

# Creating Risk Assessments to Compare Disaster Statistics

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# *Why Analyze Disasters & Events*

## **Monitor Performance:**

- To track what is going right
- To track what needs improvement

## **Take Action:**

- To communicate and use the findings
- To make knowledgeable changes

*Analyzing data without taking the time to solve the problem is a waste of time and resources.*

*-Bill Gates, Microsoft*

## *Potential Road Blocks*

- Lack of Assessment Standards
- Lack of Resources (Personnel & Finances)
- Legal & Political Environment
- Industry Culture



## ***Important Data Collection Questions***

- **How is this data useful?**
- **Is the collection time worth the effort?**
- **Does your management understand the data?**
- **Does analysis create more questions than answers?**
- **Politically – does it make sense?**

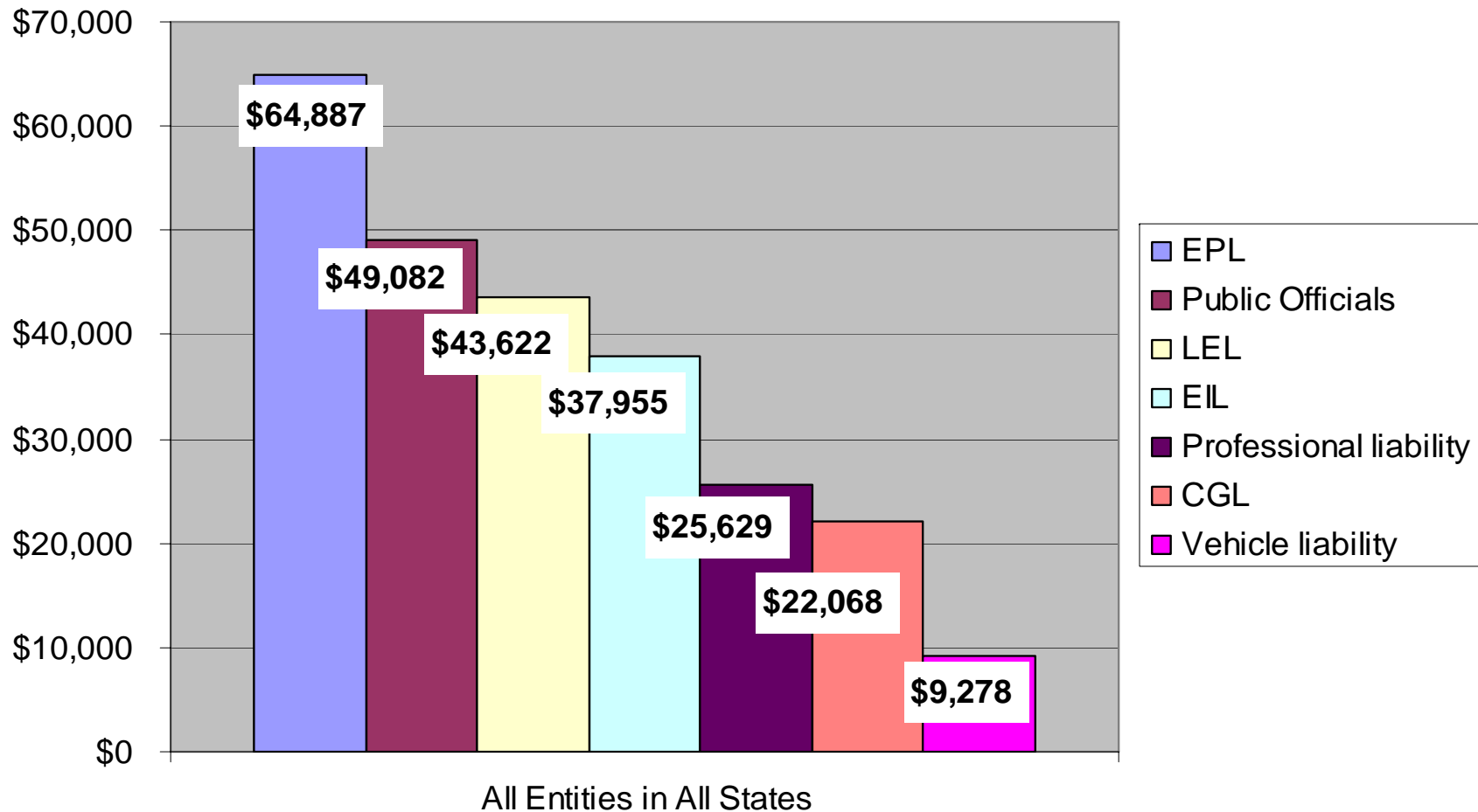
# ***Disaster Assessment Goals***

- **Create Standards to Compare Events**
- **Evaluate Response & Recovery**
- **Reduce Future Impact**



# PERI Collects Loss Statistics

## Average Liability Claims Costs



## ***Benefits of Data Collection***

- **Prevention**
- **Documentation (proof)**
- **Identify other potential problems**
- **Change procedure/policy**
- **Develop cost information**
- **Justification for budget items or management involvement**
- **Securing cooperation from all parties**

Questions?

