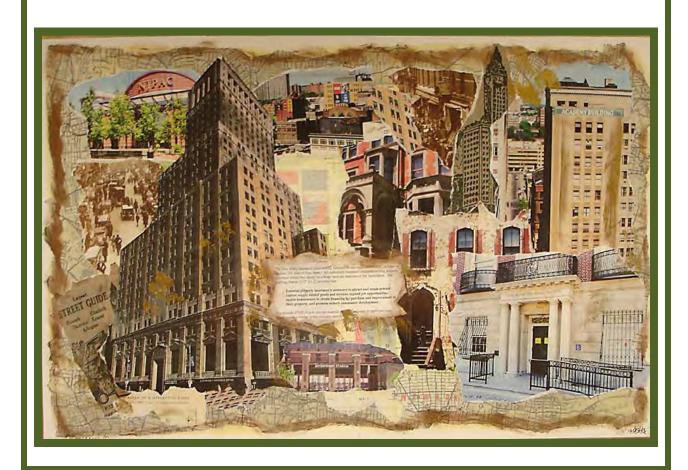
# **NJIUA**

New Jersey Insurance Underwriting Association

# 2011 Annual Report



The 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Report

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#### Message from the Chair and the President

#### Analysis of 2011 Financial Results

For the second consecutive year, the Association ended the year with an underwriting loss. Written premium declined 3.5% to \$11.3 million. Earned premium declined 6.8% to \$11.5 million and the number of policies-in-force declined by 1,301 to a new low of 18,707 policies.

In a more positive vein, underwriting expenses decreased by nearly \$900,000 and the Association expense ratio dropped 5.8 points to 43.5%. It is expected the deterioration in written premium will continue and even though the Association's expense ratio remains high, it is substantially lower than in prior years and reflects the significant cost reduction and staffing restructuring initiatives implemented in 2008 and 2010.

The number of new claims reported to the Association in 2011 increased by 549 or 57.4%. Of the 1,505 new claims reported, 627 or 41.6% resulted from one of the three catastrophes declared during the year with Hurricane Irene accounting for 594 or 94.7% of those claims. There were 14 large losses exceeding more than \$100,000 reported in 2011, two, fewer than reported in 2010. Claim and claim expenses incurred increased by \$960,000 or 12.8% and, as could be expected by the decline in earned premium and the increase in claim expenses, the loss ratio for the Association for 2011 increased by 12.8 points to a high of 73.4%.

The combined ratio for 2011 increased nearly 7 points to 116.9%. The Association's underwriting loss of \$1.8 million is \$935,000, nearly double the underwriting loss experienced in 2010. Investment income for this year was \$38,800 less than in 2010, offset slightly by income generated by installment fees.

The Association had a net loss of \$1.7 million in 2011 which is actually an improvement of more than \$500,000 over the net loss sustained in 2010.

Still, 2011 was a year in which the United States Property and Casualty industry reported the largest underwriting loss in more than five years and saw operating income fall sharply because of catastrophe related losses throughout the year. For NJIUA, written and earned premium volumes and numbers of policies-in-force, are at the lowest levels in the more than twenty years. The Association received more new claims in 2011 than at any time in the last 7 years.

#### 2011 Initiatives

The business objectives established by the Board of Directors for the Association in 2011 focused on the implementation of the expert underwriting system and process for dwelling fire new business, on the continued implementation of the Plan of Operation revised in 2009 and on the overhaul of the Association's disaster recovery program.

For the first three months of the year, Association managers and staff partnered with two high volume producers in the Camden area and successfully tested in a live environment the automated dwelling fire application, underwriting and policy issuance system and process. All New Jersey producers were invited to participate in a series of on-line webinars conducted by members of the Association Underwriting Department and to date more than 300 producers have accessed the producer web site to use the policy quick quote facility and more than 80 producers have used the new system to submit more than 425 applications. An on-line payment facility was implemented late in the year enabling producers to pay policy premiums via credit card or ACH transactions.

Members of the Claim Committee met in May to review the three claims remaining open for policy year 2008, found them to be adequately reserved and recommended to the Finance and Audit Committee that those reserves be moved to policy year 2009 and policy year 2008 closed. In June, the Finance Audit Committee met to review the recommendations of the Claim Committee. The final reconciliation of policy year 2008 indicated a \$1.2 million net gain, but subsequent policy years indicated potentially significant deficits occurring. For that reason, the Finance and Audit Committee recommended the Board not distribute the 2008 net gain to member companies and the funds held to offset the expected future losses. At the scheduled meeting in July, the Board approved the Finance and Audit Committee recommendation.

For the past five years, the Association relied heavily on two separate facilities managed by a single external vendor to provide disaster recovery services and support at a cost approaching \$50,000 annually. Advances in technology enabled the Associations IT Team to provide for those needs without deterioration in service and far more cost effectively with an expected annual savings of more than \$30,000. Where it could have taken up to 72 hours to restore operations and systems, only 1-3 hours are now required to enable Association employee's access to claims and policy systems and to be ready to meet the emergency needs of policyholders and claimants.

We are pleased to report that a technical audit of Association claim operations conducted by the PIPSO Claim Audit Team was completed in July and resulted in an overall rating of excellent. The auditors found no major issues with the handling of Association claims and cited the Claim Manager and two inside examiners for their expertise and management of external claim adjusting firms and the entire claim process.

As in past years, Association management worked with ISO to complete the annual analysis of Association rate adequacy. The Underwriting Committee reviewed the rate filing package and recommended filing for an overall rate increase of 3.1%. The Board concurred with the recommendation and the rate filing was approved as submitted by DOBI. Analysis of the 2011 catastrophe exposures, based on risk data submitted by the Association, was completed by Guy Carpenter and the results reviewed by the Underwriting Committee which recommended the Association not pursue additional risk transfer alternatives. The Board also concurred with that recommendation.

All things considered, this has been another productive year for the Association. We wish to extend our sincere appreciation to the managers and staff for their continued dedication and support.

We also wish to express sincere appreciation to Commissioner Considine, Director of Insurance, Doug Wheeler, and Assistant Commissioner of Property and Casualty Insurance, Bill Rader, DOBI's Board Representative, Mark Nussenfeld, and others at the Department of Banking and Insurance for their continued guidance and support. We offer our thanks to legal counsel Hugh Francis for his support and efforts on our behalf. Very special thanks and appreciation are expressed to all of the members of the Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, Jim Ayers, Vince Noggle, Tim Cronin, Michael Petersen and Bruce Hill for their invaluable assistance and direction of our business activities.

William W. Martin

Chair, Board of Directors, NJIUA

#### **Financial Highlights**

Year Ending December 31, (Unaudited)

	(Unaud	ited)
	2011	2010
PREMIUM WRITTEN	\$11,338,579	\$11,755,032
PREMIUMS EARNED	11,500,990	12,342,212
LOSSES INCURRED	7,023,777	5,830,277
CLAIM EXPENSES INCURRED	1,420,198	1,653,636
EXPENSES INCURRED	4,935,813	5,802,273
UNDERWRITING LOSS	(1,878,798)	(943,975)
ADD NET INVESTMENT GAIN	78,058	116,858
*TOTAL OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE) SEE NOTE BELOW:	20,892	(1,460,462)
NET OPERATING LOSS	(\$1,779,848)	(\$2,287,578)
LOSS RATIO	73.42%	60.64%
EXPENSE RATIO	43.53%	49.36%
COMBINED RATIO	116.95%	110.00%

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Note: In July 2010, the Association initiated a major realignment of its organizational structure and processes. Underwriting expenses incurred include \$1,477,831 of restructuring charges related to curtailment costs associated with our pension plan and post retirement benefit obligation.

#### Statements of Admitted Assets, Liabilities and Members' Deficit - Statutory Basis

As at December 31,

	(Unaudited)	
	2011	2010
Admitted assets		
Cash and invested assets:		
Bonds	\$523,255	\$525,586
Equity securities	483,152	432,964
Cash and short-term investments	9,215,391	10,450,591
Total cash and invested assets	10,221,798	11,409,141
Accrued investment income	15,822	25,047
EDP equipment	18,549	21,654
Premiums receivable	154,594	153,406
Total admitted assets	\$10,410,763	\$11,609,248
Liabilities and members' deficit		
Liabilities:		
Unpaid losses	\$2,884,548	\$2,021,482
Unpaid loss adjustment expenses	$492,\!508$	426,745
Unearned premiums	5,718,239	5,880,650
Advance premiums	232,911	254,377
Amounts withheld for others	353,547	699,357
Accrued expenses	211,065	209,510
Other liabilities	146,229	306,459
Claims checks payable	32,625	12,779
Premium taxes and filing fees payable	41,164	40,157
Postretirement benefits	4,530,009	4,333,204
Defined pension plan benefits	676,614	
Total liabilities	\$15,319,459	\$14,184,720
Members' deficit	(4,908,696)	(2,575,472)
Total liabilities and members' deficit	\$10,410,763	\$11,609,248

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#### Statements of Operations and Changes in Members' Deficit - Statutory Basis

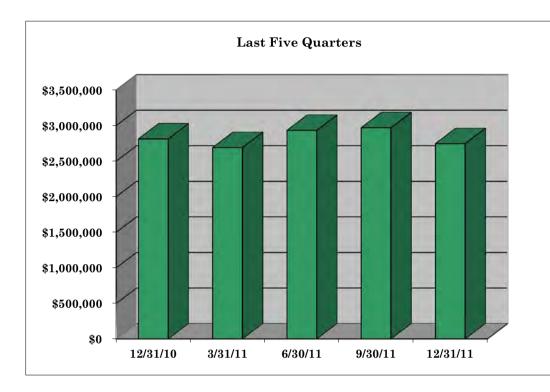
Twelve Months Ending December 31,

	(Unaudited)	
	2011	2010
Underwriting income:		
Net premiums written	\$11,338,579	\$11,755,032
Change in unearned premiums	162,411	587,180
Total underwriting income	11,500,990	12,342,212
Underwriting expenses:		
Losses incurred	7,023,777	5,830,277
LAE incurred	1,420,198	1,653,636
Commissions	986,145	1,032,077
Other underwriting expenses	3,897,565	4,725,975
Premium taxes and filing fees	52,103	44,222
Total underwriting expenses	13,379,788	13,286,186
Net underwriting loss	(1,878,798)	(943,975)
Other (expense) income	20,892	(1,460,462)
Net investment income	78,058	116,858
Net loss	(1,779,848)	(2,287,578)
Members' deficit at beginning of year	(2,575,472)	(30,281)
Change in nonadmitted assets	122,281	(1,169,193)
Change in pension obligation	(676,614)	929,703
Change in net unrealized capital gains (losses)	957	(18,123)
Members' deficit at end of year	(\$4,908,696)	(\$2,575,472)

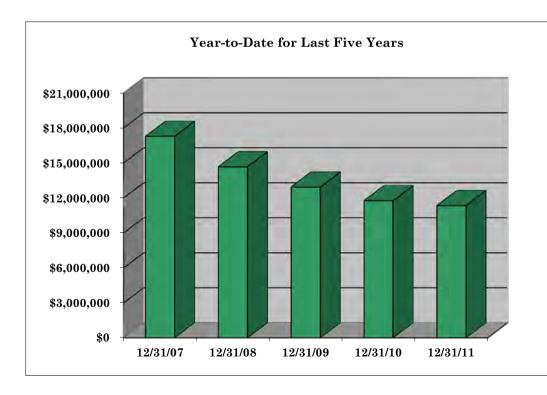
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The restructuring charges noted above primarily relate to curtailment costs associated with our pension plan and post retirement benefit obligation.

#### Written Premium - All Lines



Quarter Ending		
12/31/10	\$2,812,316	
3/31/11	2,690,815	
6/30/11	2,932,379	
9/30/11	2,969,285	
12/31/11	\$2,746,100	

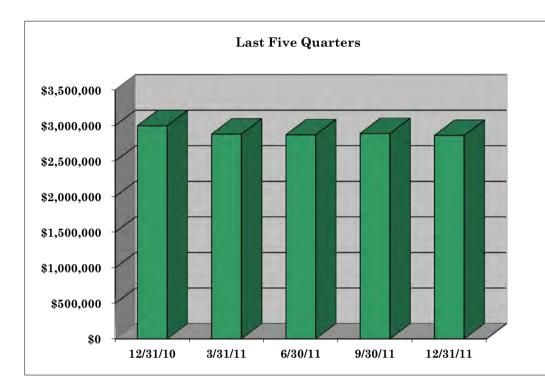


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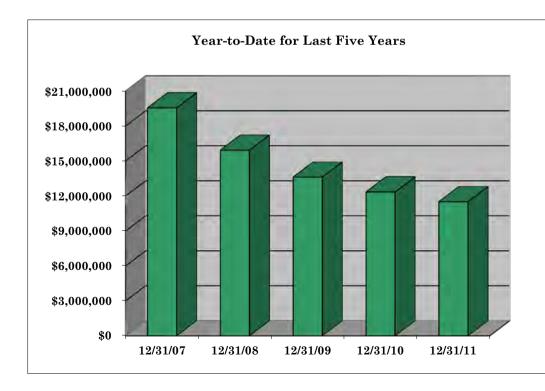
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Written Premium

#### Earned Premium - All Lines



<b>Quarter Ending</b>		
12/31/10	\$2,997,275	
3/31/11	2,880,147	
6/30/11	2,870,163	
9/30/11	2,888,657	
12/31/11	\$2,862,023	



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#### 12/31/07 \$19,546,272 12/31/08 15,922,954 12/31/09 13,614,752

Period Ending

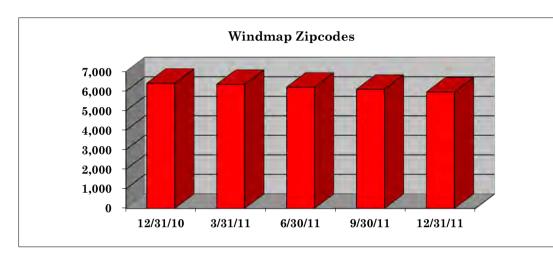
12/31/10 12,342,212

12/31/11 \$11,500,990

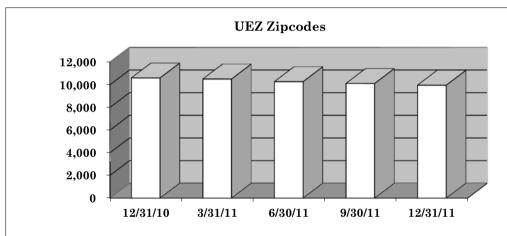
Earned Premium

#### In-Force Policies by Territory - All Lines

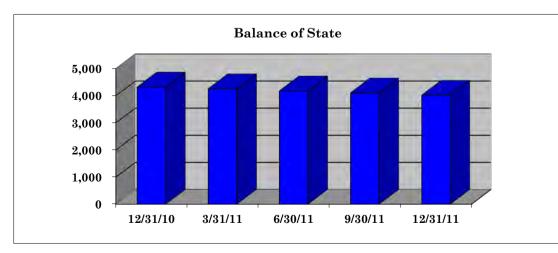
Last Five Quarters



<b>Quarter Ending</b>		
12/31/10	6,406	
3/31/11	6,349	
6/30/11	6,207	
9/30/11	6,093	
12/31/11	5,958	



Quarter E	Ending
12/31/10	10,603
3/31/11	10,511
6/30/11	10,278
9/30/11	10,117
12/31/11	9,963

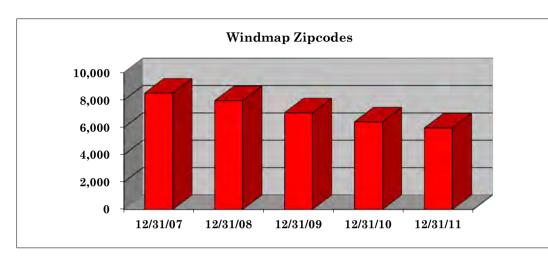


Quarter Ending		
12/31/10	4,320	
3/31/11	4,258	
6/30/11	4,177	
9/30/11	4,106	
12/31/11	4,019	

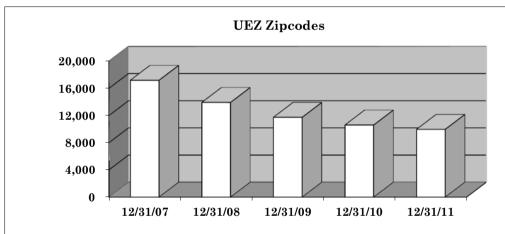
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#### In-Force Policies by Territory - All Lines

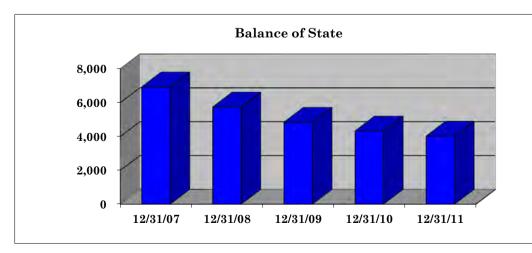
Last Five Years



<b>Period Ending</b>		
12/31/07	8,507	
12/31/08	7,949	
12/31/09	7,067	
12/31/10	6,406	
12/31/11	5,958	



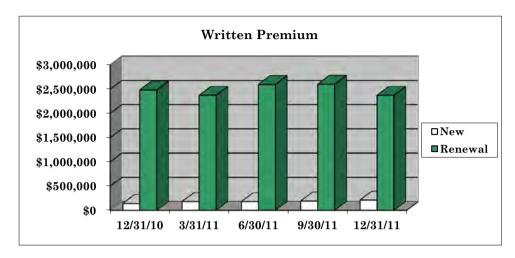
Period Ending		
12/31/07	17,183	
12/31/08	13,930	
12/31/09	11,731	
12/31/10	10,603	
12/31/11	9,963	



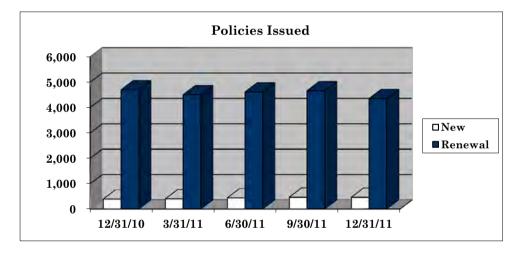
Period En	ding
12/31/07	6,922
12/31/08	5,741
12/31/09	4,834
12/31/10	4,320
12/31/11	4,019
12/31/09 12/31/10	4,834 4,320

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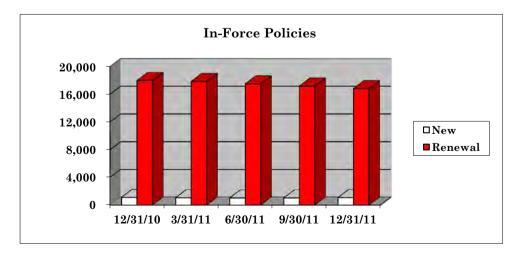
#### **Dwelling Business**



_	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	\$141,826	\$2,483,916
3/31/11	181,634	2,372,434
6/30/11	180,587	2,596,602
9/30/11	193,270	2,601,851
12/31/11	\$211,815	\$2,372,217

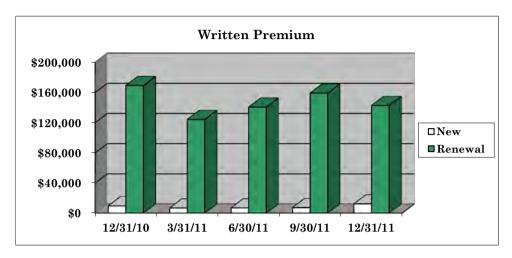


_	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	<u>Renewal</u>
12/31/10	394	4,701
3/31/11	404	4,505
6/30/11	442	4,615
9/30/11	467	4,663
12/31/11	463	4,351

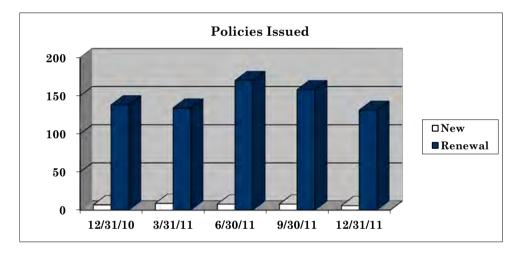


_	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	1,110	17,989
3/31/11	1,059	17,848
6/30/11	1,031	17,496
9/30/11	1,044	17,177
12/31/11	1,080	16,819

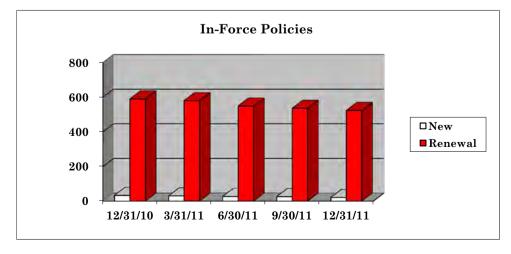
#### **Commercial Business**



	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	\$9,623	\$169,059
3/31/11	6,710	124,098
6/30/11	6,830	140,492
9/30/11	7,289	159,056
12/31/11	\$12,226	\$142,689

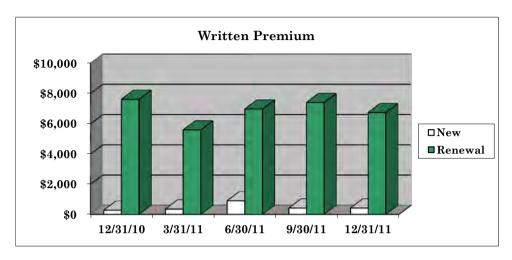


_	Quarter Ending	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	7	138
3/31/11	9	134
6/30/11	8	170
9/30/11	8	158
12/31/11	6	131

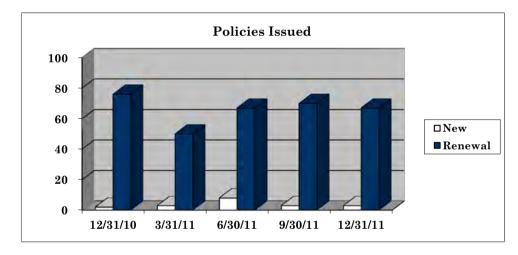


_	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	33	590
3/31/11	30	580
6/30/11	27	549
9/30/11	26	536
12/31/11	21	523

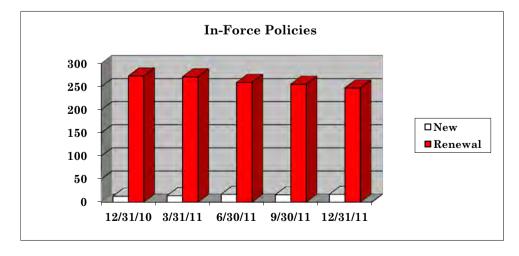
#### **Crime Business**



	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	\$280	\$7,612
3/31/11	355	5,584
6/30/11	902	6,966
9/30/11	420	7,399
12/31/11	\$420	\$6,733



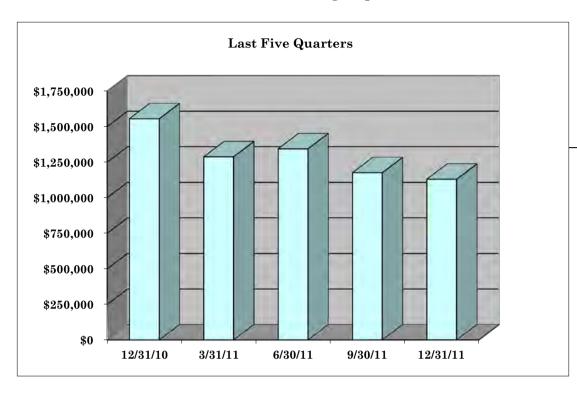
_	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	2	76
3/31/11	3	50
6/30/11	8	67
9/30/11	3	70
12/31/11	3	67



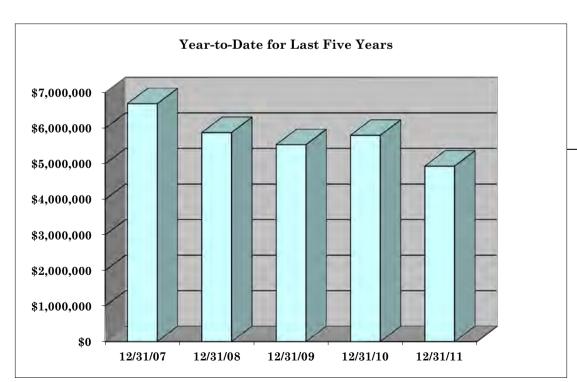
_	Quarter Ending	
	New	Renewal
12/31/10	13	273
3/31/11	14	271
6/30/11	17	259
9/30/11	16	255
12/31/11	17	247

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#### **Underwriting Expenses Incurred**



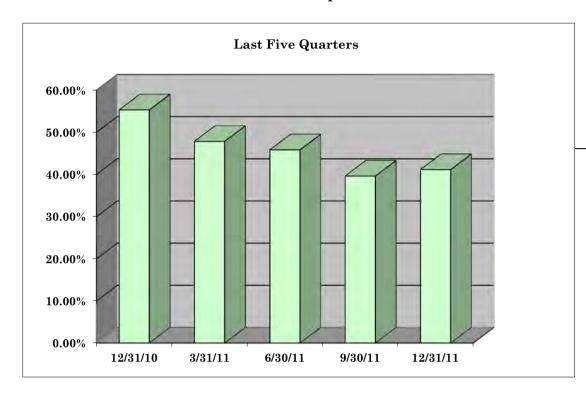
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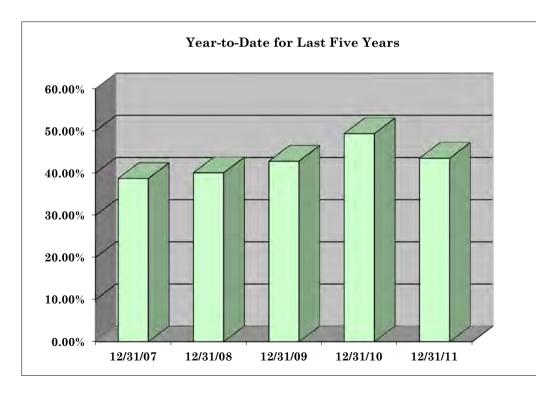
#### Period Ending

12/31/07 \$6,690,405 12/31/08 5,878,897 12/31/09 5,536,843 12/31/10 5,802,273 12/31/11 \$4,935,813

#### **Expense Ratio**

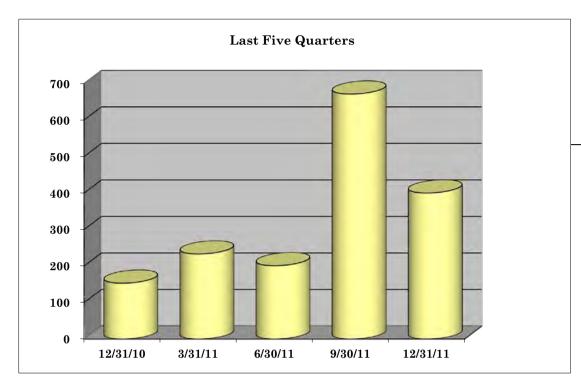


<b>Quarter Ending</b>	
12/31/10	55.28%
3/31/11	47.83%
6/30/11	45.81%
9/30/11	39.59%
12/31/11	41.14%

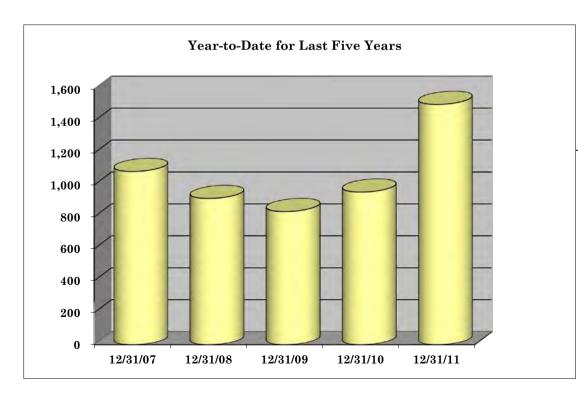


Period Ending	
12/31/07	38.72%
12/31/08	40.08%
12/31/09	42.82%
12/31/10	49.36%
12/31/11	43.53%

#### Number of New Claims Reported

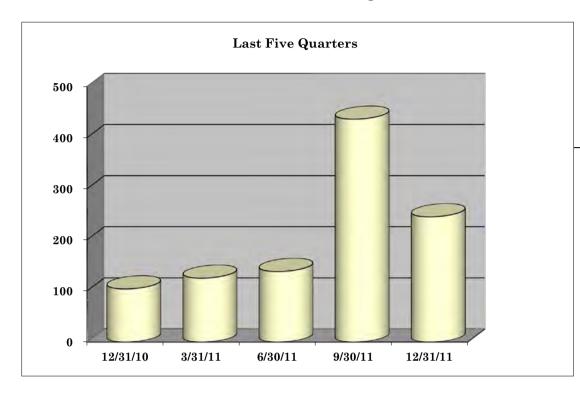


<b>Quarter Ending</b>				
12/31/10	153			
3/31/11	233			
6/30/11	201			
9/30/11	671			
12/31/11	400			

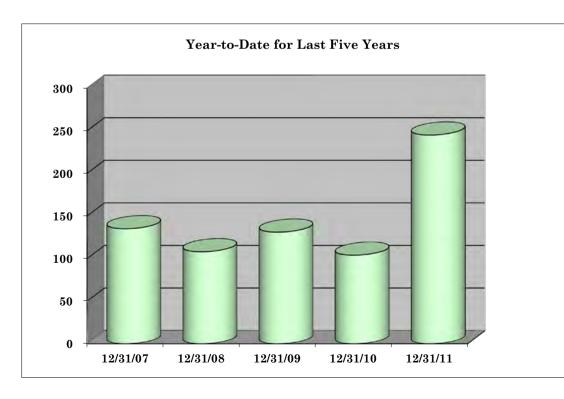


Period Ending				
12/31/07	1,085			
12/31/08	916			
12/31/09	834			
12/31/10	956			
12/31/11	1,505			

#### **Number of Open Claims**



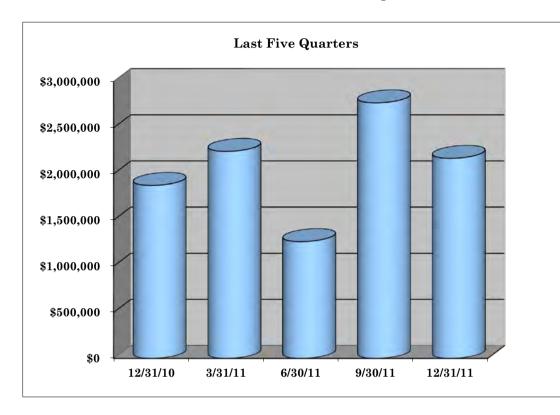
<b>Quarter Ending</b>				
12/31/10	104			
3/31/11	125			
6/30/11	138			
9/30/11	436			
12/31/11	245			



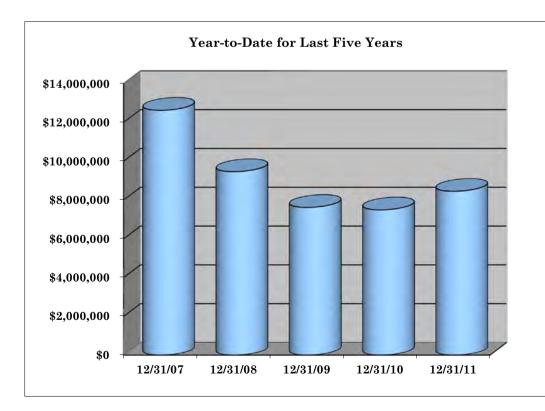
Period Ending			
12/31/07	135		
12/31/08	108		
12/31/09	131		
12/31/10	104		
12/31/11	245		

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#### Claims & Claim Expenses Incurred

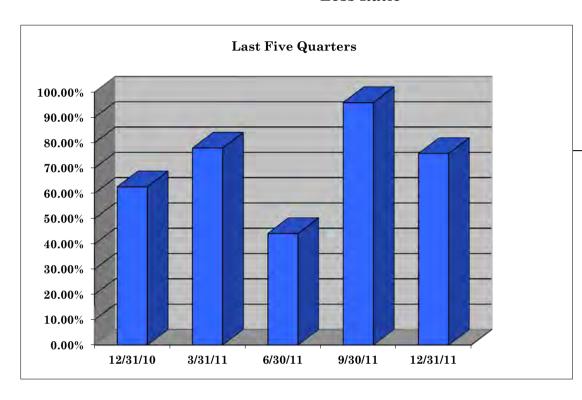


Period Ending					
12/31/10	\$1,874,064				
3/31/11	2,242,773				
6/30/11	1,265,080				
9/30/11	2,768,701				
12/31/11	\$2,167,419				

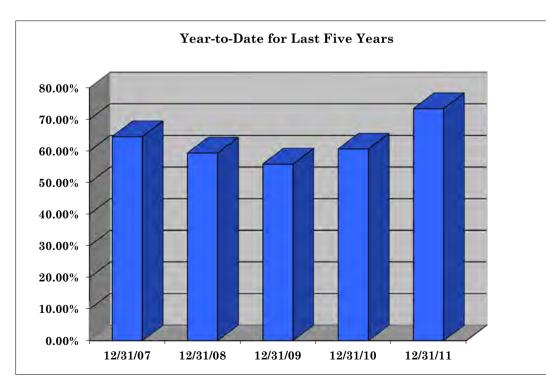


# Period Ending 12/31/07 \$12,616,581 12/31/08 9,453,490 12/31/09 7,611,870 12/31/10 7,483,913 12/31/11 \$8,443,975

**Loss Ratio** 



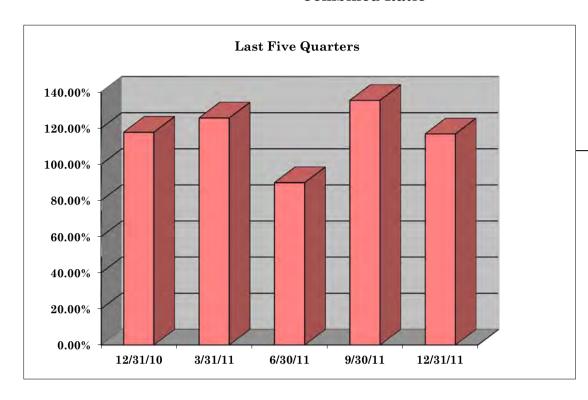
<b>Quarter Ending</b>				
12/31/10	62.53%			
3/31/11	77.87%			
6/30/11	44.08%			
9/30/11	95.85%			
12/31/11	75.73%			



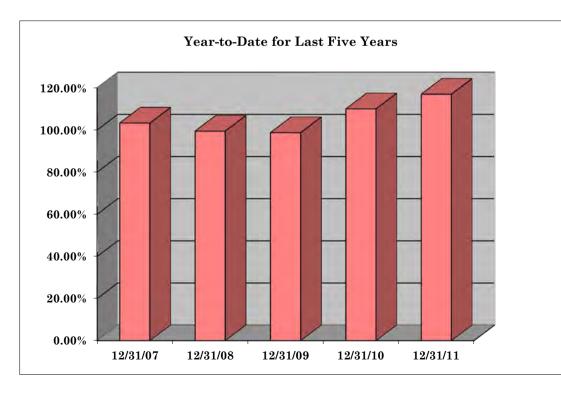
Period Ending				
12/31/07	64.55%			
12/31/08	59.37%			
12/31/09	55.91%			
12/31/10	60.64%			
12/31/11	73.42%			

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#### **Combined Ratio**



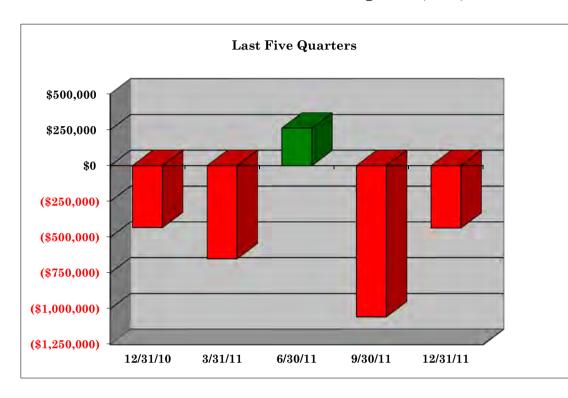
Quarter Ending					
12/31/10	117.81%				
3/31/11	125.70%				
6/30/11	89.89%				
9/30/11	135.44%				
12/31/11	116.87%				



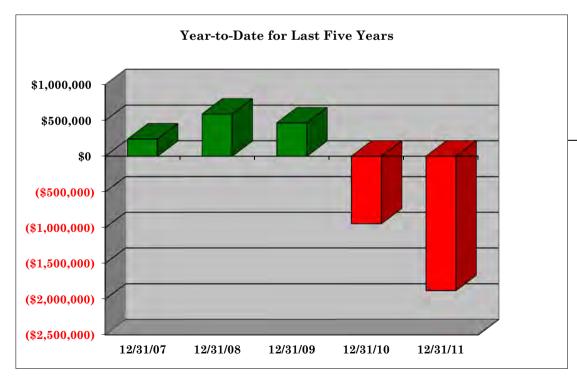
Period Ending				
12/31/07	103.27%			
12/31/08	99.45%			
12/31/09	98.73%			
12/31/10	110.00%			
12/31/11	116.95%			

21 Combined Ratio

#### **Underwriting Gain (Loss)**



# Quarter Ending 12/31/10 (\$431,514) 3/31/11 (649,743) 6/30/11 261,772 9/30/11 (1,055,639) 12/31/11 (\$435,188)



# Period Ending 12/31/07 \$239,286 12/31/08 590,567 12/31/09 466,039 12/31/10 (943,975) 12/31/11 (\$1,878,798)

New Jersey Insurance Underwriting Association

### Policies Issued by Line of Business

<u>Dwellii</u>	ng Business	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	New	1,776	1,717	2,292	3,723	5,255
	Renewal	18,134	20,108	22,731	26,488	31,683
	Total	19,910	21,825	25,023	30,211	36,938
Comme	ercial Busine	<u>ss</u>				
	New	31	40	52	67	114
	Renewal	593	660	771	923	1,129
	Total	624	700	823	990	1,243
<u>Crime Business</u>						
	New	17	13	21	108	40
	Renewal	254	277	336	313	393
	Total	271	290	357	421	433
<u>All Lines</u>						
	New	1,824	1,770	2,365	3,898	5,409
	Renewal	18,981	21,045	23,838	27,724	33,205
	Total	20,805	22,815	26,203	31,622	38,614

23 Policies Issued

### **Applications Received by Line of Business**

<u>Dwelli</u>	ng Business	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	2007
	New	1,931	2,151	2,597	3,822	5,617
	Renewal	19,515	21,333	24,339	27,524	31,898
	Total	21,446	23,484	26,936	31,346	37,515
Commo	ercial Busines	<u>ss</u>				
	New	47	51	58	75	141
	Renewal	766	754	885	933	1,177
	Total	813	805	943	1,008	1,318
<u>Crime Business</u>						
	New	23	17	38	132	47
	Renewal	320	329	356	328	411
	Total	343	346	394	460	458
All Lines						
	New	2,001	2,219	2,693	4,029	5,805
	Renewal	20,601	22,416	25,580	28,785	33,486
	Total	22,602	24,635	28,273	32,814	39,291

#### **Claim Information**

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
New Claims Reported	1,505	956	834	916	1,085
Large Losses (+ \$100k)	14	16	22	26	44
Catastrophe Losses	627	259	0	79	147
Arson Losses	0	8	10	2	8
Paid Losses	\$6,161,000	\$6,842,000	\$6,657,000	\$8,808,000	\$13,018,000
Case Reserves	\$2,438,000	\$1,526,000	\$2,594,000	\$1,670,000	\$3,207,000
Loss Exp. Paid	\$1,354,000	\$1,611,000	\$1,218,000	\$1,393,000	\$1,464,000
Loss Exp. Reserves	\$493,000	\$427,000	\$384,000	\$434,000	\$463,000
IBNR Reserves	\$447,000	\$496,000	\$439,000	\$1,575,000	\$758,000

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