

Cause of Loss Information – Summary of Business Data

The following table contains the elements included in the Cause of Loss Summary of Business files that are available for download via the RMA Public Web Sit. The files are created in a comma delimited format.

The Format column specifies the maximum length and data type for each of the elements. A format of 9 indicates that the value can only be numeric, while a format of X can be alpha-numeric values. Decimal formats will include a V with the number of places to the right of the decimal specified to the left of the V, while the decimal precision is specified to the right of the V (e.g. 9(08)V9(02) would be 00000000.00). An S as the first character in the specification of format, indicates that the value in that element can contain negatives when applicable. The Logical Record Length (LRECL) is 243.

	Element Name	Column	Format	Description
1	Crop Year Identifier	1 – 4	9(04)	The identifier that represents the year in which the crop is normally harvested and indicates the policy year for which coverage was provided.
2	State Code	6 – 7	9(02)	The FIPS code that denotes the State in which the insured farm is located.
3	State Abbreviation	9 – 10	X(02)	USPS state abbreviation
4	County Code	12 – 14	9(03)	The FIPS code that denotes the County in which the insured farm is located.
5	County Name	16 – 50	X(35)	Name of the county.
6	Crop Code	52 – 55	9(04)	The Risk Management Agency (RMA) code that denotes the crop for which the policy is issued.
7	Crop Name	57 – 96	X(40)	Name of the crop
8	Insurance Plan Code	98 – 99	9(02)	Code that denotes the type of insurance coverage is selected for the insured crop (e.g.APH, Revenue, Dollar, etc.)
9	Insurance Plan Name Abbreviation	101 – 105	X(05)	Abbreviation of the Insurance Plan Name
10	Coverage Category	107	X(01)	Code that identifies the category of coverage elected : A = Buyup ; C = CAT
11	Stage Code	109 – 110	X(02)	See Stage Code Listing 1989-2009
12	Cause of Loss Code	112 – 113	9(02)	The RMA code that identifies the peril that caused the loss on the crop

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13	Cause of Loss Description	115 – 149	X(35)	Description of the cause of loss.
14	Month of Loss	151 – 152	9(02)	Month when the loss occurred
15	Policies Earning Premium	154 – 162	9(09)	Count of the number of crop policies with premium NOTE : Not available for years prior to 1989.
16	Policies Indemnified	164 – 172	9(09)	Count of the number of crop policies with a reported loss
17	Net Planted Acres	174 – 183	9(10)	Number of acres planted to the crop after the insured's share is applied.
18	Liability	185 – 196	9(12)	The maximum dollar amount of insurance for the crop
19	Total Premium	198 – 209	9(12)	Premium before application of any subsidies. In general, the base premium rates times liability (Also called the base premium)
20	Subsidy	211 – 222	9(12)	Amount of subsidized premium.
21	Indemnity Amount	224 – 235	9(12)	The total amount of the loss for the designated peril.
22	Loss Ratio	237 – 242	9(4)V9(02)	Calculated: Indemnity / Total Premium.