

Reproducible Research: Peer Assessment 2

Synopsis

After loading the data, we only subset the data we need like the data related to population health and property damage with crop damage. Then we sum up the result corresponding to the specific event type. In the damage data set, we need to take the exponent part into consideration. In order to better view the result, we sort the data descending and plot the first 10 result. From the data, we can see that across the United States, TORNADO is the most harmful with respect to population health, while FLOOD causes the most property damage and DRAUGHT causes the most crop damage.

Data Loading

```
# read csv
stormData <- read.csv("StormData/repdata-data-StormData.csv")
# show names to get a basic understanding
names(stormData)
```

```
## [1] "STATE_" "BGN_DATE" "BGN_TIME" "TIME_ZONE" "COUNTY"
## [6] "COUNTYNAME" "STATE" "EVTYPE" "BGN_RANGE" "BGN_AZI"
## [11] "BGN_LOCATI" "END_DATE" "END_TIME" "COUNTY_END" "COUNTYENDN"
## [16] "END_RANGE" "END_AZI" "END_LOCATI" "LENGTH" "WIDTH"
## [21] "F" "MAG" "FATALITIES" "INJURIES" "PROPDGMG"
## [26] "PROPDMGEXP" "CROPDMG" "CROPDMGEXP" "WFO" "STATEOFFIC"
## [31] "ZONENAMES" "LATITUDE" "LONGITUDE" "LATITUDE_E" "LONGITUDE_"
## [36] "REMARKS" "REFNUM"
```

Population health

```
# subset data for population health
populationHealthData <- stormData[, c("EVTYPE", "FATALITIES", "INJURIES")]
# convert factor to integer for later aggregation
populationHealthData$FATALITIES <- as.integer(populationHealthData$FATALITIES)
populationHealthData$INJURIES <- as.integer(populationHealthData$INJURIES)
# sum up the result and show
populationHealthResult <- aggregate(cbind(INJURIES, FATALITIES) ~ EVTYPE, data = populationHealthData,
head(populationHealthResult)
```

```
##           EVTYPE INJURIES FATALITIES
## 1 HIGH SURF ADVISORY      0         0
## 2 COASTAL FLOOD          0         0
## 3 FLASH FLOOD           0         0
## 4 LIGHTNING             0         0
## 5 TSTM WIND              0         0
## 6 TSTM WIND (G45)        0         0
```

```
# sort the data and show
```

```
sortedFatalityResult <- populationHealthResult[order(-populationHealthResult$FATALITIES), ]  
head(sortedFatalityResult)
```

```
##           EVTYPE INJURIES FATALITIES  
## 834      TORNADO   91346     5633  
## 130 EXCESSIVE HEAT   6525     1903  
## 153    FLASH FLOOD   1777      978  
## 275         HEAT    2100      937  
## 464    LIGHTNING   5230      816  
## 856     TSTM WIND   6957      504
```

```
sortedInjuryResult <- populationHealthResult[order(-populationHealthResult$INJURIES), ]  
head(sortedInjuryResult)
```

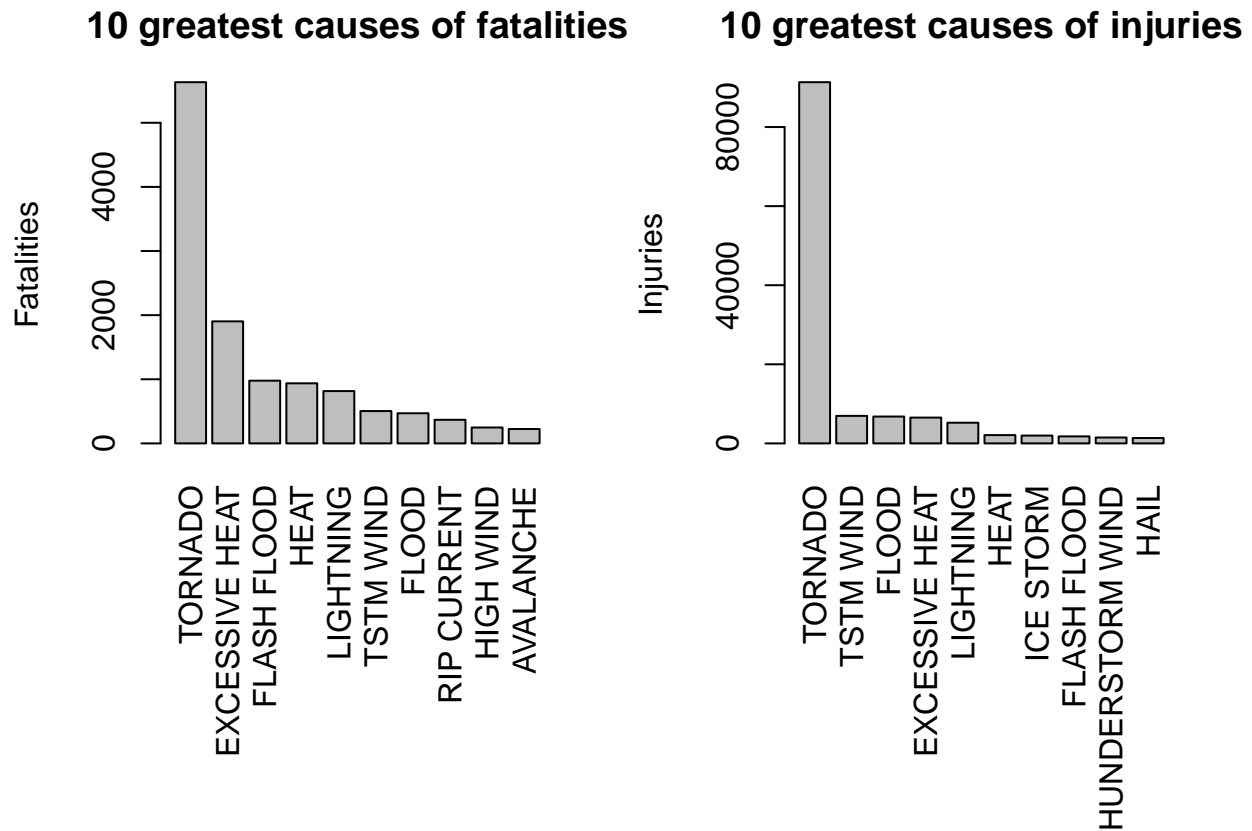
```
##           EVTYPE INJURIES FATALITIES  
## 834      TORNADO   91346     5633  
## 856     TSTM WIND   6957      504  
## 170        FLOOD   6789      470  
## 130 EXCESSIVE HEAT   6525     1903  
## 464    LIGHTNING   5230      816  
## 275         HEAT    2100      937
```

```
# plot the sorted result
```

```
par(mfrow = c(1,2), mar = c(10, 4, 3, 2))
```

```
barplot(sortedFatalityResult$FATALITIES[1:10], names.arg = sortedFatalityResult$EVTYPE[1:10], las = 3, ylab = "FATALITIES")
```

```
barplot(sortedInjuryResult$INJURIES[1:10], names.arg = sortedInjuryResult$EVTYPE[1:10], las = 3, ylab = "INJURIES")
```



From the plot, we can see that across the United States, TORNADO is the most harmful with respect to population health.

Economic consequences

```
# show names
names(stormData)

## [1] "STATE_"      "BGN_DATE"    "BGN_TIME"    "TIME_ZONE"   "COUNTY"
## [6] "COUNTYNAME" "STATE"       "EVTYPE"      "BGN_RANGE"   "BGN_AZI"
## [11] "BGN_LOCATI"  "END_DATE"    "END_TIME"    "COUNTY_END" "COUNTYENDN"
## [16] "END_RANGE"   "END_AZI"     "END_LOCATI"  "LENGTH"     "WIDTH"
## [21] "F"           "MAG"         "FATALITIES"  "INJURIES"    "PROPDMG"
## [26] "PROPDMGEXP"  "CROPDMG"     "CROPDMGEXP"  "WFO"         "STATEOFFIC"
## [31] "ZONENAMES"   "LATITUDE"    "LONGITUDE"   "LATITUDE_E"  "LONGITUDE_"
## [36] "REMARKS"     "REFNUM"

# subset data for economic consequences
economicData <- stormData[, c("EVTYPE", "PROPDMG", "PROPDMGEXP", "CROPDMG", "CROPDMGEXP")]
# convert factor to integer for later aggregation
economicData$PROPDMG <- as.numeric(economicData$PROPDMG)
economicData$CROPDMG <- as.numeric(economicData$CROPDMG)

head(economicData)
```

```
##      EVTYPE PROPDMG PROPDMGEXP CROPDMG CROPDMGEXP
## 1 TORNADO      25.0           K      0
## 2 TORNADO       2.5           K      0
## 3 TORNADO      25.0           K      0
## 4 TORNADO       2.5           K      0
## 5 TORNADO       2.5           K      0
## 6 TORNADO       2.5           K      0
```

```
# deal with exponent
unique(economicData$PROPDMGEXP)
```

```
## [1] K M B m + 0 5 6 ? 4 2 3 h 7 H - 1 8
## Levels: - ? + 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 B h H K m M
```

```
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "K"] <- 1000
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "M"] <- 1e+06
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == ""] <- 1
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "B"] <- 1e+09
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "m"] <- 1e+06
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "+"] <- 0
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "0"] <- 1
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "5"] <- 1e+05
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "6"] <- 1e+06
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "?"] <- 0
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "4"] <- 1e+04
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "2"] <- 1e+02
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "3"] <- 1e+03
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "h"] <- 1e+02
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "7"] <- 1e+07
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "H"] <- 1e+02
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "-"] <- 0
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "1"] <- 1e+01
economicData$PROPEXP[economicData$PROPDMGEXP == "8"] <- 1e+08
```

```
unique(economicData$CROPDMGEXP)
```

```
## [1] M K m B ? 0 k 2
## Levels: ? 0 2 B k K m M
```

```
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == ""] <- 1
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "M"] <- 1e+06
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "k"] <- 1e+03
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "m"] <- 1e+06
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "B"] <- 1e+09
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "?"] <- 0
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "0"] <- 1
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "k"] <- 1e+03
economicData$CROPEXP[economicData$CROPDMGEXP == "2"] <- 1e+02
```

```
# Compute the value
economicData$PROPDMGVALUE <- economicData$PROPDMG * economicData$PROPEXP
economicData$CROPDMGVALUE <- economicData$CROPDMG * economicData$CROPEXP
```

```
head(economicData)
```

```
##      EVTYPE PROPDMG PROPDMGEXP CROPDMG CROPDMGEXP PROPEXP CROPEXP
## 1  TORNADO    25.0          K      0          1000        1
## 2  TORNADO     2.5          K      0          1000        1
## 3  TORNADO    25.0          K      0          1000        1
## 4  TORNADO     2.5          K      0          1000        1
## 5  TORNADO     2.5          K      0          1000        1
## 6  TORNADO     2.5          K      0          1000        1
##      PROPDMGVALUE CROPDMGVALUE
## 1          25000          0
## 2          2500          0
## 3          25000          0
## 4          2500          0
## 5          2500          0
## 6          2500          0
```

```
# sum up the result and show
```

```
economicResult <- aggregate(cbind(PROPDMGVALUE, CROPDMGVALUE) ~ EVTYPE, data = economicData, sum)
head(economicResult)
```

```
##      EVTYPE PROPDMGVALUE CROPDMGVALUE
## 1  HIGH SURF ADVISORY    200000          0
## 2   COASTAL FLOOD          0          0
## 3   FLASH FLOOD     50000          0
## 4   LIGHTNING          0          0
## 5    TSTM WIND    8100000          0
## 6  TSTM WIND (G45)     8000          0
```

```
# sort the data and show
```

```
sortedPropResult <- economicResult[order(-economicResult$PROPDMGVALUE), ]
head(sortedPropResult)
```

```
##      EVTYPE PROPDMGVALUE CROPDMGVALUE
## 166      FLOOD 129983590857    5499430000
## 397 HURRICANE/TYPHOON 67657180000    2604170000
## 654   STORM SURGE 43320621000          0
## 815      TORNADO 41720310877    315410160
## 150   FLASH FLOOD 11124311527    1243360000
## 388      HURRICANE 9958241010    2739310000
```

```
sortedCropResult <- economicResult[order(-economicResult$CROPDMGVALUE), ]
head(sortedCropResult)
```

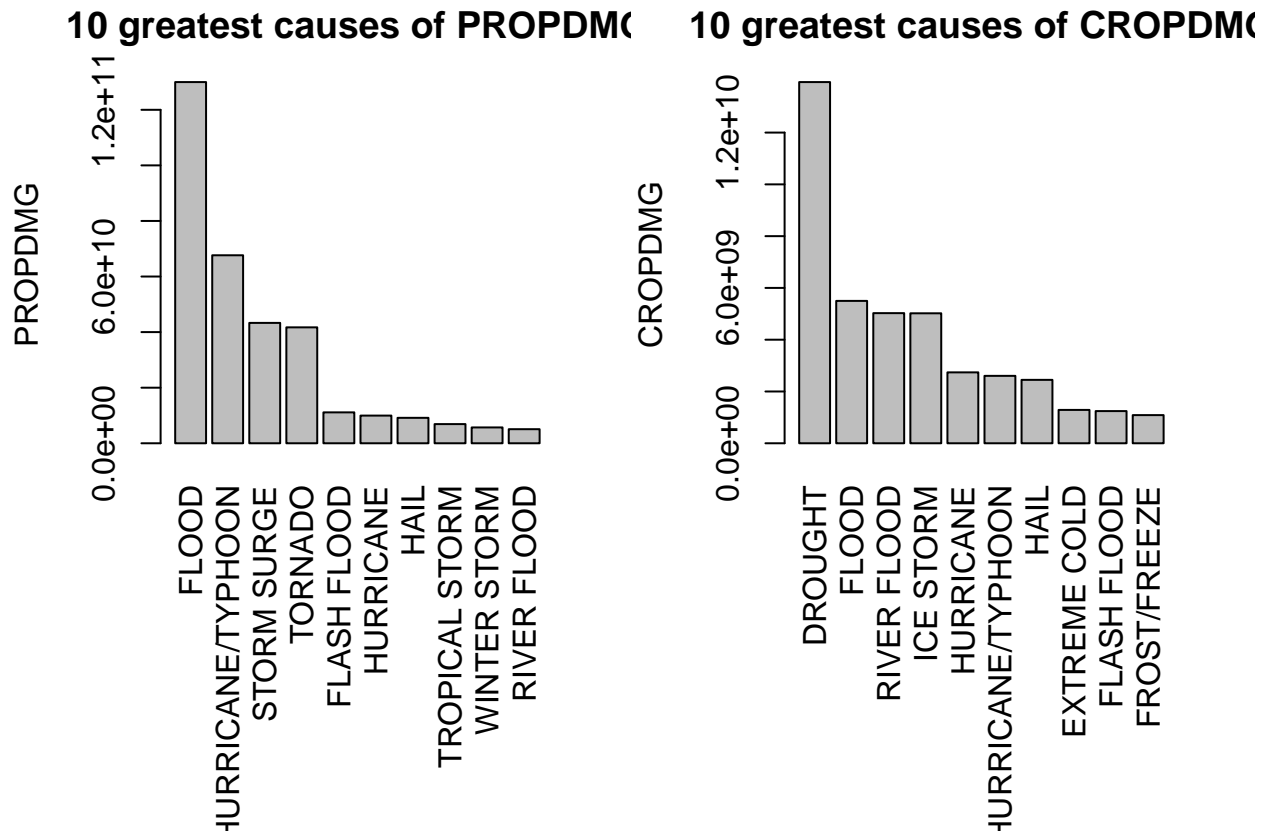
```
##      EVTYPE PROPDMGVALUE CROPDMGVALUE
## 93      DROUGHT 1012937000    13951120000
## 166      FLOOD 129983590857    5499430000
## 574   RIVER FLOOD 5063310500    5026000000
## 413    ICE STORM 3122365510    5020450000
## 388      HURRICANE 9958241010    2739310000
## 397 HURRICANE/TYPHOON 67657180000    2604170000
```

```
# plot the sorted result
```

```
par(mfrow = c(1,2), mar = c(10, 4, 3, 2))
```

```
barplot(sortedPropResult$PROPDMGVALUE[1:10], names.arg = sortedPropResult$EVTYPE[1:10], las = 3, ylab =
```

```
barplot(sortedCropResult$CROPDMGVALUE[1:10], names.arg = sortedCropResult$EVTYPE[1:10], las = 3, ylab =
```



From the plot, we can see FLOOD causes the most property damage and DRAUGHT causes the most crop damage.