

STORM SEASON ADDITIONAL DATA

NSW

NSW hotspots

- AAMI crunched the numbers of more than 15,000 weather-related NSW home insurance claims to reveal that Orange was the most storm damaged location, followed by Rutherford and Grenfell.

AAMI Claims Storm Hotspots		
1	Orange	Central West
2	Rutherford	Hunter Valley exc Newcastle
3	Grenfell	Central West Sydney - Baulkham
4	Castle Hill	Hills and Hawkesbury
5	Aberglasslyn	Hunter Vallen exc Newcastle
6	Woonona	Illawarra
7	Inverell	New England and North-West
8	Maroubra	Sydney - Eastern Suburbs
9	Mosman	Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby
10	Corrimal	Illawarra

Events

- In late 2023, heavy rain and widespread flooding affected the state, impacting many regions, including Long Jetty and Kileen. Persistent rain caused rivers to overflow, inundating communities, and damaging infrastructure, with homes and businesses suffering water damage.
- In April 2024, another significant rain event swept across the South Coast and Southern Tablelands.

Additional Data Insights from AAMI

- Only 22 per cent of NSW residents prepare their home for potential storms - meaning that the vast majority (78 per cent) go away on holidays, leaving their home vulnerable to the impacts of severe weather events.
- Only 57 per cent of NSW residents let their neighbours know when they are heading away on holidays and ask them to keep an eye on their property.
- When asked what they'd do if away on holidays, and there was a significant weather event that impacted the suburb where they live, almost one in five (18 per cent) NSW residents said they'd do nothing and wait until they get home to assess potential damage.

QLD

QLD hotspots

- Suncorp Insurance crunched the numbers of more than 27,000 weather-related Qld home insurance claims to reveal that Upper Coomera was the hardest hit location, followed by Helensvale and Gatton.

Suncorp Insurance Claims QLD Storm Hotspots		
1	Upper Coomera	Gold Coast
2	Helensvale	Gold Coast
3	Gatton	Toowoomba
4	Oxenford	Gold Coast
5	Tamborine Mountain	Gold Coast
6	Runaway Bay	Gold Coast
7	Coombah	Gold Coast
8	Gympie	Wide Bay
9	Southside	Wide Bay
10	Kirwan	Townsville

Events

- In late 2023, two major events impacted Queensland – Cyclone Jasper, which struck Cairns and surrounding areas, as well as a Christmas day storm hitting the Gold Coast.
- Cyclone Jasper caused direct damage to homes, and triggered heavy rainfall, leading to significant flooding and widespread damage across affected regions. The aftermath of Cyclone Jasper saw communities struggling with disrupted infrastructure and significant property damage.
- The powerful storm which impacted Jimboomba through to the Northern end of the Gold Coast and Mount Tamborine on Christmas night in 2023, brought destructive winds and torrential rain. The storm caused widespread damage to homes and businesses, with power outages affecting thousands of customers, some of whom were without electricity for up to two weeks.

VIC

Hotspots

- AAMI crunched the numbers of more than 16,000 weather-related VIC home insurance claims to reveal that Mulgrave was the hardest hit location, followed by Bentleigh East and Mount Waverley.

AAMI Claims VIC Storm Hotspots		
1	Mulgrave	Melbourne – South East
2	Bentleigh East	Melbourne – Inner South
3	Mount Waverley	Melbourne - South East
4	Warrnambool	Warrnambool & South West
5	Rowville	Melbourne – Outer East
6	Oakleigh East	Melbourne – South East
7	Berwick	Melbourne – South East
8	Dandenong North	Melbourne - South East
9	Mirboo North	Gippsland - South West
10	Ferntree Gully	Melbourne - Outer East

Events

- In February 2024, Melbourne and surrounding regions were struck by severe weather, with intense storms and powerful winds sweeping across the state, leaving a trail of damage and widespread power outages, with thousands of homes impacted.

Additional Data Insights from AAMI

- Only 15 per cent of Victorians prepare their home for potential storms - meaning that the vast majority (85 per cent) go away on holidays, leaving their home vulnerable to the impacts of severe weather events.
- Only half of Victorians let their neighbours know when they are heading away on holidays and ask them to keep an eye on their property.
- When asked what they'd do if away on holidays, and there was a significant weather event that impacted the suburb where they live, one in five (20 per cent) Victorians said they'd do nothing and wait until they get home to assess potential damage.