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World City Risk 2025

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Overview of Threat Models

	ID	Threat	Phase	Hazard Map	Severity Scale	Cause	Projection	Uncertainty
Natural	Catastr	ophe & Climate						
1.1	EQ	Earthquake	1	United States Geological Survey; GSHAP	Ms (Surface-wave Magnitude)	Natural	Constant	Low
1.2	VE	Volcanic Eruption	1	Smithsonian Institute of Volcanology	VEI (Volcanic Explosiivity Index)	Natural	Constant	Medium
1.3	HU	Tropical Windstorm	2	EM-DAT; Pacific Research Center; Munich Re	Saffir-Simpson CAT Hurricane Scale	Natural	CC Trend	Low
1.4	WS	Temperate Windstorm	2	EM-DAT Windstorm Database	Beaufort Wind Scale	Natural	CC Trend	Low
1.5	FL	Flood	1&2	UNEP/DEWA/GRID-Europe Flood Risk Rating	Depth and velocity of flood water	Natural	CC Trend	Low
1.7	TS	Tsunami	2	NOAA NCDC Historical Tsunami Database	Run-up height	Natural	CC Trend	Medium
1.8	DR	Drought	2	US National Center for Atmospheric Research	Palmer Drought Severity Scale	Natural	CC Trend	Medium
1.10	FR	Freeze	2	Global Climate Zoning Map	Degree-Days below 0C	Natural	CC Trend	Medium
1.11	HW	Heatwave	2	Global Climate Zoning Map	Degree-Days Above 32C	Natural	CC Trend	Medium
Financia	I, Trad	e & Business						
2.1	MC	Market Crash	1	IMF Banking Network Core-Periphery Designation	S&P500 Index reduction	Man-Made	Dynamic	High
2.2	SD	Sovereign Default	1	S&P National Credit Ratings	% Devaluation of national currency	Man-Made	Dynamic	Medium
2.3	OP	Oil Price Shock	2	UN imported oil intensity of GDP output	% increase in oil price (Brent Crude)	Man-Made	Dynamic	Medium
Political,	Crime	& Security						
3.1	IW	Interstate War	1	Cytora Interstate Conflict Scenario Set	War Magnitude Scale	Man-Made	Dynamic	High
3.2	SP	Separatism	1	Encyclopedia of Modern Separatist Movements	Civil War Intensity (deaths)	Man-Made	Dynamic	Medium
3.3	TR	Terrorism	1	IEP START Global Terrorism Index	Terrorism Severity Scale	Man-Made	Dynamic	Medium
3.4	SU	Social Unrest	2	Cytora Social Unrest Event Index	Social Unrest Severity Scale		Dynamic	Medium
Technol	ogy & S	Space						
4.1	PO	Power Outage	2	Nation Master Electrical Outage Report	City-Days of Outage	Man-Made	Constant	Medium
4.2	CY	Cyber Catastrophe	1	McAfee International Cyber Risk Report	Cyber Magnitude & Revenue@Risk	Man-Made	Dynamic	High
4.3	SS	Solar Storm	2	US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	US NOAA Space Weather Scale	Natural	Constant	High
4.4	NP	Nuclear Meltdown	2	World Nuclear Association Information Library	Intntl Nuclear Events Scale (INES)	Man-Made	Constant	Low
Health 8	Enviro	onmental						
5.1	HE	Human Epidemic	1	Emerging Infectious Diseases, Institute of Zoology	US CDC Pandemic Severity Index	Natural	Dynamic	Medium
5.2	PE	Plant Epidemic	2	Wallingford Distribution Maps of Plant Diseases	Staple Crop (Wheat) Price Index	Natural	Dynamic	Medium









World Cities Location Map

This study reviews the risk of economic output loss from catastrophes affecting 300 of the world's leading cities, shown here.

These include the largest cities of the major national economies of the world, with the strongest economies accounting for a greater number of cities featured in the selection.

It also includes cities in emerging nations and cities representative of less developed regions. The selection includes all the world's cities with population of over 3 million and includes half of all of the capital cities in the world.

Collectively, this group of cities generates around half of the world's GDP today. Trends suggest that these 300 cities will be responsible for two-thirds of the world's GDP in 2025.

World Cities by Current GDP



City GDP (\$US Bn)





1	JPN	Tokyo	1313
2	USA	New York	1013
3	USA	Los Angeles	774
4	FRA	Paris	619
5	GBR	London	580
6	KOR	Seoul	562
7	RUS	Moscow	525
8	JPN	Osaka	523
9	BRA	São Paulo	516
10	USA	Chicago	480

Estimated World Cities GDP - 2025



City GDP (\$US Bn)





1	JPN	Tokyo	1634
2	USA	New York City	1144
3	RUS	Moscow	1100
4	CHN	Hong Kong	920
5	USA	Los Angeles	880
6	BRA	São Paulo	778
7	FRA	Paris	764
8	KOR	Seoul	761
9	CHN	Shanghai	706
10	ARG	Buenos Aires	706







Earthquake Hazard

Peak Ground Acceleration (cm/s2) at 475 year return period





Earthquake

Earthquake risk is highly localized and depends on the seismic fault structures in study does not attempt a detailed seismic source analysis but uses United S assessments of the design load spectral response acceleration at the centroid of peak ground acceleration mappings from United Nations Environmental Program return period), and a historical catalogue of earthquake events from the Significant of US National Geophysical Data Center, to categorize cities by seismic hazard. These are used to assess the likelihood and consequences of each city exp scenarios:

- EQ1 A 'Large Magnitude Earthquake' (Ms6.5) within the city boundaries. Centr VII (PGA 250-400)
- EQ2 A 'Great Earthquake' (Ms7.0) with its epicentre close to the edge of the boundaries. Centroid of city experiences VIII (PGA 400-600)
- EQ3 A 'Great Earthquake'' (Ms7.5) occurring at shallow depth with its epicentr the city. Centroid of city experiences IX (PGA 600-1000)

and around the city. This States Geological Survey	Top 10 Ci	ities by	y GDP@Risk (\$US Bn)
of each city, together with a (shown here at 475 year	1	PER	Lima	36
ant Earthquake Database	2	IRN	Tehran	35
periencing characteristic	3	TUR	Istanbul	30
	4	TWN	Taipei	30
troid of city experiences	5	CHN	Tianjin	21
	6	JPN	Tokyo	19
city, just outside its	7	USA	Los Angeles	18
	8	TUR	Izmir	14
re close to the centre of	9	PHL	Manila	13
	10	KAZ	Almaty	13







3.51 - 1.00 1.01 - 2.00

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Volcanic Eruption Threat

Volcano - Last eruption since 1900

Area within 500km of a volcano

Volcanic Eruption

Volcanic eruption threatens the economic activity of cities mainly through ash clouds, which can cause disruption a long way from the volcano itself. The database of the Global Volcanism Program of the Smithsonian Institution provides the location and eruption history of the volcanoes of the world. This analysis does not assess the volcanic hazard of individual volcanoes but categorizes them by eruption history and potential for large future eruptions of Volcanic Explosivity Index of 4 to 7. Volcanoes within 1000 km of each city are considered, and their historical rates of eruption are analyzed to estimate average eruption rates. This mapping shows a 500km radius around each active volcano, a typical extent of a significant ash fallout from a VEI 5 eruption. Each city is analyzed for the GDP impact and likelihood of experiencing characteristic scenarios:

- VE1 Ashcloud shuts city for extended period, and covers it with several centimeters of ash, preventing air travel, road traffic, port functions, and normal business activity.
- **VE2** Ashcloud covers city to 1m depth, entailing lengthy recovery process
- **VE3** Parts of city impacted by direct effects of volcanic eruption (pyroclastic gases, lahar flows etc.). City evacuated and population not allowed to return for some time.

1	MEX	Mexico City	12
2	JPN	Tokyo	9
3	TWN	Taipei	7
4	PHL	Manila	6
5	IDN	Jakarta	4
6	SGP	Singapore	4
7	JPN	Osaka	4
8	CHL	Santiago	4
9	ECU	Quito	2
10	COL	Bogotá	2

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- 10.01 20.00
- 20.01 45.00
- 45.01 81.14

Windstorm Threat Zones

Wind speed with 10% probability of exceedance in 10 vears

- 1) 118-153 km/hr 2) 154-177 km/hr 3) 178-209 km/hr 4) 210-249km/hr
 - 5) 250+ km/hr

Windstorm threats consist of tropical storms and temperate windstorms. By far the most destructive storms are tropical storms, known as hurricanes, cyclones, and typhoons in different parts of the world. The mapping here shows the Pacific Research Center zoning for the likelihood of hurricane force wind speeds from tropical storms, Wind speed assessments for both tropical and temperate wind storms are derived from United Nations Environmental Program and EM-DAT International Disaster Database of the Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters. Each city is analyzed for the GDP impact and likelihood of experiencing characteristic windstorm scenarios:

- HU1 Category 1 Hurricane, windspeed 118-153 km/hr
- HU2 Category 3 Hurricane, windspeed 178-209 km/hr
- HU3 Category 5 Hurricane, windspeed >250 km/hr
- **WS1** Wind Storm of Beaufort Scale 10: Storm (wind speeds >89 km/hr)
- **WS2** Wind Storm of Beaufort Scale 11: Violent Storm (wind speeds >103 km/hr)
- **WS3** Wind Storm of Beaufort Scale 12: Hurricane (wind speeds >118 km/hr)

1	TWN	Taipei	81
2	PHL	Manila	60
3	KOR	Seoul	44
4	JPN	Tokyo	29
5	CHN	Hangzhou	28
6	CHN	Shanghai	26
7	CHN	Dongguan	26
8	CHN	Xiamen	.18
9	CHN	Ningbo	18
10	JPN	Osaka	19

Flood

Flood risk for a city arises from three main causes:

Coastal storm surge: where ocean water overtops coastal flood defences **Riverine flood**: where a river bursts its banks

Flash flood: where the urban drainage system is overwhelmed by rainfall Some cities experience several of these flood types. Detailed flood risk as carried out for each city, but each city is categorized using flood hazard and Environmental Program and the Global Archive Map of Extreme Flood Eve Observatory. Cities are categorized by their locations on storm surge-proriverine flood events, and past incidences of extensive flash floods. This hydrology mapping of major river systems. Cities are assigned the like characteristic flood scenarios and the GDP losses that would result.

- FL1 10% of city affected by flooding, reaching 1m depth in parts, low veloci recovery period
- **FL2** 25% of city area affected by flood waters that reach over 3m depth (more parts; Moderate velocity flowing water moderately contaminated.
- **FL3** Over 50% of city land area affected by flooding, reaching more than tw velocity destructive water flows and highly polluted waters

	1	JPN	Tokyo	17
ssessment has not been	2	JPN	Osaka	13
alysis by United Nations ents of Dartmouth Flood	3	USA	Los Angeles	13
one coastlines, historical	4	USA	New York	13
map shows cities on a celihood of experiencing	5	BRA	São Paulo	11
	6	IND	Delhi	11
city water, months	7	TWN	Taipei	10
	8	CHN	Shanghai	9
ore than one storey) in	9	KOR	Seoul	9
vo storeys in parts, high	10	GBR	London	9

0.11 - .25

Tsunami Threat

0.25 - 0.90

0.90 - 1.50

1.50 - 3.75

Tsunami

Tsunami events - Since 1900 over 1m height

Coastal cities have a threat of tsunami risk when a major earthquake, submarine landslide, or oceanic meteorite triggers sea waves that wash ashore. The most severe tsunami threat comes from large magnitude earthquakes that occur a short distance off-shore and that trigger large run-up waves that may over-top city flood defenses. Historical records and tsunami hazard assessments such as those from the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration indicate the most tsunami-prone coastlines, such as those mapped here. Tsunami threat for each city is analyzed by GDP impact and likelihood of experiencing characteristic scenarios

- **TS1** Tsunami with 3m run-up
- TS2 Tsunami with 6 m run-up
- **TS3** Tsunami with 12 m run-up

1	JPN	Tokyo	3
2	JPN	Osaka	1
3	IDN	Jakarta	.8
4	JPN	Nagoya	.6
5	USA	Los Angeles	.5
6	PHL	Manila	.5
7	USA	Seattle	.4
8	JPN	Yokohama-shi	.2
9	JPN	Kobe-shi	.1
10	JPN	Sendai	.1

Drought Threat

Drought Events from 1980 - 2001

Drought

Drought can pose a serious threat in many economic sectors, and exte significant social disruption. Droughts occur from rainfall deficits. Worldwide st World Bank and historical drought events catalogued by United Nations Envi depicted here, provide analysis of the frequency and severity of droughts. C use the Palmer Drought Index, as interpreted by US National Integrated Droug to assess the potential impact on each city's GDP, and probability of occurrence

- DR1 D2 'Severe Drought': Localized drought causes water consumption restr city for 6 months, resulting in water rationing for businesses and residen prioritized for industry, agriculture and emergency provision
- DR2 D3 'Extreme Drought' Three successive seasons of record levels of below average rainfall results in major water shortages for several years
- **DR3** D4 'Exceptional Drought', sustained for multiple years. Major change in precipitation patterns causes extended drought, which results in severe water consumption restrictions for several years

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1	KOR	Seoul	6
2	USA	Los Angeles	3
3	IDN	Jakarta	3
4	JPN	Tokyo	2
5	GBR	London	2
6	CHN	Hong Kong	2
7	ARG	Buenos Aires	2
8	TUR	Istanbul	1
9	IRN	Tehran	1
10	PHL	Manila	1

Extreme temperature events are most disruptive in climatic regions where the cities are not well prepared, Extreme freeze events in temperate climatic reg close airports and ports, and damage infrastructure. Temperature records accounts, including those compiled by World Health Organization, EM-DA7 Disease Control, provide analysis of freeze threat. Cities are shown here on I zones. Duration and severity provide degree-day severity metrics for free analyzed by the likelihood of experiencing characteristic scenarios and their vu

- FR1 Freeze of up to 5 deg below 0 deg Celcius for 3 weeks (-20-100 Degree-days) with some snow and ice, moderate winds
- **FR2** Freeze of up to 10 deg below 0 deg Celcius for 8 weeks, combined with deep snow and high winds
- **FR3** Freeze of up to 20 degrees below 0 deg Celcius for 12 weeks, combined with heavy snow and severe ice loads periodically

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and historical weather
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eze events. Cities are
ulnerability to them:

1	USA	New York	2
2	RUS	Moscow	1
3	KOR	Seoul	1
4	JPN	Tokyo	1
5	USA	Chicago	1
6	CHN	Beijing	.8
7	USA	Washington DC	.7
8	FRA	Paris	.6
9	CAN	Toronto	.5
10	GBR	London	.5

Heat Wave

Extreme temperature events are most disruptive in climatic regions where they occur only rarely and cities are not well prepared. Heat waves are less destructive than freeze events but cause social harm, public health issues for the older population and those with health problems, and disruption to many economic processes and activities. Energy demand for air conditioning can outstrip supply and cause systemic failure. Temperature records and historical weather accounts, including those compiled by World Health Organization, EM-DAT, and US Centres for Disease Control, provide analysis of heat wave threat. Cities are shown here on Köppen–Geiger climate zones. Duration and temperature above 32° C provide degree-day severity metrics for heat waves. Cities are analyzed by the likelihood of experiencing characteristic scenarios and their vulnerability to them:

HW1 Heatwave of 1-5° above 32° C for 4 weeks (20-100 Degree-days)

HW2 Heatwave of 1-8° above 32° C for 8 weeks (50-500 Degree-days)

HW3 Heatwave of 1-12° above 32° C for 16 weeks (112-1300 degree-days)

1	USA	New York	1
2	FRA	Paris	.7
3	JPN	Tokyo	.6
4	USA	Chicago	.5
5	CHN	Shanghai	.5
6	AUS	Sydney	.4
7	USA	Washington DC	.3
8	USA	Los Angeles	.3
9	RUS	Moscow	.3
10	GBR	London	.2

Financial Crisis - Market Crash

City GDP@Risk (US\$ Bn)

2.01 - 5.00

5.01 - 9.00

9.01 - 16.00

16.00 - 28.58

Risk Studies

Financial Crisis Threat

A: Peripheral to International Financial System but Highly Affected B: Local Markets Volatile - Influenced by International Financial System C: Integral part of International Financial System - Stable, interlinked markets D: Isolated from International Financial System No Data

Disruption to the stock markets reduces capital available for commercial activity and erodes Top 10 Cities by GDP@Risk (\$US Bn) investment returns. The threat of a financial crisis as a result of a shock from the endemic internal mechanisms of the market are considered here, such as an asset bubble, banking crisis, and credit crunch. Analysis of the stock market volatility of daily indexed returns for major markets since 1970, and historical financial crises since 1800s, provides metrics for the frequency and severity of market crashes that might be expected in each of the national markets around the globe. Markets are closely interconnected in the global financial system, and the importance of each national market is derived from International Monetary Fund identification of core and peripheral markets. This affects the likelihood of market crashes resulting from contagion effects from other, closely linked markets. The analysis considers the city consequences and likelihoods of characteristic scenarios of financial crises:

MC1 Stockmarket Index drops 10% peak to trough in single year (e.g. Asian Crisis 1997)

- **MC2** Stockmarket Index drops 50% peak to trough in single year (e.g. SubPrime 2008)
- **MC3** Stockmarket Index drops 85% in a single quarter (e.g. Wall Street Crash 1929)

1	TWN	Taipei	28
2	USA	New York	25
3	JPN	Tokyo	22
4	KWT	Kuwait City	22
5	SAU	Riyadh	21
6	THA	Bangkok	20
7	SAU	Jeddah	20
8	QAT	Doha	19
9	USA	Los Angeles	19
10	ARE	Abu Dhabi	18

Credit Rating: Threat Assessment Grading

City - GDP@Risk (\$US Bin)

Sovereign Default

4.0 - 12.4

Sovereign default, where a national government is unable to meet its financial obligations or honour its treasury bonds, results in devaluation of the national currency and the loss of foreign direct investment, which can have significant impact on the economic outputs of cities in that country. The published national credit rating of Standard and Poor's for June 2014 (pre-dating the Argentina default of July 2014) is used to assess the probability of national default, combined with an historical perspective of past defaults by countries from the post-1810 catalogue of Reinhart & Rogoff. The national assessment is applied to all cities in that country, to assess GDP loss and probability of the characteristic scenario of default:

SD1 Country defaults and reschedules its debt, devalues its currency substantially; Investors flee. National economy loses substantial foreign direct investment

1	ARG	Buenos Aires	12
2	TUR	Istanbul	10
3	IRN	Tehran	9
4	EGY	Cairo	8
5	IDN	Jakarta	7
6	VEN	Caracas	4
7	TUR	Ankara	3
8	ALG	Algiers	3
9	SDN	Khartoum	3
10	IRN	Meshed	3

-15 - -5

Financial Crisis Threat

A - High Vulnerability
B - Moderate Vulnerability
C - Some Vulnerability
X - Exports marginally more oil than it cons
Y - Exports significantly more oil than it con
Z - Exports a lot more oil than it consumes -
No Data

Oil Shock

Sudden increases in the price of key commodities are disruptive to economic prosperity, most critically the cost of energy, as represented by oil price. World Bank data on the energy intensity of each country, (i.e. the consumption of fossil fuels to produce a unit of GDP), provides insights into the sensitivity of that country's economy to an oil price shock. This is complicated by the fact that some countries are net exporters of oil, and a price increase would be beneficial to the country's balance of trade. The historical volatility of oil prices and how often past price shocks have occurred is taken as a benchmark for future likelihoods. The characteristic scenarios for oil price shocks gives impacts on the GDP of each city:

- sumes economy would marginally nsumes - economy would benefit
- Economy would see significant benefit
- **OP1** Sudden increase in oil price by 10%
- **OP2** Sudden increase in oil price by 25% (similar to Oil Price crisis of 1974)
- **OP3** Sudden increase in oil price by 50%

1	JPN	Tokyo	21
2	USA	New York	15
3	KOR	Seoul	12
4	USA	Los Angeles	12
5	FRA	Paris	10
6	SGP	Singapore	9
7	TUR	Istanbul	9
8	GBR	London	8
9	JPN	Osaka	8
10	TWN	Taipei	7

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8.23	-	16.4

16.4 - 24.6

24.6 - 32.9

32.9 - 41.1

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Interstate War Threat

- Very High Threat of Interstate Conflict A
- High Threat of Interstate Conflict В
- Moderate Threat of Interstate Conflict
- Low Threat of Interstate Conflict
- Major Power with Some Threat of Conflict Ε
- Major Power with Very Low Threat of Conflict
- G Conflict is Possible but No Scenarios Identified

Lines of Conflict

- Conflict with world superpower state
- Conflict among other states

Wars have had major impacts on economic growth throughout history. Wars 1945 - 'the Long Peace' - than in previous eras, but still pose major threat Cytora Ltd. countries are graded by military power and over 100 candida interstate wars are shown using an index of hostility between nations, co political friction, and history of their belligerence. Wars are likely to occur powers, major to minor, and between major powers (yellow lines). Superpower operations against other nations (grey lines). No conflicts occur between supe scenarios are assessed for protagonist cities:

- **IW1** City mobilized for war, but not attacked; mobilization switches civilian commerce to military production; population gripped by fear, consumer demand drops, parts of population flees. Investor confidence is affected; Conflict lasts a year.
- **IW2** City suffers sporadic attack from occasional missiles or aerial bombardment, possible damage to city infrastructure from military cyber attack; City is mobilized for war; significant emigration of population from city. Investors withdraw.
- **IW3** City is the target of strategic bombing by enemy forces, destroying industrial and commercial output and military facilities in the city; Major emigration by population. Possible rebuilding afterwards by major injection of capital. Conflict lasts 3 years.

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between minor military
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1	IRN	Tehran	41
2	SDN	Khartoum	35
3	KOR	Seoul	32
4	IRQ	Baghdad	29
5	ISR	Tel Aviv	22
6	UKR	Kiev	21
7	TWN	Taipei	20
8	SAU	Riyadh	18
9	PAK	Karachi	18
10	KWT	Kuwait City	17

- 0.11 0.20
- 0.21 0.60
- 0.61 1.40

1.40 - 3.55

Social Unrest Threat

A - Very High Threat of Social Unres
B - High Threat of Social Unrest
C - Moderate Threat of Social Unres
D - Moderately Low Threat of Socia
E - Low Threat of Social Unrest
No Data

Social Unrest

st al Unrest

Political protests, civil disorder, riots, and sectarianism are all forms of social the economy. At its most extreme, social unrest becomes violent, and if org turn into separatist violence and civil war. Incidents of political protest over major cities of the world have been tracked by Cytora Ltd., and combined unrest, including socioeconomic factors, demographic pressures, governme violence. Potential for social unrest to escalate into separatism disputes a Encyclopedia of Modern Separatist Movements. Characteristic scenarios are for social unrest, shown here, and the more violent forms of separatist instabil

- **SU1** Social Unrest causes riots and protests in the streets for months; violent confrontations with police;
- Incidents of sectarian fighting between armed gangs and private militias in the streets of the SP1 city for multiple years
- **SP2** Civil war involves months of street fighting between well-organized and well-equipped armies, using heavy weaponry in sectarian divide in country.

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1	TUR	Istanbul	3
2	IND	Delhi	2
3	THA	Bangkok	2
4	ESP	Madrid	1
5	VEN	Caracas	1
6	IND	Mumbai (Bombay)	1
7	EGY	Cairo	1
8	TUR	Ankara	1
9	ITA	Rome	1
10	RUS	Moscow	1

Terrorism Threat

A: Very High Terrorism Activity
B: High Terrorism Activity
C: Campaigns of Large Scale Terrorist Atta
D: Potential Campaigns of Small Scale Terr
E: Some Possibility of Sustained Campaign
F: Highest Value Target for Terrorists, Very
G: High Value Target for Terrorists, Highly
H: Strong Counter-Terrorism Interdicts Mos
I: Low Terrorism Activity

Terrorism

- acks Possible
- rrorist Attacks
- ns of Small Scale Terrorist Attacks
- Highly Defended Security
- Defended by Security
- st Terrorist Plots

Terrorist attacks have a long history of targeting cities and economies. However, counter- Top 10 Cities by GDP@Risk (\$US Bn) terrorism actions by security services limit the risk by interdicting attempted attacks. The threat from terrorism is the likelihood of terrorists evading security interdiction. Terrorism activity is tracked by the Global Terrorism Index of US Institute for Economics and Peace, supplemented by a specific analysis of city terrorism risk for this study by Dr. Gordon Woo, architect of the RMS Terrorism Risk Model, and an analysis of recent patterns of terrorism activity in the Maghreb and sub-Saharan Africa by Cytora Ltd. Characteristic scenarios of terrorism on cities were analyzed:

- **TR1** Terror campaign with small arms and limited resources e.g. shootings, poisonings, food chain sabotage etc., with repeated attacks over a period of many months that causes fear and distrust in urban population.
- **TR2** Well resourced and organized terrorist attacks on high profile targets e.g. major truck bombings, airplanes into buildings or other surprise destructive events, causes horrific loss of life and major destruction to property in and around city centre
- **TR3** WMD Terrorist Attack City is attacked by sophisticated terrorist operation using weapons of mass destruction; (e.g. anthrax, air-dispersed bio-weapons, chemical or radioactive contaminant, or small yield nuclear detonation) kills large numbers of people and contaminates many buildings in Central Business District

1	IND	Mumbai (Bombay)	7
2	AFG	Kabul	6
3	RUS	Moscow	6
4	IRQ	Baghdad	5
5	IDN	Jakarta	4
6	SAU	Riyadh	4
7	IRN	Tehran	2
8	PER	Lima	2
9	COL	Bogota	2
10	SAU	Jeddah	2

Electrical Power Outage Threat

- - B High Threat of Outages (10-50 a year)
 - C Moderate Threat of Outages (1-10 a year)
 - D Low Threat of Outages (<1 a year)

Electrical Power Outage

A - Very High Threat of Outages (>50 a year)

An extended electrical power outage can cripple economic activity. Power outages result from a wide variety of causes, including other types of threats in this analysis, but the main causes are nonexternal: accidental damage, power generation shortfalls, operator errors, and component failures. Power disruption statistics for countries from Nation Master Electrical Outage Reports show the fragility of the power grid to shocks and the potential for lengthy and sustained power cuts. Analysis of past power outages in cities indicates the impact of the duration of power loss for the city's population and economic output. The characteristic scenarios are expressed as numbers of 'City-Days' of power loss:

- **PO1** One City-Day of Power Loss (100% of city loses power for 1 day or 50% of city loses power for 2 days, etc.)
- **PO2** A 5-City-Day event (100% of city loses power for 5 days, 50% of city loses power for 10 days, etc.)
- **PO3** A 10 City-Day event (100% of city loses power for 10 days)

1	JPN	Tokyo	2
2	IND	Mumbai (Bombay)	1
3	RUS	Moscow	1
4	IND	Delhi	1
5	USA	New York	1
6	ARG	Buenos Aires	1
7	BRA	São Paulo	1
8	CHN	Hong Kong	1
9	USA	Los Angeles	1
10	MEX	Mexico City	1

Cyber Catastrophe Threat

- A: High Cyber Threat (High Priority Target for Cyber Attackers)
- C: Low Cyber Threat (Low Priority Target for Cyber Attackers)

Cyber Catastrophe

B: Moderate Cyber Threat (Medium Priority Target for Cyber Attackers)

Economic output from modern service sector economies is heavily reliant on information technology, so cyber attacks, major failures of software, IT, and business applications have increasing potential to significantly impact city GDP. Targeting of different countries by cyber hackers is taken from statistics in McAfee International Cyber Risk Report. The vulnerability of each city's economy to failures of information technology is derived from service sector reliance on IT from OECD national economic data. Characteristic scenarios of cyber attacks are assessed by likelihood and potential impact:

- **CY1** A sporadic set of technology failures, e.g. GPS outages, accidental technical faults, cyber attacks on individual organizations, reduces outputs of companies with high dependence on technology, and consumer confidence is affected.
- CY2 Systemic cyber attack, e.g. Sybil logic bomb, causes heavy losses to many commercial companies operating in that city and undermines confidence of general public in IT systems in general.
- **CY3** Cyber attacks on critical infrastructure destroys the power distribution grid and causes power loss in the city for many months

1	USA	New York	14
2	USA	Los Angeles	10
3	BRA	São Paulo	9
4	FRA	Paris	8
5	GBR	London	7
6	JPN	Osaka	7
7	RUS	Moscow	6
8	USA	Chicago	6
9	JPN	Tokyo	6
10	USA	San Francisco	5

Solar Storm Threat

A Very High Threat from Solar Storm Ev
B High Threat from Solar Storm Events
C Moderate Threat from Solar Storm Ev
D Moderately Low Threat from Solar St
E Low Threat from Solar Storm Events
F Very Low Threat from Solar Storm Ev

Solar Storm

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Storm Events

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Solar activity can create geomagnetic and solar radiation storms on earth which can damage electrical circuitry and power transmission systems. These are generated by X-class solar flares, of magnitudes 20 and above, as highlighted in Lloyd's emerging risk report. The observed frequency of solar flares of different magnitudes since 1976 provides extreme value likelihoods for very large solar flares. Their effects on the earth are amplified by the geomagnetic field, as mapped above. Cities located in the strongest geomagnetic latitudes will be worse affected. The study uses the Space Weather Scale for Solar Radiation Storms defined by the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to define characteristic scenarios for evaluation of effects on individual cities:

- **SS1** Radiation storm level S4, equivalent to solar flare of X20.
- **SS2** Radiation storm level S5 equivalent to solar flare of X40 (Similar to 'Carrington Event')
- **SS3** Radiation storm level S6+ (Beyond 5-point NOAA Scale). Estimated effects of solar flare of X60 - also known as a class Z event.

1	JPN	Tokyo	2
2	USA	New York	2
3	RUS	Moscow	1
4	USA	Los Angeles	1
5	FRA	Paris	1
6	GBR	London	1
7	KOR	Seoul	1
8	USA	Chicago	1
9	BRA	São Paulo	.9
10	JPN	Osaka	.9

Nuclear Power Accident

City GDP@Risk (US\$ Bn)

0.00 - 0.04 0.05 - 0.14 0.14 - 0.40 0.40 - 0.80 0.80 - 1.42

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Nuclear Accident Threat

- Area within 250km of a Nuclear Power Plant
- Nuclear Power Plant Operational (2014 2025)

Nuclear power plants are built as close as possible to the locations of great safety with economics. The World Nuclear Association Information Library operational reactors and those that are scheduled to come online within mapping above shows cities within 250km of operational reactors - the external from a major core meltdown of grade 7 on the International Nuclear Ev catalogues of nuclear incidents provides average accidents per year of operati to all reactors. Fallout from a major core meltdown provides the characteristic terms of radioactive deposit densities, illustrated by distance away from a histo

- **NP1** City receives radioactive fallout of >0.01Bq/km3 (0.3 Curies of C137), similar to within 200km of Chernobyl 1986 or 120km of Fukushima 2011
- **NP2** City receives radioactive fallout of >0.1Bq/km2 (3 Curies of C137) similar to within 70 km of Chernobyl 1986 or 50km of Fukushima 2011
- **NP3** City receives radioactive fallout of >1Bq/km2 (30 Curies of C137) similar to within 30km of Chernobyl INES 7 event in 1986

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USA	New York	1
CHN	Hong Kong	.8
USA	Chicago	.6
CHE	Berne	.6
TWI	Taipei	.5
IND	Mumbai (Bombay)	.5
USA	Washington DC	.4
CAN	Toronto	.3
CHN	Shenzhen	.3
USA	Philadelphia	.3
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Human Epidemic Threat

- - A: High Threat of Emerging Infectious Diseases

 - C: Possible Threat of Emerging Infectious Diseases
 - D: Low Threat of Emerging Infectious Disease

Human Epidemic

B: Moderately High Threat of Emerging Infectious Diseases

Human epidemics can cause widespread death and illness and result in extensive major disruptions to the economy of cities. Nature continues to evolve new emerging infectious diseases for which medical science has no treatment. A 2007 study on global trends in emerging infectious diseases by UK Institute of Zoology provides the threat grading for different countries shown above. Once an infectious disease is in circulation in the human population, modern air travel ensures that it is rapidly spread around the world and can be expected in all major cities, as a pandemic. Cities vary considerably in their ability to deal with a public health crisis. World Health Organization ranking of each country's healthcare system is used to assess the overall impact of pandemics on cities in each country. Characteristic scenarios range from localized epidemics to global pandemics:

- HE1 Localized epidemic of new emergent disease with case fatality rate (CFR) of 10% causes public health emergency and fear in population, leads to loss of tourism trade
- **HE2** Pandemic influenza virus infects 43% of the population, with CFR of 0.3%
- HE3 Pandemic of high fatality disease (3% case fatality rate)

1	CHN	Hong Kong	18
2	RUS	Moscow	14
3	CHN	Shanghai	14
4	BRA	São Paulo	12
5	JPN	Tokyo	12
6	CHN	Beijing	11
7	IND	Mumbai (Bombay)	11
8	IND	Delhi	10
9	CHN	Chengtu	10
10	ARG	Buenos Aires	10

Human Epidemic Threat

- A High Threat of Plant Epidemic in Local Crops
- B Moderate Risk of Plant Epidemic in Local Crops
- C Low Risk of Plant Epidemic in Local Crops

Plant Epidemic

One of the major causes of food shortages and price increases is crop disease and harvest failures. Distribution Maps of Plant Diseases from Plantwise CAB International show the likelihood of plant diseases occurring in major staple crops, like wheat and rice, summarized in this mapping of the threat of plant epidemics. The impact of staple crop failures is greatest in those cities where agriculture makes up a high proportion of the economy, from OECD national economic data. Widespread epidemics and harvest failures cause hikes in global food prices that affect all cities. Characteristic scenarios of plant epidemics have different likelihoods and effects on each city and are used to assess the GDP@Risk:

PE1 Localized plant epidemic affects prices of staple foods in city markets

- **PE2** National plant epidemic affects price of staple foods in city markets
- **PE3** International Plant Epidemic affects price of stable foods in city markets

1	CHN	Hong Kong	3
2	CHN	Shanghai	2
3	CHN	Beijing	2
4	THA	Bangkok	2
5	IDN	Jakarta	2
6	CHN	Chengtu	2
7	CHN	Guangzhou	1
8	CHN	Shenzhen	1
9	CHN	Tianjin	1
10	JPN	Tokyo	1

Total GDP@Risk from All Threats Combined

City GDP@Risk (US\$ Bn)

0	0.0 - 12.0
0	12.1 - 30.0
0	30.1 - 65.0
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Cities - GDP at Risk - Total %

