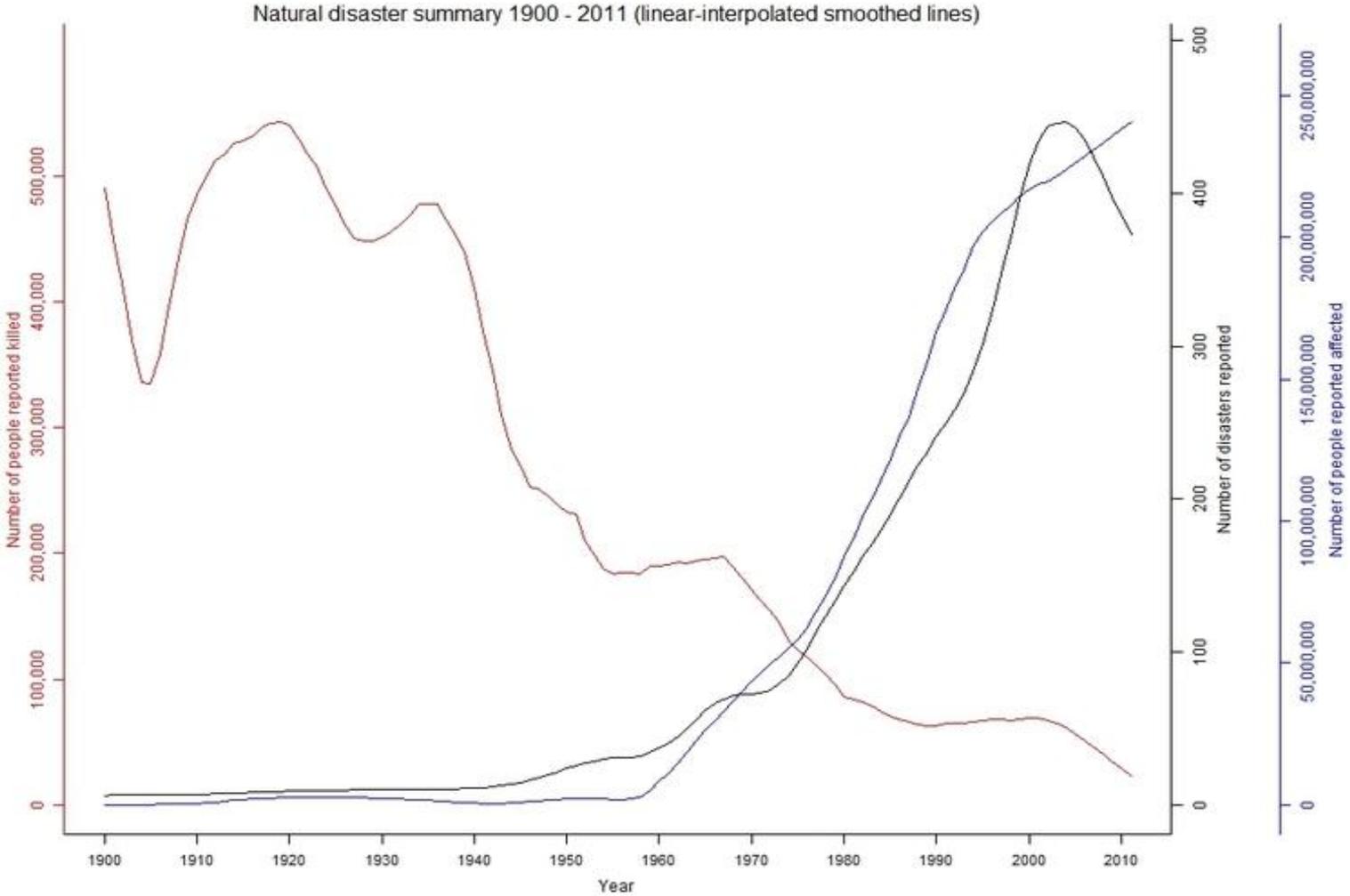


Compliance with Legal Frameworks in Disaster Management

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Increasing numbers affected by natural disasters...



EM-DAT: The OFDA/CRED International Disaster Database - www.emdat.be - Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels - Belgium

Normative Frameworks and Disasters

- Increased monitoring of existing international norms in disaster settings (e.g. international human rights law and standards)
- Development of new guidance for domestic legal and policy frameworks (e.g. 2007 Guidelines for the Domestic Facilitation and Regulation of International Disaster Relief and Initial Recovery Assistance)

Key Messages

Increasing risk to disaster management institutions: from increased **disaster risk** AND from **increased accountability demands**

- Compliance Patterns in Areas of Perceived High Disaster Risk:

Greater professionalisation

Greater scientific research

Protocolisation ('box-ticking' culture)

Blame avoidance

- Compliance Patterns in Areas of Perceived Low Disaster Risk:

Ad hocism

Considerable discretion provided to government actors

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