

# National Risk Index Overview

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The [National Risk Index](#) is a new, online application from the FEMA that identifies communities most at risk to natural hazards.

## About the National Risk Index

The Risk Index is an online mapping application that visualizes natural hazard risk metrics based on 18 natural hazards, expected annual losses from natural hazards, social vulnerability, and community resilience. With this tool, you can discover a holistic view of community risk to natural hazards.

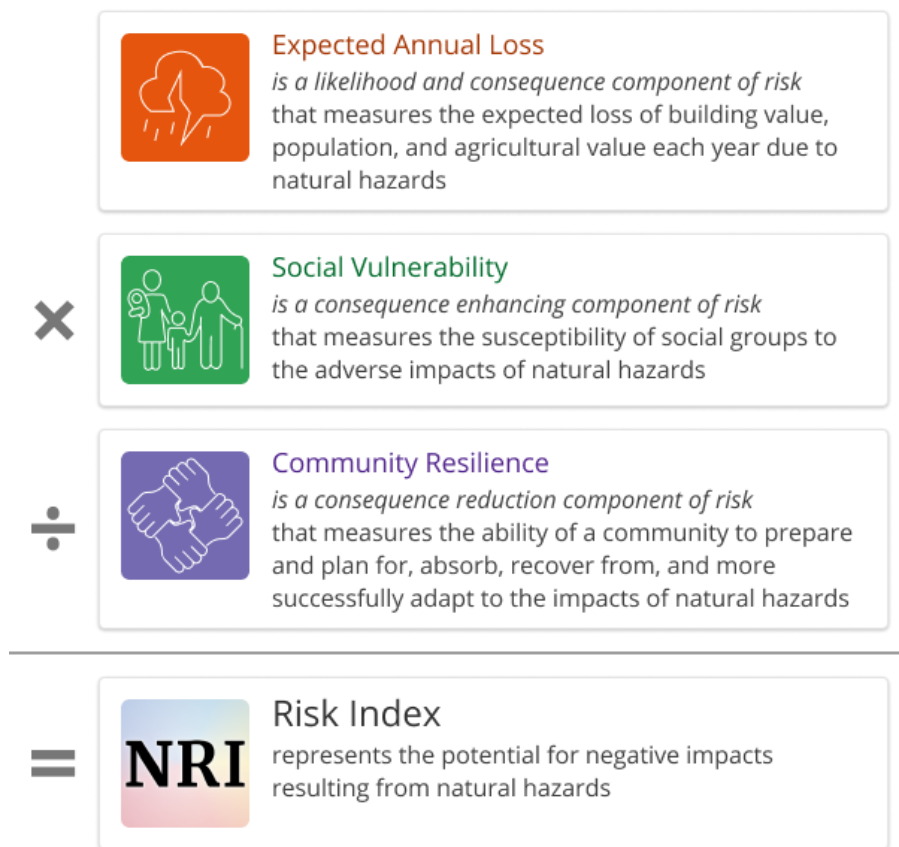


Figure 1: The National Risk Index's equation for calculating risk.



## How the National Risk Index Can Help

The Index is easy to use and can support prioritizing resilience efforts by providing an at-a-glance overview of multiple risk factors and can assist communities in:

- Updating emergency operations plans
- Enhancing hazard mitigation plans
- Prioritizing and allocating resources
- Identifying the need for more refined risk assessments
- Encouraging community-level risk communication and engagement
- Education homeowners and renters
- Supporting the development and adoption of enhanced codes and standards
- Informing long-term community recovery

## The National Risk Index Audience

The Index is accessible to anyone interested in mitigation or understanding a community's natural hazard risk, including:

- Public employees
- Local officials
- Community planners
- Academia
- Homeowners and renters
- Research institutions
- Property owners
- Real estate professionals
- Insurance community

### Get Started

- **Access the Application:** Visit the National Risk Index's website at <https://www.fema.gov/nri>.
- **Explore the Map:** Search different areas and learn more about your local natural hazard risk.
- **Create a Report:** Download/print a summary or compare risks between different Census tracts or counties.
- **Learn More:** Use the interactive platform, data, and documentation to help better understand what factors make your community at risk to natural hazards.

For more information or to submit comments or questions, send an email to [FEMA-NRI@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-NRI@fema.dhs.gov).