Construction Practices Recommended by FORTIFIEDTM

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Hazard Resilient Building Workshop

AGENDA

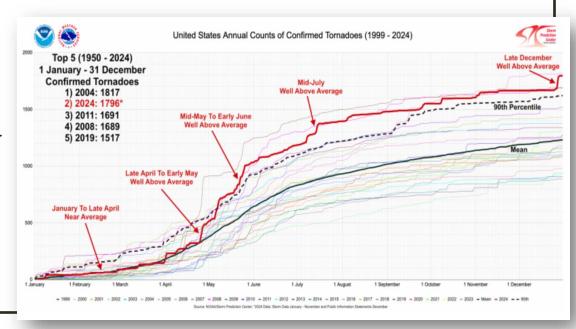
- ☐ FORTIFIED Program Overview
- ☐ FORTIFIED Standards
- □ Upfront Cost vs ROI

Disaster Impact

Tornado damage statistics (2024–2025)

- **2024**
 - 1700+ tornadoes, second-highest since 1950
 - Oklahoma had the most 152
 - 50+ deaths
 - \$182 billion total losses
- **2025**
 - 60+ deaths from tornadoes by mid-year

Insurance industry losses and premium increases



Intangible Impact

Affects Quality of Life

- Psychological stress and trauma response
- Recovery complexity following storm damage
- Asset depreciation and market volatility

Threats to Communities

- Emergency response capacity strain
- Extended infrastructure restoration period
- Instability in the insurance market



FORTIFIEDTM Program

"FORTIFIED is a voluntary construction and re-roofing Program designed to strengthen **homes and commercial buildings** against specific types of severe weather such as high winds, hail, hurricanes and even tornadoes."

- Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS) foundation
 - FORTIFIED Roof
 - FORTIFIED Silver
 - FORTIFIED Gold



FORTIFIEDTM Standards

FORTIFIED Roof

- Stronger edges (wider drip edge, fully adhered starter strip)
- Sealed roof deck
- Better attachment (ring-shank nails in enhanced pattern)
- Impact-resistant shingles (Class 4 rating)

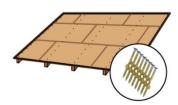




Reinforced Edges



Sealed Deck



More Fasteners



Impact Resistant Shingles



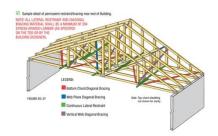
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FORTIFIED Silver

- All FORTIFIED Roof requirements
- Structural bracing for gable ends, chimneys, attached structures
- Stronger garage door requirements











Pressure Rated Garage Door



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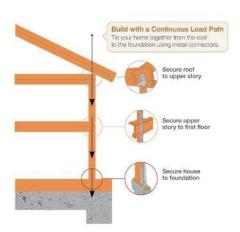
FORTIFIED Gold

- All previous levels included
- Engineered continuous load path
- Complete structural system integration



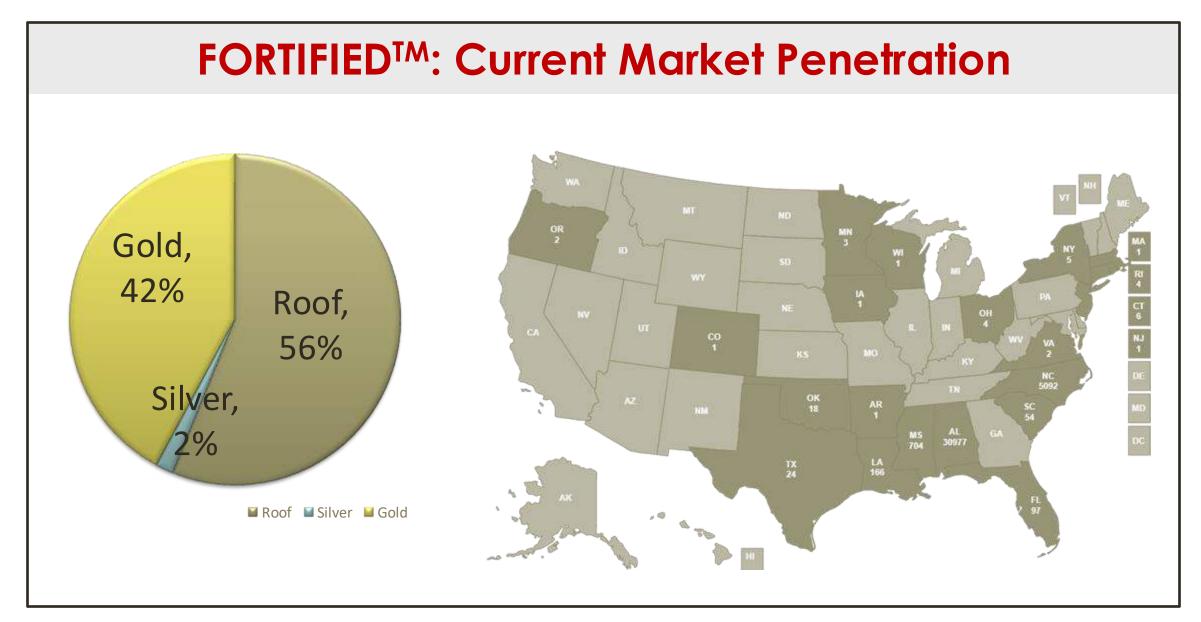






Engineered Load Path







Upfront Cost

Construction Cost Breakdown

■ FORTIFIED Roof: 1.1-1.3% of home value

■ FORTIFIED Silver: 1.6-1.9% of home value

■ FORTIFIED Gold: 2.25-2.8% of home value

House	Base Sale Price	Fortified Roof cost	%	Fortified Silver cost	%	Fortified Gold cost	%
1 – 1806 SF	\$274,395	\$2,821.92	1.03	\$4,481.92	1.63	\$6,681.92	2.4
2 – 2,026 SF	\$357,125	\$3,756.92	1.05	\$5,416.92	1.52	\$7,627.28	2.14
3 – 2,343 SF	\$432,430	\$4,133.20	1.00	\$5,793.20	1.34	\$8,003.56	1.85
Average			1.1		1.6		2.25

Additional Upfront Cost Consideration

- Cost Variables by Home Size
 - Economies of scale for larger homes
 - Regional material and labor cost variations
 - Seasonal pricing considerations
- Additional Costs
 - Initial inspection fees (\$\$)
 - Required inspections every 5 years
 - Certification and documentation costs



Savings & Benefits Analysis

Insurance Premium Discounts

- Discount ranges (3%-42% based on 2022 study)
- Reality check: actual vs. advertised discounts

ROI Analysis

- FORTIFIED Roof: Break-even 6-9 years
- FORTIFIED Silver: Break-even 7-11 years
- FORTIFIED Gold: Break-even 7-12 years

Barriers to Adoption

Awareness Gap

- Updated insurance agent survey results
- Consumer education needs
- Marketing and outreach challenges

Market Realities

- Oklahoma roof replacement cycle
- Competing priorities of homeowners
- Limited certified inspectors
- Contractor training needs



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