

Chapter 13.
Property and Liability
Insurance



Chapter Objectives

- To understand the foundations of insurance
- To learn the primary components of the homeowners' and auto insurance packages
- To learn how to evaluate your auto and home insurance needs
- To be able to find and fill any gaps in your homeowners' and auto coverage



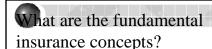
What is risk?

- Two types of risks
 - Speculative risk
 - · opportunity for both gain and loss
 - Pure risk
 - only the opportunity of loss as the result of accidental circumstances



How to manage pure risks?

- Risk reduction: burglar alarms
- Risk avoidance: avoid smoking
- Risk retention: take earthquake risk
- Risk transfer: buy insurance

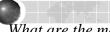


- Pooling of risk
 - Group members share the cost of the insurance reserve by paying a premium.
- Adverse selection
 - Tendency for those with higher than average risk to seek or continue insurance coverage
- Insurable Interest
 - An interest in which you can experience financial loss and for which you can purchase insurance
- Underwriting
 - Process of selecting and classifying risk exposure
- Indemnification
 - Restoration of the financial state that existed before you incurred a loss



Homeowners' Policies

- What kinds of risks are covered? Two types
 - All risk coverage covers all risks that are not specifically excluded in the policy
 - Named perils coverage covers only risks that are specifically mentioned
- How much will be reimbursed if loss occurs?Two types
 - Replacement cost -amount needed to replace new for old, with no deduction for depreciation
 - Actual cash value market value, equal to replacement cost less depreciation.



What are the major policy clauses?

- Replacement Cost Provision
 - If you insure less than 80% of the total value of your house, then the reimbursement amount is reduced.
- Inflation Guard Endorsement
 - Increases face amount of dwelling protection to reflect rising market prices
- Deductible Clause
 - Limits payments to damages that exceed a given dollar loss
- Mortgage Clause
 - Insurance payments for structural damage are made to the mortgage holder
- Other Insurance and Apportionment Clause
 Prevents insured from collecting more than 100% of the loss
- Subrogation Clause
 - Places your right to sue for recovery after the insurer's

What are the different types of coverage?

- Property Coverage
 - loss of dwelling unit and personal belongings, such as fire damage
- Liability Coverage
 - protection from the financial harm your negligence causes others, such as somebody falling and getting injured while walking on your slippery driveway

What are the details of property coverage?

- Coverage A Dwelling Protection
- Coverage B Appurtenant Structures
 - such as a storage shed
- Coverage C Contents Unscheduled
 - **Personal Property**
- Coverage D Loss of Use such as hotel
 - expenses when the house is
 - being repaired



Here is an example of property coverage for a \$100,000 face amount

Dwelling	\$100,000
Appurtenant structure (10%)	\$10,000
Unscheduled property	
On premises (50%)	\$50,000
Off premises (5%)	\$5,000
Additional living expenses (20%)	\$20,000
Total coverage	\$185,000

What are usually excluded from property loss coverage?

- articles in a floater
- animals, birds, or fish
- motorized land vehicles
- aircraft and parts
- property of roomers, boarders and tenants
- property of apartment rented to others
- business records and equipment
- credit cards and fund transfer cards

What are the details of liability coverage?

- Coverage E Personal Liability
 - up to limits, provides protection against legally obligated expenses for bodily injury and property damage -\$300,000 minimum coverage is recommended
- Coverage F Medical Payments Coverage
 - small amount of medical coverage to insure prompt attention to bodily injury of others - Most policies limit this to \$500-\$1000 per person



What are excluded from the liability coverage?

- Slander and libel
- Business related liabilities
- Automobile related liabilities

How to deal with risks excluded from a standard policy? -Specialized Insurance

- Endorsement an amendment, extending or changing the underlying insurance coverage
 - Examples: replacement cost coverage endorsement on personal property, inflation guard endorsement, small business pursuit endorsement
- ♣ Floater contains scheduled property; property described in terms of type, quality, and value
 ➡ Examples: wedding ring, a valuable collection
- Umbrella Policy extends limits on an underlying homeowners' policy and a family auto policy



- Flood Insurance federally guaranteed insurance sold through private insurance companies.
 - Price set by the government
 - If you home is in a Special Flood Hazard Area, your mortgage lender will require flood insurance
 - Visit http://www.fema.gov/nfip/answe2d.shtm for more information
- Earthquake Insurance high premium and high deductible. But you need to have it if you live in an earthquake hazard area.
 - Visit http://quake.wr.usgs.gov/prepare/factsheets/RiskMaps/ to check earthquake risk in your area
 - Visit the California Earthquake Authority to look up rates http://www.earthquakeauthority.com/rates/rates.html#top



How to select homeowners' insurance?

- Step 1 Determine needed amount and coverage 80% of market value is common
- Step 2 Determine the type of needed insurance
- Step 3 Shop around: talk to a insurance broker or several insurers and compare prices, get information

the web: visit INSWEB and Yahoo

- Step 4 Check out the insurance company
- Step 5 After purchase, annually review your insurance needs

For some comparison information on Homeowner's insurance in Utah, check out http://www.insurance.state.ut.us/AutoHOcomp.htm

How to make sure you can collect on a loss?

- Document your property before the loss
- Notify the relevant authorities and contact the insurer immediately after the loss
- Evaluate your loss before you accept a settlement offer



Checklist for College Students

- ✓ Are you covered under your parents homeowners' policy?
- ✓ Do you have adequate overall protection?
- ✓ Have you taken a personal inventory?
- ✓ Do you exceed the limits on specific classes of property?



Automobile insurance – who needs it?

- f you drive a car, you need it.
- What's Utah's mandated minimum liability?
 - **25/50/15**
 - Meaning:
 - First number: bodily injury liability maximum for one person injured in an accident is \$25,000.
 - Second number: bodily injury liability maximum for all injuries in one accident is \$50,000.
 - Third number: property damage liability maximum for one accident is \$15,000.
- For other states, go to http://moneycentral.msn.com/content/Insurance/Insureyourcar/P35266.asp



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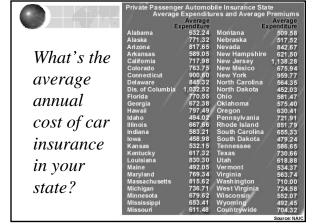
- Part A Liability
 - most important component
- Part B Medical Payments
 - payments to insure prompt treatment of injuries of the car
- Part C Uninsured Motorists
 - needed coverage that also covers underinsured motorists
- Part D Damage to Your Auto
 - the need for collision is determined by the value of the car

What is no-fault insurance? – Utah is a no-fault state

- Allows you to recover from your own insurer, regardless of who is at fault
- Verbal threshold
 - may sue for reimbursement if injury satisfies definition
- Monetary threshold
 - may sue for medical expenses that exceed stated amount
- Personal Injury Protection (PIP)
 - mandatory requirement in no-fault states

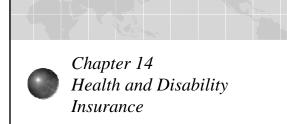
How is the cost of auto insurance determined?

- The Rate Base
 - determined by your personal characteristics, your driving record, your car make and model, and where you live
- High risk drivers may have to purchase expensive insurance in the shared (assigned risk) market



Can you reduced your premium?
-Typical reasons for insurance
discounts

- Away at school driver
- Multipolicy household
- Carpool driver
- Nonsmoking driver
- Good driving record
- Retired driver
- Good student record
- Mature driver





Chapter Objectives

- To describe the separate components of basic health care coverage
- To discuss the need for major medical insurance
- To list the important providers and insurers of health care
- To compare and evaluate health care insurance plans
- To list sources of disability income
- To estimate your disability insurance needs

What are the different types of health care insurance coverage?

- Basic Health Care Coverage
- Major Medical Coverage
- Long-Term Care Coverage
- Dental Insurance
- Specific Disease and Accident Insurance



What is basic health care coverage?

- Hospital Insurance
 - Room & board and other medical expenses while in the hospital
- Surgical insurance
 - Covers fees for operating surgeon and anesthesiologist
- Physician's expense insurance
 - Payments for general nonsurgical care at the office or hospital



What is major medical coverage?

- Provides protection after limits on basic health care coverage have been exceeded
- ♣ Typical co-insurance clause
 ➡ insurer pays 80% of covered expenses
 ➡ dollar limit on out-of-pocket expenses



An example of major medical coverage

Example	Cos	t	Bas	ic payment	0)verage
Hospital bill	\$	5,200.00	\$	3,000.00		\$2,200
Office visits		840.00		-		840.00
Surgical services		2,400.00		1,900.00		500.00
Prescription drug	s	760.00	1	-		760.00
Total	\$	9,200.00	\$	4,900.00	\$	4,300.00
	Minus deductible			(100.00)		
					\$	4,200.00
						20%
					\$	840.00

In this case, you pay \$850 out of pocket



What is long-term care coverage?

- Covers custodial care if you can not take care of yourself
- Most commercial insurers
 - indemnity policies
 - "activity of daily living" as eligibility requirements



What is dental insurance?

- Typically covers most preventive care with co-insurance on corrective treatments.
- Less important than basic health care insurance



What is specific disease and accident insurance?

- Only pays under specific circumstances
- Typically it is high cost insurance that is inconsistent with financial planning objectives



What are the important policy

provisions?

- Preexisting conditions clause
 - excludes from coverage certain preexisting conditions that existed before the policy was issued
- Guaranteed renewability
 - guarantees coverage up to a specified age
- Policy limits
 - limits the payout for a given illness or accident with a lifetime or annual maximum
- Waiver of premium
 - $^{\rm I\!\!I\!\!I}$ waives premium should you be unable to work because of illness or injury
- Exclusions
 - excludes certain illness or injury from coverage
 - 🛮 ex., self-inflicted injuries, or injuries covered under workers' compensation



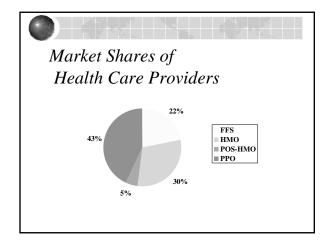
What is managed care?

- Most health insurance programs provide some form of managed care
- Primary physician serves at the gatekeeper for other specialized medical services
- Attempts to hold down health care costs by limiting unnecessary procedures



What are the different types of health insurance providers

- Fee-for-Service Organizations (FFS)
- Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs)
- Preferred Provider Organizations (PPO)
- Medicare & Medicaid
- Workers' Compensation





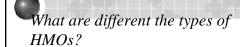
What are FFS organizations?

The patient selects a provider of medical care and is then reimbursed for covered medical expenses



What are HMOs?

- Provide comprehensive health care services on a prepaid basis
- Both a provider and insurer of health care
- Typically broad coverage
- Typically lower deductibles and coinsurance payments than fee-for-service health insurance



- Group-staff HMO
 - provides services through groups of physicians working on a salaried contractual basis
- Individual Practice Arrangement (IPA)
 physicians maintain own offices and are
 - physicians maintain own offices and are reimbursed for services performed



What are PPOs?

- Only a provider, not an insurer
- Works directly with employer or insurer to provide services
- May be able to use non-PPO providers at added cost



What is Medicaid?

- Medicaid
 - Joint federal-state sponsored program covering medical expenses of the indigent
 - Each state is a little different. For information about Utah's Medicaid program, visit http://health.utah.gov/medicaid/
 - For general information about Medicaid, visit http://www.kff.org/content/2003/2236/



What is Medicare?

- Federal program
- Eligibility
 - For people 65 or over
 - For people receiving disability benefits for at least 24 months
 - For people with permanent kidney failure
- Has two parts:
 - PART A-Hospital Insurance covers most inpatient hospital expenses.
 - PART B Medical Insurance covers doctor bills and other outpatient medical expenses.
- For more information visit http://www.medicare.gov/



What is workers compensation?

- State programs providing health and disability income coverage for workrelated illnesses and injuries
- *For more information regarding Utah's Workers compensation, visit http://www.labor.state.ut.us/indacc/Pa mphlets/workcomp/workcomp.htm



How to select health care insurance?

- Group or Individual Coverage
 - ☑ Group coverage is usually less expensive
- Managed Care or Traditional Insurance
 - Managed care has more restrictions, but better coverage
- The Insurance Company
 - Check the financial soundness. For ratings, visit http://info.insure.com/ratings/
- Medigap Insurance
 - Fill in the gap in Medicare policies. For information, visit http://www.medicare.gov/medigap/default.asp



Checklist when Shopping for Private Insurance

- ✓ Comparison shop
- ✓ Recognize preexisting conditions
- ✓ Be aware of maximum benefits and major medical coverage
- ✓ Check your right to renew
- ✓ Research the agent and the company
- ✓ Don't put up with high pressure tactics



Disability – How likely is it to happen?- From 2000 Census Data

- 49.7 million Americans age 5 and older are disabled. That is about 1 in every 5 Americans.

 - 20% of men and 18% of women ages 16 to 64 have disabilities
 - 43% of women and 40% of men 65 or older have disabilities.



What are the disability income protection options?

- Accident Insurance
 - pays a set dollar amount in the event of physical dismemberment
- Disability Income Insurance
 - partially replaces income during period of defined disability
- Pension Plans
 - may pay out benefits on disability



- Social Security
 - Must have a physical condition that prevents you from engaging in substantial gainful work that is expected to last 12 months or result in death
 - For more information, visit http://www.ssa.gov/dibplan/index.htm
- Workers Compensation
 - governed by state laws that set terms
- Waiver of Premium or Payment Clausesmay waive premiums on life and health policies



What are the important disability insurance policy clauses?

- Definition of Disability
 - determines how disabled you must be before you collect benefits
- Elimination or Waiting Period
 - time between the onset of the disability and the beginning of benefits
- Benefit Period
 - determines how long benefits will be paid out
- Coordination of Benefits Clause
 - ensures that benefits from more than one source do not exceed a certain percentage of your preinjury income



- Social Insurance Substitute
 - ${\ensuremath{\overline{\mathtt{u}}}}$ increases your benefit when social insurance is not forthcoming
- Provision for Rehabilitation
 - continuation of benefits during rehabilitation
- Renewability
 - policy may be renewed without evidence of insurability
- Option to Purchase Rider
 - allows you to purchase additional insurance in the future without evidence of insurability