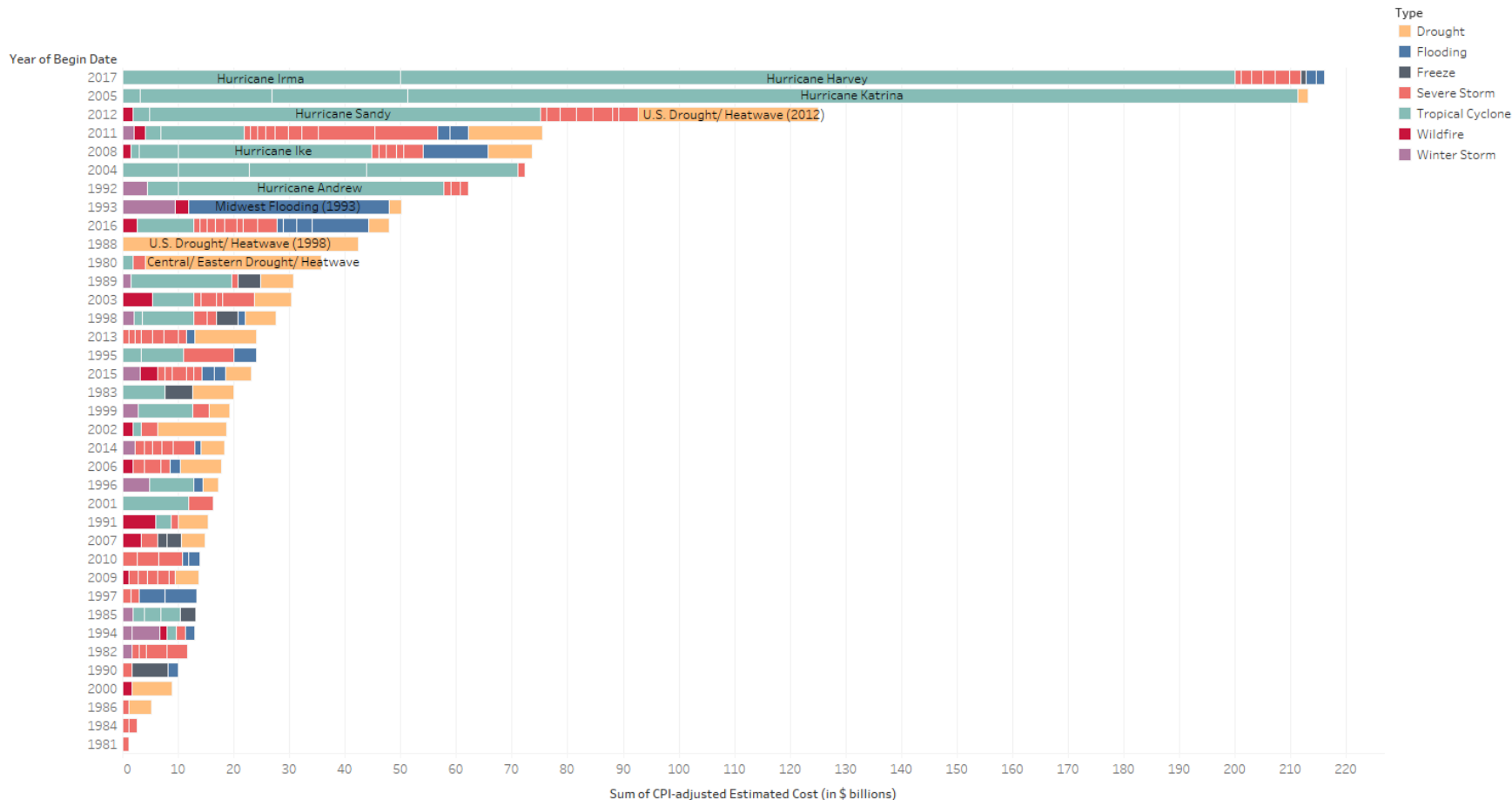


2017 already the most costly year ever for weather and climate disasters in the United States?

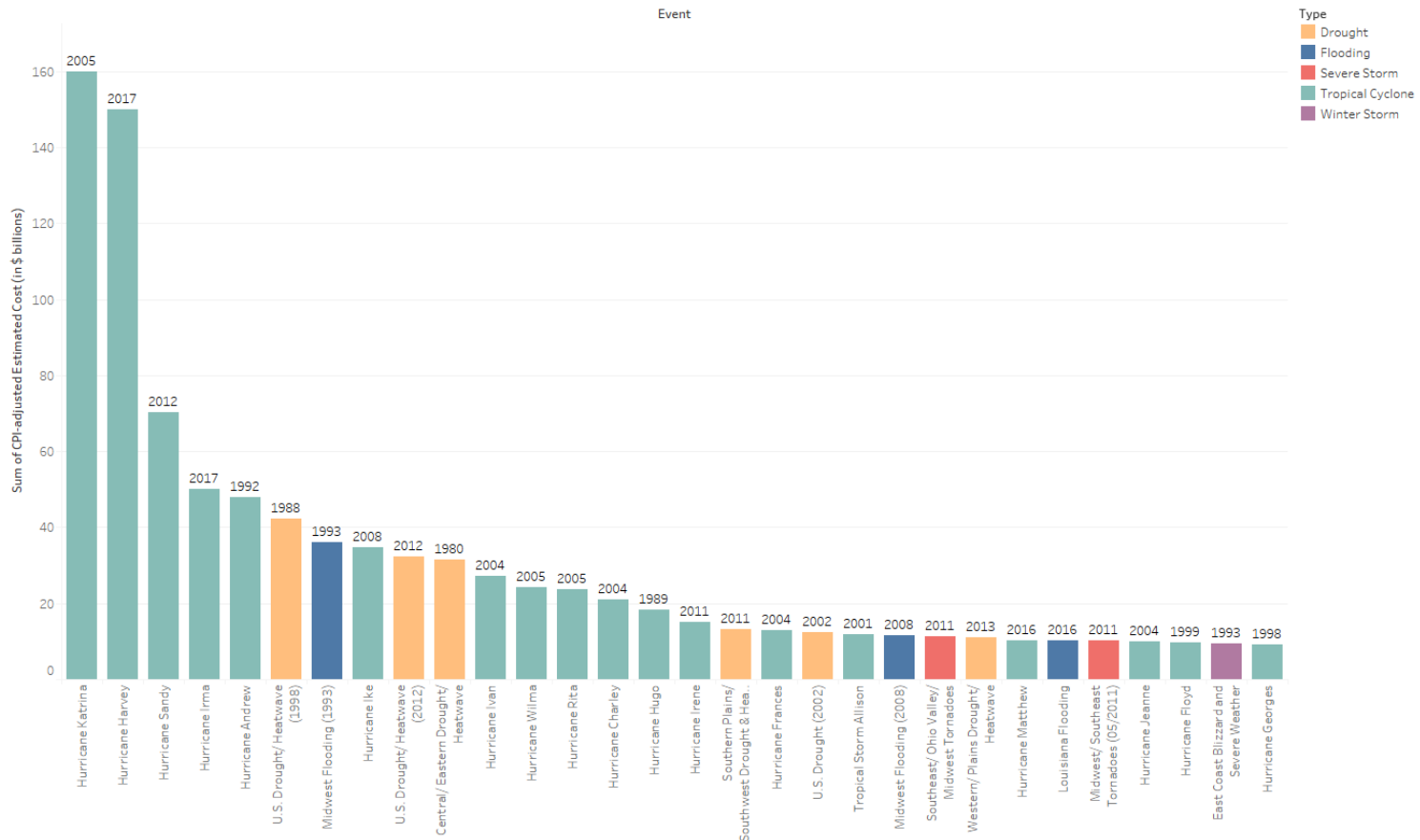
Billion-dollar US weather and climate disasters, 1980-2017



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How much are Irma and Harvey likely to cost compared to past weather and climate disasters?

Top 30 U.S. weather and climate disasters 1980-2017



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