

Cape Girardeau County, MO

Risk-assessment baseline packet

Unit **County area 29031** Release **2026-10** As of **2026-09-28** Storm Events data through **2026-06-30**

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Plan clock

Status	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Plan	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)
Approved	2021-09-30	Expires	2026-09-30
As of	2026-09-28	Days	2 days to expiry
Update underway	none in FEMA's plan tracker		

What changed since your last plan (approved 2021-09-30)

New federal declarations	DR-4872-MO, DR-4929-MO (2 declaration rows; 2 counted incidents)	Storm Events records since approval	148 (data through 2026-06-30)
Repetitive loss now	FMA RL 4, SRL 22 (44 CFR 77.2); any definition: 72	Repeat-flood change	First release: no prior release to compare.

SOURCES: FEMA, OpenFEMA HazardMitigationPlanStatuses v1, version 2026-09-26T121003Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/HazardMitigationPlanStatuses> (API); FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API); NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>; FEMA, OpenFEMA NfipMultipleLossProperties v1, version 2026-08-04T164045Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/NfipMultipleLossProperties> (API)

Plan status for every jurisdiction listed in this county

Jurisdiction	Type	Status	Plan	Approved	Expires	Days to expiry <i>negative = days since expiry</i>	Update underway	Notes
Cape Girardeau County	County	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		
Cape Girardeau city	City	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		
Gordonville village	Village	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		
Jackson city	City	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		
Cape Girardeau 63 School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		

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Delta R-V School District	School/School District	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	Cape Girardeau County (FEMA plan 107714)	2021-09-30	2026-09-30	2		

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State plan status and tribal plans in this state: see the state page.

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Supports B1-a: hazards

Hazards NRI does not cover: check locally

- dam failure (incl. upstream dams)
 - levee failure
 - flash flood as its own subtype
 - ice jams
- debris flows
 - erosion (riverine and coastal)
 - land subsidence and sinkholes
 - expansive soils

The 18 National Risk Index hazards, ranked by expected annual loss (EAL)

Rank by EAL	Hazard	NRI risk rating	EAL rating	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL population equivalence <i>statistical value of life and injury, \$13.7M per life, not property damage</i>	EAL total (see note) <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	Storm Events records since 1996 <i>count</i>	Evidence for an omission <i>NRI Not Applicable, no declaration and no Storm Events record since 1996</i>	Storm Events coverage note
1	Earthquake	Relatively Moderate	Relatively High	\$16,603,946		\$12,826,847	\$29,430,793			Not in Storm Events. Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
2	Inland Flooding	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$20,655,195	\$161,842	\$216,324	\$21,033,361	191		
3	Heat Wave	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$315	\$4	\$4,425,729	\$4,426,049	90		
4	Tornado	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$2,385,696	\$4,670	\$1,716,888	\$4,107,255	28		
5	Cold Wave	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$35	\$169,806	\$3,667,558	\$3,837,399	75		Includes 53 Frost/Freeze records, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
6	Ice Storm	Relatively High	Very High	\$1,604,926		\$124,526	\$1,729,452	7		
7	Strong Wind	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$748,959	\$166,585	\$406,703	\$1,322,247	279		Includes 7 High Wind records and 108 Strong Wind records, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
8	Hail	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$749,654	\$872	\$13,576	\$764,101	104		
9	Winter Weather	Relatively High	Relatively High	\$387,491	\$97	\$152,476	\$540,065	111		

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10	Lightning	Relatively Moderate	Relatively Moderate	\$10,447		\$401,340	\$411,787	9		
11	Drought	Relatively Low	Relatively Low		\$354,912		\$354,912	34		
12	Hurricane	Very Low	Very Low	\$24,310	\$7,088	\$243	\$31,641	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
13	Landslide	Relatively Low	Relatively Low	\$24,166		\$2,598	\$26,765	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
14	Wildfire	Very Low	Very Low	\$15,324	\$43	\$4,615	\$19,983	0		No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
	Avalanche	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates avalanche Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
	Coastal Flooding	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates coastal flooding Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30).
	Tsunami	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates tsunami Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.
	Volcanic Activity	Not Applicable	Not Applicable					0	NRI rates volcanic activity Not Applicable for this county, and no federal declaration for this county names it.	No recorded events in Storm Events since 1996 (data through 2026-06-30). Storm Events coverage of this hazard is limited; absence is not evidence of low risk.

Total = buildings + agriculture + population equivalence; FEMA values each expected death (or 10 injuries) at \$13.7 million (2024 dollars).

SOURCES

FEMA, FEMA National Risk Index 1.20.0 (December 2025), county and census tract tables, version 1.20.0, pulled 2026-09-28, https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_Counties.zip (download, 25 MB), https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_CensusTracts.zip (download, 635 MB)

NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>

Check your state hazard mitigation plan's hazard list for this county; explain any hazard you drop.

Supports B1-b: location

Where each hazard occurs

Hazard	Location	Census tracts rated <i>rated of all tracts</i>
Avalanche	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 19
Coastal Flooding	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 19
Cold Wave	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Drought	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	15 of 19
Earthquake	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	19 of 19
Hail	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Heat Wave	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Hurricane	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	19 of 19
Ice Storm	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Inland Flooding	The FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) is the required location source for flooding. See the FEMA Flood Map Service Center (https://msc.fema.gov) for this county.	19 of 19
Landslide	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	19 of 19
Lightning	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Strong Wind	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19
Tornado	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	19 of 19
Tsunami	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 19
Volcanic Activity	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	0 of 19
Wildfire	Census tract rating counts from the National Risk Index tract table (see B1-f). Tract maps and place names are not in this packet.	18 of 19
Winter Weather	Affects the whole planning area; national data do not distinguish locations within the county. Confirm locally.	19 of 19

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Supports B1-c: extent

Extent: scale, observed range and worst recorded event per hazard

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Avalanche	none (count and damage)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Coastal Flood, Storm Surge/ Tide	none in data (FIRM for depth)	0					Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill	wind chill	22, 1996 to 2026 (22 zone-level)	1 day to 23 days (median 1 day); 19 with a recorded value	23 days, 2000-12-12 to 2001-01-03, from 2 records, 1 of them a monthly summary (a monthly summary record covers most or all of a month; it does not count days at wave conditions), zone-level		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Wind chill: in event narratives only; local data required.
Frost/Freeze (outside NRI Cold Wave definition)	crop damage	53, 1997 to 2024 (53 zone-level)		Frost/Freeze, 2007-04-08, \$3,000,000 crop damage, reported for the zone (2007 dollars); NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Temperature: in event narratives only; local data required.
Drought	US Drought Monitor D-scale	34, 1996 to 2026 (34 zone-level)	9 days to 181 days (median 30 days); 17 with a recorded value	181 days (about 5.9 months), 2012-05-18 to 2012-11-14, a run of 7 consecutive Storm Events drought records, zone-level	Drought, 2007-09-01, \$0 property; \$2,050,000 crops, reported for the zone (2007 dollars)	Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Storm Events enters a drought at D2 or worse east of the Rockies and D3 or worse from the Rockies west (NWS Instruction 10-1605); NRI drought counts D3 and D4 only.
Earthquake	Modified Mercalli (local data)	0					No Storm Events record; local data required (e.g., USGS).
Hail	hail size (inches)	146, 1957 to 2026	0.75 in to 2.5 in (median 1 in); 146 with a recorded value	2.5 in hail, 2012-03-23; same size also recorded on 2011-04-15	Hail, 2006-04-02, \$250,000 property; crops not reported (2006 dollars)	Event records naming member places: Cape Girardeau city (34 records), Jackson city (25 records), Gordonville village (3 records).	
Excessive Heat, Heat	heat index (narratives)	90, 1997 to 2025 (90 zone-level)	1 day to 15 days (median 2 days); 79 with a recorded value	15 consecutive days, 2025-07-16 to 2025-07-30, zone-level	Excessive Heat, 2011-07-19, \$6,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2011 dollars)	Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Heat index: in event narratives only; local data required. Heat records from November to March (unseasonable warmth, not a heat wave) are counted but not used for the longest run.

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Hurricane, Tropical Storm, Tropical Depression	Saffir-Simpson	0					Storm Events files every zone of a storm's episode under the storm's event type and category, so a Hurricane (Typhoon) record, especially an inland or remnant one, does not by itself mean hurricane-force winds here; read the damage and wind columns.
Ice Storm	Sperry-Piltz (local data)	7, 1997 to 2025 (7 zone- level)		Ice Storm, 2025-01-05, \$325,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2025 dollars); NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Ice thickness: in event narratives only; local data required.
Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood	damage and flood days (FIRM for depth)	191, 1996 to 2026 (31 zone- level)		Flood, 2019-07-01, \$40,000 property; \$9,000,000 crops (2019 dollars)		Event records naming member places: Cape Girardeau city (72 records), Jackson city (19 records). Zone-level records (31) apply countywide.	Flood depth: see the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map. Storm Events damage can be \$0 or blank even for a major flood, so the worst record here may not be the worst flood; compare FEMA Public Assistance by declaration in B1-d.
Debris Flow	none (count and damage)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Lightning	annualized frequency (the measure FEMA's Local Mitigation Planning Handbook names)	9, 2002 to 2014		Lightning, 2002-05-02, \$20,000 property; crops not reported (2002 dollars)		Event records naming member places: Cape Girardeau city (4 records), Jackson city (4 records).	Storm Events lists lightning with damage or casualties; physical measure in event narratives only; local data required.
High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI Strong Wind definition)	wind speed (kt and mph)	115, 1997 to 2026 (115 zone-level)	27 kt (31 mph) to 54 kt (62 mph) (median 40 kt (46 mph)); 113 with a recorded value	54 kt (62 mph) measured gust, High Wind, 2008-01-29; NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	High Wind, 2008-09-14, \$2,000,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2008 dollars)	Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	

Hazard	Scale	Records <i>count, years</i>	Observed range	Worst recorded event	Most damaging (when different)	How it applies to members	Note
Thunderstorm Wind	wind speed (kt and mph)	223, 1959 to 2026	50 kt (58 mph) to 87 kt (100 mph) (median 54 kt (62 mph)); 182 with a recorded value	87 kt (100 mph) estimated gust, Thunderstorm Wind, 2025-03-14	Thunderstorm Wind, 2009-05-08, \$3,000,000 property; \$0 crops (2009 dollars)	Event records naming member places: Cape Girardeau city (66 records), Jackson city (32 records), Gordonville village (12 records).	
Tornado	Enhanced Fujita (F before Feb 2007)	49, 1952 to 2025	F/EF0 to F/EF3 (median F/EF1); 48 with a recorded value	F3 tornado, 2003-05-06, 2 mi within this county, 50 yd wide, \$12,000,000 property; crops not reported (2003 dollars), 2 direct injuries		Event records naming member places: Cape Girardeau city (4 records), Jackson city (4 records), Gordonville village (1 record).	From 1996 on, tornado records are per-county segments and length is the path length within this county (NWS Instruction 10-1605); records before 1996 may give the whole path length, including the path outside this county, and before 1996 a tornado is listed once, under the county where it began, with the whole path's rating; counties farther along the path may not list it. Length is not used to rank tornadoes.
Tsunami	none (count and damage)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Volcanic Ash, Volcanic Ashfall	Volcanic Explosivity Index (local data)	0					Physical measure: in event narratives only; local data required.
Wildfire	acres burned (local data)	0					Acres burned: in event narratives only; local data required.
Winter Storm, Heavy Snow, Blizzard, Lake-Effect Snow, Winter Weather, Sleet	none in data (snowfall local)	111, 1996 to 2026 (111 zone-level)		Winter Storm, 2008-02-11, \$3,000,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2008 dollars); NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		Zone-level records: applies countywide; national data do not locate these events within the county.	Snow depth: in event narratives only; local data required.

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records are placed with NWS zone-county files, which exist from 2020 on; an earlier record is placed by its zone number in the nearest later file only when its zone name matches that file, records from zones NWS renumbered are placed by name or left out, and a record whose zone is in no known file is left out of every count, so counts before 2020 can be low. Some current zones are also missing from the NWS files, so recent counts can be low too.

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NOAA National Weather Service, NWS county-public forecast zones correlation file, version bp03mr20 to bp16ap26 (11 files; newest bp16ap26), pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.weather.gov/gis/ZoneCounty>

Supports B1-d: previous occurrences

Declaration rows

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Counted incidents

24

Federal disaster declarations for this county

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Flags	Notes
2026-08-03	2026-06-04	DR-4929-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Strong Wind; Tornado	not yet in FEMA's PA summaries (they cover declarations through 2026-06-30)	new since last plan; within last 5 years	
2025-05-21	2025-03-30	DR-4872-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Strong Wind; Tornado	\$2,171,250.90	new since last plan; within last 5 years	
2020-03-26	2020-01-20	DR-4490-MO	Major disaster	COVID-19 PANDEMIC	Non-natural, not counted	\$3,715,796.88		
2020-03-13	2020-01-20	EM-3482-MO	Emergency	COVID-19	Non-natural, not counted	none found		same incident as DR-4490
2019-07-09	2019-04-29	DR-4451-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$1,830,851.33		
2019-05-20	2019-03-11	DR-4435-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Strong Wind	\$111,937.82		
2017-06-02	2017-04-28	DR-4317-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Strong Wind, Tornado	\$428,486.14		
2016-01-21	2015-12-23	DR-4250-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Strong Wind, Tornado	\$612,753.96		
2016-01-02	2015-12-22	EM-3374-MO	Emergency	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding (primary); also designated: Strong Wind, Tornado	none found		same incident as DR-4250
2013-07-18	2013-05-29	DR-4130-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Strong Wind; Tornado	\$19,943.05		
2011-05-09	2011-04-19	DR-1980-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$681,370.18		

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Flags	Notes
2011-02-03	2011-01-31	EM-3317-MO	Emergency	SEVERE WINTER STORM	Winter Weather	none found		
2009-06-19	2009-05-08	DR-1847-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$77,444.65		
2009-02-17	2009-01-26	DR-1822-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE WINTER STORM	Winter Weather	\$435,275.14		
2009-01-30	2009-01-26	EM-3303-MO	Emergency	SEVERE WINTER STORM	Ice Storm	none found		same incident as DR-1822
2008-11-13	2008-09-11	DR-1809-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, FLOODING, AND A TORNADO	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$163,386.40		
2008-06-25	2008-06-01	DR-1773-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding	\$54,344.05		
2008-03-19	2008-03-17	DR-1749-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding	\$373,237.52		
2008-03-12	2008-02-10	DR-1748-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE WINTER STORMS AND FLOODING	Ice Storm	\$1,511,673.83		
2007-12-12	2007-12-08	EM-3281-MO	Emergency	SEVERE WINTER STORMS	Ice Storm	none found		
2005-09-10	2005-08-29	EM-3232-MO	Emergency	HURRICANE KATRINA EVACUATION	Hurricane: evacuation support, not a local hazard event; not counted	none found		
2003-05-06	2003-05-04	DR-1463-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$483,526.72		
2002-05-06	2002-04-24	DR-1412-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	\$459,985.73		
1995-06-02	1995-05-13	DR-1054-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, HAIL, FLOODING	Hail; Inland Flooding; Tornado	none found		
1993-12-01	1993-11-13	DR-1006-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	PA not declared for this county		
1993-07-09	1993-06-10	DR-995-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS & FLOODING	Inland Flooding	none found		
1982-12-10	1982-12-10	DR-672-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS AND FLOODING	Inland Flooding	PA not declared for this county		
1979-04-21	1979-04-21	DR-579-MO	Major disaster	TORNADOES, TORRENTIAL RAIN & FLOODING	Tornado (primary); also designated: Inland Flooding	none found		

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	County Public Assistance <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Flags	Notes
1973-04-19	1973-04-19	DR-372-MO	Major disaster	HEAVY RAINS, TORNADOES & FLOODING	Inland Flooding; Tornado	none found		

County Public Assistance: applicants the FEMA record places in this county, including any state agencies FEMA files there; statewide rows are listed on the state page; federal share obligated, nominal dollars.

Dollars are nominal (as reported), labeled with the year; not adjusted for inflation.

SOURCES

FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API)

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FEMA, OpenFEMA HazardMitigationPlanStatuses v1, version 2026-09-26T121003Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/HazardMitigationPlanStatuses> (API)

Statewide declarations

Declared	Incident began	FEMA number	Type	Title	Mapped hazard	Flags	Notes
1964-07-08	1964-07-08	DR-173-MO	Major disaster	SEVERE STORMS & FLOODING	Inland Flooding		
1961-05-27	1961-05-27	DR-114-MO	Major disaster	FLOODS	Inland Flooding		
1960-04-20	1960-04-20	DR-100-MO	Major disaster	FLOODS	Inland Flooding		
1957-05-22	1957-05-22	DR-75-MO	Major disaster	TORNADOES & FLOODS	Tornado (primary); also designated: Inland Flooding		

FEMA recorded these with designated area Statewide and no county. Listed on every county page in the state; not counted with county rows.

SOURCE

FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API)

Public Assistance filed under this county for declarations that do not list it: 1 row, \$27,080.84

FEMA number	Declared	Title	Applicant	PA obligated <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>
DR-4741-MO	2023-09-21	SEVERE STORMS, STRAIGHT-LINE WINDS, TORNADOES, AND FLOODING	Little River Drainage District	\$27,080.84

FEMA's Public Assistance summaries file these applicants under this county, but FEMA's declaration rows for these disasters do not designate it (an electric cooperative or district serving several counties, for example). Not in any declaration row above and not counted.

SOURCES

FEMA, OpenFEMA PublicAssistanceFundedProjectsSummaries v1, version 2026-09-26T151157Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/PublicAssistanceFundedProjectsSummaries> (API)

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Public Assistance not placed in a county in this state: 24 rows, \$2,272,582.85

Disaster number	Declared	Applicant	County field in FEMA data	PA obligated <i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	Why not placed
4490	2020-03-26	Presbyterian Manors, Inc. (MO)	Sedgwick County	\$369,154.74	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4435	2019-05-20	Northwest Atchison Levee District	Fremont County	\$93,849.88	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4435	2019-05-20	Missouri Valley Drainage District	Fremont County	\$416,259.32	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state

Disaster number	Declared	Applicant	County field in FEMA data	PA obligated	Why not placed
				<i>federal share obligated, nominal dollars</i>	
4435	2019-05-20	Lewis Drainage District	Fremont County	\$111,060.76	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4435	2019-05-20	Hamburg Pumping Facility	Fremont County	\$0	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4435	2019-05-20	Buchanan Levee and Drainage District	Fremont County	\$37,254.37	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4012	2011-08-12	Northwest Atchison Levee District	Fremont County	\$51,527.94	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4012	2011-08-12	Lewis Drainage District	Fremont County	\$88,490.09	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4012	2011-08-12	Hamburg Pumping Facility	Fremont County	\$21,000.75	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
4012	2011-08-12	Buchanan Levee and Drainage District	Fremont County	\$81,338.68	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1934	2010-08-17	Missouri Valley Drainage District	Fremont County	\$39,820.05	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1934	2010-08-17	Lewis Drainage District	Fremont County	\$45,161.25	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1934	2010-08-17	Hamburg Pumping Facility	Fremont County	\$89,457.75	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1934	2010-08-17	BUCHANAN LEVEE DISTRICT	Fremont County	\$79,455.75	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1773	2008-06-25	Northwest Atchison Levee District	Fremont County	\$3,124.50	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1773	2008-06-25	Missouri Valley Drainage District	Fremont County	\$8,796	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1773	2008-06-25	Lewis Drainage District	Fremont County	\$190,008	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1773	2008-06-25	Hamburg Pumping Facility	Fremont County	\$259,200	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1773	2008-06-25	BUCHANAN LEVEE DISTRICT	Fremont County	\$126,637.50	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1708	2007-06-11	Northwest Atchison Levee District	Fremont County	\$11,315.35	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1708	2007-06-11	Missouri Valley Drainage District	Fremont County	\$8,932.31	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1708	2007-06-11	Lewis Drainage District	Fremont County	\$35,385.85	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1708	2007-06-11	Hamburg Pumping Facility	Fremont County	\$76,935.18	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state
1708	2007-06-11	BUCHANAN LEVEE DISTRICT	Fremont County	\$28,416.83	county field is a county of another state and the applicant name does not identify a place in the declaring state

FEMA's Public Assistance summaries file these applicants under a county field that is not a county of this state (an Alaska school area, the former Valdez-Cordova Census Area, or another state's county), and the applicant name does not identify one place here. They are listed for the whole state and are not in any county total. Check whether any of them worked in your county.

SOURCE

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Previous occurrences by hazard, with explicit no-event rows

Hazard	Storm Events records <i>full period</i>	Since plan approval records	During plan review records	Last 5 years records	Declared incidents <i>distinct incidents</i>	Declared since approval <i>distinct incidents</i>	Period	Statement
Avalanche	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Coastal Flooding	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Cold Wave	75	16	6	16	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	Includes 53 Frost/Freeze records, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
Drought	34	8	0	8	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Earthquake	0	0	0	0	0	0		No Storm Events record; local data required (e.g., USGS).
Hail	146	7	0	7	1	0	1955 to 2026-06-30	
Heat Wave	90	24	3	24	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Hurricane	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Ice Storm	7	1	0	1	3	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Inland Flooding	191	12	7	12	20	2	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Landslide	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Lightning	9	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	
Strong Wind	338	59	8	59	6	2	1955 to 2026-06-30	Includes 7 High Wind records and 108 Strong Wind records, event types the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
Tornado	49	5	0	5	15	2	1950 to 2026-06-30	
Tsunami	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Volcanic Activity	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Wildfire	0	0	0	0	0	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	No recorded events, 1996 to 2026-06-30, NOAA NCEI Storm Events
Winter Weather	111	16	5	16	2	0	1996 to 2026-06-30	

SOURCES

NOAA NCEI, NOAA NCEI Storm Events Database, details files (csvfiles v1.0), version c20260918, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/pub/data/swdi/stormevents/csvfiles/>

FEMA, OpenFEMA DisasterDeclarationsSummaries v2, version 2026-09-27T010817Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v2/DisasterDeclarationsSummaries> (API)

NOAA National Weather Service, NWS county-public forecast zones correlation file, version bp03mr20 to bp16ap26 (11 files; newest bp16ap26), pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.weather.gov/gis/ZoneCounty>

Notable Storm Events records

Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage <i>nominal dollars</i>	Direct deaths, injuries <i>indirect not counted</i>	Location	Flags	Why listed
2025-07-16	Heat		\$0 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2025 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Excessive Heat, Heat
2025-03-14	Thunderstorm Wind	87 kt (100 mph) estimated gust	\$10,000 property; \$0 crops (2025 dollars)	0, 0	JACKSON	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Thunderstorm Wind
2025-01-05	Ice Storm		\$325,000 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2025 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties	new since last plan; within last 5 years	B1-c worst recorded: Ice Storm
2019-07-01	Flood		\$40,000 property; \$9,000,000 crops (2019 dollars)	0, 0	GULF JCT to EGYPT MILLS		B1-c worst recorded: Flash Flood, Flood, Lakeshore Flood
2012-03-23	Hail	2.5 in	\$10,000 property; \$0 crops (2012 dollars)	0, 0	JACKSON		B1-c worst recorded: Hail
2008-01-29	High Wind	54 kt (62 mph) measured gust	\$0 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2008 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		B1-c worst recorded: High Wind and Strong Wind (outside NRI Strong Wind definition)
2007-08-15	Heat		\$0 property; \$0 crops, reported for the zone (2007 dollars)	1, 2	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		deaths or injuries recorded
2007-04-08	Frost/Freeze		\$0 property; \$3,000,000 crops, reported for the zone (2007 dollars)	0, 0	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		B1-c worst recorded: Frost/Freeze (outside NRI Cold Wave definition)
2005-07-21	Heat		damage not reported	2, 10	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		deaths or injuries recorded
2003-05-06	Tornado	F3, 2 mi within this county, 50 yd wide	\$12,000,000 property; crops not reported (2003 dollars)	0, 2	JACKSON		B1-c worst recorded: Tornado

				Direct deaths, injuries <i>indirect not counted</i>			
Date	Event type	Magnitude or extent	Damage <i>nominal dollars</i>		Location	Flags	Why listed
2000-12-12	Extreme Cold/ Wind Chill		damage not reported	0, 0	NWS zone MOZ087 (CAPE GIRARDEAU), zone-level: may include parts of neighboring counties		B1-c worst recorded: Cold/Wind Chill, Extreme Cold/Wind Chill
1963-04-29	Tornado	F2, 1.3 mi path length (records before 1996 may include the whole path; rating and listing come from the county where the tornado began), 50 yd wide	\$25,000 property; crops not recorded (1963 dollars)	1, 3	location not recorded		deaths or injuries recorded

The full list is in the XLSX file, sheet "B1-d Storm Events history" (1,050 rows).

Storm Events records are more complete after 1996; before 1996 only Tornado (from 1950), Hail and Thunderstorm Wind (from 1955) exist. Zone-level records are placed with NWS zone-county files, which exist from 2020 on; an earlier record is placed by its zone number in the nearest later file only when its zone name matches that file, records from zones NWS renumbered are placed by name or left out, and a record whose zone is in no known file is left out of every count, so counts before 2020 can be low. Some current zones are also missing from the NWS files, so recent counts can be low too.

SOURCES

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State-declared emergencies are not in federal data. Add them from your state emergency management agency.

FEMA's declaration data list no tribal or special-area declarations for this state.

Supports B1-e: probability

Probability: FEMA annualized frequency and descriptor per hazard

		FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>				NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)			
Hazard		Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis		NRI period	Location	Note
Avalanche		events per year					1994 to 2023 (30 years)	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Coastal Flooding		events per year at a location (modeled)				not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Cold Wave	1.16	event-days per year	about 1.16 days per year	Likely	event-days in 14 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (46.7%)	22	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	NRI gives about 1.16 cold wave event-days a year here (its annualized frequency over 19 years; not its event count divided by the years), but Storm Events has a record in only 14 of 30 years. NRI counts from a different source that records far more events than Storm Events, so this descriptor reads much lower than NRI's frequency; read the two together. Frost/Freeze records are not counted in this descriptor: they record crop freezes, not cold waves.

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)	NRI period	Location	Note
Drought	3.88	event-days per year	about 3.88 days per year	Likely	event-days in 14 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (46.7%)	175	2000 to 2025 (25.25 years; D3 and D4 only)	countywide	NRI gives about 3.88 drought event-days a year here (its annualized frequency over 25.25 years; not its event count divided by the years), but Storm Events has a record in only 14 of 30 years. NRI counts from a different source that records far more events than Storm Events, so this descriptor reads much lower than NRI's frequency; read the two together.
Earthquake	0.00979	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county has at least minor- damage shaking in a year: 0.979%			not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Descriptor not assigned: the NRI value is the chance at a location in the county, not how often the hazard affects the county, and Storm Events does not record earthquakes.
Hail	3.46	events per year	about 3.46 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	131.6 (modeled)	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Heat Wave	10.9	event-days per year	about 10.9 days per year	Highly likely	event-days in 27 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (90%)	151	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	
Hurricane	0.012	events per year	about 1 in 83 years	Possible	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	4	1851 to 2024 (Atlantic)	see B1-f	NRI counts hurricane and tropical storm tracks passing within storm-force wind range; federal declarations are counted separately in B1-d and need not match.
Ice Storm	1.11	event-days per year	about 1.11 days per year	Likely	event-days in 6 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (20%)	75	1946-12-31 to 2014-02-12 (67 years)	countywide	NRI gives about 1.11 ice storm event-days a year here (its annualized frequency over 67 years; not its event count divided by the years), but Storm Events has a record in only 6 of 30 years. NRI counts from a different source that records far more events than Storm Events, so this descriptor reads much lower than NRI's frequency; read the two together.
Inland Flooding	6.32	event-days per year	about 6.32 days per year	Highly likely	event-days in 29 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (96.7%)	177	1996 to 2023 (28 years)	see B1-f	
Landslide	1.65	events per year (modeled)	about 1.65 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	
Lightning	56.4	days per year with a strike	about 56.4 days per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1995 to 2023 (29 years; CONUS)	countywide	

Hazard	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) <i>unit per row</i>	Unit	In plain terms	Descriptor	Descriptor basis	NRI events or days in its record period (hail, wind and tornado are area-weighted, so can be fractional)	NRI period	Location	Note
Strong Wind	4.03	events per year	about 4.03 per year	Highly likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	154	1986 to 2023 (38 years)	countywide	
Tornado	0.494	events per year	about 1 in 2 years	Likely	FEMA annualized frequency (modeled)	not shown	1950 to 2023 (EF2+); 1986 to 2023 (EF0-1)	see B1-f	
Tsunami		annual probability at the most exposed location (used in place of a county value)				not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Volcanic Activity		annual probability				not shown	modeled	see B1-f	Not Applicable in NRI for this county; no descriptor.
Wildfire	0.000296	annual probability at a location	chance a given location in the county burns in a year: 0.0296%		Storm Events records in 0 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (0%)	not shown	modeled	see B1-f	No Storm Events record of this hazard, 1996 to 2025; descriptor not assigned (the NRI value is the chance at a location in the county, not how often the hazard affects the county)
Winter Weather	7.89	event-days per year	about 7.89 days per year	Highly likely	event-days in 29 of 30 years, 1996 to 2025 (96.7%)	150	2005-11-12 to 2024-11-12 (19 years)	countywide	

FEMA annualized frequency (modeled) comes from the National Risk Index v1.20 (December 2025). It is not recorded events divided by years, and what it measures depends on the hazard. For most hazards it estimates how often the hazard affects this county each year: it counts events or event-days (drought, heat wave, cold wave, winter weather, ice storm and inland flooding are in days per year; lightning is the number of days per year with a recorded cloud-to-ground strike, from the NOAA Storm Prediction Center daily lightning climatology); it may count events in the surrounding area (hail, strong wind, tornado, hurricane and ice storm use a 49 km grid and buffers) and is averaged over the county's area; and some hazards use a minimum value for places with no recorded event. Earthquake, wildfire and coastal flooding are different: FEMA computes them for each census block and averages them over the county, so the value is the chance (for coastal flooding, the modeled number of floods per year) at a location in the county, which is lower than the chance that the hazard strikes somewhere in the county. Earthquake is the chance of at least minor-damage shaking (U.S. Geological Survey model); wildfire is the chance that a location burns in a large fire (U.S. Forest Service burn probability); coastal flooding comes from FEMA flood zones and NOAA high-tide flooding, so it can be above 1 where high-tide flooding is frequent. Tsunami is the value at the county's most exposed location, from recorded events and modeled return periods. For these four hazards the packet gives no "1 in N years" and takes the descriptor from Storm Events (none for earthquake) unless the value is 1 or more a year. Landslide is a U.S. Geological Survey modeled county rate spread by slope susceptibility. Volcanic activity is the chance that a volcano affecting the county erupts in a year. Drought counts only extreme and exceptional drought (D3 and D4). Source: FEMA, National Risk Index Technical Documentation v1.20, sections 5.2.2 (Table 5), 5.2.3, 7.4, 10.4, 16.5, 17.1, 17.3.1, 17.5, 20.3.1, 21.4, 22.4 and 6 to 23.

SOURCES
FEMA, FEMA National Risk Index 1.20.0 (December 2025), county and census tract tables, version 1.20.0, pulled 2026-09-28, https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_Counties.zip (download, 25 MB), https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_CensusTracts.zip (download, 635 MB)
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Descriptor scale used in this packet (defined per unit)

Unit	Descriptor	Definition
events per year	Highly likely	1 or more per year

Unit	Descriptor	Definition
events per year	Likely	about once in 1 to 10 years
events per year	Possible	about once in 10 to 100 years
events per year	Unlikely	less than once in 100 years
annual probability	Likely	10% to under 100% chance in a given year
annual probability	Possible	1% to under 10% chance in a given year
annual probability	Unlikely	under 1% chance in a given year
event-days (share of years)	Highly likely	event-days recorded in 90% or more of years
event-days (share of years)	Likely	event-days recorded in 10% to under 90% of years
event-days (share of years)	Possible	event-days recorded in some years but under 10% of years
lightning strike-days	Highly likely	cloud-to-ground strikes on 1 or more days per year

SOURCES
FEMA, FEMA National Risk Index 1.20.0 (December 2025), county and census tract tables, version 1.20.0, pulled 2026-09-28, https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_Counties.zip (download, 25 MB), https://www.fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/openfema/nri/v120/NRI_Table_CensusTracts.zip (download, 635 MB)
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Intensity bands: historical frequency (Storm Events)

Hazard	Band	Years	Events <i>county-coded records</i>	Years in period	Events per year <i>events / years</i>
Hail	1.00-1.99 in	1996 to 2025	48	30	1.6
Hail	2.00 in+	1996 to 2025	4	30	0.133
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	50-64 kt	1996 to 2025	136	30	4.53
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	65 kt+	1996 to 2025	23	30	0.767
Strong Wind (Thunderstorm Wind records)	unmeasured or below 50 kt	1996 to 2025	4	30	0.133
Tornado	EF0-1	1996 to 2025	22	30	0.733
Tornado	EF2-3	1996 to 2025	6	30	0.2
Tornado	EF4-5	1996 to 2025	0	30	0
Tornado	unrated (EFU)	1996 to 2025	0	30	0

Hail smaller than 1 inch is not counted: on 2010-01-05 the National Weather Service raised its severe-hail threshold from 3/4 inch to 1 inch, so smaller reports became less common after 2009 (NWS Service Change Notice 09-52). NRI hail frequency uses a 0.75 inch threshold.

SOURCE
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Optional: future conditions. Not a required item in the 2025 FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide; some states ask for it. The federal Climate Mapping for Resilience and Adaptation (CMRA) site gives county exposure to future climate conditions.

Supports B1-f: variation across the planning area

Range of census tract risk within the county

Hazard	Tracts rated of all	Risk score min NRI score, 0 to 100	Median	Max	Tracts by rating	Note
Avalanche	0 of 19				Not Applicable 19	
Coastal Flooding	0 of 19				Not Applicable 19	
Cold Wave	19 of 19	57.3	78.9	90.7	Relatively High 12, Relatively Moderate 7	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Drought	15 of 19	69.3	83.9	96.2	Relatively Moderate 4, Relatively Low 5, Very Low 6, No Rating 4	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. Agriculture is all of NRI's expected annual loss for this hazard in the county, so the tract range above mostly reflects where crop and livestock value is, not where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Earthquake	19 of 19	83.8	90.4	99.3	Very High 3, Relatively High 9, Relatively Moderate 7	
Hail	19 of 19	62.0	76.2	92.7	Relatively High 1, Relatively Moderate 14, Relatively Low 4	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Heat Wave	19 of 19	73.8	91.0	95.9	Relatively High 16, Relatively Moderate 3	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Hurricane	19 of 19	28.7	36.3	47.2	Very Low 19	
Ice Storm	19 of 19	90.9	95.9	99.6	Very High 3, Relatively High 16	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Inland Flooding	19 of 19	38.4	68.8	95.5	Relatively High 7, Relatively Moderate 7, Relatively Low 5	
Landslide	19 of 19	32.5	73.8	97.8	Relatively Moderate 2, Relatively Low 4, Very Low 13	
Lightning	19 of 19	38.3	64.3	85.1	Relatively High 5, Relatively Moderate 12, Relatively Low 2	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Strong Wind	19 of 19	61.2	79.7	96.5	Relatively High 9, Relatively Moderate 10	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.
Tornado	19 of 19	56.6	71.2	95.8	Very High 1, Relatively High 7, Relatively Moderate 11	
Tsunami	0 of 19				Not Applicable 19	
Volcanic Activity	0 of 19				Not Applicable 19	
Wildfire	18 of 19	19.7	50.6	81.4	Relatively Low 6, Very Low 12, No Rating 1	

Hazard	Tracts rated of all	Risk score min NRI score, 0 to 100	Median	Max	Tracts by rating	Note
Winter Weather	19 of 19	85.2	93.9	99.3	Very High 7, Relatively High 12	National data give a county-wide or coarse (49 km grid or NWS zone) frequency for this hazard, so they cannot show members' hazard differing. The tract range above mostly reflects where buildings and people are. Confirm locally.

Rated tracts only: No Rating (score 0.0), Not Applicable and Insufficient Data tracts are counted but not used for the minimum, median and maximum.

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Per-member block (Starter, confirm locally)

Member	Type	Plan status	Repetitive loss FMA RL and SRL (44 CFR 77.2); repeat- flood, any definition	Public Assistance matched federal share obligated, nominal dollars	Event records naming this place all years; since the member's plan	Notes
Cape Girardeau County	County	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	FMA RL 3, SRL 4; any 19	\$1,482,124.22	0; 0	
Cape Girardeau city	City	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	FMA RL 0, SRL 17; any 48	\$1,717,091.13	180; 17	
Gordonville village	Village	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	FMA RL 0, SRL 0; any 0	none found	16; 3	
Jackson city	City	Approved, expires 2026-09-30	FMA RL 1, SRL 1; any 5	\$1,503,491	84; 9	

Member rows are whole NFIP communities and need not add up to the county total: a community that extends into another county is counted in full on each member row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

School districts and special districts get a plan clock row only.

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Supports B2-a and B2-b: assets and impacts

Local data required

County-level starter. The plan must describe impacts for each participant and its own assets.

- Critical facilities and lifelines per hazard
 - A problem statement per participant per hazard
- Changes in development in hazard-prone areas since the last approval, or a statement of none (E1-a)
 - Future assets

County-level starter: exposure, expected annual loss and damage since the plan

Hazard	Building exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Agriculture exposure <i>modeled dollars</i>	Population exposed <i>people</i>	EAL buildings <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL agriculture <i>modeled dollars per year</i>	EAL population equivalence <i>statistical value of life and injury, \$13.7M per life, not property damage</i>	EAL as % of exposure <i>buildings; agriculture where noted</i>	Storm Events damage since 2021-09-30 <i>county-coded records, property plus crops, nominal dollars</i>	Zone-level damage since plan <i>property plus crops, reported for the zone</i>	Public Assistance since plan <i>nominal dollars; see note</i>	Note
Avalanche											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Coastal Flooding											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Cold Wave	\$19,713,070,230	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$35	\$169,806	\$3,667,558	under 0.0001%		\$0		
Drought		\$86,316,712			\$354,912		0.411% (agriculture)		\$0		NRI has no building exposure for this hazard; agriculture shown
Earthquake	\$35,281,782,763		81,710	\$16,603,946		\$12,826,847	0.0471%				
Hail	\$19,713,092,699	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$749,654	\$872	\$13,576	0.0038%	\$0			
Heat Wave	\$19,713,070,230	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$315	\$4	\$4,425,729	under 0.0001%		\$0		
Hurricane	\$19,708,006,447	\$124,780,829	81,640	\$24,310	\$7,088	\$243	0.000123%				
Ice Storm	\$19,711,544,601		81,667	\$1,604,926		\$124,526	0.00814%		\$325,000		
Inland Flooding	\$19,707,491,698	\$38,707,074	1,918	\$20,655,195	\$161,842	\$216,324	n/a (see note)	\$50,000		\$2,171,250.90	NRI counts the full building value of any census block with some flood loss; this is not the value of buildings in the floodplain. Use local FIRM overlays for B2-a/B2-b. EAL as % of exposure: n/a.
Landslide	\$708,331,725		3,168	\$24,166		\$2,598	0.00341%				
Lightning	\$19,713,092,699		81,676	\$10,447		\$401,340	under 0.0001%				
Strong Wind	\$19,713,092,699	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$748,959	\$166,585	\$406,703	0.0038%	\$278,000	\$39,000	\$2,171,250.90	Storm Events damage since the plan includes 35 zone-level Strong Wind records (\$39,000), an event type the NRI definition of this hazard leaves out.
Tornado	\$19,713,092,699	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$2,385,696	\$4,670	\$1,716,888	0.0121%	\$392,000		\$2,171,250.90	
Tsunami											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Volcanic Activity											Not Applicable in NRI for this county
Wildfire	\$818,879,657	\$21,647,172	9,750	\$15,324	\$43	\$4,615	0.00187%				
Winter Weather	\$19,713,070,230	\$127,793,307	81,676	\$387,491	\$97	\$152,476	0.00197%		\$30,000		

Totals since 2021-09-30 (Storm Events through 2026-06-30): 48 county-coded records, 48 with a damage value recorded (including \$0), \$720,000; 100 zone-level records, 100 with a damage value recorded (including \$0), \$394,000 reported for the zone; Public Assistance on counted declarations \$2,171,250.90 (2 declarations, 1 with PA).

Total = buildings + agriculture + population equivalence; FEMA values each expected death (or 10 injuries) at \$13.7 million (2024 dollars).

FEMA does not split Public Assistance by hazard. A declaration mapped to several hazards is listed under each of them with its full amount, so the per-hazard column must not be added up; the unit total counts each declaration once.

Dollars are nominal (as reported), labeled with the year; not adjusted for inflation.

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Supports B2-a: context

County context

Measure	Value
Population	81,676
Building value (total, not at risk)	\$19,713,092,699
Agriculture value (total, not at risk)	\$127,793,307
NRI risk rating (all hazards)	Relatively Moderate
Expected annual loss, buildings and agriculture, all hazards	\$44,076,385
Expected annual loss, population equivalence, all hazards (NRI values each statistical life at \$13.7M; a modeled value of expected deaths and injuries, not property damage)	\$23,959,424
Social vulnerability rating	Relatively Low
Community resilience rating	Very High
NRI version	December 2025

FEMA's all-hazard expected annual loss total adds buildings, agriculture and population equivalence; the two parts are shown separately so the property figure is not read as including the statistical value of life.

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Supports B2-c: repetitive loss

Repetitive loss in this county, both definitions

Definition	Properties	Severe repetitive loss	Properties
Repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	4	Severe repetitive loss, FMA definition (44 CFR 77.2)	22
Repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	64	Severe repetitive loss, NFIP insurance definition	14

Your state NFIP coordinator's list may use the NFIP insurance definition, so its counts can be higher.

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Scope	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
County total	4	22	64	14	72	4	7
CAPE GIRARDEAU, CITY OF	0	17	40	9	48	4	1
CAPE GIRARDEAU COUNTY*	3	4	19	4	19	0	4
JACKSON, CITY OF	1	1	5	1	5	0	2
State level, not in this county: county not reported	0	0	3	0	3	0	0

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Member	NFIP community ID	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>	Note
Cape Girardeau County	290790	3	4	19	4	19	0	4	
Cape Girardeau city	290458	0	17	40	9	48	4	1	
Gordonville village	290190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jackson city	295265	1	1	5	1	5	0	2	

Per-member types: XLSX sheet 'B2-c Members'.

Member rows are whole NFIP communities and need not add up to the county total: a community that extends into another county is counted in full on each member row, while the county table counts only its part in this county.

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Occupancy group	RL, FMA <i>properties</i>	SRL, FMA <i>properties</i>	RL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	SRL, NFIP <i>properties</i>	Any category <i>properties</i>	Mitigated <i>properties</i>	Currently insured <i>properties</i>
single-family residential	3	14	39	9	44	1	5
2 to 4 unit residential	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
other residential	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
non-residential	1	8	24	5	27	3	2
not reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Institutional properties cannot be separated in this data: FEMA's occupancy groups have no institutional class, so they fall in non-residential or other residential in the table by occupancy group.

SOURCESFEMA, OpenFEMA NfipMultipleLossProperties v1, version 2026-08-04T164045Z, pulled 2026-09-28, <https://www.fema.gov/api/open/v1/NfipMultipleLossProperties> (API)

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Your state NFIP coordinator's list may use the NFIP insurance definition, so its counts can be higher.

Counts are aggregates of FEMA's public NFIP Multiple Loss Properties file (as of 2026-08-02). No property is identified. County assignment is FEMA's geocode.

Counts may differ from your state NFIP coordinator's list, which is the source the Handbook names.

In this county 0 properties are FMA repetitive loss but not NFIP repetitive loss, and 60 properties are NFIP repetitive loss but not FMA repetitive loss.

Exact counts; no count suppression.

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