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I was living in Wagga Wagga last year when a 'once in a 100 years' flood happened - not much worse than the one the previous year. I had to evacuate for a few days. My insurance went up from \$600 to \$4000. These and similar events are no longer 'once in 100 years'. We need to prepare realistically, for example by building higher levees as a matter of urgency, ensuring that councils do not approve any more building on flood plains (where possible), and looking at govt-funded insurance. It would help to know what the real risks are.

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