

Climate, Resilience, and Mobility

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How citizens shape the state-building process.

– **Relevant ongoing research:**

1. How conflict shape post-war political and economic development
2. How climate-induced risks change how citizens relate to the state

Climate risks in Monrovia, Liberia



Context:

- Post-conflict country, high risk of violence
- Over 80% of population working in informal economy (primarily women)
- Vulnerable to variety of climate-related issues
 - Changing rain patterns, flooding
 - Displacement (interior and coastal)
 - Food insecurity
 - Poor waste management, sewage

How to...

- ⇒ ...increase state capacity + ability to respond?
- ⇒ ...mitigate economic impacts of erratic rain?
- ⇒ ...reduce risks of community-level conflict?