

CLIMATE RISK AND REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT

A Global ULI Study

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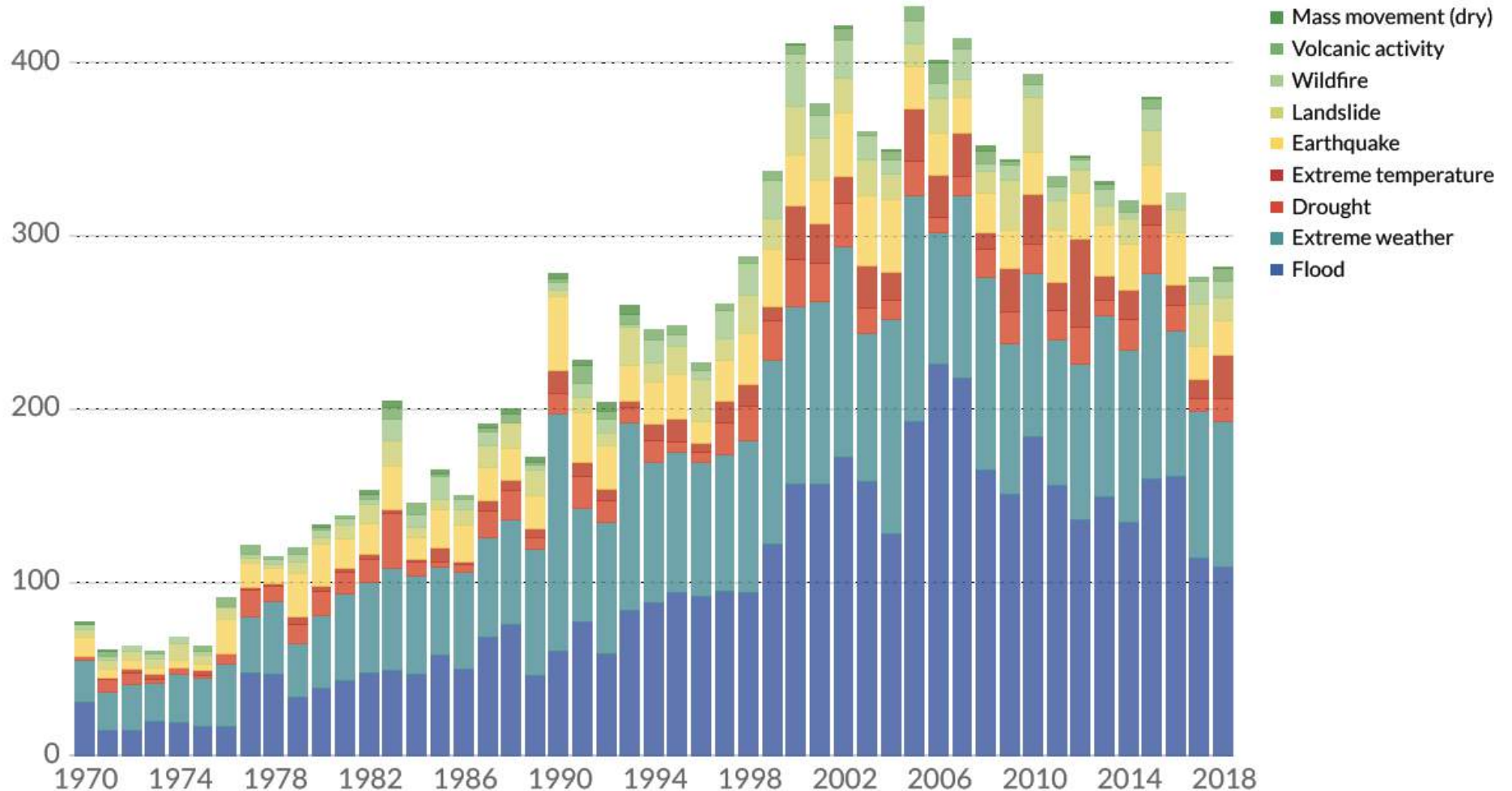
What has happened so far?

More losses for real estate, insurance, and the public sector from natural disasters

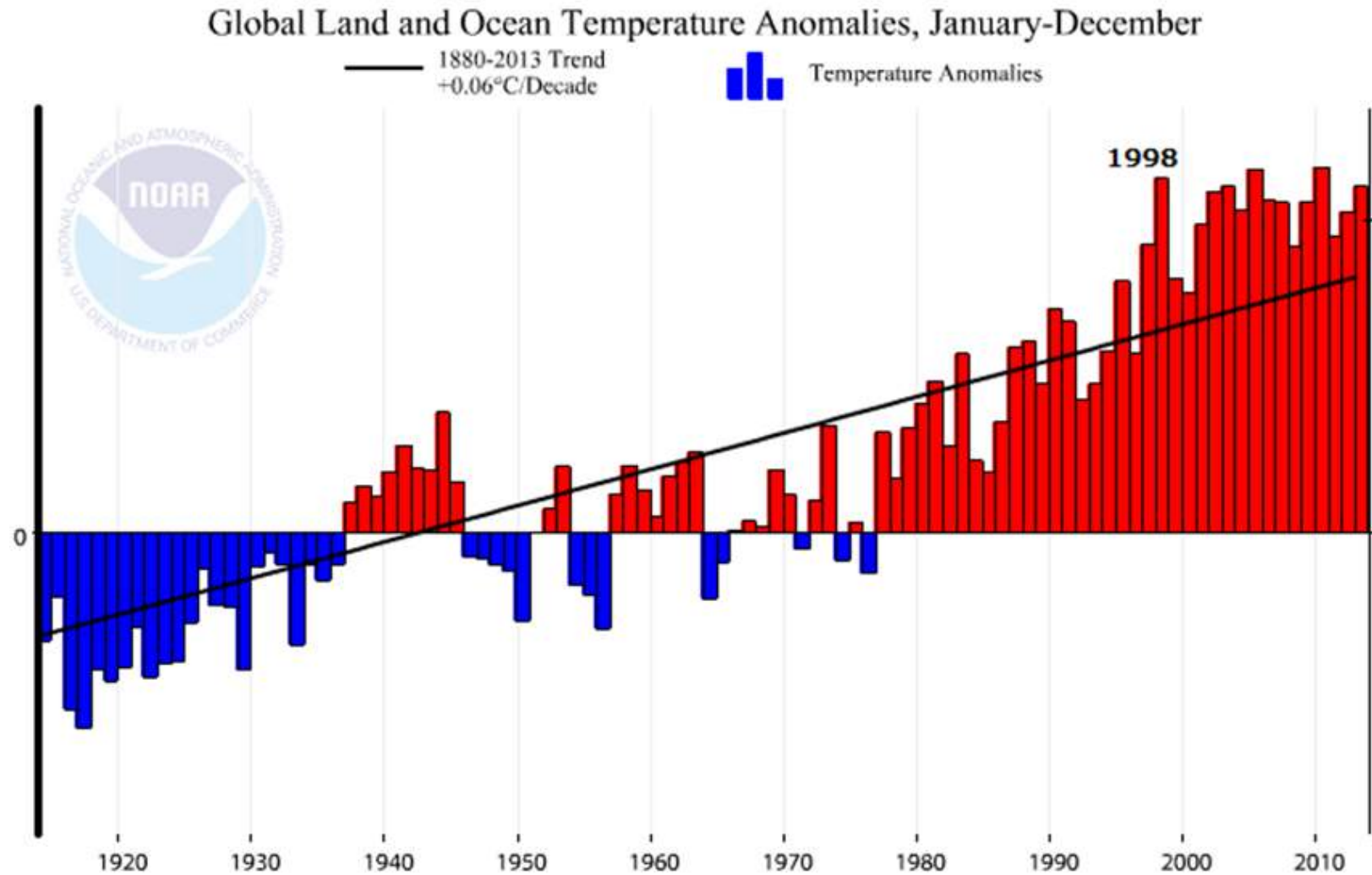
Global reported natural disasters by type

The annual reported number of natural disasters, categorised by type. This includes both weather and non-weather related disasters.

Our World
in Data



Earth warms,
sea levels
rise...



2015 ULI Research Europe: Climate Change Implications for Real Estate Portfolio Allocation

Level of climate change risk assessment undertaken for respondents' portfolios

Climate mitigation vs adaptation

Climate Mitigation

Definition

Climate mitigation measures focus on tackling the causes of climate change. Included are measures to reduce, prevent the emission of, or capture the greenhouse gases that cause climate change.

Examples

- Switching from fossil fuels to renewable energies.
- Improving energy efficiency of equipment or buildings.
- Changing practices or behavior to reduce energy use.
- Protecting natural carbon sinks like forests and oceans, or creating new sinks by planting trees.

Climate Adaptation

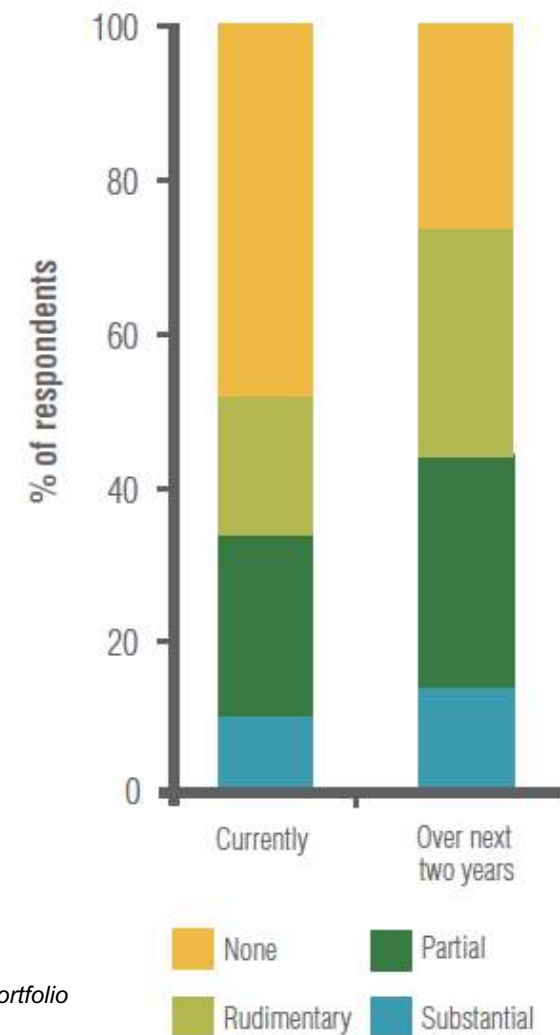
Definition

Climate adaptation measures focus on tackling the actual or expected impacts of climate change, or taking advantage of the benefits it presents. They include adjustments to natural or human systems.

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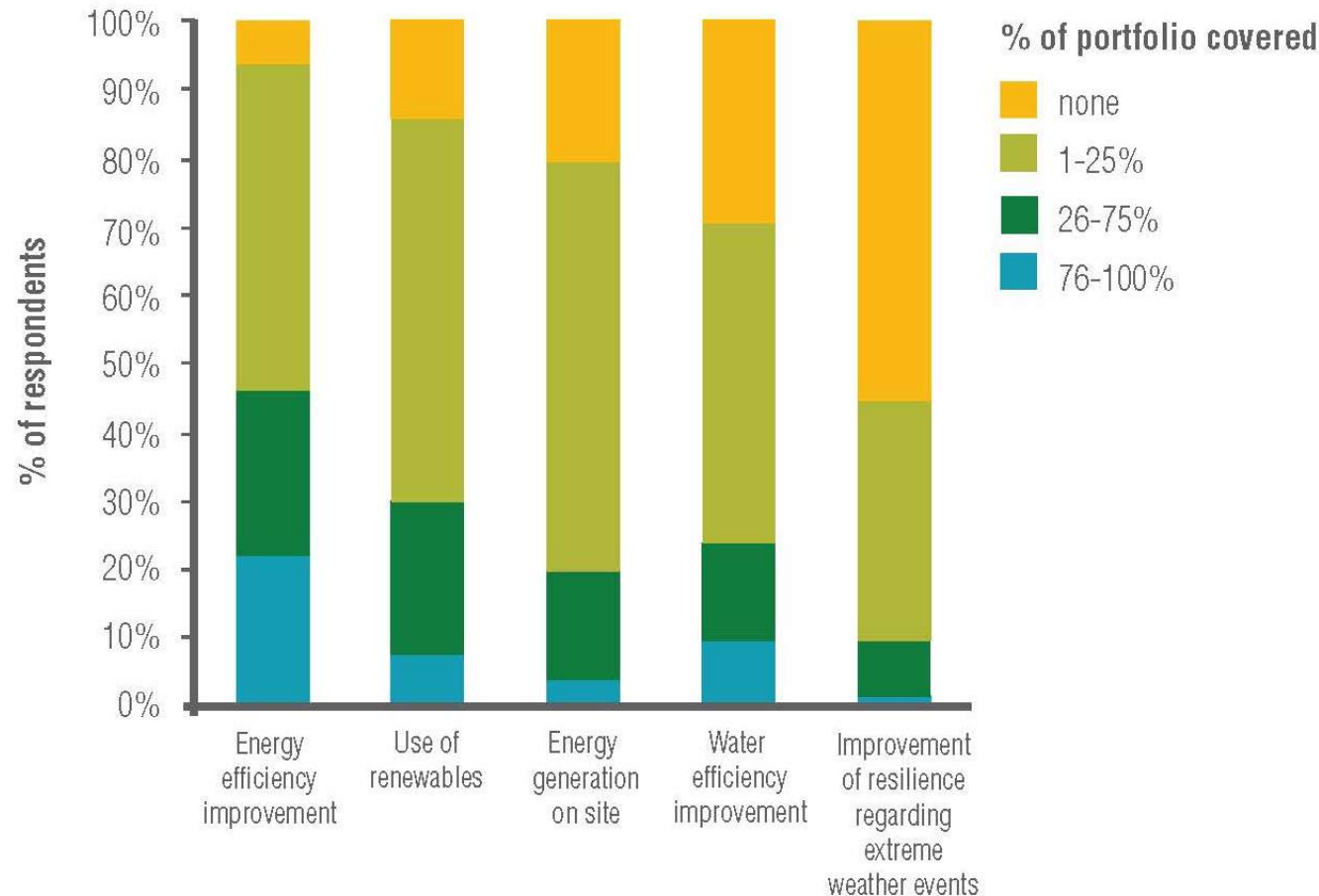
- Elevating buildings or roads to avoid flooding from sea-level rise and increasing coastal storms.
- Employing new, low-water technologies in areas anticipating drought.
- Adjusting agricultural growing seasons and crop varieties to match changes in temperature and precipitation.
- Installing cool roofs or cooling centers to address heat risk in cities.

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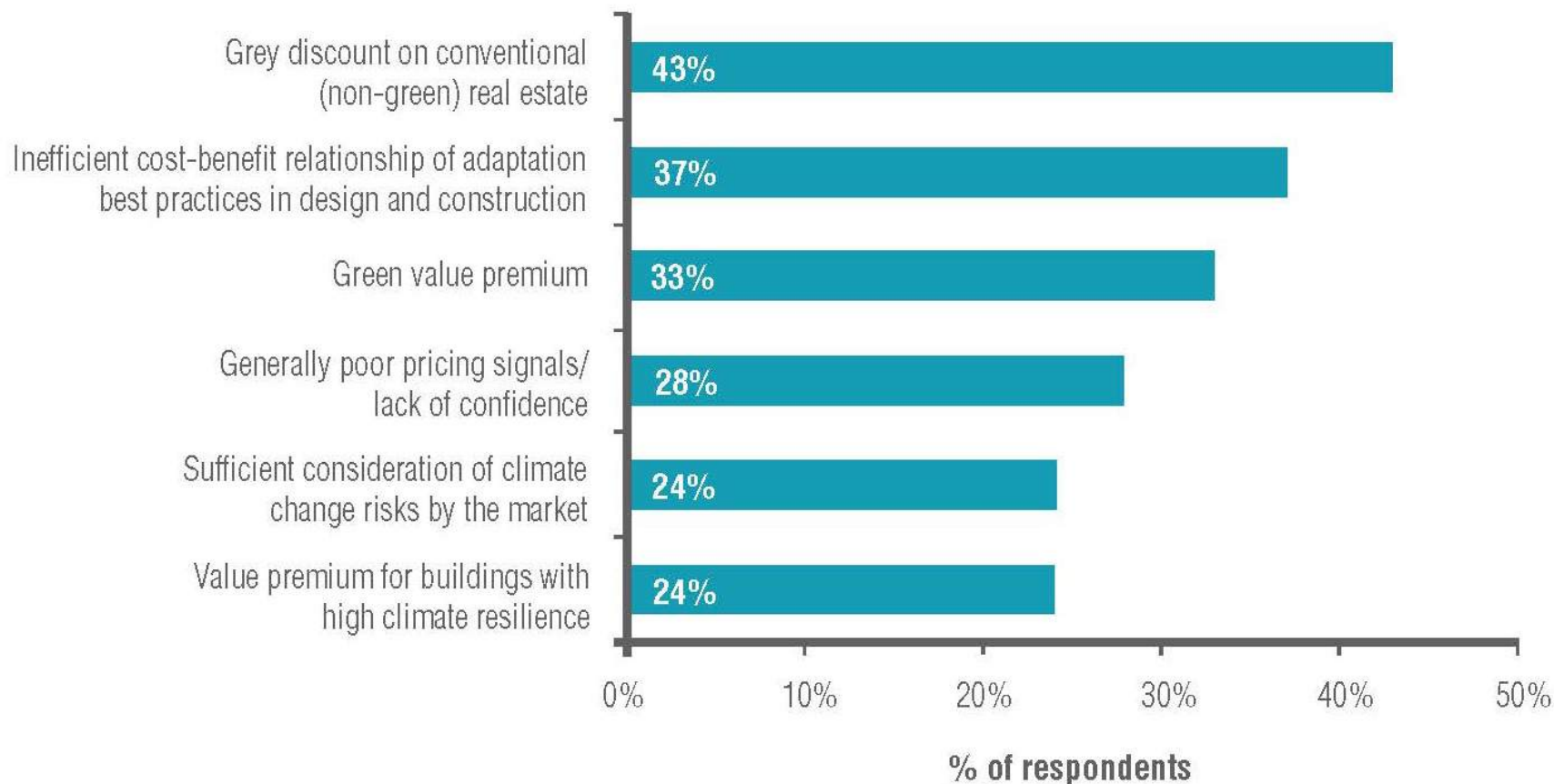
Improvement Measures Applied to Existing Properties in Portfolios



Over 90% of respondents are improving energy efficiency in at least some of their portfolios, but less than 50% are investing in resilience to extreme weather impacts

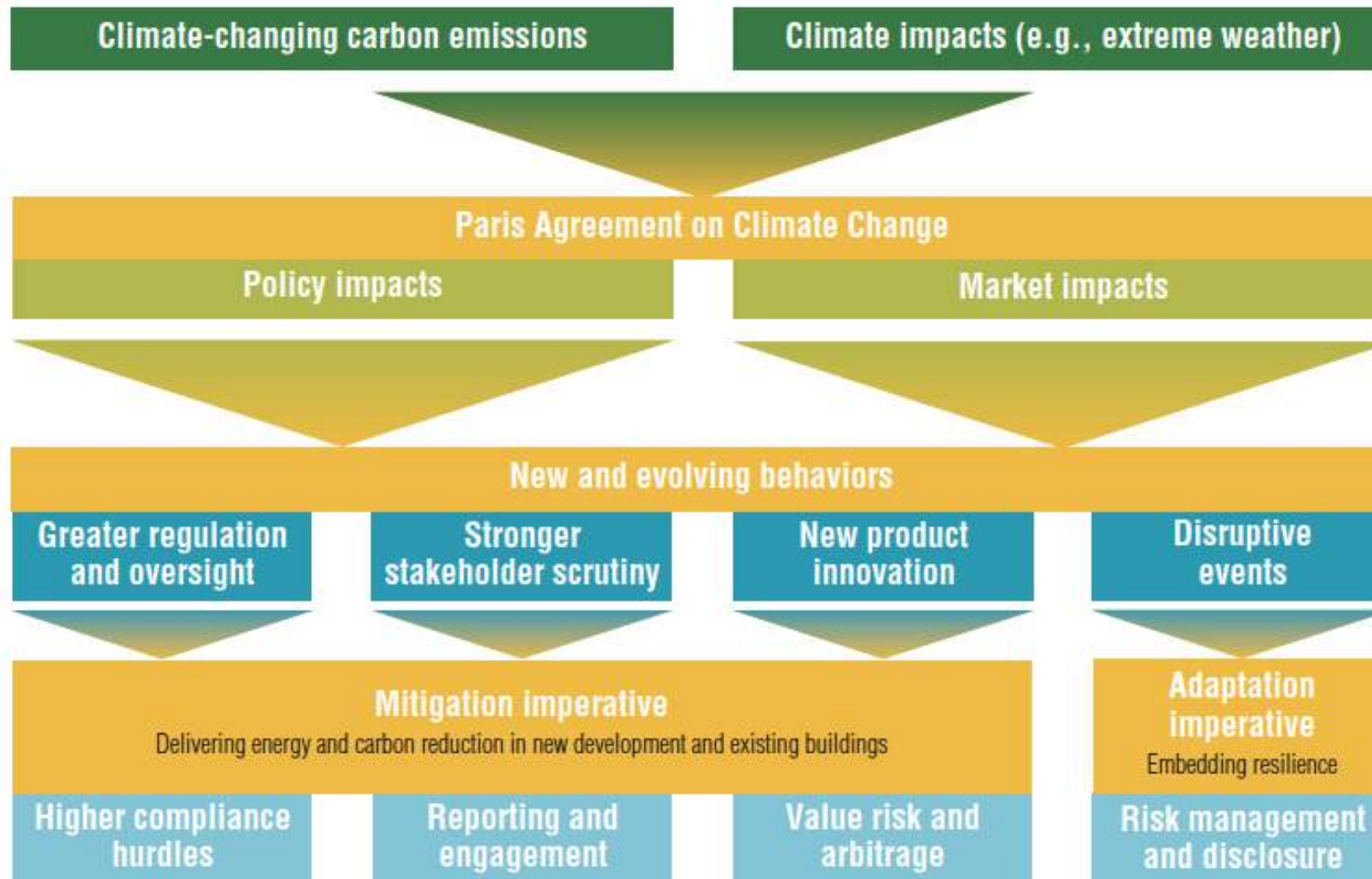
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Market Impacts of Climate Change Observed by Respondents



Respondents noted some market trends to encourage more sustainable buildings, but also areas where market signals are still weak (e.g. premiums for high climate resilience)

Implications of the Paris Agreement for the Real Estate Industry



And since then....

Biggest US pension funds 'must consider climate-related risks' [updated]

Sustainability leads to outperformance - EPRA

Dutch regulator warns of €97bn 'water scarcity' risk

Committee warns 'complacent' large schemes over climate change [updated]

Dutch roundup: ABP launches energy transition fund

FCA proposes climate risk reporting duty for asset managers

ULI Europe Conference 2019 – attendees polling

How do you think the threat of climate risks has changed in your portfolio/projects?



A grayscale background image showing several hands holding pens, poised to write on documents or a tablet. The scene is dimly lit, with the focus on the hands and the writing instruments. The text 'Report findings' is overlaid in white, centered horizontally.

Report findings

What type of risks do real estate investors face?

Physical risks

- Catastrophic events
- Changes in weather patterns

Transition risks

- Market impact
- Policy and regulation
- Resource availability
- Reputation and market position

Insurance has been the main focus so far....

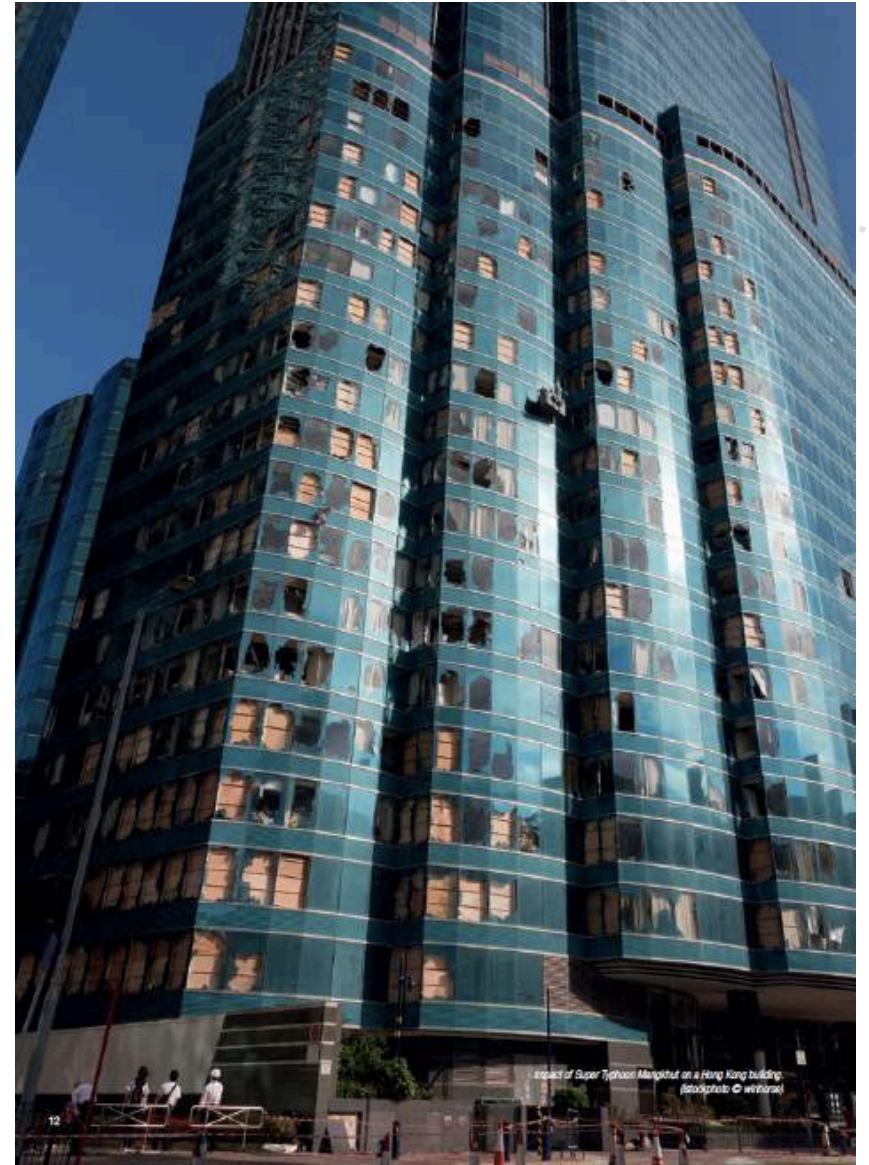
“Rather than limiting investment in particular areas, it's been more a question of how to properly insure a property.”

“The real estate investment industry as a whole is still early in its development of strategies to recognize, understand, and manage these [climate] risks.”

“While we have a good supply of capital in insurance due to increased confidence in our modeling, long periods of price stability should not be assumed.”

...and some are still not convinced....

- *“I don’t think this will impact MY investment cycle.”*
- *“If it was material, it would show up in underwriting”*
- *“I believe you, but the coastal markets are hot right now – I’ll take my chances”*



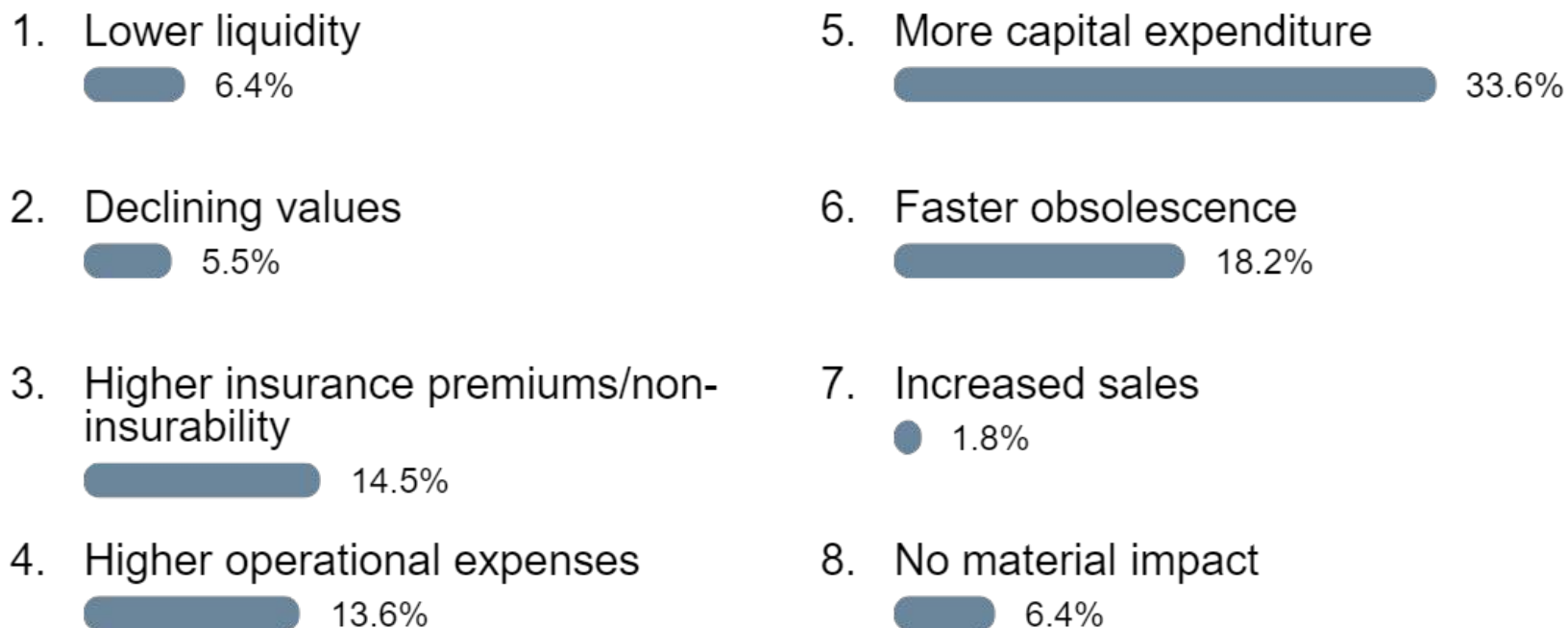
“A plus-4-degree world is not insurable.”



Global Investor

And portfolio impact is starting to be felt

What is the main impact of climate change on your portfolio currently?



Therefore approaches are starting to change

- Starting with the assets – what is your climate risk and how are you mitigating it?
- Turning to tech and science – can we develop better risk models?
- Asking insurance – what do your models tell us?
- Building global reporting standards – can transparency save us?



Currently, most focus on qualitative assessment exposure

- **What geographic locations present the highest risk?**
- **Risk is physical and transitional**
 - Financial impact of extreme weather event
 - Ability to sell asset at end of hold cycle
- **What else is in my risk assessment?**
 - Ability and cost of asset to reduce risk through resilient design/retrofit
 - Likelihood public sector will invest in resilience to reduce my event risk
 - Likelihood that insurance will change during my hold cycle



Geophy/427 REIT Physical Climate Risk



Grosvenor City risk and resilience



“The Paris Agreement has relevance to all countries and markets, and all ULI members. At Grosvenor, we have been examining the relationship between climate change vulnerability and city resilience through our ranking of 50 global cities. **We believe that in the short to medium term this will begin to affect city attractiveness to investors and the security of underlying occupier markets.**”

Mark Preston, Executive Trustee, Grosvenor Estates, and Chair of the Advisory Board for the ULI Center for Sustainability

Next steps

- Improve reporting on climate risk in annual and quarterly Resilience reports.
- Use big data to better understand patterns around changes in asset liquidity, valuations, and weather forecasting.
- Work with the insurance industry to understand data and gain knowledge on how climate change is affecting premiums and coverage.
- Engage with city leadership in vulnerable areas to support city-level commitment to and implementation of mitigating physical and transitional risks.

“The ultimate objective is to understand how climate will affect asset liquidity and, as a result, returns, in terms of both income and capital growth.”



Urban Challenge: Digitalisation, Big Data and AI Impacts on Cities and Real Estate

Frederic Pivetta, Managing Partner, Dalberg Data Insights

Big Data and AI for cities

PRESENTATION DOCUMENT

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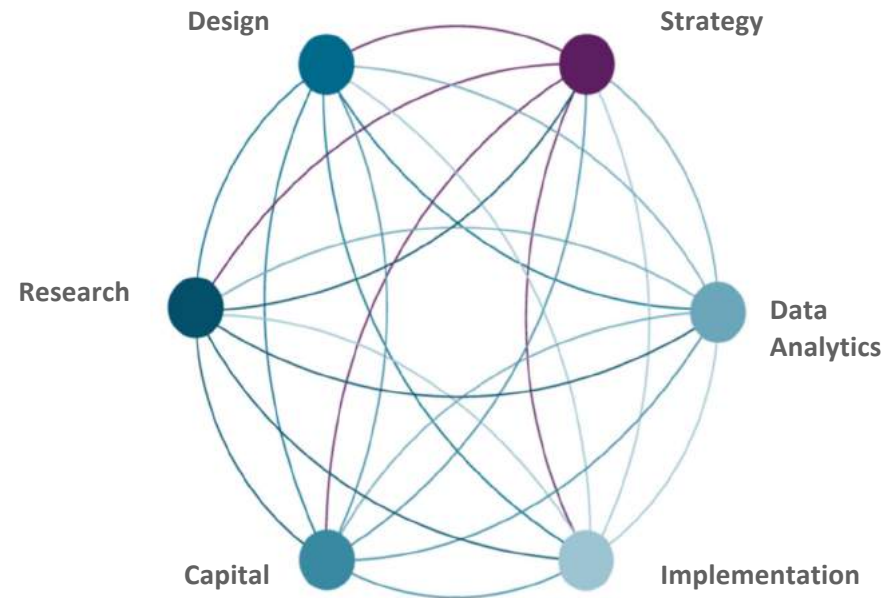
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GLOBAL FACTS

- Founded in 2001
- Experience in 90+ countries
- 500+ professionals, 40+ nationalities
- 50+ languages spoken
- More than 400 clients
- >90% repeat clients

What do we do?



We consider data as a commodity, but value privacy and trust



Telecom data



Satellite data



IoT data



Transaction data

We create social and economic value by combining Big Data and AI insights



SMART CITIES

Where are the strategic areas to build a new hospital in Port au Prince?
Impact Assessment based on traffic patterns



AGRITECH

What would be the yield mapping in Karamoja this year vs others?
Food Crisis early stage Prediction and Agri recommendations



MOBILE/GENDER INCLUSION

How to give access to financial markets for women in Uganda?
Local Communities/ Minorities Empowerment through digital payment



PUBLIC HEALTH

Which districts of Sao Paulo have the highest Zika's export/import risk?
Outbreaks Prevention based on population mobility

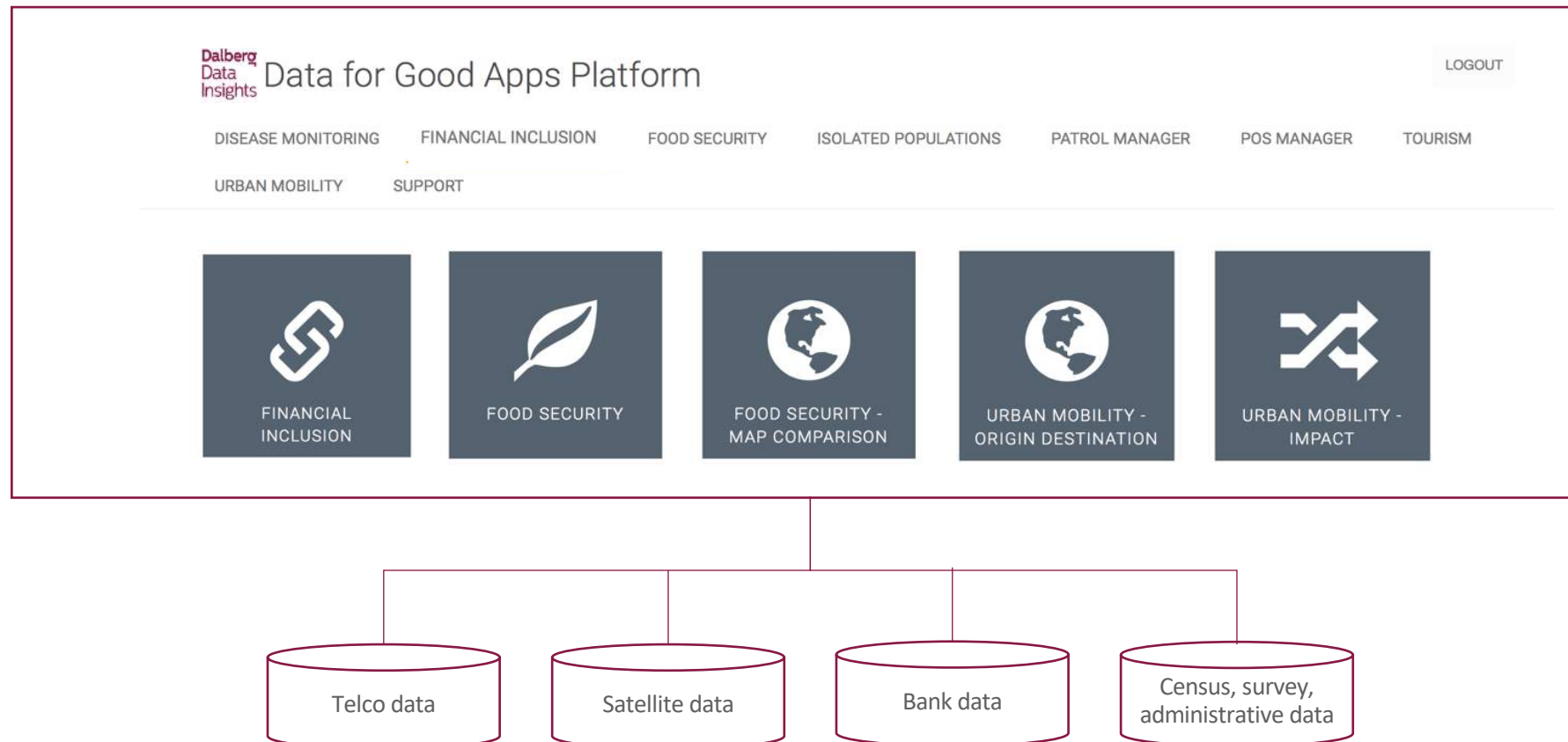


Architecture of the solution

The Platform **aggregates and anonymizes multiple data sources** and **allows development of analytics tools** that can be shared in a secure manner with 3rd parties

We aim to **redesign the Platform to better communicate its value** to external stakeholders and raise awareness about the value of new data sources to support data driven decisions

Our objective is to **sustain the Platform by designing a Business Plan** covering cost structure and revenue streams, hosting and maintenance, data access, privacy and security, etc.



Estimating travel times between any locations in Uganda



Measure the time spent for commuting from and to any neighborhoods

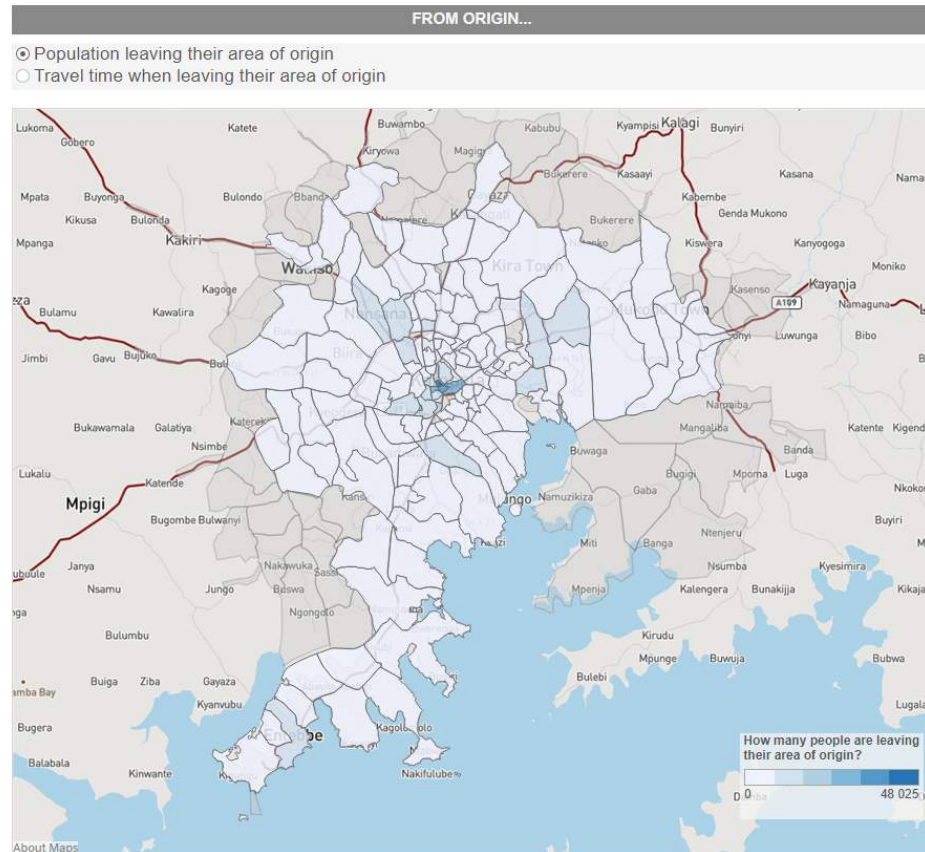


Figure 1: Understand the travel time from/to a specific neighborhood to every other part of the city

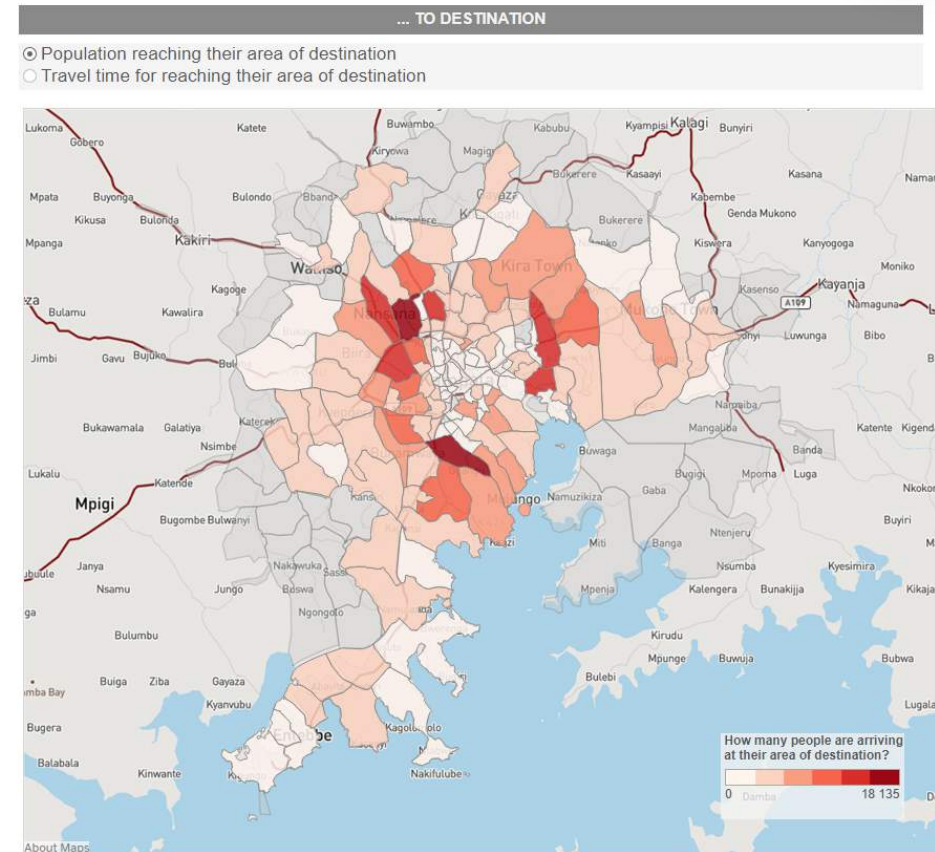
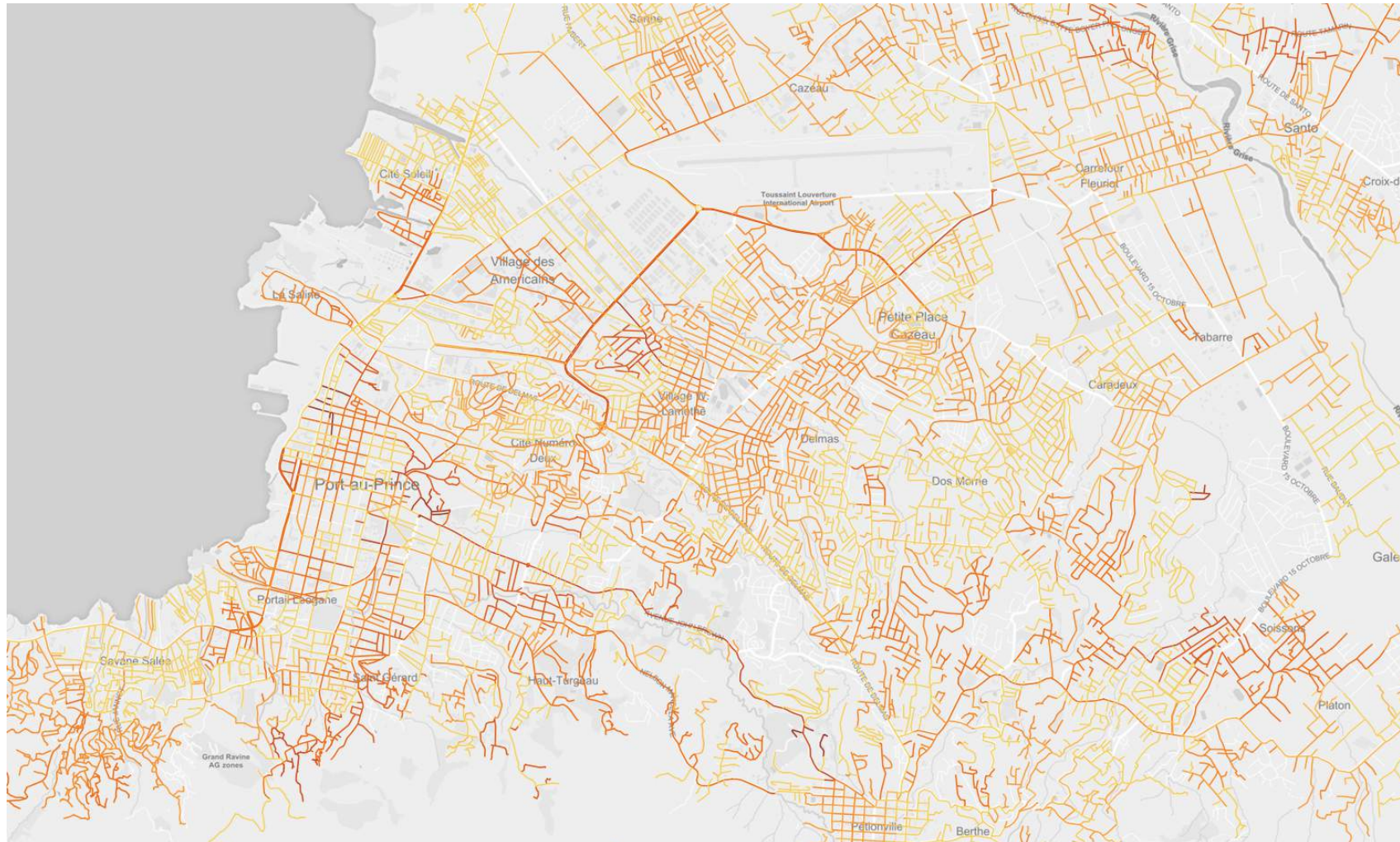


Figure 2: Visualise the average commuting time at specific times per specific neighborhood

Mapping the mobility across the road network: Haiti



Evaluation of the impact on traffic



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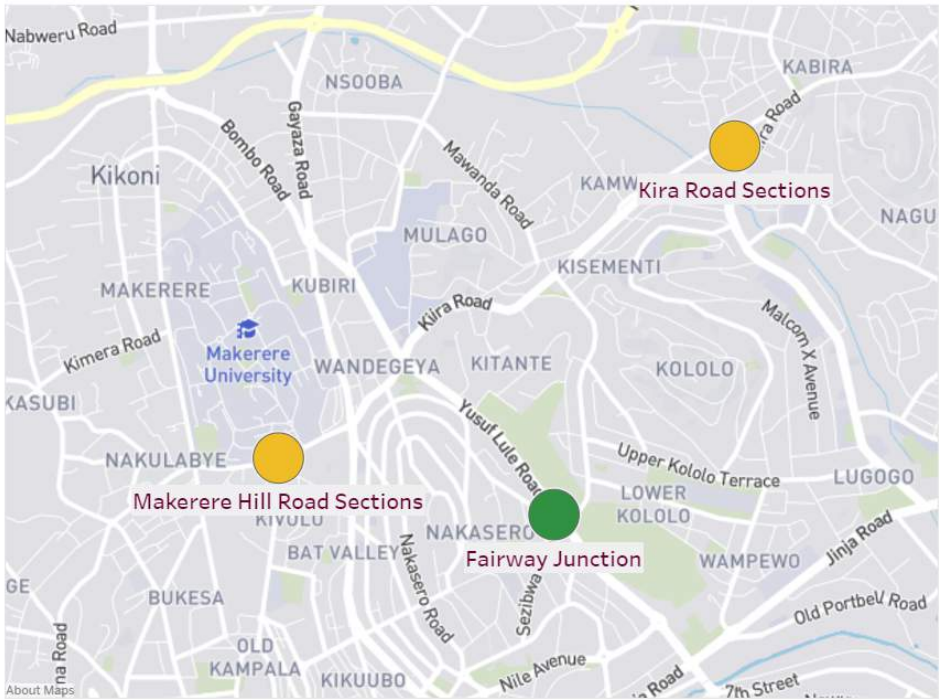
- ☒ Only Traffic entering Junction or Road Sections
- ☐ Only Traffic exiting Junction or Road Sections

DAY TYPE

- Business Day
- Saturday
- Sunday

TIME PERIOD

- AM Peak
- Inter Peak
- PM Peak



Junction / Road Section	Hourly Traffic (ppl/h)	Average Speed (km/h)	Total Time Lost (hours)
Kira Road Sections	+ 68%	- 13%	+ 151%
Fairway Junction	+ 12%	+ 16%	- 15%
Makerere Hill Road Sections	+ 23%	- 13%	+ 147%

What might be key questions for the sector?



Real Estate

- How to improve the **management of the buildings**, e.g. reducing cost of **utilities, smart windows**?
- Where to develop **additional real estate projects**? **Next optimal / high value locations**?
- Where to invest in **urban infrastructure**?
- How to improve the **economic valuation** of real estate assets?
- How to increase the economic value by **optimizing advertising**?

Mobility

- How to improve the **multi-modal mobility**?
- How and where to invest in **mobility infrastructure**?
- Where to invest in terms of **new assets**, e.g. recharge stations, shared cars/bikes?

HR

- How to improve the **management of the teams**?
- How to optimize the **HR packages**?

How can we move forward?



Create a real data ecosystem

- Develop a **dialogue between end-users and key data holders** on data and use cases
- Identify **key leaders** owning the data in Belgium
- Develop **processes** to access and use the data, including commercial model
- Understand **the key regulations and rules**

Develop use cases

- There already exist use cases – Move to the **next level and integrate multiple data sources**, e.g. use data from Proximus on energy and alarm systems
- Focus on **scalable use cases**, e.g. reduce the consumption of energy for large buildings

Engage with the sector/industry

- Identify **key questions of the industry** – develop a strategy for real estate development, e.g. identify use cases
- How to promote digital solutions and approaches

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