

Opinion Survey

Indicate your opinion for each of the items listed below by drawing a circle around the appropriate category. This is not a test; your answers will only be seen by you.

1. A major problem community officials confront when faced with a natural disaster is controlling the panic of people fleeing the danger area.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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2. Looting commonly occurs after the impact of natural disasters.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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3. Martial Law has been instituted in disaster areas in the United States.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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4. The crime rate of a community usually rises after it has experienced a natural disaster.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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5. When warned of an impending disaster, most people are quick to evacuate the threatened area.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
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6. Immediately after the impact of a disaster, most victims are in a state of shock and unable to cope with the situation themselves.

Strongly
Agree

Agree

Uncertain

Disagree

Strongly
Disagree

Source: Adapted from Dennis E. Wenger, Charles E. Faupel and Thomas F. James. 1980. *Disaster Beliefs and Emergency Planning*. Newark, Delaware: Disaster Research Project, University of Delaware, p. 48.