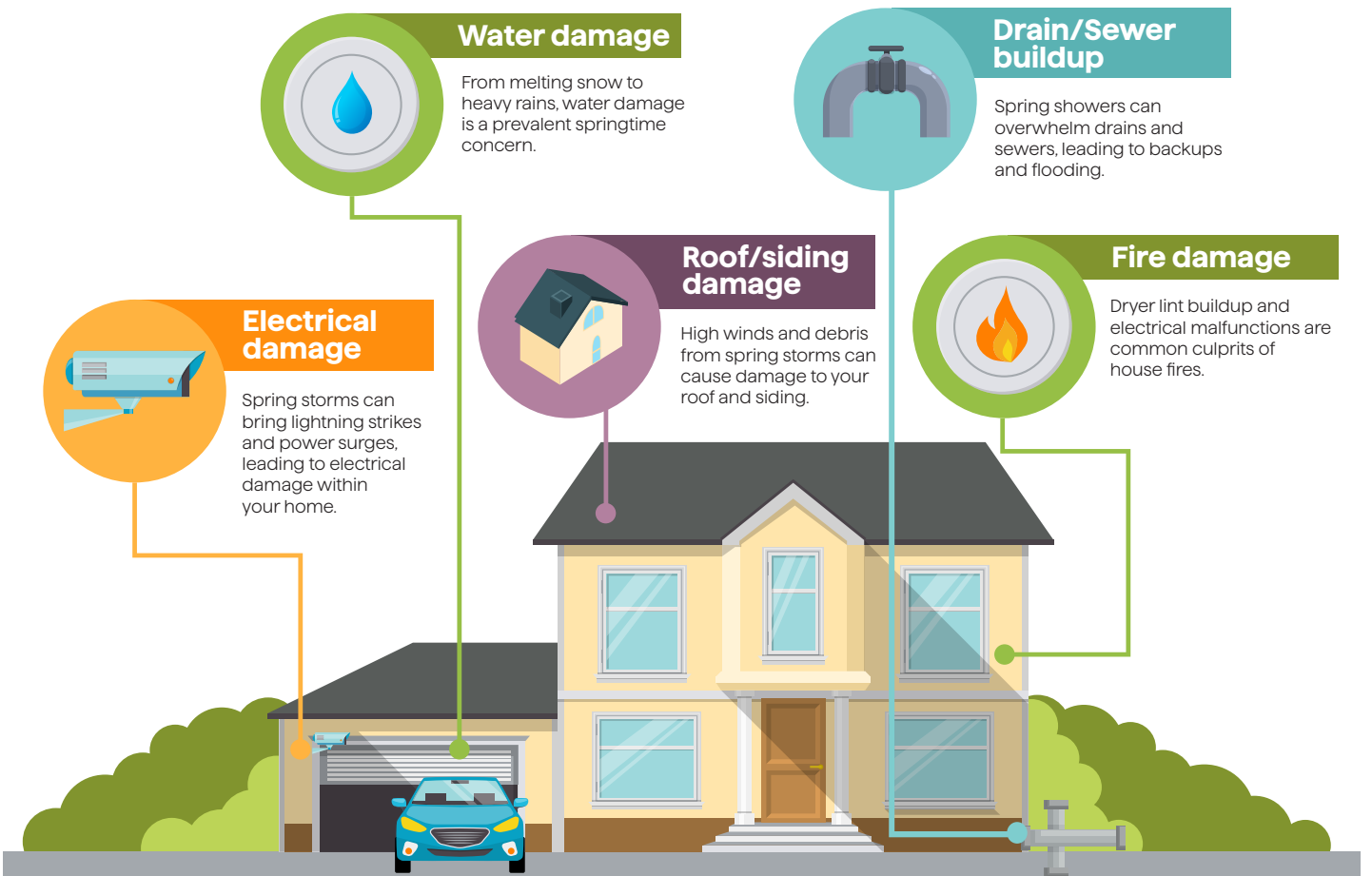


# Common Spring Home Insurance Claims



Spring brings challenges for homeowners, from electrical storms to heavy rainfall. This infographic highlights the common reasons for homeowners' insurance claims in spring and provides proactive tips to protect your home from potential damages.



## Proactively Manage Spring Risks

Don't let common spring risks catch you off guard—take action to safeguard your home today.

**Maintain your appliances**

Upgrade to braided steel washing machine hoses to prevent water damage from washing machine malfunctions.

Replace aged or cracked drip pans under washing machines to help prevent water damage.

Regularly clean your dryer vent to reduce the risk of house fires caused by lint buildup.

Inspect hoses to your refrigerator's ice machine. Small leaks can cause catastrophic water damage on your kitchen floor.

**Inspect and replace cracked caulking**

Look for aging caulking around bathtubs, showers, sinks, windows and doors to help prevent water damage.

**Address tripping hazards**

Fix uneven walkways on your property.

Inspect stairs and repair loose, slippery or uneven treads.

**Check your roof**

Inspect your roof for damaged or loose shingles that could allow water to seep through.

Clean gutters and downspouts to help water flow away from your property.

**Consider upgrading your home's systems**

Install central station alarms for added protection from burglary and vandalism.

Ensure your electrical system is up to date and consider surge protectors to safeguard your appliances and electronics.

Install a whole-house water flow alarm to help detect leaks and prevent water damage.

Keep your drains clear of debris and consider installing backwater valves to prevent sewage from backing up into your home.

Install a whole-house generator to maintain power during outages.

Some home upgrades and damage prevention strategies may trigger home insurance discounts. Consult your agent to learn more about how to help prevent common spring homeowners' claims.