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# ***Financing Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response***

## ***The Case of the Tōhoku Earthquake and Operation Tomodachi***

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# ***Recent work in the area of HA/DR supported by ARP and focused on operations and finance***

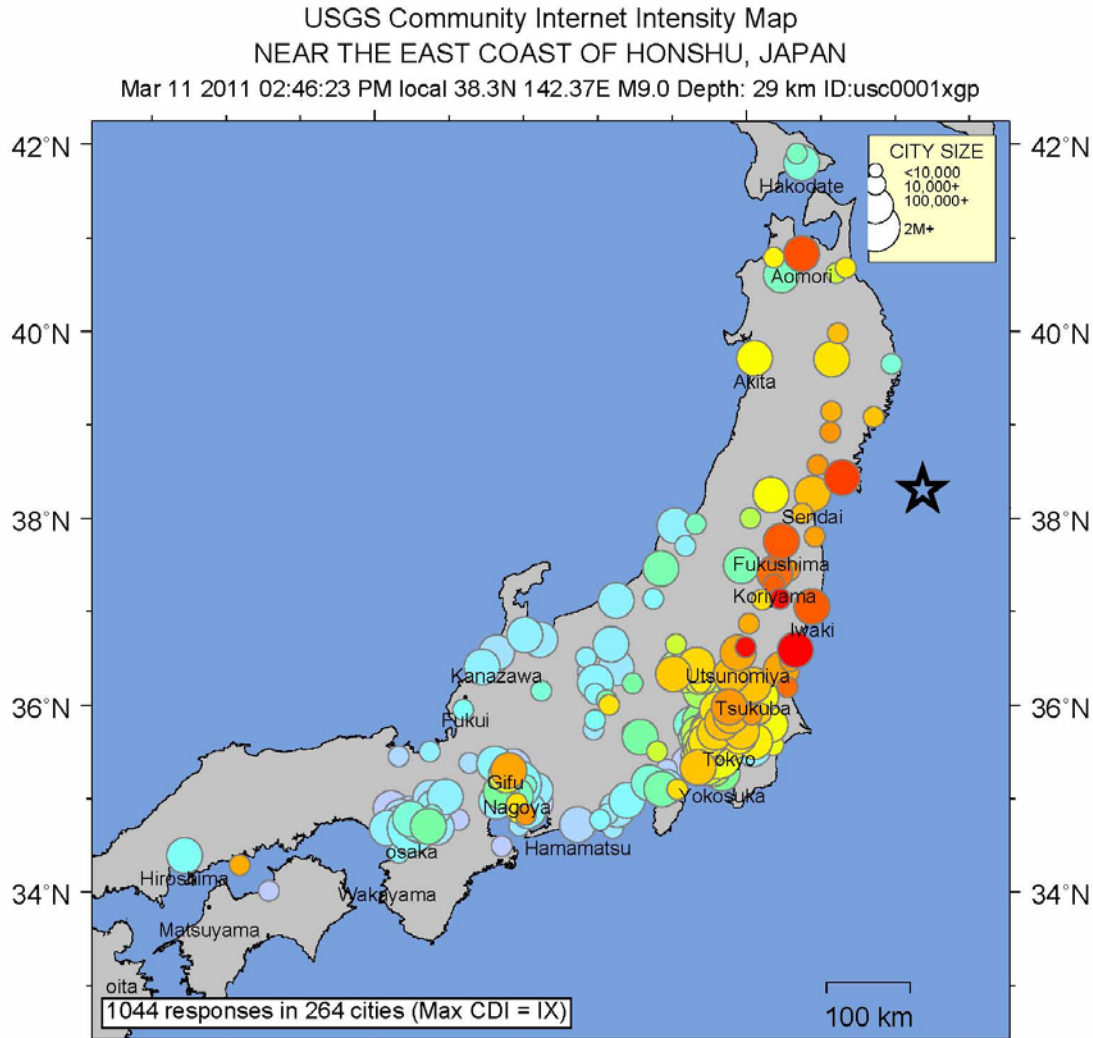
## **Operations**

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## **Finance**

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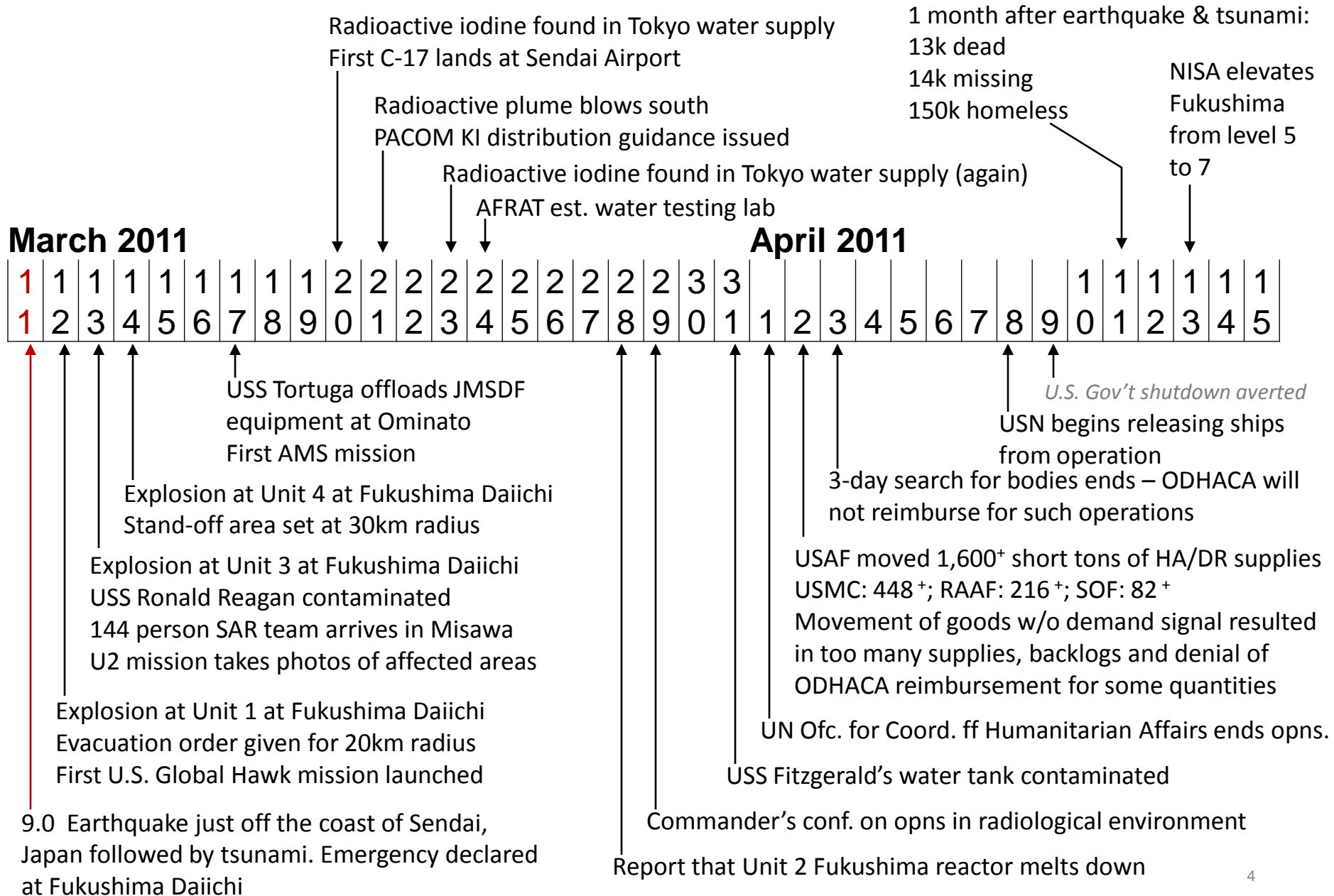
# Areas impacted by the earthquake



|           | 135°E    |        |       |            | 140°E  |             |                |         |          |  |
|-----------|----------|--------|-------|------------|--------|-------------|----------------|---------|----------|--|
| INTENSITY | I        | II-III | IV    | V          | VI     | VII         | VIII           | IX      | X+       |  |
| SHAKING   | Not felt | Weak   | Light | Moderate   | Strong | Very strong | Severe         | Violent | Extreme  |  |
| DAMAGE    | none     | none   | none  | Very light | Light  | Moderate    | Moderate/Heavy | Heavy   | V. Heavy |  |

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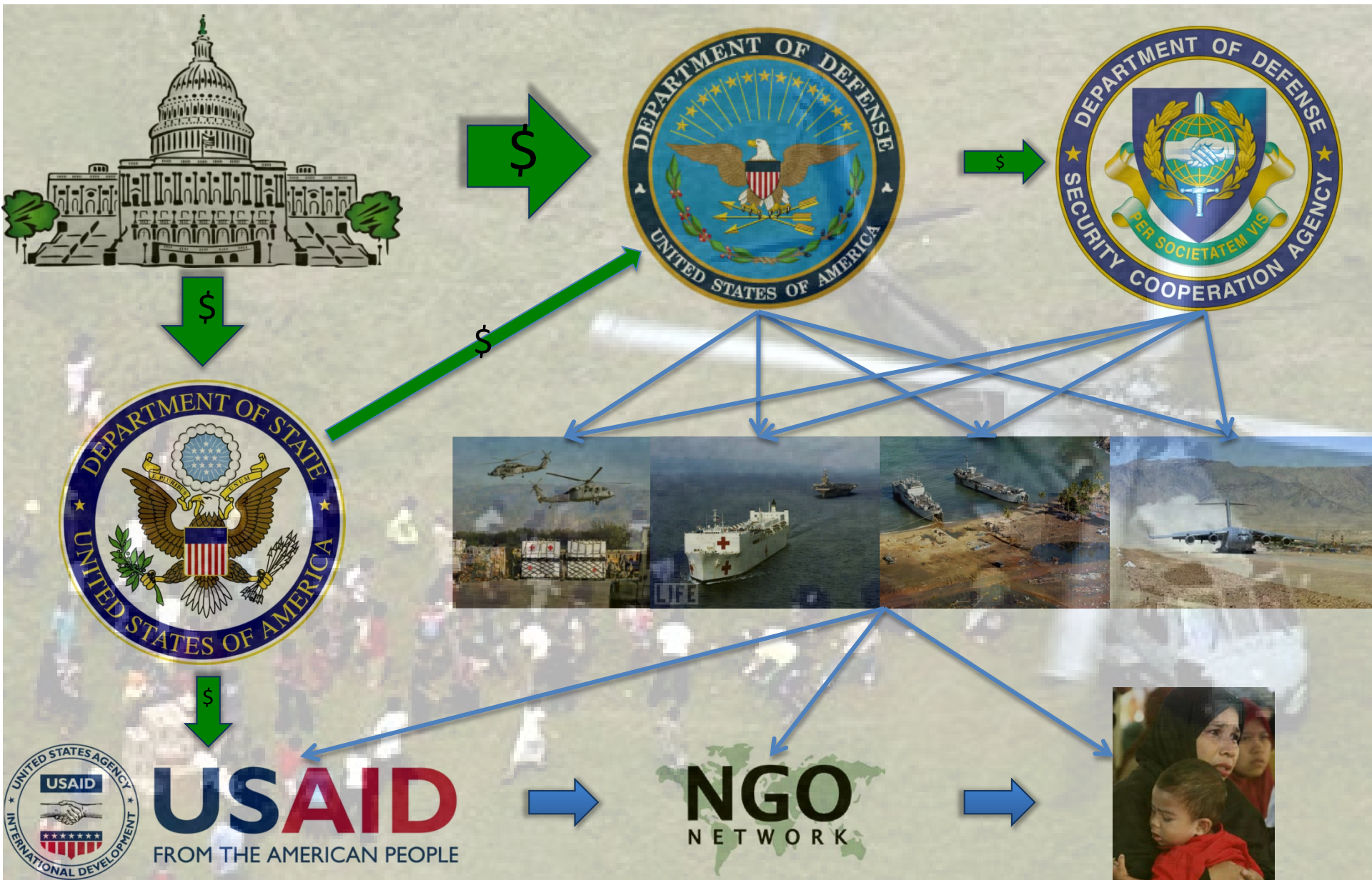
# The first 35 days of operations\*



\*Source: Adapted from briefing developed by CDR Fred Dini, SC, USN, JSF Japan Comptroller, May 2011

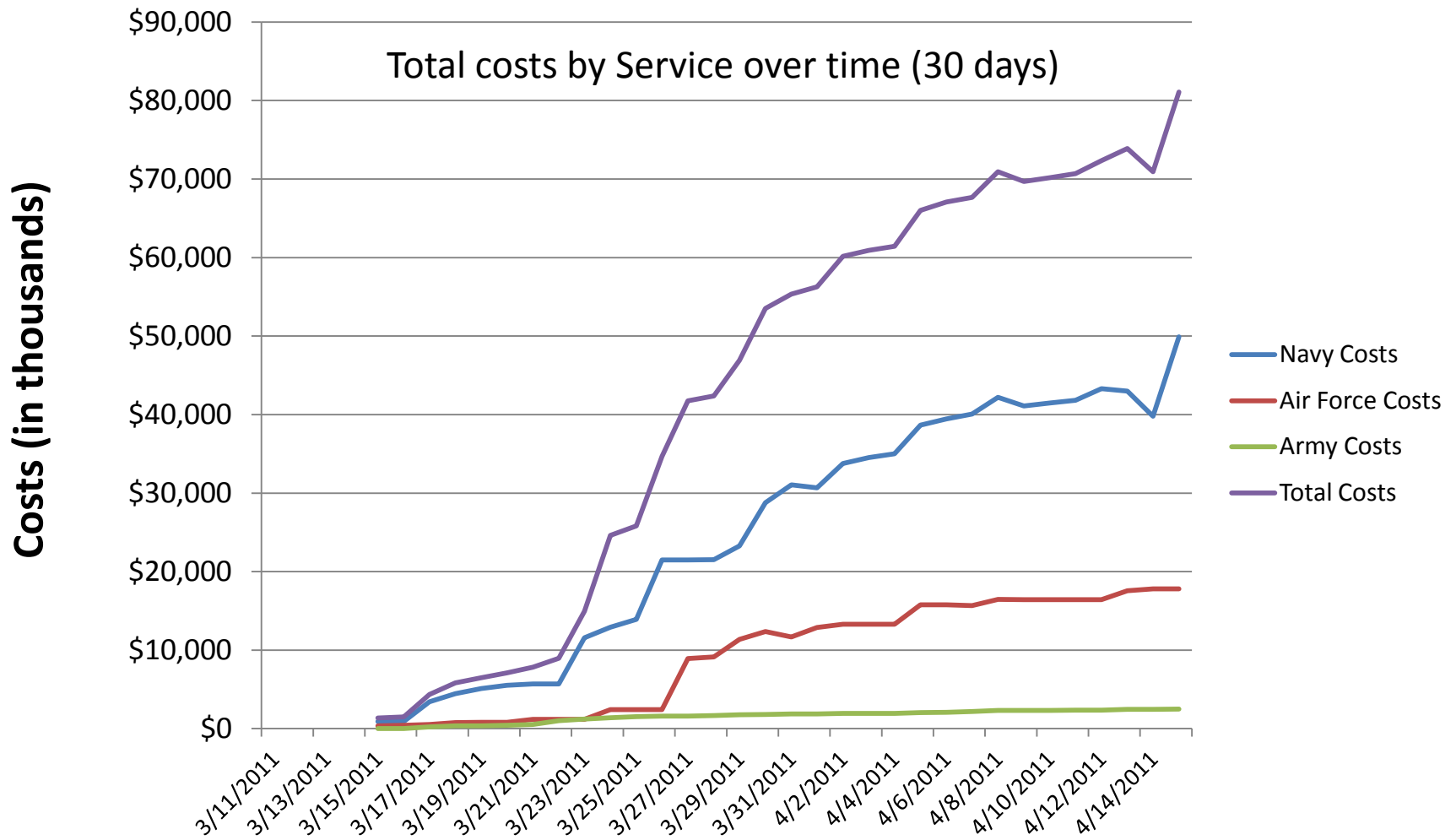


# ODHACA funding process



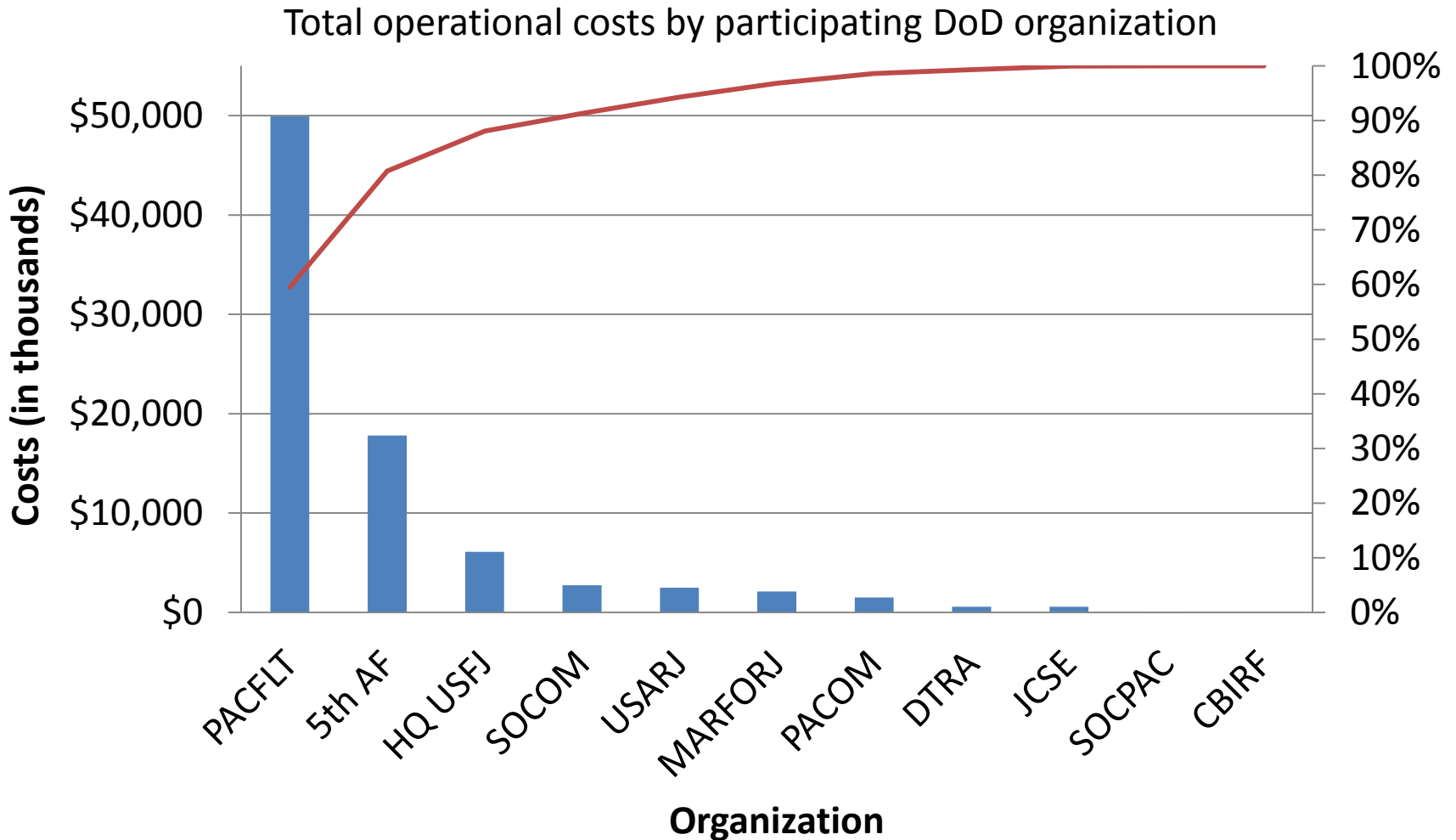


# The Navy was the key responder for the US DoD and therefore drove most costs



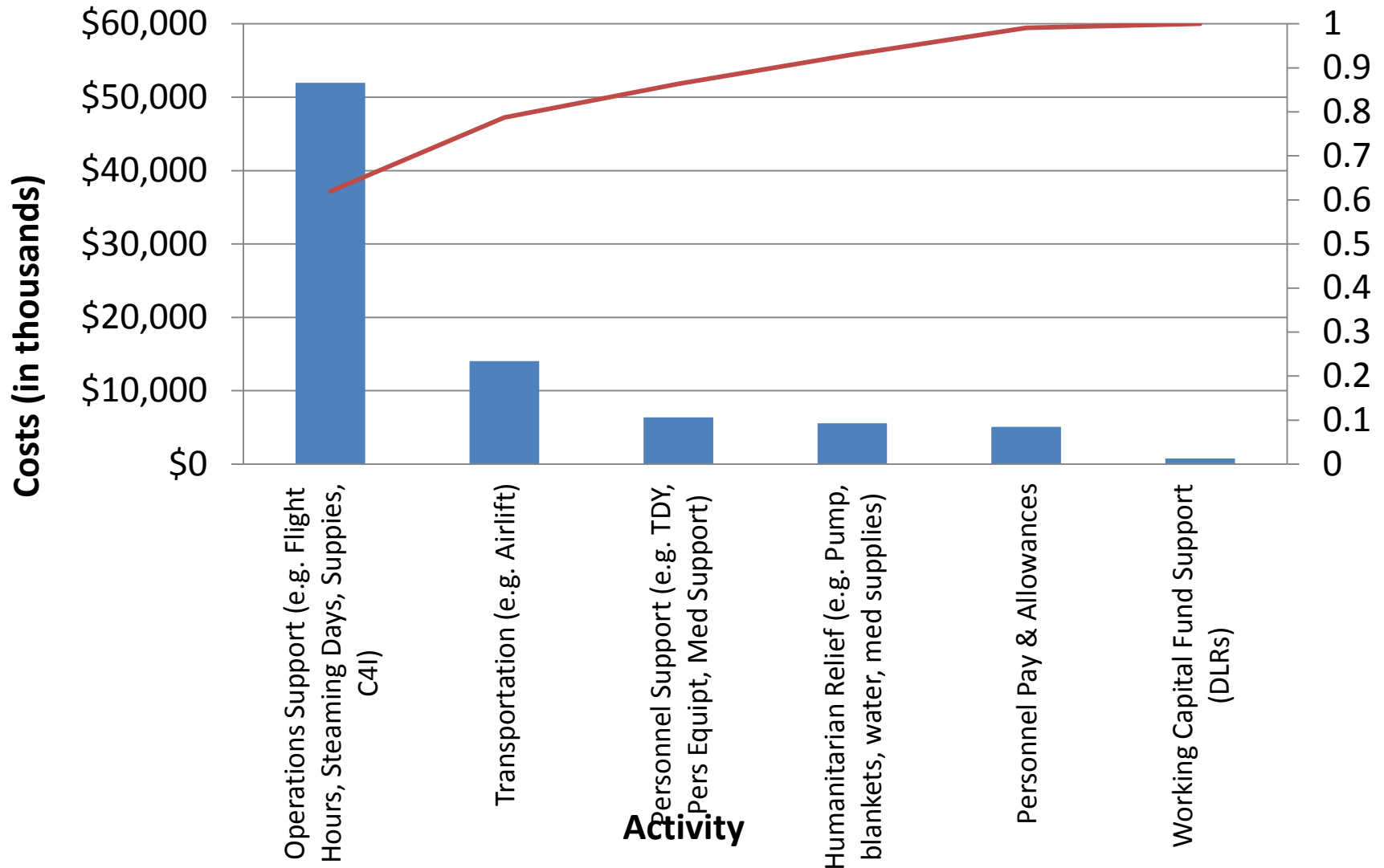
\*Data source: Department of the Navy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Financial Management and Comptroller (OASN (FMC))  
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# ***The Pacific Fleet had a significant response and therefore drove most of the costs***

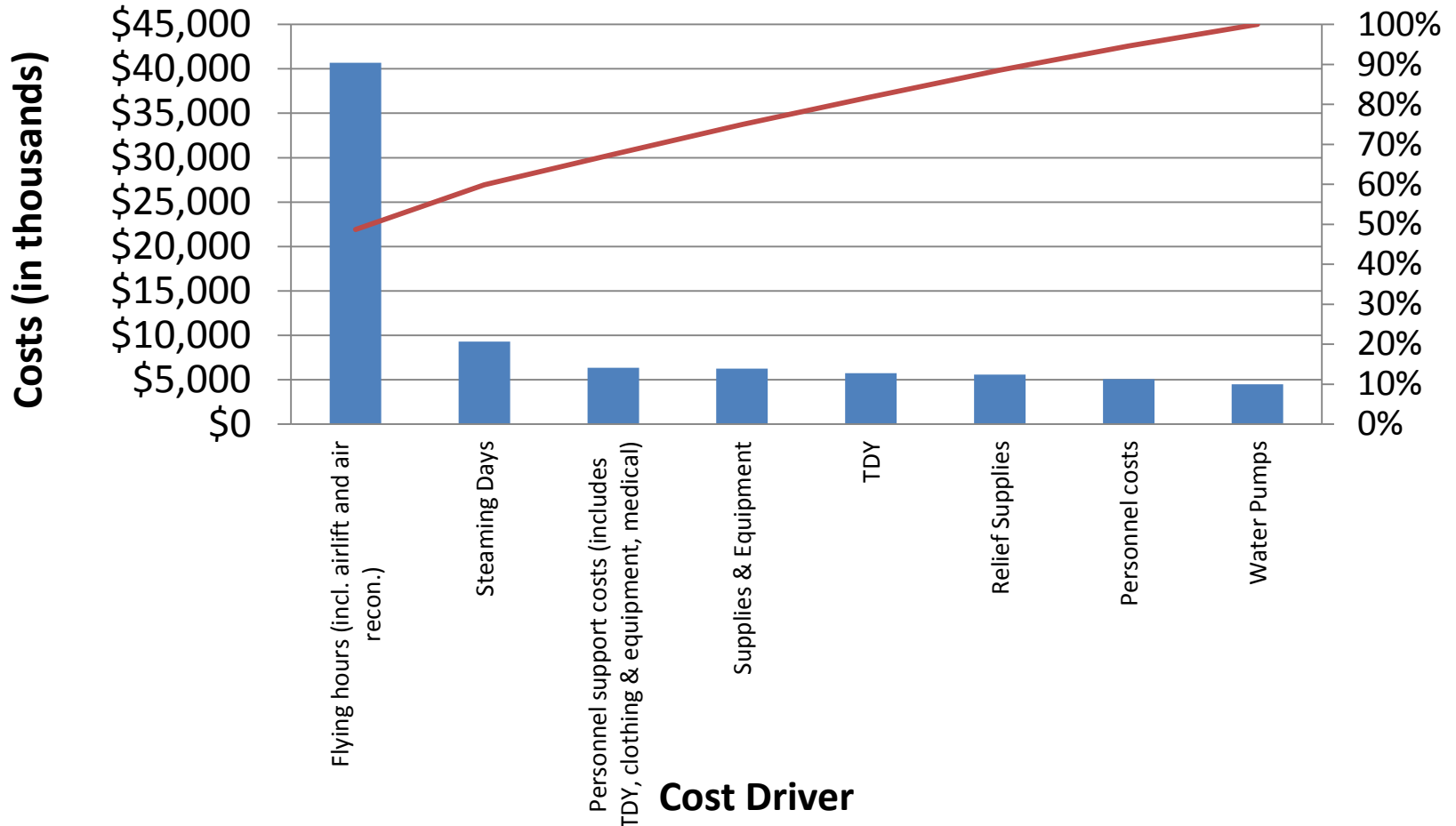




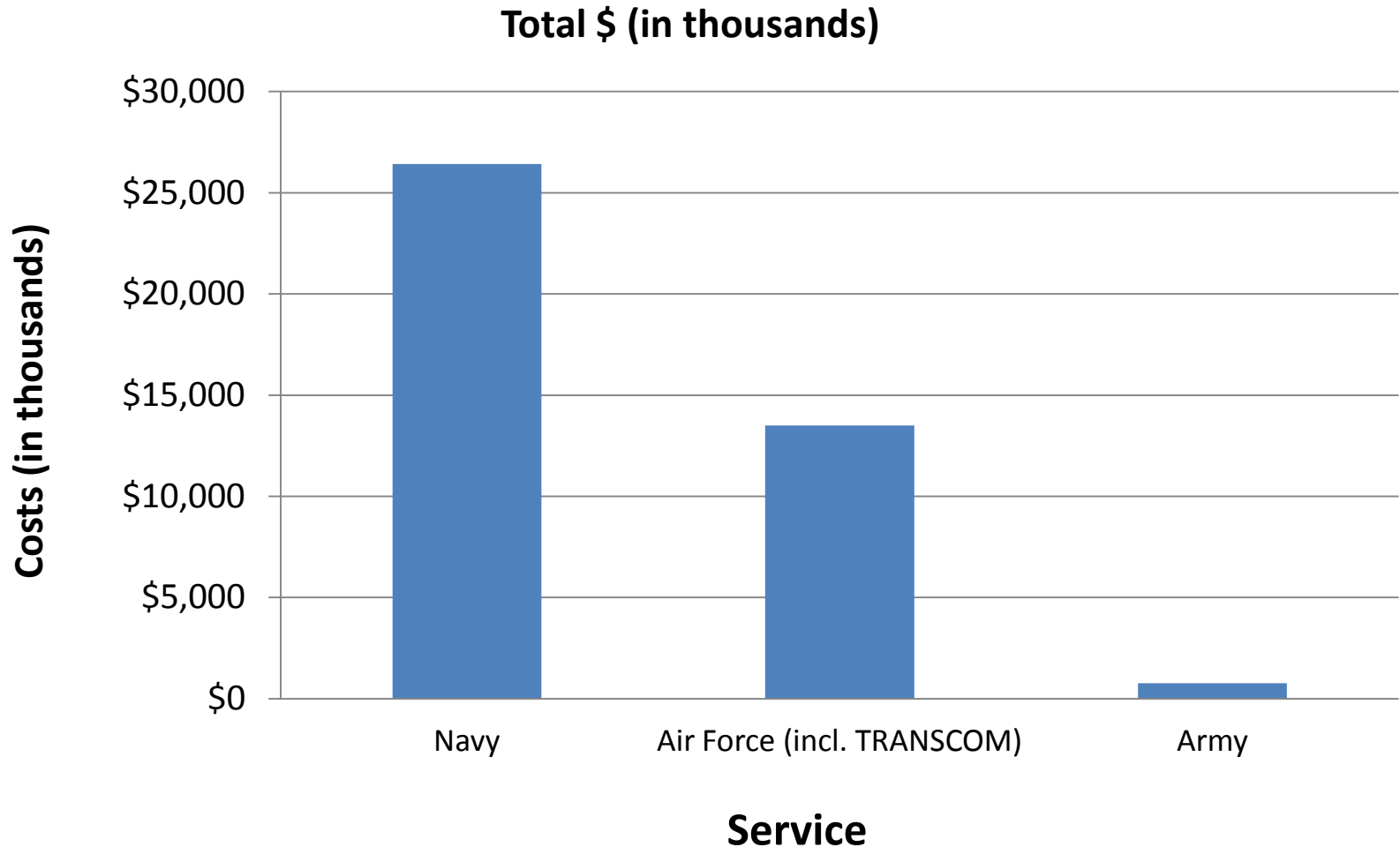
# “Operations support” was the primary cost driver and accounted for more than 60% of total costs



# ***A breakdown of “operations support” activities shows that flying hours and airlift drive more than 40% of costs in that category***



# ***The US Navy provided the greatest number of aircraft in the first 30 days and drove most of the flying hour costs***



# ***Pacific Fleet was the main cost driver for Navy flying hour costs***

| <b>Aircraft Type</b> | <b>USMC</b> | <b>USN</b>   | <b>Total</b> | <b>% of Total</b> |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Rotary Wing          | \$1,621,521 | \$3,166,498  | \$4,788,019  | 27%               |
| Fixed Wing           | \$2,344,167 | \$10,356,238 | \$12,700,405 | 73%               |

| <b>AIRCRAFT TYPE</b> | <b>COMPONENT</b>   |                     | <b>TOTAL COSTS</b>  |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                      | <b>USMC</b>        | <b>USN</b>          |                     |
| FA-18C               |                    | \$1,955,153         | \$1,955,153         |
| SH-60F               |                    | \$1,925,685         | \$1,925,685         |
| KC-130J              | \$1,733,258        |                     | \$1,733,258         |
| FA-18F               |                    | \$1,708,762         | \$1,708,762         |
| C-2A                 |                    | \$1,657,015         | \$1,657,015         |
| FA-18E               |                    | \$1,654,170         | \$1,654,170         |
| CH-46E               | \$1,480,954        |                     | \$1,480,954         |
| P-3C                 |                    | \$1,478,054         | \$1,478,054         |
| E-2C                 |                    | \$1,324,857         | \$1,324,857         |
| HH-60H               |                    | \$745,684           | \$745,684           |
| EA-6B                |                    | \$447,896           | \$447,896           |
| MH-60S               |                    | \$380,010           | \$380,010           |
| UC-35D               | \$327,027          |                     | \$327,027           |
| UC-12F               | \$224,258          |                     | \$224,258           |
| CH-53E               | \$140,568          |                     | \$140,568           |
| C-12                 |                    | \$130,332           | \$130,332           |
| SH-60B               |                    | \$115,120           | \$115,120           |
| UC-12W               | \$59,625           |                     | \$59,625            |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>\$3,965,688</b> | <b>\$13,522,736</b> | <b>\$17,488,425</b> |

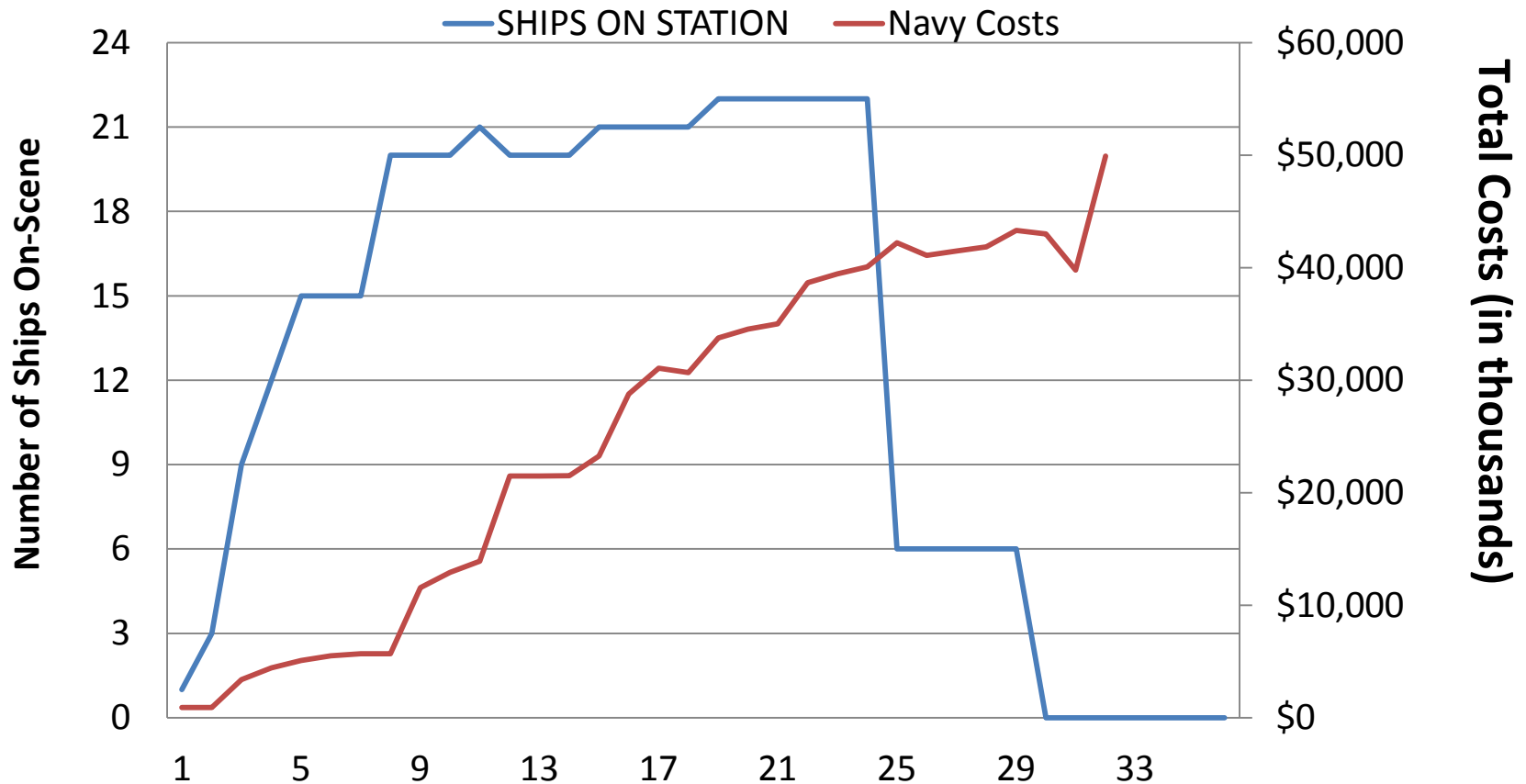
# ***Navy Pacific Fleet flying hour costs excluding F/A-18s of all types***

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|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Rotary Wing          | \$1,621,521 | \$3,166,498 | \$4,788,019  | 41%               |
| Fixed Wing           | \$2,344,167 | \$4,590,257 | \$6,934,424  | 59%               |

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| <b>Total</b>         | <b>\$3,965,688</b> | <b>\$7,756,755</b> | <b>\$11,722,444</b> |

# A total of 23 Navy ships participated in Operation Tomodachi

Vessels on Station By Day (30 days of operation) & Costs  
11 March to 15 April 2011

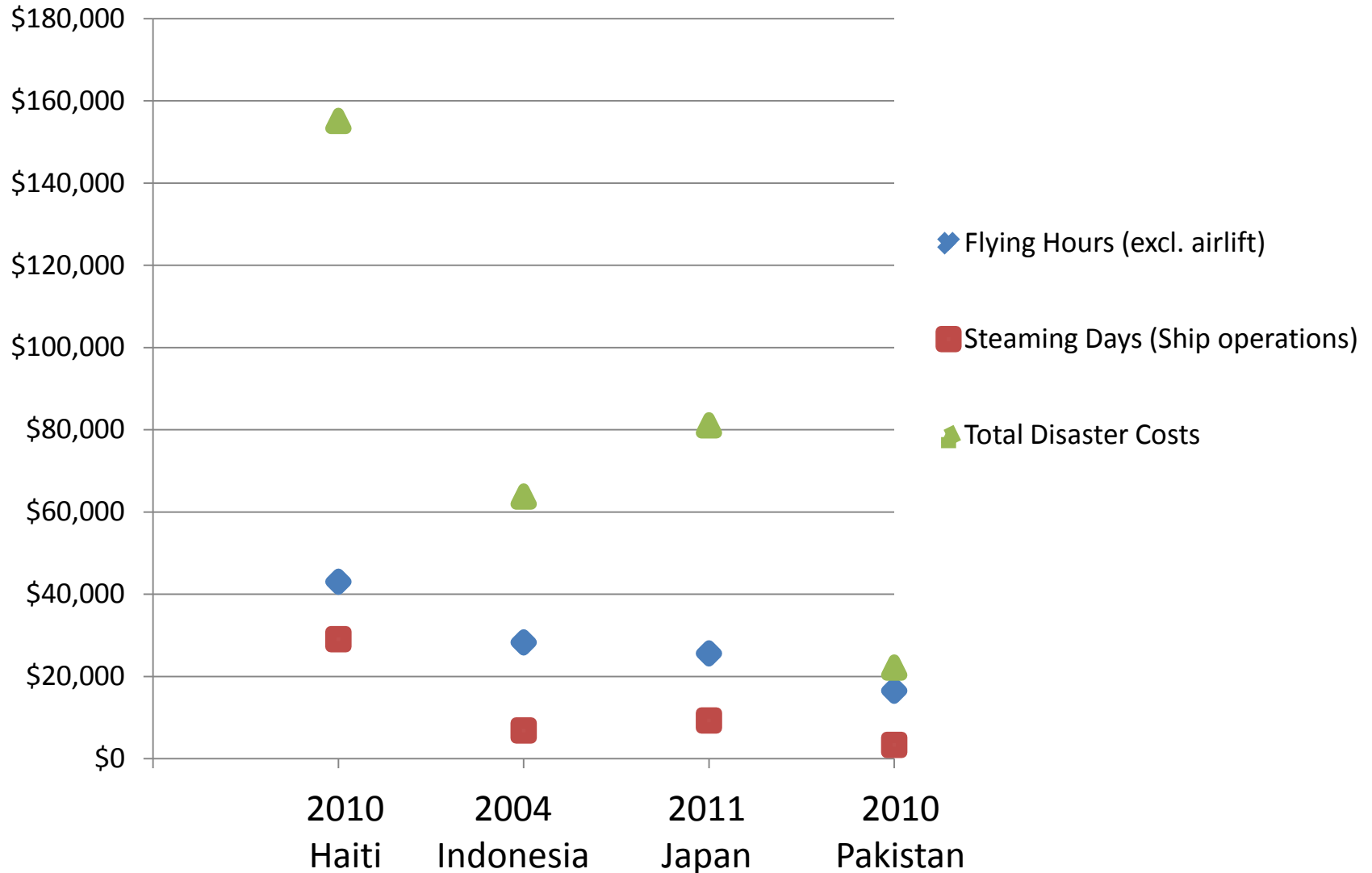


# ***Flying Hour and Steaming Costs Compared to Total Costs***

| <b>Event</b>                    | <b>Total Flying &amp; Steaming \$</b> | <b>Total Disaster Costs</b> | <b>Flying Hrs &amp; Steaming as % of Total</b> | <b>Flying Hrs as % of Total</b> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 2010 Haiti Earthquake           | \$72,131                              | \$155,135                   | 46%  | 28%                             |
| 2004 Indonesian Tsunami         | \$35,178                              | \$63,775                    | 55%  | 44%                             |
| 2011 Japan Earthquake & Tsunami | \$34,929                              | \$81,091                    | 43%  | 32%                             |
| 2010 Pakistan Floods            | \$19,909                              | \$22,181                    | 90%  | 75%                             |

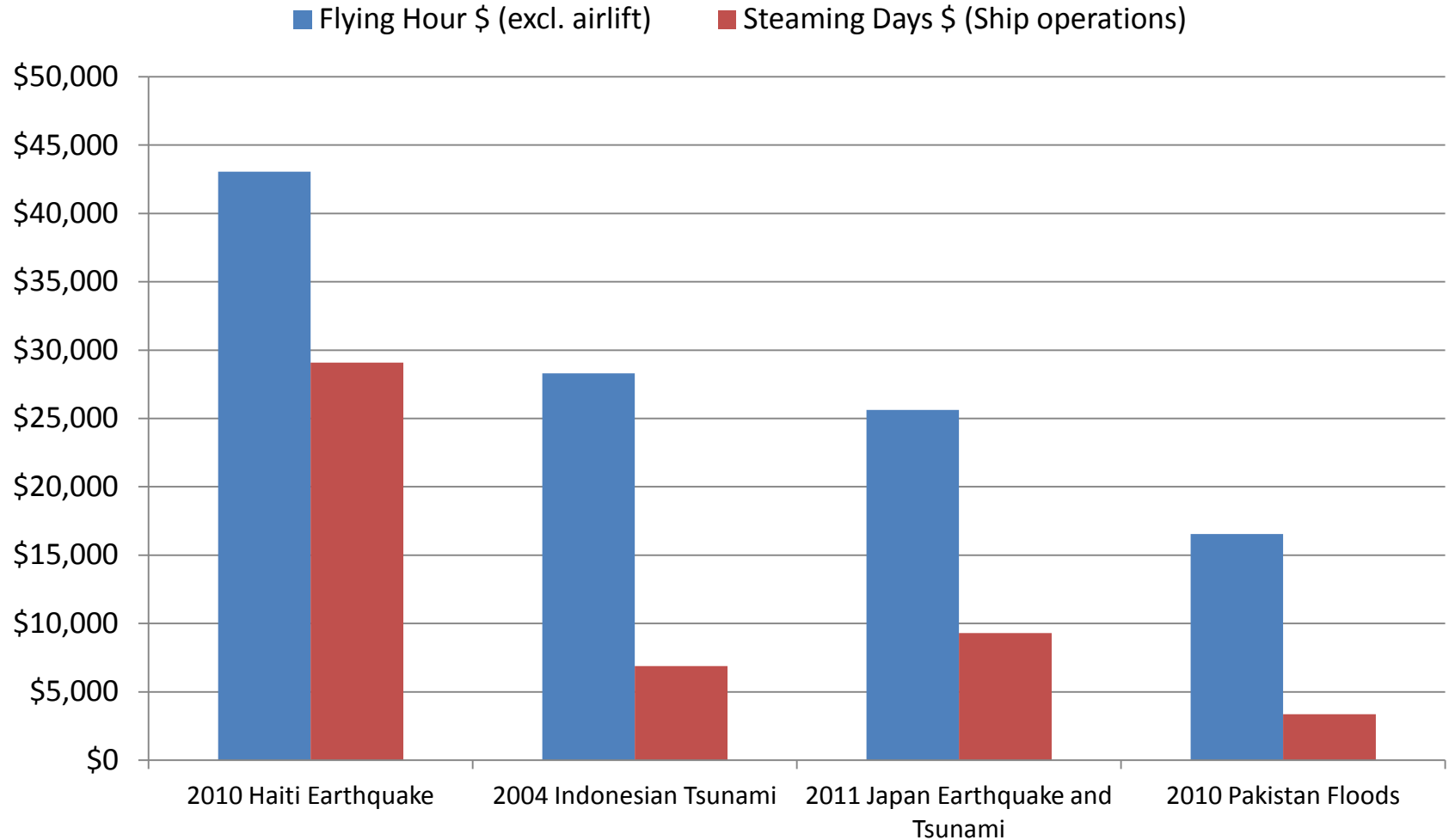


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# ***Flying hours and steaming costs for Haiti, 2004 Indonesian Tsunami, 2011 Japan Earthquake and 2010 Pakistan floods***



# Conclusions

- There have been 4 studies on operations and costs of disasters
  - These studies have changed the way we think about the cost drivers
    - Not just personnel costs -- flying time tends to be the largest driver, the number of ships you send as well as ship type has significant cost consequences
- Flying hours and steaming time are the biggest cost drivers
- Navy is a significant DoD participant in HA/DR
  - More of the world population is moving to coastal (littoral) areas
  - Navy can access the coastal (littoral) areas with specialized equipment utilizing specialized skills
  - Not just about moving materiel – other capabilities –especially nuclear expertise – that are important depending upon the disaster
- If HA/DR operations are a primary mission of the U.S. Armed Forces as defined by key part of our national security strategy as outlined in *Priorities for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Defense* (p.6), then such operations should be considered during the planning and development of programs that support operations (such as shipbuilding, calculation of aircraft life, etc.)





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