

FEMA Releases 2018 National Preparedness Report

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WASHINGTON – FEMA and its partners today released the [*2018 National Preparedness Report*](#). This report, in its seventh year, summarizes the nation's progress toward becoming a more secure and resilient nation.

“The National Preparedness report enables FEMA and the nation as a whole to understand where we have made progress, and where more work is needed,” said FEMA’s Deputy Administrator for Resilience, Dr. Daniel Kaniewski. “The findings in this report are particularly important in helping communities build a culture of preparedness and improving their resilience for future disasters.”

These findings provide practical insights into preparedness and should be used to support decisions about future program priorities, resource allocations, and community actions. This *2018 National Preparedness Report* provides an in-depth evaluation of five core capabilities identified in previous reports as facing persistent preparedness challenges— Infrastructure Systems, Housing, Economic Recovery, Cybersecurity, and Operational Coordination.

Refining the scope of the *2018 National Preparedness Report* to focus on these challenges concentrates the discussion on what the whole community needs to accomplish in order to increase the nation’s preparedness. This will be particularly important in the years to come, as the nation looks to address long-term trends that will influence national preparedness—including rising disaster costs, new technology, an older and more diverse population, and evolving threats such as cybersecurity.

For a copy of the full report visit FEMA’s website at www.fema.gov/national-preparedness-report.

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