

First Disaster Research Centers

National Opinion Research Center (NORC); 1950 – 1954

- A. University of Chicago
- B. Charles E. Fritz, Director
- C. Comparative studies, e.g., tornado in Northeast Arkansas, 3 plane crashed in Elizabeth, New Jersey, earthquake in Bakersfield, California

National Academy of Sciences (NAS); 1952 – present

- A. Washington, D.C.
- B. Charles E. Fritz, staff member, 1954 – 1959; 1971 – 1982
- C. Linked researchers to funding
- D. Extensive publication series
- E. Promoted policy applications

Disaster Research Center (DRC); 1963 – present

- A. Founded by: E.L. Quarantelli, R.R. Dynes, and J.E. Haas
- B. Ohio State University, 1963 – 1985
- C. University of Delaware; 1985 – present
- D. Specialized library and data archives
- E. Post-disaster field teams

Natural Hazards Research and Applications Information Center (NHRAIC); 1975 – present

- A. Founded by: Gilbert F. White and J.E. Haas
- B. University of Colorado
- C. Information dissemination program, e.g., annual workshop
- D. Coordinates funding of “Quick Response Studies”