Impact to Oregon's Economy from a M9.0 Cascadia Event

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Earthquakes Break Stuff









Stuff (or Capital) is Essential for Economic Activity

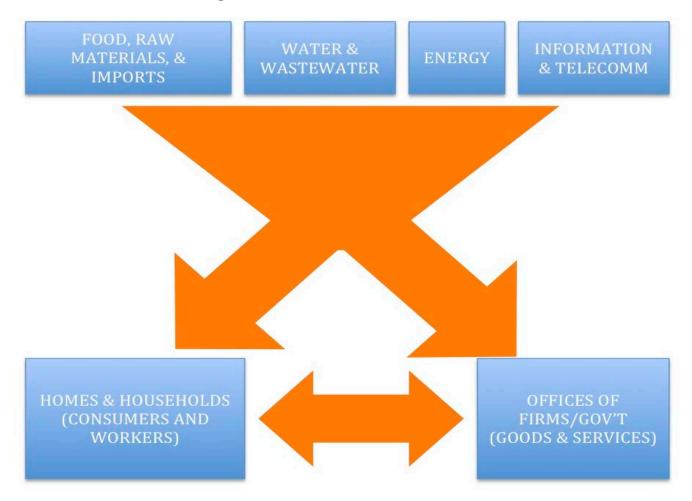








Core Economic Relationships Affected by Natural Disasters





Two Types of Damage

- Direct Damage
 - Fixing what breaks, Short Run
- Indirect Damage
 - Economic output lost because broken stuff cannot be used, Short/Intermediate Run
 - Economic output lost because people or firms leave (or do not migrate in), Long Run



How Much Direct Damage?

Event	Direct Damage Estimate	Share of GDP in Most Affected Area
Tohoku	\$210B-\$303B	56-81% (4 most affect prefectures)
Kobe	\$100B	61% (most affected prefecture)
Katrina	\$90B-\$125B	27-38% (LA+MS GDP)
Chile 2010	\$30B	78% (most affected regions)
Cascadia (Oregon)	\$50-\$150B??	Oregon GDP 2011 \$195B (25%-75%)

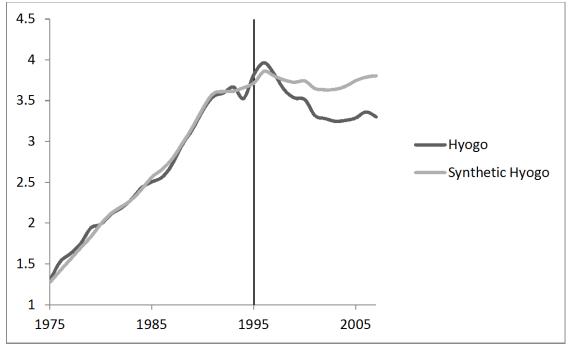
Damage unique to event and determined by magnitude, location, resiliency. It is impossible to predict in advance.



How Much Indirect Damage?

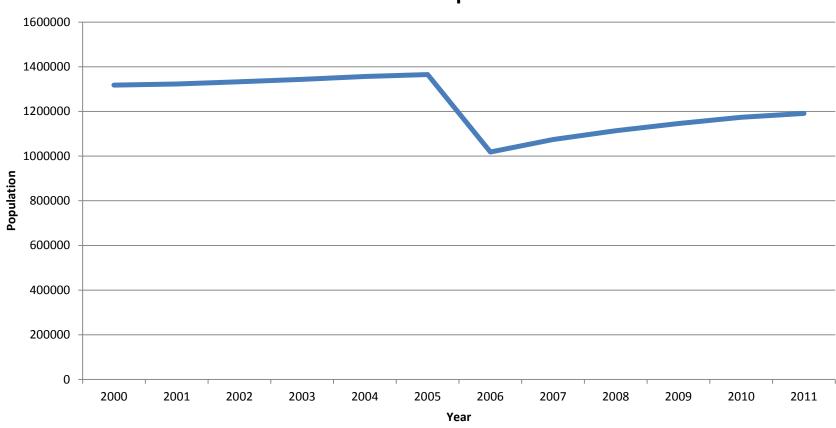
Long Run Impact of Kobe: GDP per capita 13% below where it would have been but for quake. (DuPont and Noy 2012)





How Much Indirect Damage?

New Orleans Population



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