EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA (ECA) AFFECTED AFFECTED CAPITAL LOSS () world bank group **RISK PROFILES** BY 100-YEAR BY 250-YEAR FROM 250-YEAR FLOOD EARTHQUAKE EARTHQUAKE GDP \$10.5 billion* \$2 billion (23%) (III) \$2 billion (18%) \$5 billion (50%) Macedonia, FYR Population 2.1 million* 900,000 (43%) 400 (<1%)



The population and economy of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia are exposed to earthquakes and floods, with floods posing the greater risk. The model results for present-day risk shown in this risk profile are based on population and gross domestic product (GDP) estimates for 2015. The estimated damage caused by historical events is inflated to 2015 US dollars.

About 60 percent of FYR Macedonia's population lives in urban environments. The country's GDP was approximately US\$10.5 billion in 2015, with over 60 percent derived from services, most

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5	Debar	4	
5	Resen	3	
2	Skopje	2	
2	Berovo	2	
2	Delcevo	2.0	
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of the remainder generated by industry, and agriculture making a smaller contribution. FYR of Macedonia's per capita GDP was \$5,040.

This map displays GDP by province in the FYR Macedonia, with greater color saturation indicating greater GDP within a province. The blue circles indicate the risk of experiencing floods and the orange circles the risk of earthquakes in terms of normalized annual average of affected GDP. The largest circles represent the greatest normalized risk. The risk is estimated using flood and earthquake risk models.

The table displays the provinces at greatest normalized risk for each peril. In relative terms, as shown in the table, the province at greatest risk of floods is Skopje, and the one at greatest risk of earthquakes is Ohrid. In absolute terms, the province at greatest risk of both floods and earthquakes is Skopje.

GDP (billions of \$)

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Gostivar

Ohrid

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The most devastating flood in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia since it gained its independence in 1991 occurred in 1995 and caused nearly \$400 million in damage. More recently, flooding in 2004 affected over 100,000 people and caused almost \$5 million in damage.

This map depicts the impact of flooding on provinces' GDPs, represented as percentages of their annual average GDPs affected, with greater color saturation indicating higher percentages. The bar graphs represent GDP affected by floods with return periods of 10 years (white) and 100 years (black). The horizontal line across the bars also shows the annual average of GDP affected by floods.

When a flood has a 10-year return period, it means the probability of occurrence of a flood of that magnitude or greater is 10 percent per year. A 100-year flood has a probability of occurrence of 1 percent per year. This means that over a long period of time, a flood of that magnitude will, on average, occur once every 100 years. It does not mean a 100-year flood will occur exactly once every 100 years. In fact, it is possible for a flood of any return period to occur more than once in the same year, or to appear in consecutive years, or not to happen at all over a long period of time.

If the 10- and 100-year bars are the same height, then the impact of a 10year event is as large as that of a 100year event, and the annual average of affected GDP is dominated by events that happen relatively frequently. If the impact of a 100-year event is much greater than that of a 10-year event, then less frequent events make a larger contribution to the annual average of affected GDP. Thus, even if a province's annual affected GDP seems small, less frequent and more intense events can still have large impacts.

The annual average population affected by flooding in FYR Macedonia is about 70,000 and the annual average affected GDP about \$500 million. For most provinces, the 10- and 100year impacts do not differ much, so relatively frequent floods have large impacts on these averages. For the few in which the 100-year impacts are much greater than the 10-year impacts, less frequent events make a significant contribution to the annual average of affected GDP.



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The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia's worst earthquake since 1900 happened in 1963 in Skopje, with a magnitude of 6. It caused over 1,000 fatalities and close to \$8 billion in damage, and Skopje was almost completely destroyed. A 1931 earthquake, also in Skopje, killed over 150 people.

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The annual average population affected by earthquakes in FYR of Macedonia is about 40,000 and the annual average affected GDP about \$200 million. The annual averages of fatalities and capital losses caused by earthquakes are about 10 and about \$100 million, respectively. The fatalities and capital losses caused by more intense, less frequent events can be substantially larger than the annual averages. For example, an earthquake with a 0.4 percent annual probability of occurrence (a 250-year return period event) could cause about 400 fatalities and \$2 billion in capital loss (about 20 percent of GDP).



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ANNUAL AVERAGE CAPITAL LOSS (MILLIONS \$)





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The rose diagrams show the provinces with the potential for greatest annual average capital losses and highest annual average numbers of fatalities, as determined using an earthquake risk model. The potential for greatest capital loss occurs in Skopje, which is not surprising, given the economic importance of the province.



The exceedance probability curves display the GDP A affected by, respectively, floods and earthquakes for varying probabilities of occurrence. Values for two different time periods are shown. A solid line depicts the affected GDP for 2015 conditions. A diagonally striped band depicts the range of affected GDP based on a selection of climate and socioeconomic scenarios for 2080. For example, if FYR of Macedonia had experienced a 100-year return period flood event in 2015, the affected GDP would have been an estimated \$2 billion. In 2080, however, the affected GDP from the same type of event would range from about \$7 billion to about \$11 billion. If FYR of Macedonia had experienced a 250-year earthquake event in 2015, the affected GDP would have been about \$5 billion. In 2080, however, the affected GDP from the same type of event would range from about \$20 billion to about \$40 billion, due to population growth, urbanization, and the increase in exposed assets.

All historical data on floods and earthquakes are from D. Guha-Sapir, R. Below, and Ph. Hoyois, EM-DAT: International Disaster Database (Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels, Belgium), www.emdat.be, and J. Daniell and A. Schaefer, "Eastern Europe and Central Asia Region Earthquake Risk Assessment Country and Province Profiling," final report to GFDRR, 2014. Damage estimates for all historical events have been inflated to 2015 US\$.