



Climate Change: the coming storm and how to prepare

Part 1: Climate change risks to your organisation

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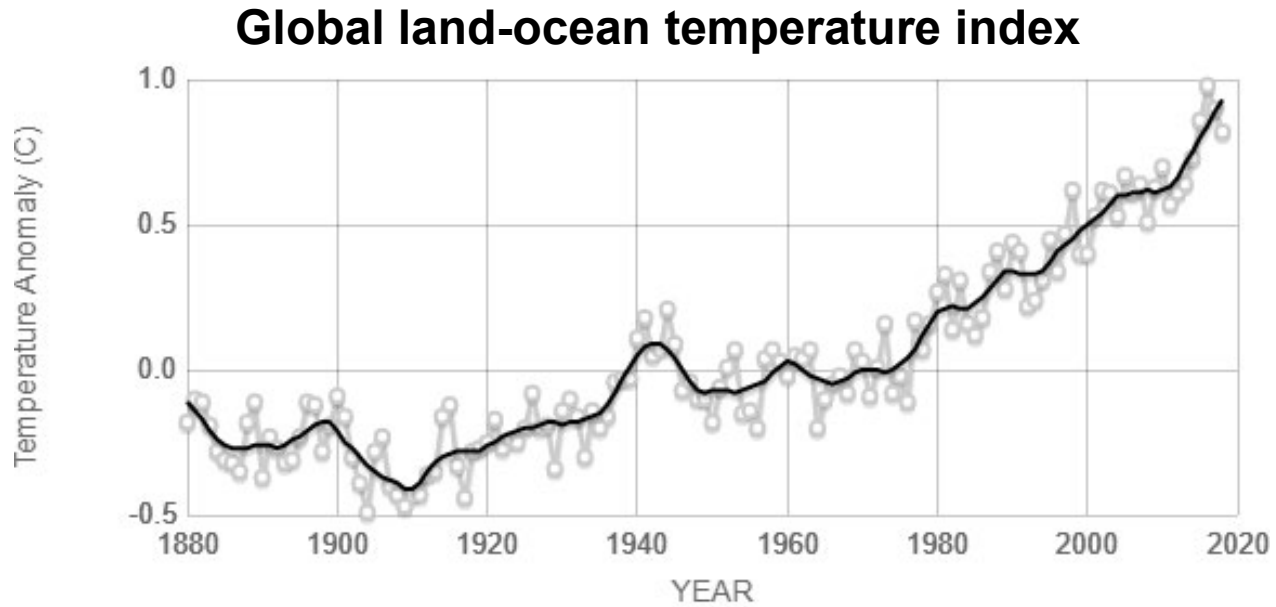
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Climate change risks to your organisations

- Physical risks
- Transition risks
- Liability risks
- What to do?



Physical risks



Data source: NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies (GISS). Credit: NASA/GISS



Transition risks

- Public, consumer & investor pressure
 - Public scrutiny
 - Changing behaviour & priorities
 - Magnifying glass on local and central government & crown entities



Transition risks

- New regulation
 - Crown Minerals amendments
 - Zero Carbon Act
 - ETS Bill
 - Changes to the RMA
 - Task-Force on Climate- related Financial Disclosures



Transition risks

- Changing business models
- Stranded assets – impairment of assets (NZIAS 36)



Liability risks

- Activist litigation:

- *Thompson v Minister for Climate Change Issues*

- *Smith v Fonterra et al*

- *McVeigh v REST*

- *Abraham v CBA*



Liability risks

- Those with statutory duties relating to climate change are particularly at risk

“only a matter of time before we see litigation against a director who has failed to perceive, disclose or take steps in relation to a foreseeable climate related risk”

New South Wales barrister Noel Hutley SC

“...there are local indications that, in some form, climate change litigation [against local authorities] will get real traction”

Jack Hodder QC, March 2019



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