

Cause of Loss Information 1989-2000 – Indemnities With Month of Loss

The following table contains the elements included in the Cause of Loss Indemnities Only files that are available for download via the RMA Public Web Site. The files are created in a pipe (|) 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.

	Element Name	Column	Format	Description
1	Commodity Year	1 – 4	9(04)	The identifier that represents the year in which the commodity is normally harvested and indicates the policy year for which coverage was provided.
2	Locations State Code	6 – 7	9(02)	The FIPS code that denotes the State in which the insured farm is located.
3	Location State Abbreviation	9 – 10	X(02)	USPS state abbreviation
4	Location County Code	12 – 14	9(03)	The FIPS code that denotes the County in which the insured farm is located.
5	Location County Name	16 – 50	X(35)	Name of the county.
6	Commodity Code	52 – 55	9(04)	The Risk Management Agency (RMA) code that denotes the commodity for which the policy is issued.
7	Commodity Name	57 – 96	X(40)	Name of the commodity insured
8	Insurance Plan Code	98 – 99	9(02)	Code that denotes the type of insurance coverage is selected for the insured commodity (e.g.APH, Revenue, Dollar, etc.)
9	Insurance Plan Abbreviation	101 – 105	X(05)	Abbreviation of the Insurance Plan Name
10	Stage Code	107 – 108	X(02)	See Stage Code Listing 1989-2009
11	Damage Cause Code	110 – 111	9(02)	The RMA code that identifies the peril that caused the loss on the commodity
12	Damage Cause Description	113 – 147	X(35)	Description of the cause of the loss.
13	Month of Loss	149 – 150	9(02)	Numeric representation of the month of the loss
14	Month of Loss Abbreviation	152 – 154	X(03)	Abbreviation for the name of the month of the loss.
15	Indemnity Amount	156 – 167	9(12)	The total amount of the loss for the designated peril.