Recovery Status Survey - 12 Months

1. Was your home damaged or destroyed in the Central Texas Wildfires in September, 2011?

	Response Percent	Response Count
My home was damaged (Partial Loss)	3.6%	2
My home was destroyed (Total Loss)	90.9%	50
My home was not damaged or destroyed in the wildfires	5.5%	3
	answered question	55
	skipped question	0

2. Did you file a claim with your insurance company?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	74.5%	41
No	3.6%	2
I did not have insurance	21.8%	12
	answered question	55
	skipped question	0

4. What is the name of your insurance company?

	Response Percent	Response Count
AAA	0.0%	0
Allied	0.0%	0
Allstate	2.9%	1
American Family	0.0%	0
AMICA	0.0%	0
Auto Owners	0.0%	0
Century National	0.0%	0
Country Financial	0.0%	0
Encompass	0.0%	0
Farmers	11.4%	4
Farm Bureau	0.0%	0
Fidelity	0.0%	0
Firemans Fund	0.0%	0
Foremost	5.7%	2
Germania	8.6%	3
The Hartford	0.0%	0
Hochheim Prairie	17.1%	6
Liberty Mutual	0.0%	0
Lloyds	2.9%	1
Mercury	0.0%	0
Metlife	2.9%	1
Nationwide	0.0%	0
Residence Mutual	0.0%	0

Safeco	2.9%	1
State Farm	17.1%	6
Travelers	5.7%	2
USAA	5.7%	2
Wawanesa	0.0%	0
Other, please specify	17.1%	6
	answered question	35
	skipped question	20

5. Think about your experience with your insurance company so far, and please tell us if you agree with each of the statements below:

	Agree	Undecided	Disagree	Rating Average	Response Count
The insurance company has been on my side.	51.4% (18)	25.7% (9)	22.9% (8)	2.29	35
The company's adjuster has been helpful and knowledgeable.	68.6% (24)	11.4% (4)	20.0% (7)	2.49	35
I'm being treated fairly.	54.3% (19)	25.7% (9)	20.0% (7)	2.34	35
I am satisfied with how my claim has been handled.	48.6% (17)	20.0% (7)	31.4% (11)	2.17	35
			answere	d question	35
			skippe	d question	20

6. Have you settled with your insurance company on the amount they owe for your "dwelling" (just the house, not your contents)?

Respons Count	Response Percent	
2	85.3%	Yes, we have reached a settlement.
	14.7%	No, we have not reached a settlement.
	oney to repair/rebuild:	If no, please explain
:	answered question	
	skipped question	

7. When did you settle your insurance claim?

	Response Percent	Response Count
We have not yet reached a settlement	17.6%	6
September 2011	23.5%	8
October 2011	26.5%	9
November 2011	11.8%	4
December 2011	2.9%	1
January 2012	8.8%	3
February 2012	0.0%	0
March 2012	2.9%	1
April 2012	0.0%	0
May 2012	0.0%	0
June 2012	0.0%	0
July 2012	0.0%	0
August 2012	5.9%	2
September 2012	0.0%	0
October 2012	0.0%	0
	answered question	34
	skipped question	21

8. Do you have enough insurance to cover the cost of repairing, replacing or rebuilding your	•
house?	

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	44.1%	15
No	55.9%	19

If you are underinsured and do not have enough insurance money to repair or replace what was damaged or destroyed, give your best estimate of how much money you are short. (estimated cost of repairs minus insurance money)

answered question	34
skipped question	21

9. Did your mortgage company/lender communicate to you that they would not release your insurance money unless you agreed to use it to pay down or pay off your home loan?

Yes 35.3%	12
No 64.7%	22

If "YES" what is the name of the lender?

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answered question 34

skipped question 21

10. Did you hire a public adjuster or lawyer to help you on your insurance claim related to the wildfire?

	Response Percent	Response Count
No	91.7%	33
Yes, I hired a public adjuster	2.8%	1
Yes, I hired an attorney	2.8%	1
Other, please specify	5.6%	2
	answered question	36
	skipped question	19

11. Do you think you will run out of Additional (temporary) Living Expense insurance benefits before you can move back in to your home?

-	Response Percent	
6 9	25.7%	Yes
6 26	74.3%	No
? 8	Do you have any other concerns or problems about your ALE benefits?	
n 35	answered question	

12. Do you have enough insurance on personal property/contents to replace everything that was damaged or lost?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	19.4%	7
No	80.6%	29

If you do not have enough insurance to replace your personal property, give your best estimate of how much money you are short.

answered question	36
skipped question	19

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13. Is your insurance company requiring you to itemize every single item of personal property/contents?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	44.4%	16
Yes - And they are requiring me to use a specific form	33.3%	12
No	22.2%	8
	answered question	36
	skipped question	19

14. Did your insurance company explain "depreciation" and what you need to do to collect full replacement cost on items they depreciated?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	66.7%	24
No	33.3%	12
	answered question	36
	skipped question	19

15. Below is a list of insurance problems that some people experience, Please check all that apply to you:

	Response Percent	Response Count
It took a long time to get a current copy of my insurance policy	11.1%	4
Delays in payment of policy benefits	22.2%	8
Delays in answering my questions and/or phone calls and/or emails	25.0%	9
The insurance company/adjuster made a "lowball" settlement offer	11.1%	4
The insurance company/adjuster brought in experts I didn't trust	5.6%	2
The insurance company switched adjusters and we had to keep starting from scratch	16.7%	6
The insurance company/adjuster made me jump through too many hoops and wasted my time	19.4%	7
The insurance company/adjuster forced me to hire their contractor but wouldn't back up his/her work	0.0%	0
Unclear language in my insurance policy	22.2%	8
I did not have any problems with my insurance claim or with the insurance company representatives	47.2%	17
	Other, Please Explain.	9
	answered question	36
	skipped question	19

16. Have you filed a complaint (Request for Assistance "RFA") with the Texas Department of Insurance?

	Response Percent	Response Count
No, I do not have any complaints	63.9%	23
No, I have a problem with my insurance company, but have not filed a formal complaint	27.8%	10
Yes, I filed a complaint	8.3%	3
	answered question	36
	skipped question	19

17. What help do you and/or your family need to recover/replace/rebuild?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Help with insurance	14.6%	6
Help with construction/rebuilding	39.0%	16
Help with emotional challenges	24.4%	10
Help replacing my contents and personal property	51.2%	21
Help finding a job	9.8%	4
Other, please specify	36.6%	15
	answered question	41
	skipped question	14

18. What sources of information have you been using to find out about wildfire recovery help and related events?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Newspaper	51.1%	23
Internet (Please specify websites in the box below)	40.0%	18
Radio	4.4%	2
Bulletin Boards	20.0%	9
Church or other Religious organization	24.4%	11
Non-Profit organization (Please specify organizations in the box below)	20.0%	9
Television	22.2%	10
Other (please specify)	57.8%	26
	answered question	45
	skipped question	10

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		Response Percent	Response Count
Name		97.8%	44
Permanent Address		88.9%	40
Temporary Address		53.3%	24
Phone		86.7%	39
Email Address		100.0%	45
answered question		45	
	skipped	I question	10