

The performance of unreinforced masonry buildings in the 2010/2011 Canterbury earthquakes

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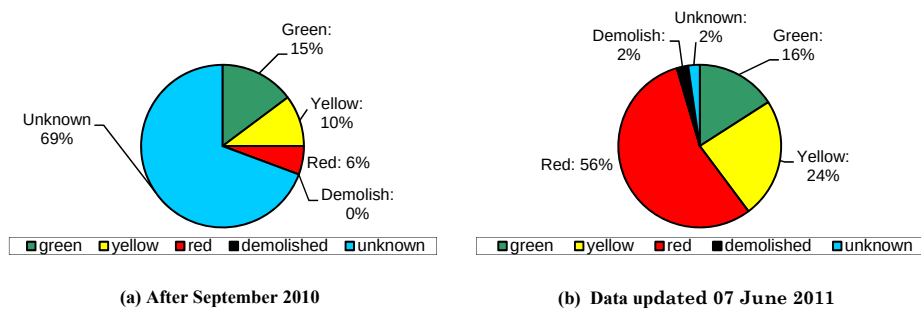


Part 4: Observations following the 22 February 2011 earthquake



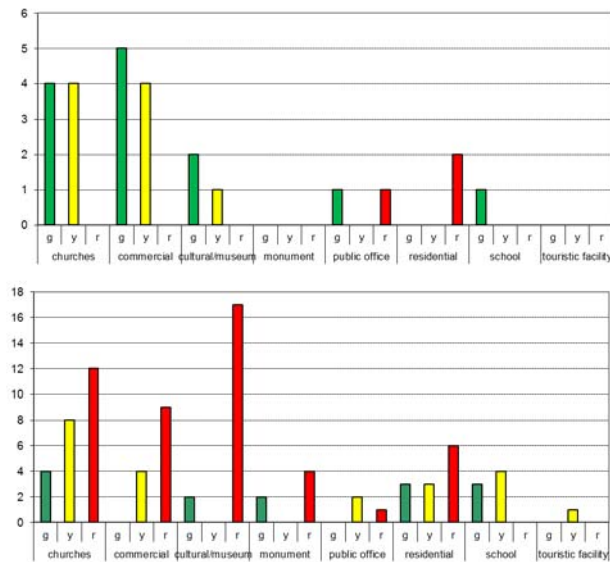
General damage statistics for stone masonry buildings

Figure 3.28: Distribution of safety evaluation placarding applied to stone masonry buildings



- 90 natural stone unreinforced masonry buildings identified
- Building stock not common throughout rest of New Zealand
- Many stone masonry buildings earthquake strengthened

Figure 3.29 Distribution of safety evaluation placarding applied to stone masonry buildings differentiated by building usage



Performance of unreinforced masonry buildings in the CBD

General damage statistics

Figure 3.1 Location of URM buildings included in this study

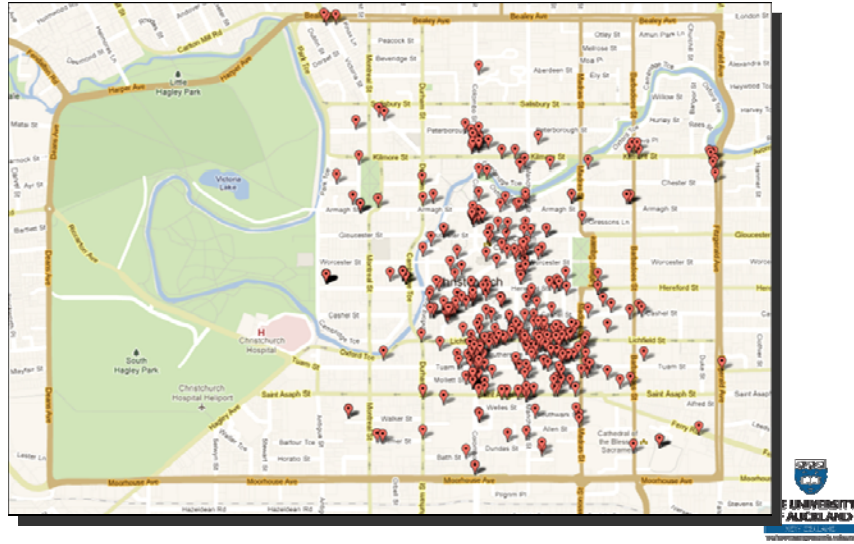


Table 4.4 Construction material type

Material type	No. of buildings	% of buildings
Clay brick	333	90%
Stone	13	4%
Clay brick and stone	24	6%
Total	370	100%

Figure 4.1 General building characteristics

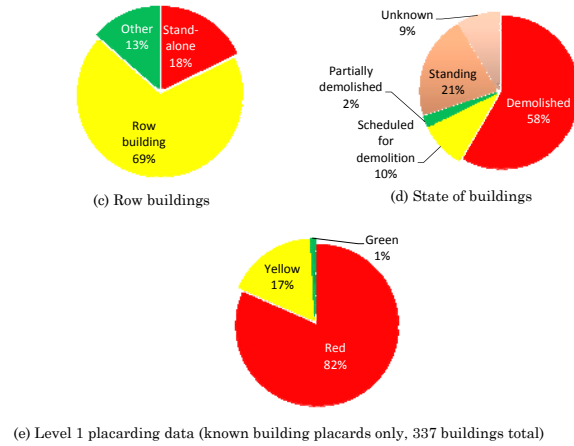


Figure 4.2 Damage level using two different classifications schemes

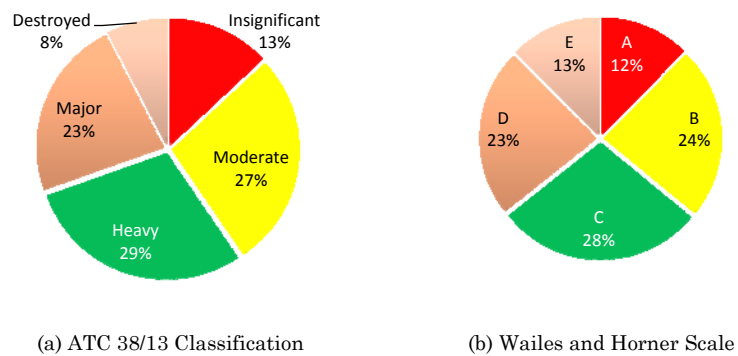
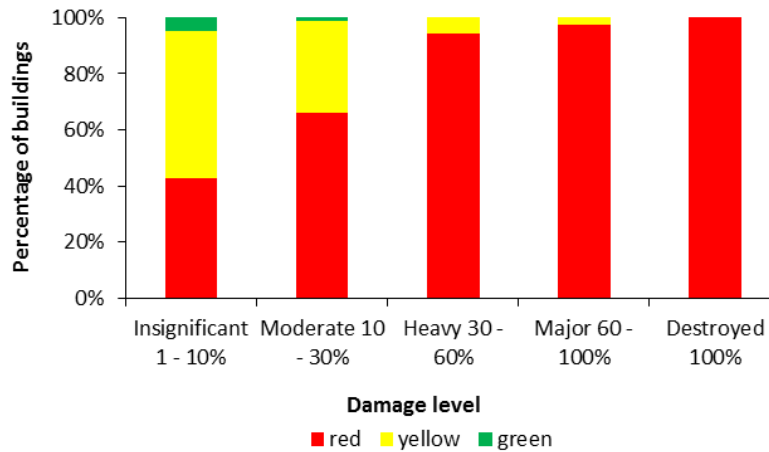
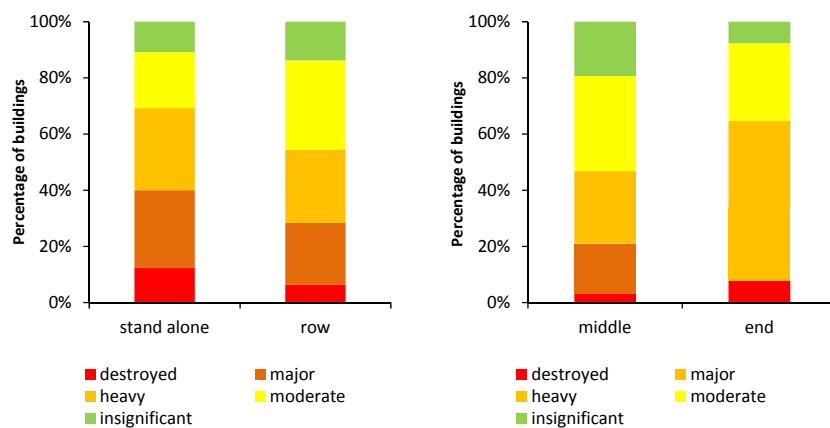


Figure 4.3 Plot of damage levels vs. placard data (level 1)



- Shows tendency to assign Red placard to buildings not necessarily too badly damaged

Figure 4.5 ATC 38/13 damage classification for stand-alone and row buildings



(a) Damage levels for stand-alone vs. row buildings

(b) Damage levels for row buildings depending on position

Figure 4.7 Damage classifications for heritage and non-heritage buildings

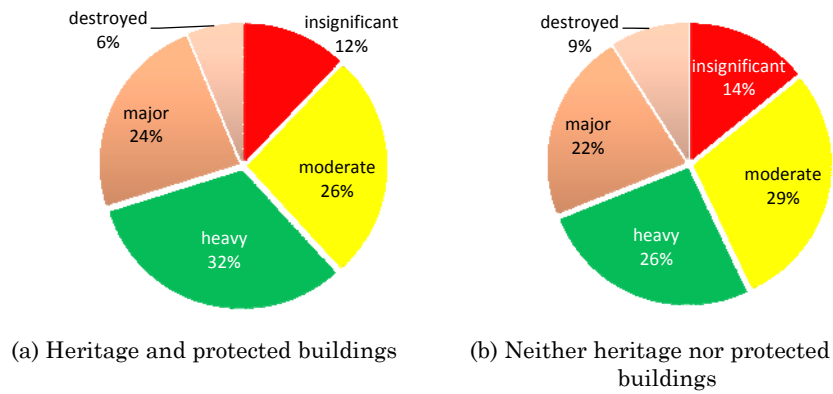


Table 4.12 Demolished and retained buildings

	Heritage listed	Other	Total
Demolished (incl. scheduled)	128 (67% of 192)	130 (73% of 178)	258 (70%)
Standing	52 (27% of 192)	28 (16% of 178)	80 (22%)
Unknown	12 (6% of 192)	20 (11% of 178)	32 (8%)
Total	192 (52% of 370)	178 (48%)	370 (100%)

The Performance of Earthquake Strengthening Techniques

Earthquake strengthening classes

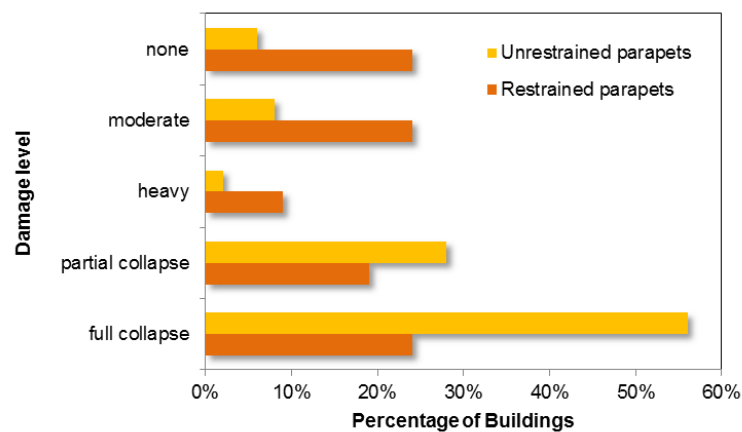
- 1. Parapet restraints
- 2. Type A earthquake strengthening
 - Securing gable ends
 - Installing connections between walls-floors, walls-walls etc
 - Floor and roof improvements
- 3. Type B earthquake strengthening
 - Strong-backs installed either internally or externally
 - Steel moment frames
 - Steel brace frames
 - Concrete moment frames
 - Addition of cross walls
 - Shotcrete
 - FRP
 - Post tensioning

Performance of parapets

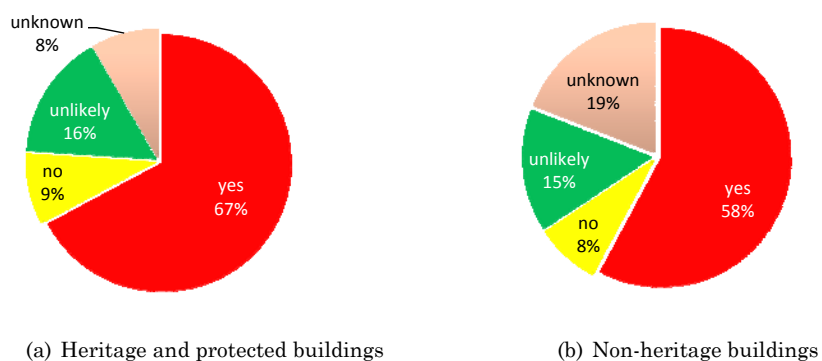
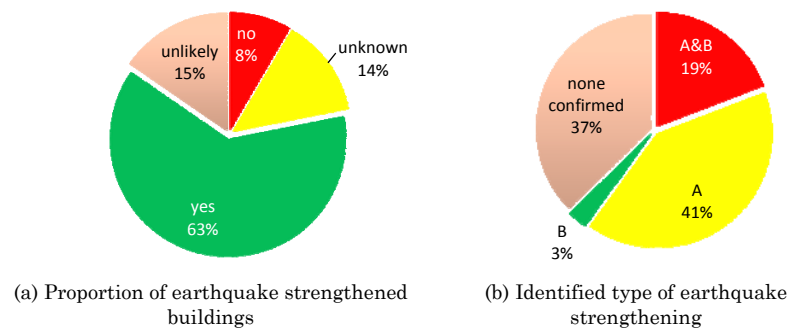
	No. of cases	% of parapets
restrained	149	34%
unrestrained	89	21%
unknown	197	45%
Total	435	100%

Damage classification	Restrained Parapet	Unrestrained Parapet
none	35 (23%)	5 (6%)
moderate	36 (24%)	7 (8%)
heavy	13 (9%)	2 (2%)
partial collapse	29 (20%)	25 (28%)
full collapse	36 (24%)	50 (56%)
Total	149 (100%)	89 (100%)

Figure 5.3 Performance of unrestrained and restrained parapets



- Unrestrained parapets twice as likely to collapse
- Disappointing result for restrained parapets

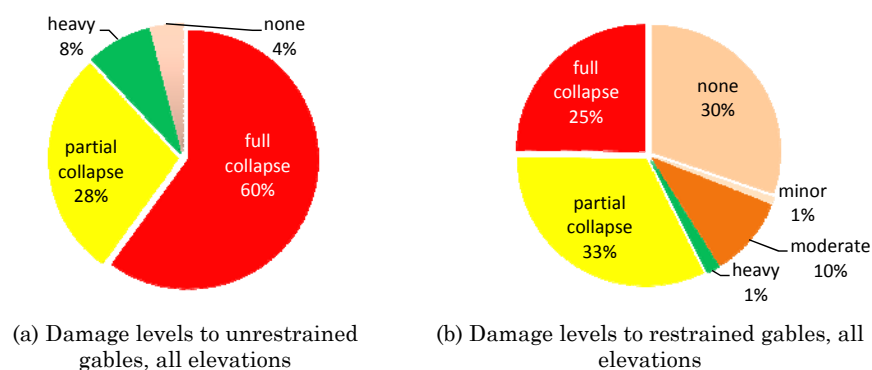


Gable restraint details

Type of restraint	Number (%)
no restraint present	25 (14%)
gable restraints identified	129 (70%)
unknown	31 (17%)
Total	185 (100%)

Restraint types	% of gables (out of 129 gables)
original	14 (10%)
through ties	108 (84%)
adhesive anchors	5 (4%)
through ties + concrete beam	1 (1%)
other	1 (1%)
Total	129 (100%)

Figure 5.4 Gable damage levels



- 88% unrestrained vs 58% restrained gables
- Disappointing result for restrained gables

Figure 5.5 Damage distribution for gables restrained using through ties

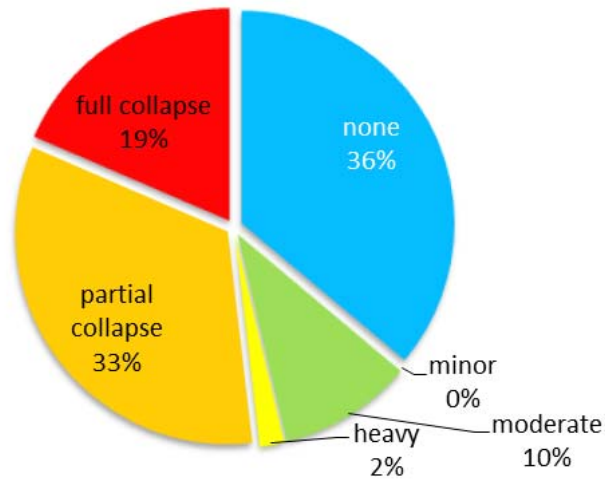


Table 5.13 Distribution of Type B strengthening techniques encountered

Strengthening technique	No. of buildings	% of buildings
steel moment frames	24	22%
steel brace frames	14	13%
strong-backs - internal	14	13%
strong-backs - external	4	4%
concrete moment frames	22	20%
addition of cross walls	13	11%
shotcrete	10	9%
FRP	1	1%
post tensioning	2	2%
other	5	5%
Total	109	100%

Figure 5.6 Building damage distribution for various Type B earthquake strengthening techniques

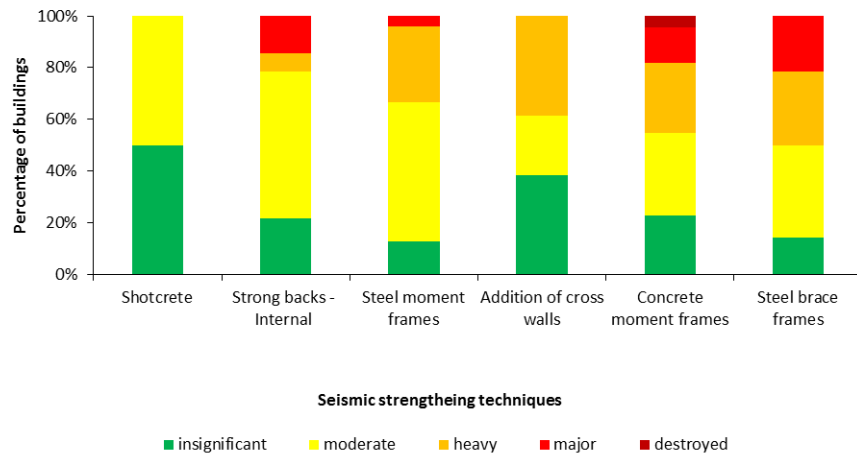
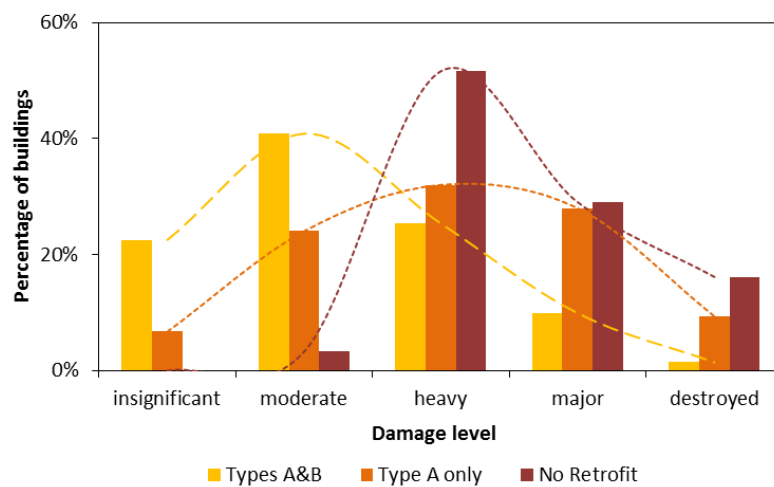


Figure 5.7 Plot of damage level against seismic strengthening types



Influence of earthquake strengthening level on observed damage and assessed hazard

**Table 6.1 Distribution of %NBS classifications for 94
earthquake strengthened URM buildings**

%NBS Retrofit level	No. of buildings	% of buildings
%NBS < 33	15	16%
$33 \leq \%NBS < 67$	18	19%
$67 \leq \%NBS < 100$	50	53%
%NBS ≥ 100	11	12%
Total	94	100%

- Confirmed 94 retrofitted buildings
- Confirmed 31 unretrofitted buildings but no %NBS assigned

Table 6.2 Damage levels for different %NBS categories

	%NBS ≥ 100		$67 \leq \%NBS < 100$		$33 \leq \%NBS < 67$		%NBS < 33		No retrofit	
Insignificant 1 - 10%	8	73%	10	20%	1	6%	1	7%	0	0%
Moderate 10 - 30%	3	27%	28	56%	4	22%	5	33%	1	3%
Heavy 30 - 60%	0	0%	10	20%	9	50%	5	33%	16	52%
Major 60 - 100%	0	0%	2	4%	4	22%	1	7%	9	29%
Destroyed 100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3	20%	5	16%
Combined	0		12		13		9		30	
Heavy, Major	of	0%	of	24%	of	72%	of	60%	of	97%
and Destroyed	11		50		18		15		31	
Total	11		50		18		15		31	

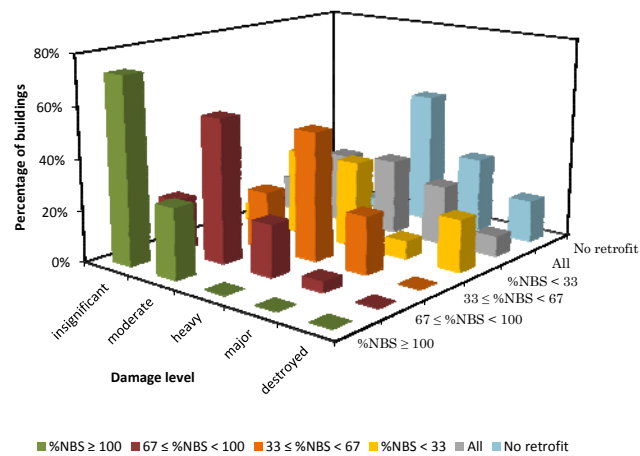
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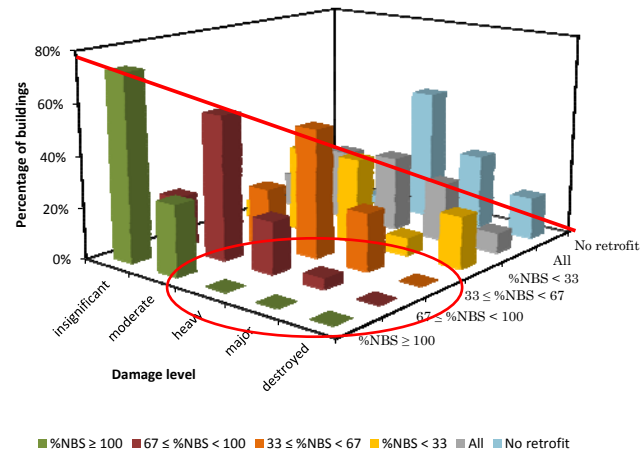


Figure 6.3 Damage comparison between URM buildings strengthened to less than 33%NBS and no retrofit

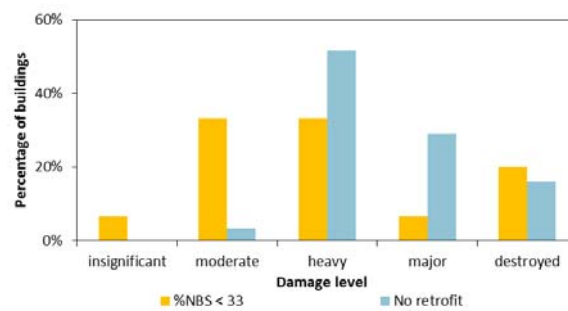
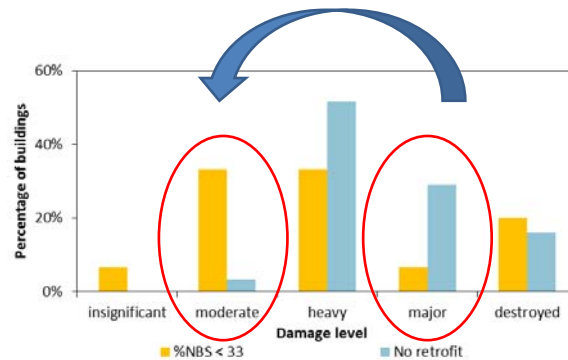


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Figure 6.4 Damage comparison between URM buildings strengthened to 34%NBS and no retrofit

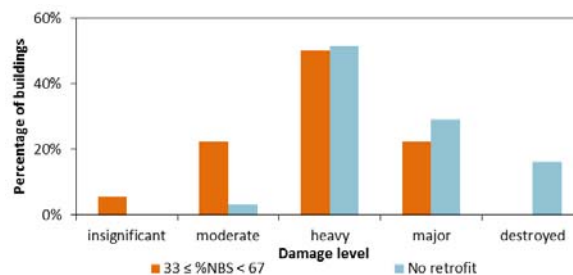
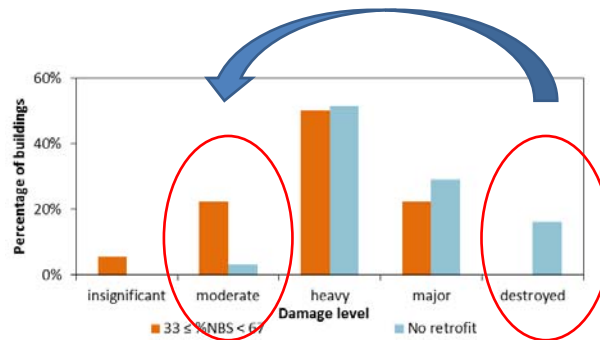


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- URM building strengthened to **34%NBS** avoided being destroyed (100% damage), but otherwise their performance was **not greatly better than for unstrengthened buildings**

Table 6.2 Damage levels for different %NBS categories (for Damage Index)

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DI for %NBS ≤ 33

$$= 5\% \times \frac{1}{15} + 20\% \times \frac{5}{15} + 45\% \times \frac{5}{15} + 80\% \times \frac{1}{15} + 100\% \times \frac{3}{15} = 47$$

Table 6.3 Damage index for different levels of earthquake strengthening

%NBS Retrofit Level	Damage "index"
no retrofit	63
%NBS < 33	47
$33 \geq \%NBS < 67$	45
$67 \geq \%NBS < 100$	24
%NBS ≥ 100	9
all buildings	45

DI for %NBS ≤ 33

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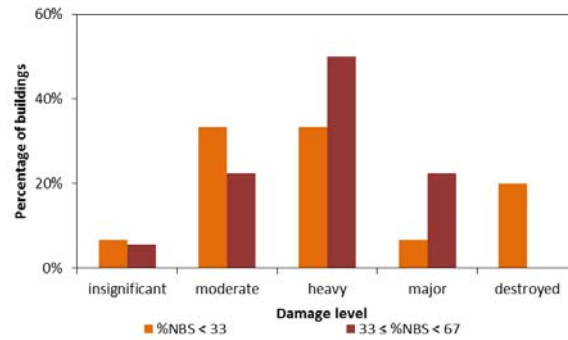
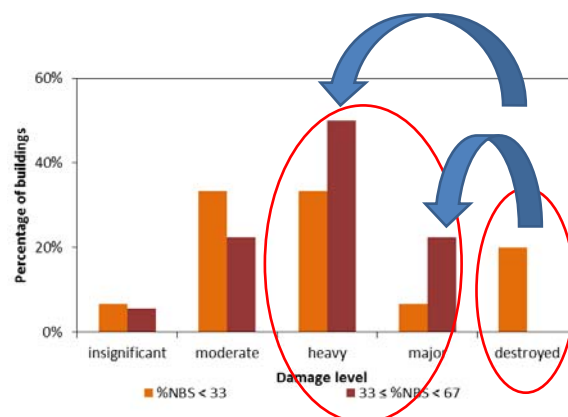


Figure 6.6 Damage comparison between URM buildings strengthened to 0-33%NBS or to 34%NBS



- URM building strengthened to **33-67%NBS** avoided being destroyed (100% damage), but otherwise their performance was **not greatly better than for unstrengthened buildings**

Figure 6.5 Damage comparison between URM buildings strengthened to 67%NBS and no retrofit

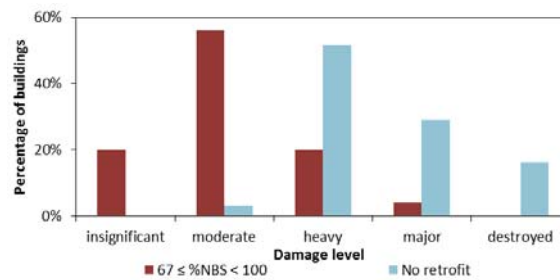
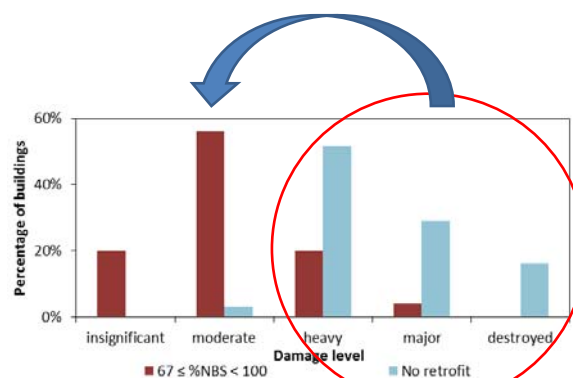


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- It is neither practical nor feasible to state conclusively that the public can be effectively protected from “all” falling hazards and that “strengthened URM buildings will survive severe earthquake ground motions.”

Figure 6.7 Damage comparison between URM buildings strengthened to 34%NBS or 67%NBS

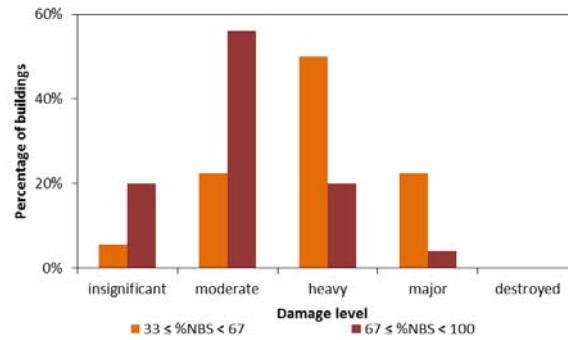
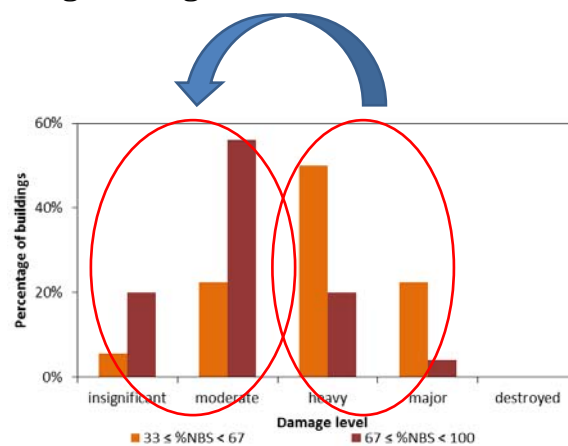


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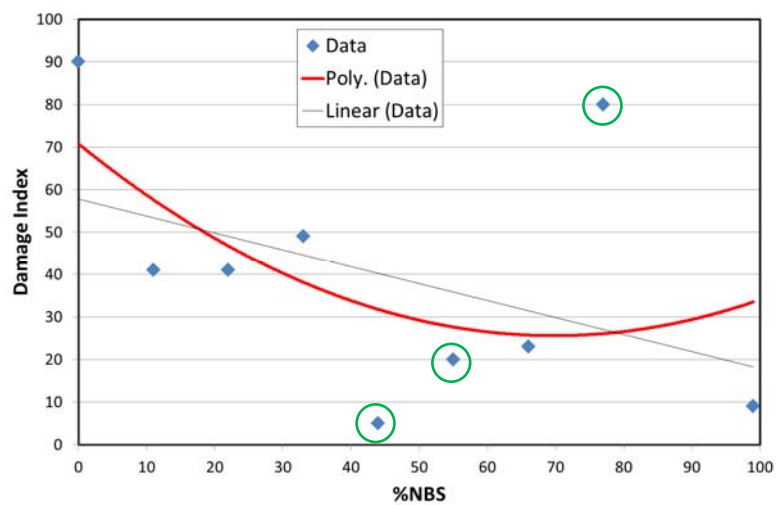


- URM buildings strengthened to **67%NBS** performed **much better** than both URM buildings having **no strengthening** and URM buildings strengthened to **lower levels** of earthquake resistance

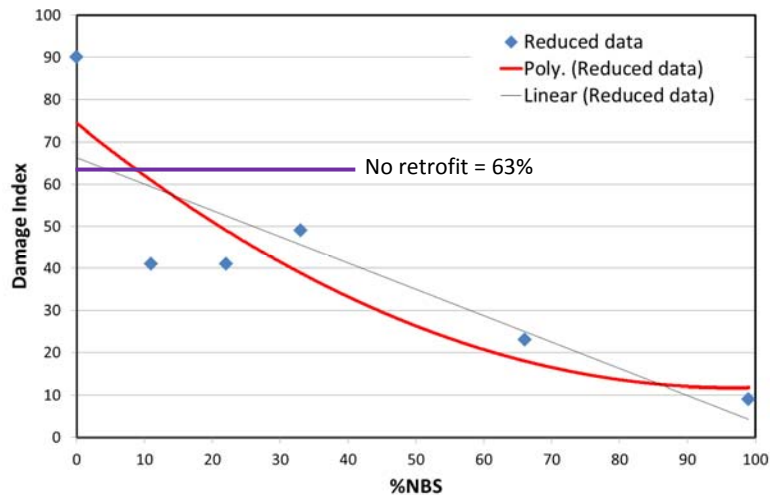
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NBS Retrofit Level	Damage "index"	Number of buildings
$0 \leq \%NBS < 11$	90	2
$11 \leq \%NBS < 22$	41	5
$22 \leq \%NBS < 33$	41	8
$33 \leq \%NBS < 44$	49	16
$44 \leq \%NBS < 55$	5	1
$55 \leq \%NBS < 67$	20	1
$67 \leq \%NBS < 78$	23	49
$78 \leq \%NBS < 89$	80	1
$89 \leq \%NBS < 99$	-	0
$\%NBS \geq 100$	9	11
no retrofit	63	
all buildings	45	

Damage vs %NBS level



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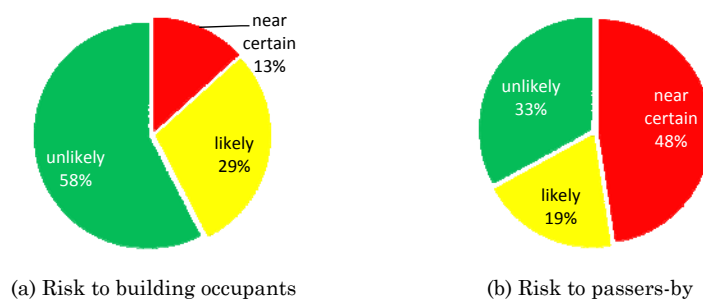


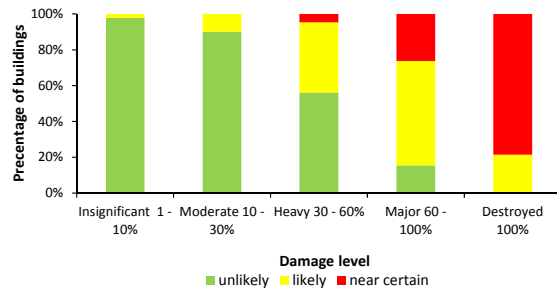
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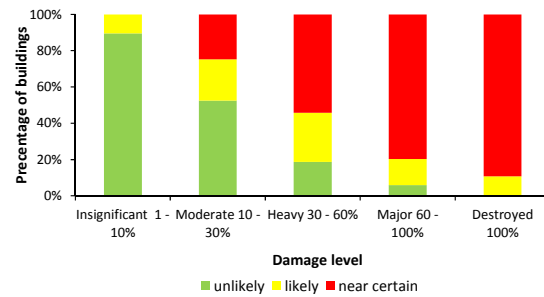
Risk to building occupants and passers-by

Figure 6.8 Risk of fatality or injury to building occupants and public space occupants





(a) Risk to building occupant for different building damage levels



(b) Risk to passer-by for different damage levels

Figure 6.9 Fatality and injury risk for different building damage levels