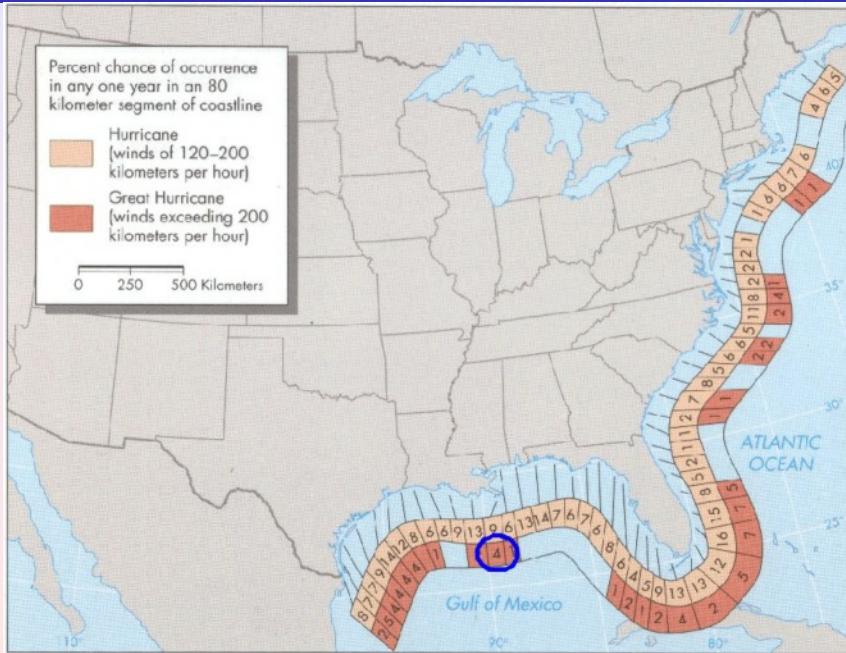


Flooding from Hurricane Katrina

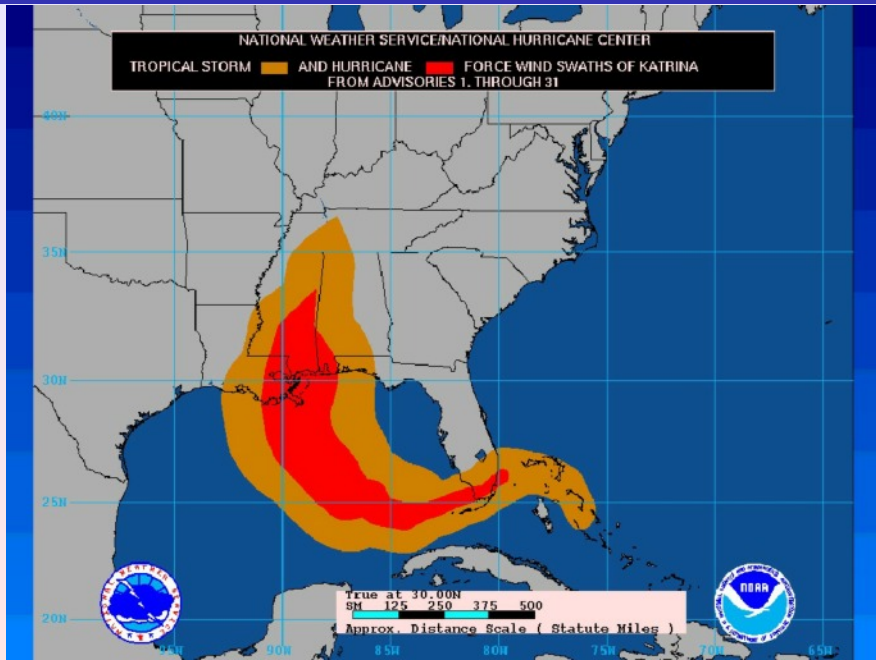
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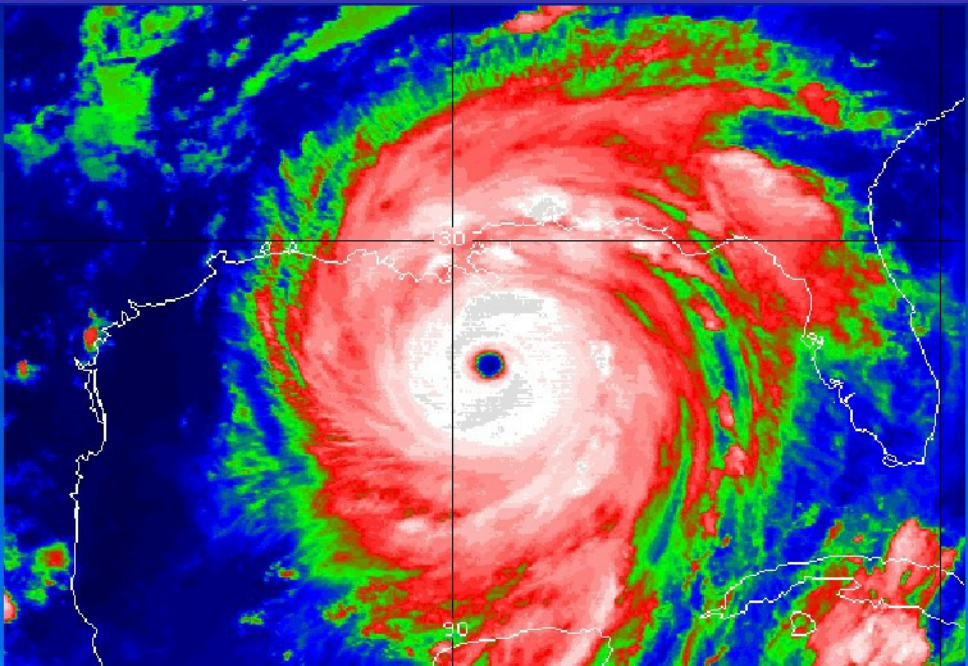
Long-term prediction



Short-term prediction



Satellite image



Warnings

On August 28, the National Weather Service in Slidell, Louisiana issued a bulletin predicting "devastating" damage rivaling the intensity of Hurricane Camille.[4] Mandatory evacuations were issued for large areas of southeast Louisiana as well as coastal Mississippi and Alabama.

Mandatory Evacuation

Ignored warnings

Documents Show Katrina Warnings Ignored



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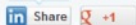
Documents released today by Congress show that two days before Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, the White House received detailed damage forecasts from Homeland Security officials predicting that the city's levees might be overtopped or breached.

Yet in the days after the storm struck on Aug. 29, federal officials, including President Bush, said the levee breaches could not have been foreseen.

Embattled former FEMA Director Michael Brown said, "I think we were all taken aback by the fact that the levees did break in so many places and caused such widespread devastation."

Homeland Security Director Michael Chertoff said, "I will tell you that really that perfect storm of combination of catastrophes exceeded the foresight of the planners and maybe anybody's foresight."

And on Sept. 1, Bush told "Good Morning America": "I don't think anyone anticipated the breach of the levees" that flooded New Orleans.



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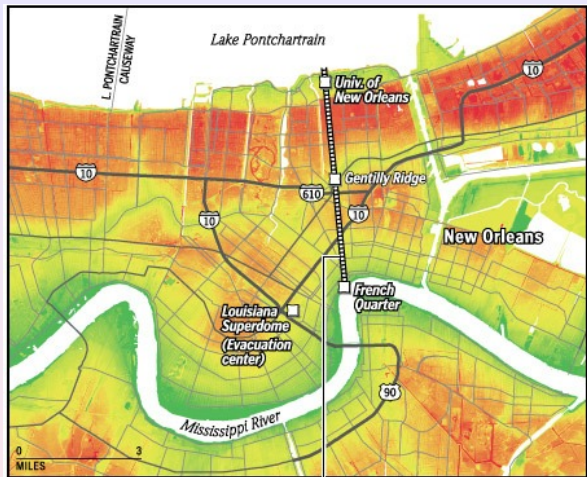
When I came to class on Monday

“It looks like New Orleans
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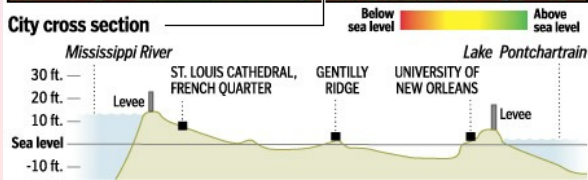
Monday night, the levees fail



The bowl fills



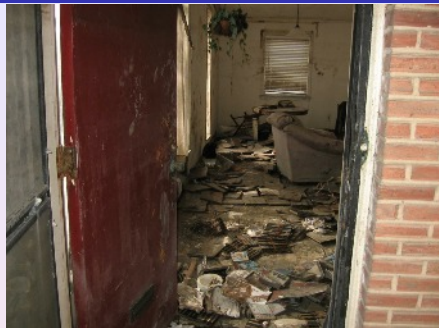
City cross section



My neighborhood



My house



It's worth rebuilding

