## **BROKER CONTENT RESOURCES** Finish 2024 Out Strong

Get insight into the developments and trends you need to be watching for the second half of 2024.

#### **Commercial Auto**

- Nuclear verdicts are a growing concern for severe vehicle accidents, especially within the trucking industry.
- Inflation impact continues, especially related to auto part and labor costs, resulting in higher repair expenses.

## 80%

Distracted driving now contributes to 80% of all accidents on the road and **is increasing claim costs**.

#### **Commercial Property**

- The growing intensity of catastrophic weather events continues to pose concerns.
- Parametric coverage has risen in popularity and offers protection based on a predetermined, measurable characteristic tied to a covered event.



#### Cyber

- While beneficial, AI is also leaving more organizations at risk from cyber losses and claims.
- Nation-state cyberattacks remain top of mind particularly as geopolitical challenges continue to contribute to cyberwarfare concerns.
- New customer data tracking technology is posing data privacy and compliance risks.

#### **General Liability**

- Social inflation continues to increase penalties following liability incidents, including a surge in nuclear verdicts.
- Increasing medical expenses have compounded claim costs with no end in sight.
- Eighteen states now have PFAS product safety laws in place, which may cause a rise in litigation alleging PFAS exposure.

#### **Employee Benefits**

# 5%

Employee benefits cost are expected to rise 5% in 2024, and employers are looking for ways to manage rising costs while keeping benefits affordable.

- More states are continuing to enact paid leave regulations, and employers need to ensure that workplace policies are compliant with 2024 requirements.
- Employees continue to value benefits packages that go beyond health insurance, and employers need to explore ways to expand their offering to meet employee needs.

#### Workers' Compensation

- Accident frequency rates are rising, possibly due to ongoing staff shortages.
- Medical and wage inflation have significantly affected the segment and could prompt elevated rates.
- Many states have or are expected to enact legislation that would expand coverage to include job-related mental health conditions.

#### **EPL**

 Businesses that haven't adopted inclusive policies could be more susceptible to employment lawsuits and EEOC



actions.

• The increasing use of AI has raised concerns over how technology can induce discriminatory hiring decisions.

#### **D&O**

### **AI SYSTEMS**

If AI systems are implemented incorrectly and result in widespread errors, senior leaders may be held accountable resulting in costly D&O losses.

 Recently, senior leaders have been held more accountable for upholding commitments to ESG initiatives, fueling increased litigation against leaders and associated D&O claims.

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