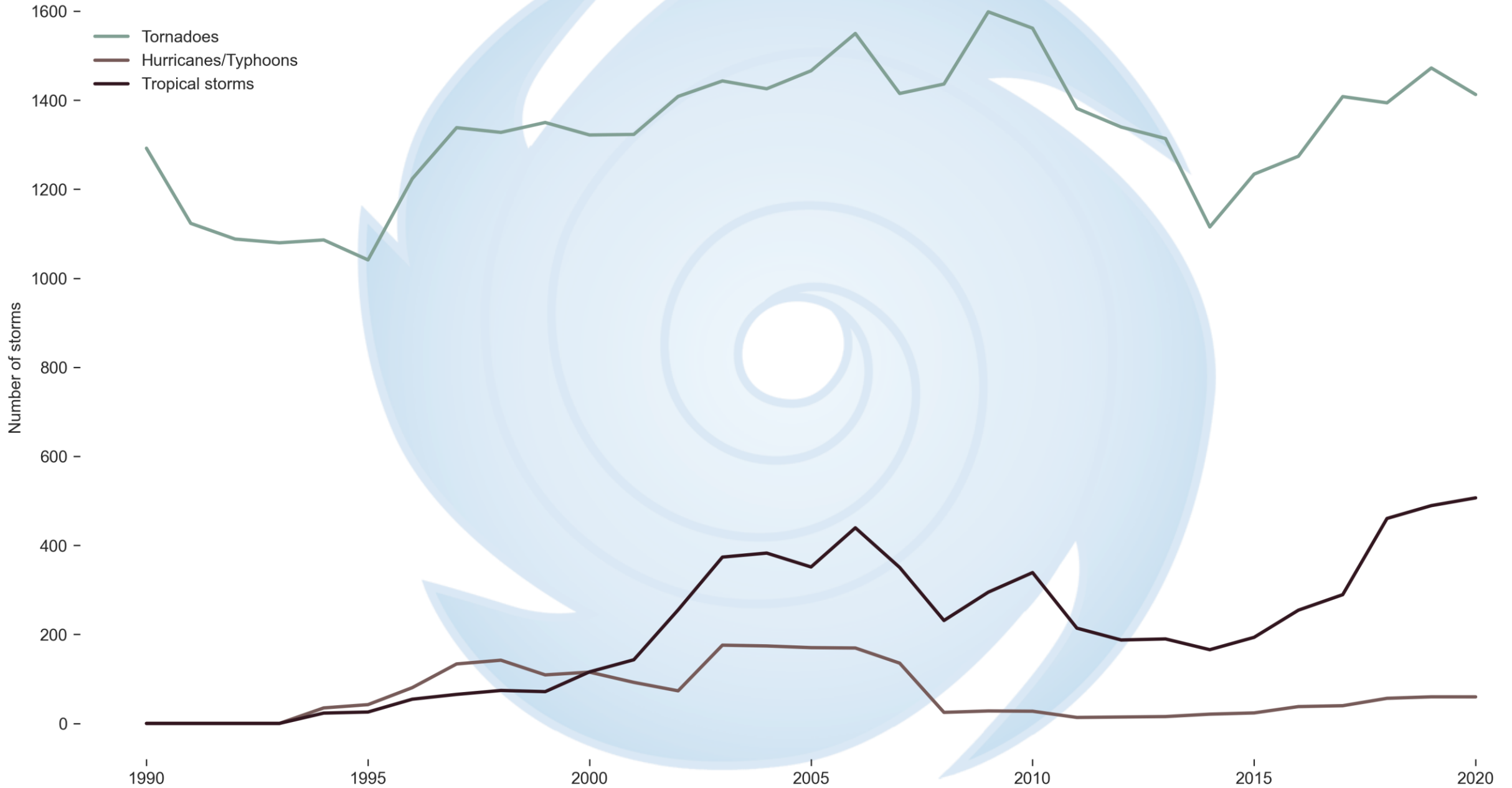
# The world is getting warmer. How does this impact storms?

As society burns fossil fuels for energy, increased amounts of greenhouse gases are released into the atmosphere, causing a warming effect. This chart shows a smoothed line of global temperature anomalies since records started in 1850. A line marks 1990, as this seems to be when the anomalies truly started accelerating upwards.



# Are storms becoming more common?

Now let's look at the number of different types of storm events (Tornadoes, Hurricanes/Typhoons, and Tropical Storms) starting from 1990.  
One can observe a slight increase in tropical storms, with a very slight increasing trend in tornadoes as well.



# Storms are becoming more costly.

Our last chart showed storm frequency slightly increasing for some types. Here we fit straight-line trends to annual damages (billions USD) since 1990.



# Increasing Temperatures are Directly Correlated with Increases in Storm Activity

This plot of both temperature anomalies on the x-axis and the total number of storms of all types on the y-axis shows a direct relationship between an increase in temperature and an increase in storm activity. In other words, warmer temperatures lead directly to more storms.

