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Kansas storm season insurance claims cost \$612 million in 2024

Topeka, Kan. – Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt, today, released data on the amount paid by insurance companies for Kansas storm damage claims in 2024.

"The Kansas Department of Insurance calls on insurance companies for yearly data to better understand the impact of storm events across the state," said Commissioner Schmidt. "The Department uses this data as a tool to monitor trends in the marketplace."

In 2024, reported storm claims totaled 56,778 and the amount paid out on those claims by insurance companies was \$612,069,643.50. Johnson County saw the highest amount while Greeley County saw the lowest. A county-by-county breakdown of the data can be found on the Department's website at https://insurance.ks.gov/documents/department/publications/Storm-Claim-Losses-by-County.pdf.

The Department collected data from companies writing property and casualty insurance in Kansas. This data includes the number of total claims as well as the amount paid for those claims across several types of storm losses including hail, wind, water damage, and other weather-related claim losses for homeowner and automobile policies.

"These numbers serve as a reminder that catastrophic weather events do not just happen on the coasts," said Schmidt. "Check in with your insurance agent and make sure you are ready for this storm season."

This storm season, if you or someone you know is having trouble with an insurance claim, please contact the Kansas Department of Insurance's Consumer Assistance Division at 785-296-3071, by email at <u>KDOI.complaints@ks.gov</u> or online at <u>insurance.kansas.gov</u> for any claims-related questions or concerns.

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The Kansas Department of Insurance was established in 1871, currently led by Commissioner Vicki Schmidt. The mission of the Department is to **regulate** companies that sell policies in Kansas to ensure solvency and compliance with state law, **educate** consumers about all things insurance and securities, and **advocate** for a strong and competitive market to give Kansans choices when shopping for products that meet their needs.