

Table 4.2: Meanings of Community Resilience among Gulf Coast Emergency Managers

<i>Response given emphasizes . . .</i>	Response Rate of Total	Response Rate within State				
		<i>Alabama</i>	<i>Florida</i>	<i>Louisiana</i>	<i>Mississippi</i>	<i>Texas</i>
BOUNCE BACK <i>“Bouncing back to the way things were before.”</i>	25.9% (14)	0% (0)	21.1% (4)	17.6% (3)	33.3% (1)	42.9% (6)
PREPAREDNESS <i>“To be as prepared as we can be to be able to avoid or manage any disaster event.”</i>	16.7% (9)	0% (0)	31.6% (6)	5.9% (1)	33.3% (1)	7.1% (1)
CONTINUITY <i>“How well a community's government and other decision makers can continue to function after a disaster.”</i>	14.8% (8)	0% (0)	5.3% (1)	23.5% (4)	0% (0)	21.4% (3)
RECOVERY <i>“Community resilience is a quick recovery to all disasters.”</i>	12.9% (7)	100% (1)	15.8% (3)	17.6% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)
SELF-SUFFICIENCY <i>“To be able to withstand a disaster event without outside assistance.”</i>	9.3% (5)	0% (0)	10.5% (2)	17.6% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)
COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY <i>“Our people's eagerness and willingness to rebuild and repair.”</i>	9.3% (5)	0% (0)	5.3% (1)	5.9% (1)	33.3% (1)	14.3% (2)
DISASTER PHASES <i>“The ability of the government to prepare, prevent, respond and mitigate for a disaster.”</i>	7.4% (4)	0% (0)	5.3% (1)	11.8% (2)	0% (0)	7.1% (1)
ADAPTATION <i>“Having a motto of 'be flexible' and willingness to change before and after disaster.”</i>	3.7% (2)	0% (0)	5.3% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	7.1% (1)

Notes: Percentage of total responses reported with frequency of responses in parentheses. Responses categorized by primary theme by the author. Examples of responses given under each theme heading.
Source: Author's original survey of county emergency managers.

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