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# STORM DATA



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# STORM DATA AND UNUSUAL WEATHER PHENOMENA

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PLACE	DATE	TIME - LOCAL STANDARD	LENGTH OF PATH (MILES)	WIDTH OF PATH (YARDS)	NO. OF PERSONS		ESTIMATED DAMAGE		CHARACTER OF STORM	
					KILLED	INJURED	PROPERTY	CROPS		
<b>ALABAMA</b>										
Anniston	11	7:30p			0	0	4	0	Thunderstorm	
		Marble size hail and strong winds accompanying line of thunderstorms. Winds to 59 mph reported at airport. Several trees were blown over.								
Gadsden	11	7:45p			0	0	2	0	Thunderstorm	
		Line of thunderstorms and associated winds. One tree blew over and fell on a pair of power lines. One plate glass window was blown out in a local business.								
<b>ALASKA</b>										
					NONE REPORTED					
<b>ARIZONA</b>										
Maricopa County and Pinal County	14	Afternoon			0	0	0	4	Hail	
		Localized hail up to 1/4 inch in diameter caused some damage to young cotton plants and also to vegetables.								
Phoenix Maricopa County	16	Early Morning			0	0	4	0	Heavy Rain, Wind	
		Strong gusty winds to 49 m.p.h. (a new April record for Phoenix) caused some damage to roofs and carports and uprooted numerous trees, some falling onto parked automobiles.								
Lake Powell Coconino County	25	Afternoon			0	0	4	0	Wind	
		Strong gusty winds to 50 m.p.h. caused extensive damage to boats. The National Park Ranger Station at Wahweap was involved in a number of rescue operations. In one case they had to cut open a capsized boat in order to rescue three children.								
<b>ARKANSAS</b>										
Clinton Van Buren County	11	2:43 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Golf ball size hail covered the ground at Clinton. No damage was reported.								
Heber Springs Cleburne County	11	3:15 p. to 3:20 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Hail up to 2 inches in diameter fell on various sections of Heber Springs. No damage was reported.								
Little Rock Pulaski County	11	3:50 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Golf ball size hail fell on the western sections of the city. No damage was reported.								
Wynne Cross County	11	4:20 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Hail up to one inch in diameter fell on portions of Wynne. No damage was reported.								
5 Miles North of Jacksonville Pulaski County	11	4:30 p.							Funnel Clouds	
		Severe Storm Spotters observed several funnel clouds north of Jacksonville. These funnel clouds were moving toward the east.								
Southern Little Rock Pulaski County	11	4:55 p.	2	30	0	0	3	0	Tornado	
		A tornado briefly touched down in southern Little Rock between Arch Street Pike and Dixon Road. Luckily this was in open country with damage to one barn and several power lines as the tornado moved toward the east.								
Holly Grove Monroe County	16	1:00 p.			0	0	3	0	Wind and Rain	
		Winds generated by thunderstorms moving through the area tore off the roof of a mobile home. Rain associated with this thunderstorm resulted in considerable damage to the interior of the mobile home.								
8 Miles Northeast of Hope - Hempstead County	20	6:05 a.	1/2	20	0	0	0	0	Tornado	
		A tornado briefly touched down 8 miles northeast of Hope in open country. No damage was observed as this tornado moved toward the northeast.								
<b>ARKANSAS (continued)</b>										
2 Miles South of Arkadelphia Clark County	20	6:30 a.							Funnel Cloud	
		Public reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.								
2 Miles East of Prairie Grove Washington County	20	2:14 p.	1/4	10	0	0	0	0	Tornado	
		A tornado moving toward the east touched down in a wooded area just east of Prairie Grove. Only minor tree damage was observed.								
5 Miles West of Springdale Washington County	20	2:50 p.	1	30	0	0	0	0	Tornado	
		The Washington County Emergency Services Coordinator sighted an eastward moving tornado near Arkansas Highway 112. Luckily the tornado was on the ground for only a short period of time and dissipated before reaching Springdale.								
10 Miles North of Hope - Hempstead County	20	3:55 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		State Police reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.								
Benton Saline County	20	5:40 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Golf ball size hail fell for a short time on portions of Benton. No damage was observed.								
12 Miles South of Pine Bluff Jefferson County	20	6:39 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		One inch hail fell with no damage reported.								
Sherrill Jefferson County	20	7:05 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		Arkansas State Police reported a funnel cloud. No movement was given.								
Roe - Monroe County	20	8:00 p.			0	0	2	0	Hail	
		Baseball size hail fell on the town of Roe damaging several auto windshields.								
Jonesboro Craighead County	20	8:25 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Golf ball size hail fell on the western part of the city. No damage was reported.								
Pocahontas Randolph County	20	8:30 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		Public reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.								
Waldenburg Poinsett County	20	8:30 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		Golf ball size hail fell for a short time. No damage was reported.								
DeQueen Sevier County	24	2:45 p.			0	0	0	0	Hail	
		One inch hail fell on the town. No damage was reported.								
8 Miles West of Arkadelphia Clark County	24	2:57 p.			0	0	?	?	Hail	
		Hail up to 3 inches in diameter fell on the area.								
1 Mile North of Hope Hempstead County	24	3:30 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		Public reported a funnel cloud moving toward the east-northeast.								
15 Miles North of Hot Springs Garland County	24	3:50 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		Public reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.								
Southwest Cleburne County	24	3:50 p.	2	30	0	0	4	0	Tornado	
		A tornado moving toward the northeast briefly touched down between Quitman and Pearson. A roof was blown off a residence with some trees and power lines down.								
Humphrey Arkansas County	24	4:50 p.							Funnel Cloud	
		Public reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.								

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<b>ARKANSAS (continued)</b>									
Russell - White County	24	5:10 p.							Funnel Cloud
									Police reported a funnel cloud moving toward the northeast.
Wabash - Phillips County	24	5:45 p.	1	30	0	0	4	0	Tornado
									Tornado briefly touched down at Wabash destroying 3 mobile homes. The storm was moving toward the east-northeast.
6 Miles South of Searcy - White County	24	5:50 p.	1/2	20	0	0	0	0	Tornado
									A tornado moving toward the northeast touched down in open country between Searcy and Griffithville.
<b>CALIFORNIA NORTHERN &amp; CENTRAL</b>									
									NONE REPORTED
<b>CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN</b>									
									NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS AREA
<b>COLORADO</b>									
Northeast Colorado	5	Afternoon and Eve			0	0	?		High Winds
									Irrigation pipe (4 large sections) were twisted and badly damaged on farm east of Platteville in Weld County. Wind gust 59 MPH recorded at 1650 MST at Fort Collins in Larimer County.
Canon City, Fremont County	13	Morning			0	0	?		High Wind
									Strong wind gust flipped trailer, connector loose on Parkdale Hill causing loss of mobile home in Arkansas River Canyon.
Holly, Prowers Co.	16	0530 MST	0	15	0	0	?		Tornado
									At Gateway Downs race track, west of Holly, a twister touched down and picked up a barn, housing 35 race horses, carried it 250 feet and smashed it into another structure. Horses panicked and scattered; 2 were hurt on barbed wire fence. Also, an auto windshield was shattered and a trailer damaged extensively.
Las Animas, Bent Co.	16	1805 MST	0	15	0	0	?		Tornado
									Tornado touched down inside west end of city. Extensive damage to 3 mobile homes and 4 storage sheds. No injuries to persons inside mobile homes.
South Central Colorado Mountains	16,17	Evening to Evening			0	0	?		Heavy Snow
									20 inches of snowfall at Villa Grove, at north end of San Luis Valley, was heaviest snow in many years. 3 inches fell at Alamosa in middle of valley. 6 inches fell at Salida. 18 inches of snow fell near Woodland Park, to the northwest of Colorado Springs. 9 to 4 feet of snow fell on Rampart Range Road near Cabin Creek and Devils Head, where several campers were rescued. 20 inches of snow fell on the south watershed of Pikes Peak. Colorado Springs received 8 inches of snow, causing some damage to telephone and power lines and several dozen cars were off the road between Castle Rock and Colorado Springs, mostly on Monument Hill.
Morgan County	22	Afternoon 1630 MST	0	15	0	0	?		Tornado
									Tornado touched down 1 1/2 miles south of Fort Morgan, destroying a calf bin and lifting some railroad ties. On ground only briefly. Whirlwinds reported south of Fort Morgan knocked but electric power for 250 customers; sheds were scattered at landmark.
Denver	25,26	Eve to Morning			0	0			High Winds
									Wind toppled a 70-foot high cottonwood tree onto rear of home and neighboring residence at 38 South Grant Street causing \$10,000 damage.
Rocky Ford, Otero Co.	26	1600 MST	0	15	0	0	?		Tornado
									Small twister broke downtown windows and lifted patio furniture. Damage to shingled roof west of High School. Wind 51 MPH reported at La Junta airport.
Mountain Passes west of Denver	29,30	Night			0	0	?		Heavy Snow
									Heavy snow reported by Highway Patrol on Berthoud Pass and from Empire Junction to Eisenhower Tunnel where the automobile chain law was in effect.
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>									
	23	1 P.M.			0	0	3	0	Lightning
									A lightning blast leveled a large tree, passed through a furniture storage building into the basement. A garage was burned out and a chimney was blasted off an apartment house.
<b>DELAWARE</b>									
									NONE REPORTED
<b>FLORIDA</b>									
PENSACOLA, ESCAMBIA CO.	6	220 PM CST			0	0	0	0	WATERSPOUT
									A WATERSPOUT WAS REPORTED BY THE PUBLIC OVER PERDIDO BAY.
MARCO, COLLIER CO.	6	530 AM EST	0.1	10	0	0	3	0	TORNADO
									STRONG WINDS AND HEAVY RAIN ALONG THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA COAST WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A SMALL TORNADO ON MARCO ISLAND. THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO AN EQUIPMENT COMPOUND BELONGING TO THE DELTANO CORPORATION WITH FIRST ESTIMATE \$3000.
KEY WEST, MONROE CO.	6	6-730 PM EST			0	0	3	0	SEVERE THUNDERSTORM AND FUNNEL CLOUD
									A SEVERE THUNDERSTORM PRODUCED WIND GUSTS TO 58 MPH, NEARLY 4 INCHES OF RAIN, AND SMALL HAIL AT KEY WEST. A FUNNEL CLOUD WAS OBSERVED FOR A FEW MINUTES ABOUT 5 MILES WEST OF THE AIRPORT AROUND 6 PM. DAMAGE WAS CONFINED TO POWER LINES AND TREES WITH A FEW SMALL BOATS SUNK DUE TO THE HEAVY RAIN.
BELLEVUE, MARION CO.	8	515 AM EST	0.5	20	0	0	4	0	TORNADO
									A TORNADO MOVED ALONG A HALF MILE TRACK MOSTLY AT TREE TOP LEVEL BUT STILL DAMAGED 30 HOMES IN A SUBDIVISION JUST WEST OF BELLEVUE. TWO OF THE HOUSES WERE SEVERELY DAMAGED BY LARGE TREES FALLING ON THEM. TOTAL DAMAGE WAS ESTIMATED \$35,000.
MADEIRA BEACH, PINELLAS CO.	8	215 PM EST	0.1	10	0	2	4	0	TORNADO
									A SMALL TORNADO DAMAGED 15 HOUSES WITH TWO MINOR INJURIES. DAMAGE WAS ESTIMATED \$25,000.
WAUCHULA, HARDEE CO.	8	420 PM EST			0	3	4	4	SEVERE THUNDERSTORM
									HIGH WINDS AND HAIL IN HARDEE COUNTY DESTROYED A \$10,000 AIRPLANE AND 60 ACRES OF CUCUMBERS WERE RUINED BY HAIL. 3 PEOPLE RECEIVED MINOR INJURIES FROM FLYING DEBRIS.
SEBRING, HIGHLAND CO.	8	5 PM EST	0.5	20	0	0	5	0	TORNADO
									A TORNADO STRUCK A COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL AREA IN NORTHERN SECTIONS OF SEBRING WITH HEAVY DAMAGE TO SIGNS AND TO THE WINDOWS AND STOCK OF A LARGE COMMERCIAL BUILDING WITH DAMAGE ESTIMATED \$60,000. THERE WAS OTHER MINOR DAMAGE AROUND SEBRING DUE TO HIGH WINDS ASSOCIATED WITH A LINE OF THUNDERSTORMS.
KEY WEST, MONROE CO.	20	1249PM EST			0	0	0	0	FUNNEL CLOUD
									A SMALL FUNNEL CLOUD WAS SIGHTED ABOUT 3 MILES NORTHEAST OF THE AIRPORT BUT LASTED ONLY A FEW MINUTES.
WEST PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH CO.	21	748 AM EST			0	0	0	0	WATERSPOUT
									A WATERSPOUT WAS OBSERVED 5 MILES EAST OF WEST PALM BEACH AIRPORT. LITTLE MOVEMENT WAS NOTED AND IT DISSIPATED AFTER ABOUT 10 MINUTES.
<b>GEORGIA</b>									
Polk County	8	8:30 p			0	0	4	0	Wind
									At least 3 downtown Cedartown stores had plate glass windows blown in, signs bent and tipped from their positions, several trees knocked down, some utility lines damaged.
Cobb County	20	8:40 p			0	0	5	0	Lightning
									Fire caused by lightning damaged home and property estimated at \$115,000.
Cairo (Grady County)	30	11:17 p	1/4	60	0	0	4		Tornado
									Small tornado caused roof damage estimated at \$10,000 to Church, mainly due to falling large oak trees. Half a dozen homes suffered roof and window damage, while a number of trees were uprooted and limbs scattered in a two block area of Southwest Cairo.



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<b>IOWA (continued)</b>									
SW of Audubon, Audubon County	14	Evening			0	0	4	0	Severe thunderstorm (wind)
			Pole barn destroyed, 800 bales of hay scattered about.						
Near Guthrie Center, Guthrie County	14	Evening			0	0	3	0	Severe thunderstorm (wind)
			Finishing barn (W of Guthrie Center) pushed over, 2 hogs killed - barn flattened S edge of town.						
Sac City, Sac County	16	?			0	1	2	0	Severe thunderstorm (wind)
			13 year old boy injured when struck by debris when 2 hog houses blew down.						
NW half of Iowa	16	Daylight hours			0	1	5	0	Windstorm
			Winds clocked above 70 mph wrecked havoc - plateglass windows blown out, signs downed, shingles off roofs plus whole roofs taken off, farm buildings blown down, empty grain bins particularly hard hit - trees uprooted and downed power lines arched in 2 incidents and burned barns with hay and animals lost. Vehicles blown off road - one injury to boy riding inside camper when it was blown off Interstate 80-35 (Polk County). Loss of top soil extensive.						
W of Batavia, Jefferson County	16	12:20 p			0	2	3	0	Windstorm
			Four car accident during blinding dust storm (visibility zero) put one woman in hospital, slightly injured another.						
Iowa Falls, Hardin County	18	Early a.m.			0	0	3	0	Heavy rain
			Wind on 4-16-76 lifted portion of large garage roof - heavy rain on 4-18-76 collapsed roof and part of wall onto 2 truck tractors stored inside.						
Schleswig, Crawford County	21	?			1	0	0	0	Windstorm
			4 year old boy died of skull fracture when heavy metal gate, which may have been loosened by wind, fell on him.						
Central, South Central and Southeast Iowa	23-24	6:00 p - P.M.			0	0	4	3	Heavy rains
			Rains of 2-4 inches, generally 4" Pella (Marion County) southeast to Ft. Madison and Keokuk (Lee County) - unofficial 5.03" at Montrose (Lee County) put streams and rivers out of bank, flooded thousands of basements, undermined railroad tracks, culverts, bridge approaches and road beds.						
Near Norwalk, Warren County	23	6:00 p							Funnel
Lacona-Indianola, Warren County	23	7:00 p							Funnel
Pleasantville, Marion County	23	7:20 - 7:30 p	4	100	0	0	0	0	Tornado/Funnel
			7:20 p.m. tornado first touched down 4 miles south of Pleasantville on Highway 181, moved NE, lifted and touched down again 3 miles east of Pleasantville - all in open country.						
E Clarke County Line	23	9:00 p							Funnel
<b>KANSAS</b>									
* Jewell and Republic Counties	14	4-6:00p	34	330	0	1	5	-	Tornado, hail
			Tornado touched down 1/2 mile south of Mankato moving northeast to Lovewell reservoir then into Nebraska just south of Chester, Nebraska. Damage was to farm buildings, mobile homes, and utility lines. Woman was injured when her mobile home was demolished south of Chester. Scattered hail of 1 to 3 inches diameter was reported north of the tornado path with little damage.						
Seward, Meade, Ford and Hodgeman Counties	14	7:30-9:10p	78	50	0	0	5	0	Tornado
			Tornado touched down 5 miles southwest of Plains and was on the ground intermittently to 1 mile northeast of Jetmore. Damage at Plains to Southwest Heights School buildings and aircraft. Other damage was to farm buildings and at a lumber yard at Jetmore.						
Kearney County	15	12:30p	1/8	20	0	0	3	0	Tornado
			Tornado touched down briefly 1 mile north of Lakn damaging farm buildings and utility lines.						
Scott County	15	2:25p	30	440	0	1	5	-	Tornado
			Tornado touched down at approximately 9 points along a path from 16 miles south to 15 miles northeast of Scott City. Damage was to mobile homes and farm buildings. A boy was injured when his mobile home was destroyed.						
Graham County	15	3:00p	-	-	0	0	4	-	Wind
			Wind gusts of 70 to over 80 mph accompanied a thunderstorm near Hill City. Damage was to trees, utility lines, and roofs.						
<b>KANSAS (continued)</b>									
Barber County	17	1:50-2:15a	18	100	0	2	5	0	Tornado
			Tornado was on the ground about 20 percent of the time from 5 miles northeast of Hardner northeast to 2 miles northeast of Sharon. Damage was mostly to homes and mobile homes, heaviest in the Sharon area.						
Pottawatomie and Marshall Counties	17	8:30-9:00a	16	280	0	0	5	-	Tornado
			Tornado skipped along a path from 4 miles northwest of Elaine north-northeastward to 4 miles north-northeast of Vliets. Damage was mostly to farm buildings in Marshall county.						
Crawford County	20	4:40p	-	-	0	0	3	0	Wind, funnel
			Strong winds with a thunderstorm 11 miles north of Girard caused damage to farm buildings, livestock, and utility lines. Small hail and a confirmed funnel cloud also accompanied the storm.						
Franklin County	22	7:30-8:10p	-	-	0	0	3	-	Hail
			Scattered hail to 1 3/4 inches diameter occurred north and northwest of Ottawa with minor damage to trees and farm buildings.						
Decatur County	23	5:10p	-	-	0	0	4	4	Hail
			Hail to 1 3/4 inches diameter occurred with thunderstorms. Local accumulations to 4 inches of hail in various sizes resulted in damage to crops, trees, and farm buildings.						
Scott and Lane Counties	23	6:20p	25	440	0	0	3	-	Tornado
			Tornado was on the ground for nearly an hour moving across open country from 12 miles northeast of Scott City east-northeastward to 5 miles south-southeast of Dighton. Only minor damage to farm buildings and utility lines was reported.						
Scott County	23	7:00p	-	-	0	0	5	-	Wind
			Straight wind gusts to 90 mph in Scott City area caused damage to trees, buildings, and utility lines. (Separate storm from tornado above)						
Russell County	23	8:30p	-	-	1	1	3	0	Wind
			Winds with a thunderstorm estimated 90 to 100 mph near Lake Wilson overturned a camping trailer injuring the owner and killing his son.						
Morton County	27	4-7p	-	-	0	0	4	-	Wind, hail
			Scattered thunderstorms in northern portion of the county were accompanied by hail to 1 1/4 inches diameter. Gusty winds caused damage to trees, utility lines, and farm buildings.						
Butler County	28	1:00a	-	-	0	0	4	0	Lightning
			Fire caused by lightning destroyed a home. One person died in the fire but is not listed as a lightning fatality.						
<b>SPECIAL HAIL SUMMARY</b>									
			Hail loss clearing house reports indicate hail was especially severe on the following dates, and in the following counties.						
			10 Harper						
			20 Labette						
			23 Clay, Decatur, Ellis, Ellsworth, Gove, Lincoln, Mitchell, Ness, Osborne, Republic, Russell						
			27 Harper, Morton						
			* Note - tornado on the 14th continued into the state of Nebraska.						
<b>KENTUCKY</b>									
South Central	21	11:30 a.m. EST			0	0	4	3	Hail Storm
			A hail storm moved across several South Central KY counties destroying tobacco plant beds, breaking windows of homes, bars, and trucks, denting tops of automobiles and damaging aluminum siding, roofs, shutters, awnings, and trees. Most of the damage occurred in the counties of Edmonson, Metcalfe, Green, Adair, and Taylor.						
Danville 101	21	12:30 p.m. EST	1/16	50	0	0	5	0	Tornado
			Two employees at Corning Glass Works in Danville saw tornado move across a field, strike a large tobacco warehouse, and then lift into the clouds.						
<b>LOUISIANA</b>									
Vernon Parish	20	7:30 AM			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
			Funnel was reported near Ft. Polk near Leesville.						

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<b>LOUISIANA (continued)</b>										
Natchitoches Parish	20	8:11 PM	0.4	60	1	27	6	?	Tornado	Small hail was first reported some 20 miles, then again 10 miles, west-southwest of Natchitoches. As the storm moved across Highway 1 about one mile south of the City of Natchitoches, a tornado touched ground and severely damaged two trailer parks and two businesses. The path curved toward the right or ESE with damage 50-75 yards wide and about 500-700 yards long. Some debris was carried about two miles. The parent thunderstorm moved east-northeast about 35 mph.  Mrs. Glen Randall, 35, was crushed when her house trailer was overturned and blown into a pond. Her son and husband were injured.  Of the 27 injuries reported, 10 were hospitalized.  There were 24 mobile homes destroyed, 15 others damaged. 80 Marine had 12 boats damaged; a car lot had 19 cars and trucks damaged. Several other businesses had some damage.
Winn Parish	20	9:00 PM			0	0	4	0	Windstorm	Heavy damage to the Ross Wallace Grocery-Service Station and to trees was reported at Atlanta.
Caddo-Bossier Parishes	24	4-7 PM			0	0	?	?	Hailstorms	(4-5PM) Several reports of heavy rain and large hail were included with numerous cases of small hail: One inch diameter hail 10 miles south west of Shreveport; one inch hail covered the ground at Benton; one-two inch hail in vicinity of Plain Dealing.  (About 6:20 PM) Golfball hail was reported in south part of Shreveport and five miles southeast of Shreveport.
Union Parish	24	6-7 PM			0	0	?	?	Funnel & Hail	Golf ball size hail reported near Farmersville about 6:20 PM and a funnel cloud was reported by State Police about 6:43 PM.
Morehouse Parish	24	7:15 PM			0	0	?	?	Funnel & Hail	Funnel was reported north of Bastrop along with hail 1 1/2 inch in diameter.
Northern Parishes	24	7-9 PM			0	0	?	?	Hailstorms	Numerous reports of hail included: One inch northwest of Ruston; five miles northwest of Mansfield; near Starr; Lake Providence.
Beauregard-Calcasieu Parishes	24	8:30-9 PM			0	0	4	?	Wind & Hail	Wind damage, mostly minor, occurred at Merryville, Sulphur, Lake Charles and Gillis.
Timbalier Bay	29	10:55AM							Waterspout	Aircraft reported a waterspout about 12 miles west-southwest of Leeville.
<b>MAINE</b>										
NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS STATE										
<b>MARYLAND &amp; D.C.</b>										
Aberdeen, Harford County	4	Early am			0	0	3	0	Lightning	Lightning bolt struck tree, travelled along electric line, and started a fire in home.
Centerville, Kent County	4	6:30 a			0	0	3	0	Lightning	Lightning struck tree, then charges surged throughout the electrical circuitry of adjacent house. Windows were broken or cracked, fuses blown, and damage done to various electric appliances. Fuses also blown out in neighbor's house.
Entire State & District of Columbia	16-21				0	0	0	0	High temperatures, Air stagnation	Stationary high pressure over the southeast and mid-Atlantic States resulted in unusually high temperatures. The season's earliest air pollution alert was called as the wind flow became very weak, from the 19th through the morning of the 21st. Readings of 90 degrees or higher were record highs over much of the area. Erik winds, in addition to a prolonged dry spell, made control of a rash of forest fires difficult in Garrett and Washington Counties during the latter half of the period.
Frederick	20	Night			0	0	2	0	Lightning	Lightning struck power transformers, resulting in service interruption for around 500 customers of electric company.
<b>MARYLAND &amp; D.C. (continued)</b>										
Federalsburg-Preston area, Caroline Co.	22	4:00 p			0	0	0	0	Hail	Hailstones "the size of large marbles" apparently did little, if any, damage.
Westminster, 7N, Carroll County	25	7:45 p	1/8	35	0	0	5	0	Tornado	Tornado, travelling SW to NE, made a shambles of frame farmhouse. In addition, damage done to adjacent farm building and 3 vehicles, and nearby trees were shredded. Infant miraculously uninjured when crib she was in was left hanging precariously from second story room, after wall was torn away. Six other members of family also escaped injury as walls were ripped loose and the house moved several feet from its foundation. Damage estimated at approximately \$60,000 to \$70,000.
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>										
Montague Northampton	3	All Day			0	0	4	0	Rain & River Flood	2 inches of rain coupled with melting snow caused Connecticut River to overflow its banks.
Melrose	22	5 p.m.			0	0	3	0	Lightning	Lightning struck a house touching off a small fire.
<b>MICHIGAN</b>										
Area south of Hart & Gladwin & north of Bangor & Richmond.	15&16	15-afternoon 16-morning			0	0	4		Thunderstorms	Intense lightning strikes and winds knocked out power to 16,000 homes and businesses. Hardest hit areas were Grand Rapids, Flint, and Port Huron. Winds gusted to 48 MPH at Grand Rapids and 50 MPH at Shepherd in Isabella Co. Tornadoes, funnel clouds, lightning and hail reports listed below are part of this storm.
2 1/2 WSW Jam to SSW of Midland; Midland Co.	15	4:30pEDT	4.5	40	0	0	4		Tornado	Touched down in a field just north of Redstone Road. It went north northeastward to La Porte Road where it picked up a camper throwing it against a shed and throwing debris against a home damaging the aluminum siding. Two large barn doors were ripped off a barn and a horse trough was blown into a field in the same general area. The funnel continued northeast through open fields before knocking down a CB radio tower and blowing a chimney off a home on Freeland Road. It lifted two miles later without doing any additional damage.
8 NE Owosso; Genesee Co.	15	8.20pEDT							Funnel cloud	
3 SE Hesperia; Oceana Co.	15	afternoon							Funnel cloud	
Saginaw; Saginaw Co.	15	8.05pEST			0	2	3		Lightning	Struck the home of an elderly couple knocking them to the floor and cutting off electrical service to their home.
Pottersville; Saginaw Co.	15	evening			0	0	0		Hail	
N Hartford; Van Buren Co.	15	afternoon			0	0	0		Hail	3/4 inch hail fell in Albee Township and at Pottersville. No significant damage was done.
Bay City; Bay Co.	16	12.15a			0	0	4		Lightning	Golf-ball size hail reported north of Hartford. No significant damage observed.
An area east and south of Kalamazoo, Mt. Pleasant.	21	afternoon and evening			0	0	4		Thunderstorms	Struck a garage setting it afire. A car, boat, and snowmobile inside the garage were also destroyed.
										A church was heavily damaged by convective winds in Midland. Scattered power line and tree damage was reported throughout the area. Tornadoes and funnel clouds listed below are part of this storm.

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					KILLED	INJURED	PROPERTY	CROPS	
<b>MICHIGAN (continued)</b>									
3WNW New Lothrop; Shiawassee Co.	21	3.35p	1 1/2	70	0	0	5		Tornado
			Touched down after crossing the south branch of the Maplewood Creek. It then proceeded north northeast crossing Northridge Road where it damaged a home, destroyed a pole barn, two garages, and a chicken coop. A fence in vicinity the home was blown 1/4 mile away and dropped in a field.						
2S Lennon; Shiawassee Co.	21	3.15p							Funnel cloud
			First sighted south of Lennon. It remained aloft and was sighted NW of Flushing in Genesee County before dissipating.						
2 miles E of Shaftsbury to 5 miles SSW of Owosso	21	2.45p	9	85	0	1	6		Tornado
			Touched down just south of Beard Road after crossing the Looking Glass River. It destroyed a garage on Beard Road and proceeded north northeast toward I-69 where it destroyed a large factory building and a private home. The home was separated from the foundation and spun halfway around with a man inside. He was slightly injured. It then lifted before crossing I-69 and remained aloft for the next 6 miles before dissipating. Funnel and tornado were sighted and photographed numerous times by local residents.						
3N Montrose; Genesee Co.	21	3.48p EDT							Funnel cloud
			Sighted north of Montrose.						
1SENE Detroit; Wayne Co.	21	7.15p EST							Funnel cloud
			First sighted at Vernor and Livernois. Dissipated at 8.15p EST southwest of Selfridge AFB.						
An area S of Niles; Mason and Port Huron	22	afternoon & evening			0	0	4		Thunderstorms
			Metal boat cover ripped from dock area and blown into a tree. Trees blown down and chimney blown off a home in the Clark Lake area. Barn blown down at Fowler and Snow Roads and trees down along Polks Road; all in Jackson County. Tornadoes and funnel clouds listed below are part of this storm.						
3NNE Burlington; Calhoun Co.	22	5.58p EST	1/4	50	0	0	4		Tornado
			Touched down on Warner Lake sucking up water and mud. Camp ashore along east side of the lake picking up two small boats and some trees and throwing them and other debris against 9 shore-line homes damaging them. Resident of one home saw the tornado crossing the lake.						
6ESE Detroit; Wayne Co.	22	7.40p EST							Funnel cloud
			Sighted at Eureka Road and I-75 moving northeast						
3SEW Jackson; Jackson Co.	22	afternoon							Funnel cloud
			Office of Emergency Measures received a report at Badtler and Horton Roads.						
Shore area from Trwas City southward along the Eastern Michigan border to Ohio & Lapeer Co.	25				0	0	6	C	Winds
			Wind driven waves 5 to 12 feet high pounded beach and shore line areas damaging or destroying boats, homes, piers, docks, patios and dikes as well as flooding planted fields, homes and residential streets. Up to 150 persons were forced to leave their homes in the Saginaw, Grosse Pointe and Luna Pier areas with most of the homeless in and around Saginaw. Hardest hit was a 25-mile stretch of beach from Linwood to Quanicassie Flats. In this area, huge concrete dikes and patios were broken up and smashed, 15 homes were heavily damaged and two destroyed, and a major rail line was washed out. Crop flooding was mostly in the Linwood area where 23,000 acres of potatoes, sugar beets and corn were affected. Additional wind damage was done well inland where power lines were knocked down in Detroit and several barns flattened and trees down in Lapeer County. Winds gusted between 40 and 50 mph and were steady at 20 to 30 mph.						
<b>MICHIGAN (continued)</b>									
Isabella & Lapeer Cos.	25	afternoon & evening			0	0	4		Flash floods
			Dozen county roads and one bridge washed out in Isabella and a half dozen roads flooded but in Lapeer. As much as 2.99 inches of rain fell in the affected area.						
Allegan, Berrien, Kalamazoo, Van Buren, Genesee & Saginaw Co's.	25, 26, 27, 28, 29	night			0	0	0	C	Freeze
			Temperatures dropped into the mid to low 20's on these nights damaging cherries, pears, peach and apple buds and blossoms. Heavy damage to grape buds and asparagus spears also occurred. Damage was estimated to be in the millions of dollars.						
<b>MINNESOTA</b>									
NE St. Louis County to NW Lake County	14	4:00PM	24	200	0	0	4*	0	TORNADO 133
			Touchdown southern edge of Big Moose Lake. Continuous path northeastward for 10 miles through southern Lapand Lake, south-central Big Lake to Angle Worm Lake where tornado lifted and continued eastward. Returned to ground for 800 feet just west of Horse Lake, lifted again and once again touched ground briefly on shoreline of Basswood Lake. Numerous trees downed and twisted along 200 yard wide path. *Estimated.						
Freeze 4 NW Becker County	15	6:00PM **200	?	0	0	4	0	0	TORNADO 1-1
			Tornado moving from southwest to northeast touched down on turkey farm, damaging buildings and equipment and uprooting trees. Hail to 1 1/2 inches at Detroit Lakes with glass breakage at local greenhouse.						
Walker Vicinity Eastern Hubbard & Western Cass Counties	15	7:15PM	35	6*	0	0	4*	4*	Hail
			Hail in excess of one inch and winds in excess of 50 mph in Walker and Akeley areas. Damage to boat and garage at Akeley. *Estimated.						
Grand Rapids Vicinity Southern Itasca County	15	8:50PM	40	8*	0	0	4*	0	Hail
			Hail to one inch and winds in excess of 50 mph reported at Grand Rapids and Cohasset. Movement of hail swath west to east. *Estimated.						
SW Minnesota - Counties of Rock, Stevens, Cottonwood, Redwood, Lincoln, Pipestone, and Martin.	16	-	-	-	0	0	6	5	Wind Storm
			Extensive straight wind damage throughout day into late evening with velocities 60 to 80 mph and occasional gusts to 90 mph. Extensive roof damage - barns, sheds, and other outbuildings damaged or demolished - trees uprooted, antennas toppled, and trucks blown off highways. Considerable damage to new crops and loss of good topsoil due to soil erosion - some telephone and power poles and automobile damage due to falling branches. Storm center over NEB Panhandle and eastern CO at daybreak moved to WRN South Dakota with strong pressure gradient by noon and northward over Central Dakotas and to Winnipeg area by early Saturday, when winds subsided.						
International Falls Koochiching County	16	2:15AM	-	-	0	0	4	0	Lightning
			Fire due to lightning strike caused extensive damage to basement area of home. Some smoke damage to upstairs.						
Cass Lake Cass County	17	?	-	-	1	0	0	0	Wind
			Cass Lake man killed by downed power line while fighting a grass fire.						
<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>									
Crenshaw, Panola County	20	12:40 PM			0	0	3	?	Wind
			A severe thunderstorm felled several large trees.						
2 N Canton, Madison County	24	4:02 PM	2	150	0	0	3	?	Tornado
			The tornado was indicated by radar and a funnel reported by a citizen via CB radio. MS Power & Light suffered a line break as the storm moved through, otherwise damage was minor and limited to trees...less than \$5,000.						

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<b>MISSISSIPPI (continued)</b>									
3 WSW Stovall, Coahoma County to ENE Darling, Quitman, County	24	5:40 PM	29	300	0	1	5	?	Tornado
<p>The tornado first touched down WSW of Stovall just inside the MS River levee. In Coahoma County the 19 mile path extended from the Stovall area NE to the Quitman County line ENE of Jonestown. Near Stovall on the Oasis Plantation 3 houses (2 brick) and 2 storage bins were destroyed with the debris scattered for nearly a mile. Over 20 utility poles were downed. 1 home, a grocery store, and a gin were damaged. 1 minor injury resulted from a portion of a brick wall falling on a baby. Near Farrell several houses were damaged and cotton trailers overturned. Around Rudyard 7 houses and a storage shed damaged and some farm buildings and 1 home destroyed. 2 W of Jonestown a major MF &amp; L line break occurred as four towers were toppled. A number of trees were down breaking local utility service and blocking secondary roads. Damage \$100,000.</p> <p>Moving into Quitman County (10 mile path) the tornado destroyed 1 - 2 homes and caused roof damage to 3 unoccupied homes near Darling. Trees and power lines down. Damage \$50,000.</p>									
Coahoma County	24	5:40 PM			0	0	3	?	Wind
Several homes damaged east of Friars Point. Trees and power lines down in Clarksdale.									
1 W Cleveland, Bolivar County	24	5:55 PM							Funnel Cloud
Dundes, Tunica County	24	6:20 PM			0	0	?	?	Wind
Trees and power lines down.									
2 WSW Sardis, Panola County to 1 N New Albany, Union County.	24	6:45 PM	55	300	0	2	5	?	Tornado
<p>The parent thunderstorm that spawned a tornado at 5:40 PM W of Sardis in Coahoma County apparently produced this tornado. The storm was mostly aloft with frequent remarks made concerning "suction" and the fast east movement. Heaviest damage was in the Sardis area.</p> <p>In Panola County the tornado touched down just SW of Sardis and moved east through the southern and central part of town on to John W. Kyle State Park north of Sardis Lake near the Lafayette County line (15 miles). In Sardis 3 mobile homes (1 tied down) and an elementary school 1/3 destroyed; a service station, hospital, several motels, and several homes suffered roof and fallen tree damage. At the school windows were pushed in and some bucked out plus water and structural damage. On Hwy 315 E of Sardis fallen trees damaged homes and autos. At W. Kyle State Park fallen trees knocked out utilities and blocked secondary roads. Several boats were sunk at the Lake. C. D. officials said if the storm had been any lower the whole central portion of the town would have been wiped out. Damage at least \$300,000.</p> <p>In Lafayette County the storm covered a 25 mile long and 300 yard path from Sardis Lake east through the Abbeville area to the NE corner of the County near the Union County line. Witnesses reported they heard loud noises varying from "loud rumbles" to high whistles". Path was sporadic as trees were blown down, some uprooted, others twisted. 1 home and auto damaged. 2 mobile homes destroyed (2 injuries). Numerous utility lines and poles down. Near Hwy 30 on the Union County border a 3 mile by 200 yard wide swath of trees were downed. Heavy rain and 1/2" hail accompanied the storm. Damage \$20,000.</p> <p>In Union County the 15 mile path runs from just N of Hwy 30 to just N of New Albany. 1 home sustained major damage, another minor, several office roofs were damaged along with extensive damage in a new shopping center under construction and at an electric substation. Several barns destroyed (1 cow killed), trees uprooted and windows broken. No injuries or deaths. Damage \$80,000.</p>									
4 S Oxford, Lafayette	24	7:15 PM							Funnel Cloud
Ripley, Tippah County	24	7:35 PM			0	0	4	?	Wind
Damage from the storm included broken windows and signs, roof and shingle damage, 1 mobile home and 2 barns along with 7 small metal sheds were destroyed, and other homes damaged from fallen trees. Part of a high school was blown away with water damage done to the inside contents.									
<b>MISSISSIPPI (continued)</b>									
Corinth, Alcorn County	24	8:00 PM			0	0	4	?	Heavy Rains
2" of rain in just a few hours caused flash flooding which flooded some streets and underpasses forcing the rescue of the occupants. Damage occurred mainly to the flooded autos with the water in some cases rising over the bucket seats.									
Nettleton, Monroe County	24	8:40 PM							Funnel Cloud
<b>MISSOURI</b>									
Monett, Barry Co.	19	12a	?	?	0	0	4	0	Sev. Thunderstorm
A strong wind accompanying a thunderstorm resulted in heavy damage to a warehouse building just west of Monett. The gusty winds lifted the roof from the structure causing about \$10,000 damage.									
Whitman AFB, Pettis County	20	6:25p	?	?	0	0	4	?	Hail
Two and one-half inch hail was reported in the vicinity of the air force base. Five private aircraft and a few National Guard helicopters received damage.									
Pilot Grove, Cooper County	20	7:30p	1/4	15	0	0	0	0	Tornado
A tornado touched down briefly about six miles southwest of Pilot Grove on Highway 135. The tornado was sighted and reported by Whitman Air Force Base personnel checking a missile site in the area.									
Southwest Missouri	20	a.m.			0	0	4	0	Flood
Two to four inches of rainfall deluged southwest Missouri causing some flooding. Totals for the 24-hour period ending on the morning of the 20th include: Ozark 3.69; Hazelgreen 3.25; Buffalo 3.03, and Anderson 2.99. Three-day totals in the area were generally 3 to 5 inches.									
Monroe City, Shelby County	22	7:30p	?	?	0	0	5	0	Hail
Hail and high winds damaged several farms breaking windows out, destroying wheat, fruit trees, etc. in the area.									
Memphis, Scotland County	23	p.m.	?	?	0	0	4	0	Sev. Thunderstorm
Two-inch hail fell from 4 to 5 p.m. A very heavy thunderstorm which formed the hail combined with several other thunderstorms during the night to dump 4 to 6 inches of rainfall into the area flooding all streams. Nine cattle were also killed by lightning in two separate incidents.									
North and Central Missouri	26	a.m.			0	0	0	7	Frost
A severe frost occurred when low temperatures dropped to the upper 20s generally and favored areas dropped to 23 or 24 degrees. Extensive damage occurred to trees, shrubs and gardens.									
<b>MONTANA</b>									
NONE REPORTED									
<b>NEBRASKA</b>									
Hall County	14	3:15 PM			0	0	1	0	Hail
One and half inch hail south side of Grand Island.									
Thayer County	14	3 PM	15	100	0	0	5	0	Tornado
A tornado touched down in Kansas 1 mile south and 2 miles west of Chester, Nebraska which moved northeastward across the state line and lifted 4 miles northeast of Chester, Nebraska. Extensive damage to farm buildings and equipment along with power lines.									
Thayer and Jefferson Counties	14	6:30-7:15 PM			0	0	5	0	Hail and Damaging Winds
Extensive wind damage to farm buildings, power lines and trees. Two inch hail reported at Alexandria. Hail was bulldozed off roads in western Jefferson County.									
Polk, Gage, Saline, and Lancaster Counties	14	7:15-8:15 PM			0	0	3	0	Thunderstorms, Hail and Lightning
Severe thunderstorms and golf size hail at Wilber and Clatonia along with 2 inch size hail at Stromsburg. Lightning destroyed 12,500 volt transformer southwest of Lincoln.									

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<b>NEBRASKA (continued)</b>									
Washington County	14	6 PM			0	0	2	0	Hail
		One and a half inch size hail at Blair.							
Jefferson County	14	6:45 - 7:00 PM	6	25	0	0	5	0	Tornado
		Tornado reported 1 mile west of Fairbury moved north to 7 miles north of Fairbury. Extensive damage to farm buildings, equipment and power lines.							
Dodge, Saunders, Douglas, Sarpy, and Otoe Counties	14	8:30-9:30PM			0	0	3	0	Damaging Winds
		Seventy m.p.h. winds at Wahoo and 80 m.p.h. winds reported at Fremont and Millard. Damaged trees, buildings, and power lines with large power outage southwest of Omaha.							
East and Central Nebraska	15	Early Morning to Late Evening			0	0	6	0	Damaging Winds
		Winds of 40 to 60 m.p.h. with gusts up to 80 prevailed. Utility lines were damaged. Roofs blown off. Damage to all types of structures.							
York County	15	6:15PM	Short	Narrow	0	0	5	0	Tornado
		A tornado touched down briefly in Lushton damaging two homes, one mobile home, two grain elevators and five grain bins. Utility lines damaged.							
Clay County	15	Evening	10	100	0	0	5	0	Tornado
		A tornado touched down 1 mile north and 4 miles east of Deweese and lifted 5 miles east of Edgar. Six farms damaged. Roofs, a garage, windmill, and irrigation pipe damaged or destroyed.							
Keith County	19	Afternoon			0	0	4	0	Hail
		Three to five inches of hail accumulated in Ogallala. Traffic was stopped on I-80 as a grader was needed to clear the interstate. A warehouse roof caved in under the weight.							
Scottsbluff County	22	4:11PM			0	0	0	0	Hail
		One inch soft-flat hail fell at Scottsbluff for 2 minutes.							
Hamilton County	23	3 AM			0	0	3	0	Hail
		One and a half inch hail fell at Aurora doing minor damage to roofs.							
Boone County	23	3:15 AM			0	0	3	0	Hail
		One and a half inch hail fell at Albion doing minor damage mostly to roofs.							
Sarpy County	23	5:24 AM			0	0	3	0	Hail
		One and a half inch hail fell at LaVista doing minor damage mostly to roofs.							
Sarpy County	23	6:19 AM			0	0	0	0	Hail
		Three-quarter inch hail fell in the vicinity of Offutt Air Force Base doing no damage.							
Phelps County	23	6:30 PM			0	0	3	5	Hail
		Hail fell over the southern portion of the county with heaviest between Holdrege southwest to the county line south of Atlanta. Alfalfa fields were chopped up and wheat fields mowed off.							
Nuckolls County	23	8:30 PM			0	0	3	5	Hail
		Hail depth up to 6 inches and half inch in diameter cut down alfalfa fields, stands of wheat and damaged gardens and pastures along a line from northeast of Bostwick to Cadams, a stretch approximately 10 miles long and 4 miles wide. Shingles, siding, paint, and windows were also damaged.							
<b>NEBRASKA (continued)</b>									
Gage County	23	6:55 PM	12	60	0	0	4	0	Tornado
		Tornado 10 miles south of Wynore moved north-eastward towards Barnston and Liberty. Most damage was in Barnston with trees uprooted and a farm building destroyed.							
Gage County	23	8:20 PM			0	0	0	0	Hail
		One inch hail fell 6 miles northeast of Beatrice with no damage.							
<b>NEVADA</b>									
		NONE REPORTED							
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>									
		NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS STATE							
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>									
		NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS STATE							
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>									
KENNA, ROOSEVELT COUNTY	12	7:00 P.	?	?	0	0	2	?	HAIL
		GOLF BALL SIZED HAIL BROKE WINDOWS. ALSO SOME WIND DAMAGE IN SAME GENERAL AREA.							
CANNON AFB, CURRY COUNTY	15	10:15 A.	?	?	0	0	?	?	HAIL
		3/4" HAIL REPORTED BY BASE WEATHER STATION.							
HOBBES AIRPORT, LEA COUNTY	15	11:15 A.	?	?	0	0	?	?	HAIL
		HAIL 1/2"-3/4" REPORTED BY HOBBES AIRPORT CONTROL TOWER OBSERVER.							
LAKEWOOD, CARLSBAD AREA, EDDY COUNTY	30	6:00 P.-8:00 P.	22	2000	0	0	4	6	HAIL, WIND
		SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WITH STRONG WINDS, EXTENSIVE SMALL TO MODERATE SIZE HAIL AND SOME HAILSTONES REPORTED TO GOLF BALL SIZE MOVED THROUGH TRACK FROM LAKEWOOD TO SOUTH OF CARLSBAD. VERY EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO ALFALFA, COTTON, WHEAT, BARLEY, OATS, AND OTHER CROPS. 350 ACRES OF PECAN TREES STRIPPED. CROP DAMAGES ESTIMATED NEAR \$2,380,000. HUNDREDS OF INSURANCE CLAIMS IN CARLSBAD FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT.							
SEVEN RIVERS, EDDY COUNTY	30	6:30 P.			0	2	4	?	TORNADO 200
		TORNADO IN ABOVE STORM COMPLEX DESTROYED TWO MOBILE HOMES IN SEVEN RIVERS AND DAMAGED OTHERS. APPARENTLY ONLY A MOMENTARY TOUCHDOWN.							
<b>NEW YORK</b>									
<b>COASTAL</b>									
		NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS AREA							
<b>NEW YORK</b>									
<b>CENTRAL</b>									
AREAWIDE	1				0	0	7	°C	HEAVY RAIN
		HEAVY RAINFALL WHICH BEGAN LATE WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONTINUED THURSDAY. HARDEST HIT BY FLOODING WERE THE FOLLOWING AREAS WHERE SNOWMELT CONTRIBUTED: SOUTHERN ADIRONDACKS; NORTHERN MORAINE VALLEY AND PORTIONS OF THE UPPER HUDSON VALLEY. SEVERE FLOODING OCCURRED ON THE SCHROON RIVER BECAUSE OF A FAILURE OF A WARRENSBURG DAM. EXTENSIVE DAMAGE OCCURRED AT THE BOARD AND PAPER MILL LOCATED THERE. LAKE CHAMPLAIN ROSE TO NEAR RECORD HIGH LEVELS, AND CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE FROM HIGH WATER AND WIND-INDUCED WAVES OCCURRED FROM THE 3RD THRU THE 6TH, SLOWLY ABATING THEREAFTER.							
EASTERN FINCH LAKES EASTERN SOUTHERN TIER	15-16				0	0	5	°C	HEAVY RAIN
		HEAVY RAIN, AMOUNTING TO NEARLY 3 INCHES AT SOME LOCATIONS, CAUSED CONSIDERABLE LOWLAND FLOODING.							
<b>NEW YORK</b>									
<b>WESTERN</b>									
Wayne County	15-16				0	0	6	?	Flooding
		Heavy rainfall caused low land and basement flooding with Clyde and Wolcott being the hardest hit. Overburdened sanitary and storm sewers affected many homes. Some roads were washed out. Damages were close to \$2-million.							

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<b>NEW YORK (continued)</b>									
<b>WESTERN</b>									
Niagara and Orleans Counties	25				0	0	7	?	Flooding and Shore Erosion
Heavy rain, strong winds, and high waves on Lake Ontario's shores caused damages. A few sanitary sewers backed-up, and 10-12 foot waves caused considerable erosion.									
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>									
Harnett County	4	Aftn					4		Wind
Winds associated with thunderstorms caused damage to building, several trailers and trees in the Dunn and Erwin areas.									
Duplin County	4	Aftn				1	4		Wind
Mobile home destroyed by wind and woman injured near Magnolia. Outbuildings near Rose Hill destroyed. Total damages about \$10,500.									
Cumberland County	4	4PM				2	4		Wind
In Fayetteville area, two people injured when their mobile home was turned upside down and destroyed. Other damage to trees and sheds.									
Southeast Counties	Weekend of 10th						6		Freeze
Late freeze damaged most of blueberry crop worth over 3 million dollars and other field crops including tobacco in Pender, Bladen and Columbus counties.									
Morganton	14	1:36PM					4		Wind
Two new mobile homes destroyed by a freak local wind. Damage \$14,000. One home tossed 30 feet in air.									
<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b>									
Ransom, Sargent, Richland Counties	3				0	0	?	0	Ice and snow
The Ransom-Sargent-Richland Rural Electric Cooperative serving these counties reported rain and sleet changing to snow causing power outage. First outage reported 3 a.m. Lines coated with snow to diameter of four inches in many areas. Consumers served by substations at Forman, Minnab, and North Wymore were out of power. There were more than 200 wire breaks, 27 poles and 32 crossarms were destroyed.									
Burke, Divide	8, 10				0	0	?	0	Wind and ice
The Rural Electric Cooperative serving these counties reported strong south wind moved ice in sloughs knocking over and shearing off poles. On 10th strong NE winds moved ice back. Lost poles, crossarms, line breaks and broken insulators left many consumers without power up to 30 hours. Line crews used 3 boats for dangerous repair work.									
Burke, Divide, Williams Counties	17				0	0	?	0	Ice and wind
Burke-Divide Rural Electric Cooperative reported ice and wind caused power loss to 465 consumers on Crosby substation lines, 206 in Battleview area, and 96 on the Hanks substation.									
Williams Electric Cooperative reported ice build-up on east-west lines. Only 5 broken poles and a few broken crossarms were noted but there was a great deal of trouble with broken wires. About half their system north of Ray and Tioga lost power - over 1000 consumers affected.									
<b>OHIO</b>									
Central and Northeast Ohio	21	Afternoon & Evening			0	2	6	0	High wind, Hail, Lightning, and funnels aloft
A line of thunderstorms moved from Central Ohio to Northeast Ohio and into Lake Erie during the afternoon and early evening of April 21st. There were a number of reports of funnel clouds near Columbus, Perrysville, Polk, Lodi and the West Side of Cleveland. Indications are that these funnels remained aloft and most of the damage was done by high winds in the 50 to 60 mph range, lightning and large hail up to 1 3/4 inch in diameter. The most frequent reports of damage were in an area about 25 miles either side of a line from Dayton to Wooster to Cleveland with more widely scattered reports elsewhere. Damage reports are too numerous to mention here, but some of the more significant reports of weather and damage are as follows; 1 3/4 inch hail at Chippewa, 1 inch hail east of Columbus, 1 inch hail at Newark, high winds at Mt. Vernon removed roofs from several stores in a shopping center with one woman receiving a minor injury, roof damage at Mansfield with 60 mph winds, a mobile home was demolished near Circleville and resulted in minor injuries to one woman, a building under construction at Akron was damaged, a roof was partially removed from a building in Brunswick. Other scattered damage was reported from lightning and to trees and powerlines.									
Huron and Lorain Counties	25	12:12 PM	.1	30	0	0	3	0	Tornado
A small tornado made a brief touchdown near Greenwich, causing some damage to a mobile home and a wire mesh fence.									
Port Clinton (Ottawa County)	25	All Day	--	--	0	0	5	0	High wind, Flooding
Strong and sustained northeast winds produced much shoreline erosion and flooding along Lake Erie from Toledo to Lorain. The hardest hit was Port Clinton and Ottawa County with low areas along the lake were flooding and caused some damage to buildings, homes and roadways.									
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>									
Lawton, Comanche County	12	3:00 p.			0	1	4	0	Lightning
Three houses were struck by lightning. One sustained major damage. At another the lightning entered through a CB radio antenna and caused ear injury to a young woman.									
Arnett, Ellis County	14	7:35 p.			0	0	?	0	Hail
Hailstones up to 1 1/2 inches in diameter broke windows and knocked holes in roofs. Approximately 20 homes received roof and window damage. One school was damaged and several cars sustained broken windshields.									
Fargo, Ellis County	14	8:00 p.			0	0	?	0	Hail
Hail up to 1 1/4 inches was reported.									
Near Sweetwater, Beckham County	14	8:30 p.			0	0	4	0	Wind
Two houses, several barns and other farm outbuildings were damaged by strong winds. Fences were blown down and a windmill was damaged.									
Near Reydton, Roger Mills County	14	8:50 p.			0	0	?	0	Hail
Hailstones of 1 inch in diameter were reported.									
Near Sapulpa, Creek County	15	11:45 a.			0	0	?	0	Hail
Golfball size hail was reported.									
Near Grandfield, Tillman County	15	6:50 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Hollis, Harmon County	17	1:40 a.	18	50	0	2	4	0	Tornado
An apparent tornado touched down about 1 mile east of Hollis. Movement was toward the NE. The first damage occurred when a mobile home was flipped on its side and two of the six occupants were injured. The next significant damage occurred about 2 miles NE of the mobile home where two barns and one outbuilding were damaged. The last significant damage along the track was to a church, a home and an outbuilding in the rural community of Metcalf.									
Frederick area, Tillman County	17	3:25 a.			0	0	2	0	Hail
Hail estimated at around 1 1/2 inches in diameter fell in Frederick and in areas north and south of Frederick. Windows at 2 businesses were knocked out.									
Near Frederick, Tillman County	17	3:30 a.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Fort Sill, Comanche County	17	3:35 a.			0	0	?	?	Hail
Hail up to 1 1/2 inches in diameter occurred about 7 miles west of the Fort Sill Army Base.									

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OKLAHOMA (continued)									
Near Mountain View, Kiowa County	17	3:50 a.	3	30	0	0	4	0	Tornado
									A probable tornado touched down about 10 miles NW of Mountain View. The first reported and most serious damage along the path was to a farm where a large barn was destroyed. A house, 3 out-buildings and 2 miles of fencing were damaged. Along the path a total of 2 barns were destroyed. A total of 2 homes, 1 barn, 3 outbuildings, fencing and several pieces of farm machinery were damaged.
Caddo County	17	4:12 a.	28	1/4*	0	6	6	0	Tornado
									The tornado touched down at a point 8 miles west of Apache on highway 19. Movement was toward the NE at an average speed of 35 m.p.h. Tornado estimated to be on ground approximately 32 minutes. A total of 6 people were injured--3 were admitted to a hospital. None were seriously injured. Six homes were heavily damaged or destroyed with another 11 sustaining light to moderate damage. Four barns or other outbuildings were destroyed and another 3 sustained light to moderate damage. One mobile home was destroyed and one school was damaged. Storm surveys indicate the tornado produced devastating damage (F4) in an area 2 1/2 - 3 miles N of Broxtown where the damage path was 1/2-mile wide. The most costly damage occurred at about 4:35 a.m. when the tornado struck a power plant located on the west edge of Washita, extensively damaging 6 cooling towers.
Near Union City, Canadian County	17	5:15 a.			0	0	0	0	Hail
									Hail up to 1 1/2 inches in diameter occurred 8 miles west of Union City. No information on damage available.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County	17	6:35 a.			0	1	3	0	Wind
									A woman was injured when her car was hit by a wind gust causing it to run off Interstate 240 on the city's southside. The woman was hospitalized.
El Reno, Canadian County	17	1:20 p.			0	2	0	0	Lightning
									Lightning struck the ground at a golf course near the area where 4 men were playing. Two of the men received mild shock.
Near Maurika, Jefferson County	19	2:25 p.	3	1/4*	0	0	4	0	Tornado
									A tornado touched down about 7 miles east and 1 mile south of Maurika where 3 barns and their contents were demolished. The next reported damage occurred about 1 mile N where both a house and barn were unroofed. Trees along the path were also uprooted.
Near Walters, Cotton County	19	2:35 p.	1/10	200	0	0	0	0	Tornado
									A tornado momentarily touched down in open country at a point 9 mi. east and 4 miles north of Walters. An eyewitness said the tornado was on the ground only momentarily and then dissipated. Movement of the storm was from southwest toward the northeast. No damage was observed.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County	19	3:15 p.			0	0	?	?	Hail
									Hail up to 1 inch in diameter fell in the southern portion of Oklahoma City. The storm was accompanied by very heavy rain and minor street flooding.
4W Comanche, Stephens County	19	3:50 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Piedmont, Canadian County	19	5:10 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Marietta, Love County	19	6:02 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
									A funnel cloud was sighted about 6 miles west of Marietta.
Lake Murray area, Love County	19	6:15 p.	6	60	0	0	4	0	Tornado
									A tornado touched down near the southeastern edge of Lake Murray. Movement was toward the northeast. One mobile home was destroyed, 2 homes were heavily damaged and 10 additional homes received minor damage.
Near Leon, Love County	19	6:24 p.	6	100	0	0	5	0	Tornado
									A tornado touched down about 1/2 mile south of Leon in Love County. One house and a mobile home were damaged. Other straight wind damage also occurred about 1 mile NW of Leon. The remaining significant damage occurred at Falconhead Lodge about 12 miles west of Marietta where 2 homes were destroyed. Vehicles and trees were also damaged.
Near Randlett, Cotton County	19	7:30 p.			0	0	?	?	Hail
									One-inch diameter hail fell along the Red River northwest of Randlett.
Altus area, Jackson County	19				0	0	?	?	Hail
									Golfball size hail fell in the Altus area. Hail up to 1 3/4 inches in diameter occurred in Altus and in the area between Altus and Olustee.
OKLAHOMA (continued)									
Near Mangum, Greer County	19	8:15 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Blair area, Jackson County	19	8:30 p.			0	0	?	?	Hail
									Hail ranging from pea to golfball size was reported in the Blair general area.
Near Altus, Jackson County	19	8:30 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Waukomis, Garfield County	19	8:30 p.			0	0	4	0	Lightning
									Lightning hit the center tank of a 3-tank oil storage battery located 8 miles east and 4 miles south of Waukomis.
Tillman County	19	8:40 p.			0	0	0	?	Hail
									Hail cut a 2-mile-wide swath in an area between Frederick and Davidson. Wheat crops in the path of the hail sustained damage ranging from 30 to 80 percent.
Durant, Bryan County	19	8:45 p.			0	0	?	0	Hail
									Hail up to 3/4-inch in diameter fell in the Durant area.
Near Marietta, Love County	19	8:50 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
									A funnel cloud observed along the Red River between Marietta and Munster.
Comanche area, Stephens County	19	10:18 p.			0	0	0	?	Hail
									Hail up to baseball size was reported in an area south of Comanche. Golfball size hail was reported to cover the ground in Comanche.
Near Minco, Grady County	19	10:35 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
Near Sayre, Beckham County	22	?			4	0	4	0	Wind
									A mobile home and the automobile towing it were blown into a culvert by strong straight winds. The automobile burst into flames. All 4 occupants of the car were killed.
McCurtain County	24	1:30 p.			0	0	?	?	Hail
									Golfball size hail was reported in the area east of Broken Bow Reservoir.
Broken Bow, McCurtain County	24	1:35 p.			0	0	?	0	Hail
									Golfball size hail occurred in the Broken Bow community.
Near Boise City, Cimarron County	27	8:50 p.			0	0	0	?	Hail
									Marble to golfball size hail was reported 11 miles N of Boise City.
Near Keyes, Cimarron County	27	8:45 p.			0	0	0	?	Hail
									Golfball size hail fell 8 miles south of Keyes.
Near Keyes, Cimarron County	27	9:15 p.			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
									Funnel cloud 3 miles S of Keyes.
OREGON									
Ashland	4/7	9 AM			0	Unk	Unk		Wind Gust
Klamath Falls	4/24	2 PM			0	1	\$1000	0	Wind Gust
PACIFIC									
Northern Palau Islands	7-8	night/7th -morn/8th			0	0	*6	C	Typhoon Marie
									After few days in formative stage, Marie developed to Tropical Storm on 4th near Sorol Island from where it swung SW till evening of 5th when it strengthened to Typhoon turning WNW. As Marie passed 100 miles south of Yap, weather station recorded peak gust 43 mph and lowest station pressure 29.46 inches evening of 6th. Wave action caused flooding 200-400 feet inland on southern tip of Yap but property damage minor. During night of 7th through morning of 8th, Marie passed just north of Kayangel Island, northernmost island in Palau Islands, and 70 miles north of Koror as it moved westward before curving northward out of the tropics. Koror weather station recorded peak gust 90 mph from WNW at 1152 p.m. of 7th and lowest station pressure 29.20 inches at 1 a.m. of 8th. Total rainfall from 6th through 8th 18.56 inches. No death or injuries reported but substantial damages to northern Palau Islands \$4,030,355 estimated damage to 928 private buildings. 50-100% agricultural loss to bananas, tapioca, taro, papaya and vegetable crops.

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<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>										
EASTERN Scranton and Throop	2	3-4 PM EST			0	0	4	0		Lightning
										Rain, sleet, hail and wet snow accompanied the intense lightning which struck several homes, electrical transformers and trees. The homes were extensively damaged with electrical systems burned out, holes in roofs and walls and windows were shattered. Over 400 customers were without power and traffic lights were inoperative.
Hanover (Pleasant Hill)	4	6 AM EST			0	0	4	0		Lightning
										Lightning struck a barn and caused a fire which destroyed the upper portion of the building.
Bath	20	6 AM EST			0	0	4	0		Lightning
										Lightning struck a church and caused a fire which damaged the roof and belfry.
Bloomsburg	25	7 PM EST			0	0	4	0		Lightning
										Lightning struck a high power line which caused power outage to 2600 customers. The downed line caused a power surge into one home which burned out electrical lines and caused a fire.
<b>PENNSYLVANIA WESTERN</b>										
Western Counties	21	Early afternoon			0	0	4	0		Electrical storm, high winds, heavy rain, hail
										A line of severe thunderstorms moved eastward through Western Pa., with strong winds causing some damage particularly in Elk and Clearfield counties, while hail was reported several places, including 3/4" hail near McKeesport in Westmoreland County and 6" accumulation of hail on the ground near Bradford in McKean County.
Extreme Western Counties	25	Early afternoon			0	0	5	0		Wind
										Wind storm swept through extreme western counties causing general damage, particularly in Washington County where two wind-related automobile accidents occurred; in Greene County, where extensive wind damage resulted, including destruction of a new fire-hall under construction; in Fayette County where several extensive power outages were caused by wires and trees downed; and in Crawford County, where several small barn buildings near Titusville were torn up and moved some distance (up to 75 feet) by the wind.
Pittsburgh	25	1355			0	0	3	0		Tornado
										Tornado touched down briefly in downtown Pittsburgh, taking a 30x6 feet aluminum roof off a building toward the west and dropping it 25 feet to the east. Also moving a 30x6 feet wooden porch holding heavy furniture 1 to 2 inches off its foundation. Two eyewitnesses saw funnel cloud and heard humming noise. Location of damage was one mile east of NWS Forecast Office.
<b>PUERTO RICO</b>										
Western Interior, South Slopes	30	14:00 p 17:00 p			1	0	5	0		Rain
										Heavy afternoon rain showers averaging two to five inches over one to three hours duration caused most streams and rivers in these areas to swell near bank full. One man drowned while attempting to cross the Toa Vaca River near the town of Villalba. A bridge on Route 14 between Juana Diaz and Ponce was flooded and another bridge on Route 124 between Lares and Las Marias was damaged. In Orocovis the Orocovis River flooded Cuatro de Julio Street and entered the ground floor of a low lying store. Some landslides blocked roads in these areas and minor crop damage was reported.
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>										
										NONE REPORTED
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>										
Central and Eastern South Carolina	1-29									Dry weather
										Driest April of record in portions of eastern S.C. Dry weather was contributing factor to largest number of wildfire of record in South Carolina. Also on 11-15 one fire burned 35,000 acres in Horry County.
<b>SOUTH DAKOTA</b>										
Black Hills	6	Afternoon			-	-	-	-		Hail and Snow
										Three inches of hail fell at Hot Springs during a thunderstorm which occurred on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 6th. One inch or more of snow accumulated at levels above 5,000 feet.
Eastern South Dakota	16	All Day			-	-	1	3	6	High Winds
										A deepening low moved northward out of Nebraska across South Dakota. The storm continued its northerly direction in the area west of the Missouri River. As a result, strong winds developed east of the River. Wind gusts at Sioux Falls reached 62 MPH. At Brookings, wind gusts were 70 MPH while at Watertown, 86 MPH were reported.
										During this period of high winds, many roofs were blown off and in many other cases, buildings were completely demolished. In Wolsey, South Dakota, a man working on a roof was fatally injured when the building was demolished. At the Sioux Falls airport, an airplane was overturned while taxiing. The two occupants were only slightly injured. At the Huron airport, an airplane was overturned while personnel were attempting to roll it into a hangar.
Custer County	27	All Day			-	-	-	-	-	Heavy Snow
										On a farm, 9 miles west of Wessington Springs, a woman was injured in a mobile home which was damaged by strong winds.
										Heavy snow of from four to six inches fell in the Black Hills portion of Custer County. Roads were slippery and snow packed but no serious accidents resulted.
<b>TENNESSEE</b>										
Lauderdale County	11	4:50 p.	4	200						Tornado
										The tornado touched down where the Hatchie River empties into the Mississippi River. This is open country and the path was well defined by the extensive tree damage.
Memphis, Shelby County	11	5:12 p.					4			Wind and hail
										1-3/4" hail was reported at the Delta Refinery, 5 miles northwest of the Memphis International Airport. The wind gusted to 45 mph along with 1/2" hail at the airport. Windows were broken and a steeple was blown from a church in the vicinity of the airport.
Bessie, Lake County	20	3 p.m.					10	4		High wind
										High wind completely destroyed 2 house trailers, injuring 10 of the 12 occupants.
Newbern, Dyer County	20	7:55 p.						4		Lightning
										A large colonial home was struck by lightning and damaged by fire during a thunderstorm.
Lafayette, Macon County	21	8:00 a.						5		Thunderstorm and hail
										A thunderstorm that produced 3/4" to 1-1/2" hail caused extensive roof damage. Scores of windows were broken and cars dented from this storm.
<b>TEXAS</b>										
<b>NORTHERN</b>										
Mexia, Limestone County	3	8:30 p					0	0	?	Hailstorm
										An isolated, southeastward-moving thunderstorm produced golf ball size hail at Mexia.
Southern Lampasas County	7	2:30 p - 4:00 p	10	?	0	0	?	?		Hail and Windstorm
										A severe thunderstorm developed in the Loneta area, dropping marble size hail. The storm moved southeastward and produced up to baseball size hail with estimated 70 mph winds 9 miles west of Lampasas. Most of the hailstones were of marble size. Broken windows, damaged trees, and paint damage to buildings were reported as the storm moved into Northern Burnet County.
Near Stamford, Jones County	7	3:35 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	0	0	0	2 Tornadoes and 1 Funnel cloud
										3 funnel clouds, 2 which touched down briefly in a field, were viewed by citizens in and around the community of Corinth. Corinth is about 6 miles south-southwest of Stamford. The parent thunderstorm later had radar indications of possible tornadic activity as it moved southeastward into the Abilene area.
Callahan County	7	Afternoon	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?		Tornado and Funnel Cloud
										The thunderstorm that dropped tornadoes in Jones County produced a funnel cloud between Clyde and Baird. Later, a tornado was reported on the ground near the Denton Community. No damage was reported.

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<b>TEXAS (continued)</b>											
NORTHERN											
Denton, Tarrant, Erath, Johnson, and Archer Counties	15	Afternoon			0	0	?	?			High winds
											Strong southeasterly winds in advance of a developing low pressure system produced minor damage in these counties. In Erath County, trees fell on communications and power lines to the National Weather Service radar site at Stephenville. Loss of communications and a radar power outage resulted. Trees were downed in Johnson County, partially crushing a parked pick-up truck. Some fruit trees were stripped of leaves. Trees were uprooted in Tarrant and Denton Counties with an automobile damaged by a downed tree at Denton. In Archer County, estimated wind gusts of 65 mph destroyed rural sheds and damaged garages, shingled roofs, and awnings.
	15	Afternoon and Evening									
											A fast moving squall line developed in West Texas and moved eastward, resulting in the following severe weather in North and Central Texas:
Runnels County	15	5:00 p-5:35 p	5	20	0	0	4	0			2 Tornadoes and Windstorm
											A small tornado destroyed a 14 by 40 foot shed 4 miles northwest of Winters. The tornado occurred during a heavy rainstorm and carved out a path 1/2 mile long and 20 yards wide. This is probably the same tornado that later destroyed a large barn and damaged a house under construction north of Winters on Highway 83. The twister was later sighted at 5:35 p.m. several miles northeast of Winters. Another tornado was spotted at 5:12 p.m. by the Ballinger Fire Department in open country west of Hallinger. Minor wind damage occurred across the county as the thunderstorms traversed the area.
Near Tye, Jones County	15	5:27 p			0	0	0	0			2 Tornadoes
											2 Tornadoes were sighted in open country moving east. No damage was reported.
Benjamin, Knox County	15	5:30 p			0	0	?	?			Wind and Rainstorm
											High thunderstorm winds toppled trees and damaged a mobile home, a school, and several barns. Water damage from heavy rain resulted after the winds ripped 2400 square feet of roofing from the school.
Quanah, Hardeman County	15	5:42 p			0	0	?	?			Windstorm
											Thunderstorm wind gusts destroyed a barn 3 miles south of Quanah and another barn 1 mile west of Quanah.
Stamford, Haskell County	15	5:45 p	3	200	0	0	?	?			Windstorm and 3 Funnel Clouds
											Plate glass windows were broken and fences blown down by estimated winds of 65 mph. The storm moved from the southwest and was accompanied by 3 funnel clouds.
Wichita County	15	6:22 p-7:00 p			0	0	?	?			Wind and Funnel Cloud
											The squall line entered western Wichita County at 6:22 resulting in wind damage at Electra. Several cars were blown off of roadways, telephone poles snapped, and a roof was blown from a business. At 6:31 p.m., a funnel cloud was reported between Electra and Harold. This could have been the same funnel which was reported as a tornado at 5:40 p.m., north of Burkburnett in Oklahoma. Straight wind gusts to 56 mph were recorded at the Wichita Falls airport.
Coleman, Coleman County	15	6:35 p			0	0	?	?			Windstorm
											Thunderstorm winds downed power lines at Coleman.
Southern Comanche and Northern Mills County	15	Early Evening	10	*5	0	5	5	?			Windstorm
											Thunderstorm winds caused considerable damage to outbuildings, silos, and barns in an area bounded by Priddy, Newburg, and Energy. A family of five in a rural trailer home miraculously escaped serious injury when their mobile home was thrown some 75 feet and destroyed. An automobile service garage at Priddy collapsed during the storm.
10 S of Seymour, Baylor County	15	6:38 p			0	0	?	?			Tornado
											A tornado damaged a ranch 10 miles south of Seymour
Archer County	15	6:55 p			0	0	0	0			2 Funnel Clouds
											Archer County Civil Defense spotted 2 funnels aloft south of Archer City.
<b>TEXAS (continued)</b>											
NORTHERN											
Graham, Young County	15	7:00 p-7:25 p	2	?	0	0	0	5	?		2 Tornadoes
											Residents observed and photographed 2 funnel clouds of roof top level. Evidence of two narrow paths of damage indicated the funnels were actually tornadoes. Each of the damage tracks was at least 2 miles long. People along the tracks heard a loud roar as the storms passed. Heaviest damage occurred on the north side of town where businesses and residences were damaged and a trailer home was destroyed. The owner of the trailer evacuated his family before the tornado struck. A concrete-block building on the north-east side of town was destroyed with the west wall blown inward and the north and south walls collapsing outward. The northern-most tornado moved east-northeastward to the airport where estimated 100 mph winds destroyed the anemometer and damaged a house and hangar.
Bridgeport to North-west of Decatur, Wise County	15	8:15 p	10	50	0	0	4	?			2 Tornadoes
											Two small tornadoes, accompanied by a loud roaring sound, touched down in northwestern Bridgeport and moved northeastward for about 10 miles. The tornadoes occurred simultaneously and were within 1/4 to 1/2 of a mile from each other. 3 barns were destroyed with considerable roof and carport damage reported at an apartment complex in northern Bridgeport. The tornadoes lifted when they reached FM 1810.
8 N Grafard Palo Pinto County	15	8:30 p	**300	100	0	0	3	0			Tornado
											A small tornado uprooted trees, unroofed a feed silo, and damaged a barn. Civil Defense personnel indicated no funnel was sighted but that the damage was characteristic of a localized "twisting" wind.
2 S of Crawford, McLennan County	15	9:10 p-9:20 p	5	?	0	0	?	?			Tornado and Funnel Cloud
											A tornado, confirmed by radar, lifted a garage from its foundation and lifted a fence and carried it some 400 feet. Damage to the fence and garage was negligible. The storm moved from the southwest to northeast. The tornado was first spotted about 7 miles southwest of Crawford at 9:10 p.m.
N of McKinney, Collin County	15	10:20 p			0	0	0	0			Funnel Cloud
											The Department of Public Safety reported a funnel aloft, moving northeastward.
Crowell, Foard County	17	2:00 a-2:20 a	11	150	0	1	5	?			2 Tornadoes
											SKYWARN storm spotter H. L. Ayers, Jr. first observed twin tornadoes about 10 miles southwest of Crowell. One of the tornadoes dissipated but the other twister moved northeastward, entering northwestern Crowell at 2:12 a.m. 4 homes were severely damaged or destroyed, and numerous houses were partially damaged. The tornado also unroofed a church and damaged the fire station. Early warning from the storm spotter group allowed Sheriff Emmitt Howard to warn the town with the siren in his cruiser. As a result, only one minor injury occurred. The same thunderstorm that produced the tornadoes fostered other tornadoes near Spurr in Dickens County and near Frederick, Oklahoma.
Abilene, Taylor County	17	3:00 a			0	0	?	?			Hailstorm
											1.5 inch diameter hail was reported at Dyess AFB. No damage was reported.
Wingate, Runnels County	17	3:05 a			0	0	?	?			Hailstorm
											Gold ball size hail was reported at Wingate. No damage reports were received.
Northern Dallas County	17	6:28 p			0	0	0	0			Funnel Cloud
											Funnel aloft was reported by the public.
Grayson County	17	6:45 p-7:20 p			0	0	0	0			Tornado and Funnel Cloud
											The tornado was sighted near Van Alstyne at 6:45 p moving toward the north-northeast at 30 mph. No damage was reported. A funnel cloud was spotted and verified 5 miles west of Sherman at 7:20 p.m. The funnel remained aloft and dissipated.
Temple, Bell County	18	4:10 p			0	0	0	0			Hailstorm
											Large marble hail fell from a northeastward moving thunderstorm. No damage was reported.
North Central Texas	18-19										Heavy Rains
											Very heavy rains created extensive flash flooding late on the 18th and early on the 19th. The hardest hit areas were the counties immediately south through east of the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex including Dallas County.

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<b>NORTHERN</b>									
Dallas County	18-19				0	0	6	?	Flash Flooding
					Flash flooding was particularly bad in Kleburg where home damage was estimated at \$750,000. Other southeastern Dallas County towns affected by flash flooding included Lancaster, Wilmer, Mesquite, and extreme southeast Dallas. 9 inches of rain fell at Lancaster in less than 24 hours. High water was also reported at Duncanville in southwestern Dallas County.				
Ellis County	18-19	Morning			0	0	5	6	Flash Flooding
					Up to 12 inches of rain in a 36-48 hour period produced serious flash flooding in Ellis County. Heavy crop losses were reported along with some livestock drownings. Businesses and homes were flooded in downtown Waxahachie and other communities within the county. The worst flash flooding was centered in the northeastern portion of Ellis County. Numerous highways and roads were closed by the high waters and a number of cars were stranded between Emnis and Ferris. Between 7 a.m. on the 18th and 1 p.m. on the 19th, 12.46 inches of rain were recorded at Ferris.				
2 S Waxahachie, Ellis Counties	19	5:30 a 6:00 a			0	0	0	0	2 Funnel Clouds
					County Civil Defense personnel reported that neither of the funnels touched down.				
Kaufman County	18-19	Morning			0	0	5	4	Flash Flooding and Electrical
					Over 13 inches of rain fell from the 18th through the 20th. Flash flooding was concentrated on the morning of the 19th, particularly in the Terrell and Kaufman areas. Numerous farms, businesses, and homes were damaged by the high water. At one time, all roads out of Terrell except Highway 205 to Rockwall were closed. Numerous cars became stalled with water damaging the electrical systems. A car was swept off of Highway 80 by the flooding, but the driver was rescued by police personnel. Lightning twice struck the Terrell police radio antenna, knocking the headquarters station off of the air. Minor damage resulted when lightning triggered a fire at a private residence in Terrell.				
Commerce area, Hunt County	19	Morning			0	0	?	?	Flash Flooding
					Flash flooding damaged the Tri-County Co-op Building in Commerce. Numerous roads were closed in the area because of high water.				
Cleburne, Johnson County	19	Morning			0	0	?	?	Flash Flooding
					6 inches of rain resulted in flash flooding in the Cleburne area. A bridge under construction across McAnear Creek was washed out. Little other damage resulted from the high water.				
Mansfield, Tarrant County	19	Morning			0	0	?	?	Flash Flooding
					At least one home was flooded by rampaging waters over the banks of Walnut Creek.				
2 NW Aledo, Parker County	19	12:45 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	4	0	Tornado and Funnel Cloud
					A strong, isolated thunderstorm first showed a radar signature of a possible tornado at 12:15 p.m. 15 miles southwest of Carswell AFB. About the same time a funnel cloud was sighted in the Tin Top area of southern Parker County. At 12:45 p.m., a tornado struck the West Oak Mobile Home Park, 2 miles northwest of Aledo. One trailer was blown over on its side causing it to skid 30 feet. The mobile home was then turned upside down and ripped open, scattering debris over a large area. No other damage and no injuries were reported.				
Near Azle, Tarrant County	19	12:45 p-1:35 p	1.2	50	0	0	4	0	Tornado and Several Funnel Clouds
					At 12:45 p.m. the Fire Chief at Azle reported a funnel cloud to the southwest. This is possibly the same funnel which dropped down near Aledo. At 1:20 p.m., a small tornado struck a mobile home park just north of the community of Lakeside, about 3 miles south of Azle. The tornado severely damaged 1 mobile home and partially damaged 2 other trailer homes along a north-northeasterly course. 2 and possibly 3 funnels aloft were spotted in the Eagle Mountain Lake area between 1:20 and 1:35 p.m.				
6 N Meacham Airport, Northern Tarrant County	19	1:25 p			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
					A pilot observed a funnel cloud, 6 miles north of Meacham Field.				
Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto County	19	1:06 p			0	0	0	0	Hailstorm
					1 inch diameter hail was reported at the Mineral Wells Airport. No damage occurred.				
N of Gainesville, Cooke County	19	5:20 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	0	0	Tornado
					Cooke County Civil Defense reported a brief tornado touchdown north of Gainesville. The storm moved northeastward into Oklahoma as a funnel aloft.				
<b>TEXAS (continued)</b>									
<b>NORTHERN</b>									
Eastern Montague County	19	5:30 p-6:00 p	7	375	0	2	5	0	Tornado
					The tornado first reached the ground about 5 miles northwest of Saint Jo. Width of the storm varied from 250-500 yards as it swept a path approximately 7 miles long toward the northeast. The tornado severely damaged or destroyed 3 homes and leveled a mobile home, barns, and outbuildings. A car and a pickup were destroyed at the mobile home site. The occupants of the trailer were treated for minor injuries. The injuries and most of the damage occurred in and near the small community of Capps Corner which is 8 miles north of Saint Jo. After producing the tornado, the parent thunderstorm moved across the Red River with more tornadoic activity occurring in the Marietta and Ardmore areas.				
Brownwood area, Brown County	19	5:30 p-5:50 p	10	*1/4	0	11	6	?	Tornado and Funnel Cloud
					The intense tornado, which developed from an isolated thunderstorm, was in the formative stage when sporadic damage was reported between Bangs and Brownwood near Highway 67. A visible tornado, described as large and cylindrical, was evident when the storm reached Highway 279 about 4 miles northwest of downtown Brownwood. Outbuildings, a motorcycle race track, and a parked car were destroyed in this area. The storm continued along a northeasterly course while shredding mesquite trees on both sides of a small hill. About 5 miles north of the downtown area, the tornado passed over FM 2125 into the A. I. Fabis pecan orchard and farm. A row of 4 houses and several outbuildings were leveled on the farm. All of the injuries occurred in the housing area. Two teen-agers were thrown about 1000 yards when caught in the open upon returning from fishing in Lake Brownwood. Miraculously, both survived. Fabis, who owned the houses and heavily damaged orchard, narrowly escaped death when the storm blew his frame house away. Fabis was huddling near his bathtub, listening to radio storm warnings when the tornado struck. Only Fabis and the bathtub he had a firm grip on remained on the foundation after the storm passed.				
					The tornado next struck the Brownwood Airport, north-northeast of the city on Highway 183. A set of T-hangers and 6 private airplanes were devastated. Luckily, the tornado arced around a large hangar where several airport workers had taken refuge. About 1/2 mile northeast of Highway 183, the tornado lifted.				
Northwestern Tarrant County	19	6:38 p-7:02 p			0	0	0	0	3 Funnel Clouds
					The funnel clouds were reported on the southern end of a heavy thunderstorm.				
Electra and Burkburnett, Wichita County	19	7:33 p-8:40 p			0	0	?	?	Hailstorm
					1 inch hail was reported at Burkburnett at 7:33 p.m. Golf ball hail was observed at Electra at 8:40 p.m.				
Dublin area, Erath County	19	7:30 p-8:00 p	8	300	0	0	4	?	Tornado, Funnel Cloud, and Windstorm
					The parent thunderstorm that produced the Brownwood tornado moved into Erath County, still with radar indications of possible tornadoic activity. A tornado moved from near the Erath-Comanche County line northeastward to 8 miles southeast of Dublin. Barns and metal outbuildings were destroyed. Much of the damage occurred on the James Sager farm, 8 miles south-southeast of Dublin. The tornado was last reported as a funnel aloft, moving northeastward into the Alexander area. Straight winds from the parent thunderstorm north of the tornado unroofed a metal barn on the east side of Dublin.				
1.5 W Granbury, Hood County	19	8:28 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?	Tornado
					The Brownwood storm produced a third tornado which damaged trees and a barn west of Granbury.				
4 NNE Granbury, Hood County	19	8:55 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?	Tornado
					A mobile home was overturned as this tornado crossed the Highway 51 area. This might have been the same tornado which struck west of Granbury at 8:28.				
Southern Tarrant County	19	10:00 p-10:55 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?	Tornado, Windstorm and Hail
					The Brownwood storm produced light damage in Southern Tarrant County with 60 mph winds and marble size hail. A brief tornado touchdown was reported in a field south of Everman at 10:55 p.m. Soon afterwards, the parent thunderstorm dissipated in eastern Tarrant County.				
North Texas	19	Evening							
					While the isolated storm was producing damage on a line from Brownwood to Fort Worth, a clearing squall line was developing in West Texas. The line of thunderstorms was accompanied by the following severe weather in North Texas on the 18th and early on the 20th.				

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<b>TEXAS (continued)</b>									
<b>NORTHERN</b>									
Runnels County	19	8:00 p-8:30 p			0	0	?	?	Hail and Windstorm
			Marble size hail, sometimes covering the ground, and high winds were reported throughout the county.						
6 N Coleman, Coleman County	19	9:00 p			0	0	?	?	Hailstorm
			Golf ball size hail was reported 6 miles north of Coleman.						
W of Bridgeport, Wise County	19	11:00 p	Short	Narrow	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			A tornado was sighted in open country west of Lake Bridgeport. This would have placed the tornado on the south side of the heaviest cell in the squall line. No damage could be found.						
Extreme Northwest Tarrant County	19	11:18 p			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
			Wise County Sheriff spotted a funnel aloft.						
Southern Tarrant County	19	11:53 p			0	0	?	?	Windstorm
			Oak Grove Airport, in extreme southern Fort Worth, reported a single wind gust of 100 mph. No significant damage was reported.						
Grandview, Johnson County	20	12:20 a-12:40 a	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?	Tornado, 2 Funnel Clouds, and Windstorm
			Brief tornado touchdown southwest of Grandview was observed by Department of Public Safety Officer. 2 funnel clouds were also reported with brief straight wind gusts estimated up to 100 mph. Radar indicated a strong cell in the area.						
Copperas Cove, Coryell County	20	12:20 a			0	0	?	?	Tornado
			Police indicated the tornado damaged a house and uprooted some trees.						
Bonham, Fannin County	20	1:30 a	Short	Narrow	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			Bonham police officers witnessed a small tornado drop down near the intersection of Highways 82 and 121 in eastern Bonham. The twister quickly lifted after ripping up weeds and grass.						
10 N of Paris, Lamar County	20	2:10 a			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
			Paris police reported a funnel cloud at tree top level.						
Near Winnsboro, Wood County	20	3:26 a			0	0	?	?	Windstorm
			Squall line thunderstorm winds overturned a mobile home.						
SE of Tyler, Smith County	20	4:00 a			0	0	?	?	Windstorm
			Another trailer was turned over by high thunderstorm winds.						
3 W of Lufkin, Angelina County	20	4:58 a	Short	Narrow	0	0	?	?	Tornado
			Tornado was reported by the public, moving northeast at 40 mph. No damage was confirmed.						
Between Timpson and Center, Shelby County	20	5:40 a			0	0	2	0	Windstorm
			Windstorm destroyed a portion of a large chicken barn and several trees.						
Foard and Wilbarger Counties	23	8:10 p-8:45 p			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
			3 SKYWARN spotters confirmed the funnel aloft 12 miles southwest of Crowell. The funnel moved eastward into Wilbarger County at 8:30 p.m. and was sighted near Santa Rosa Lake at 8:45 p.m.						
Wichita County	23	9:15 p-11:06 p			0	0	?	?	Funnel Cloud, Hail Winds and Heavy Rain
			At 9:15 p.m., a line of thunderstorms moved into Wichita County, producing golf ball size hail at Electra. A funnel aloft was observed northeast of Electra at 9:34. High winds, marble hail, and some street flooding occurred in the Iowa Park, Burkburnett, and Wichita Falls area through 11:06 p.m.						
North Fort Worth, Tarrant County	24	1:25 a			0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
			First reported as a tornado, it is believed that the funnel cloud never reached the ground.						
Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County	24	2:52 a			0	0	3	0	Windstorm
			Thunderstorm winds broke plate glass windows, downed billboards, and felled tree limbs.						
Mexia, Freestone County	24	3:00 p			0	0	?	?	Hailstorm
			Average size of the stones was 3/4 of an inch with hail ranging up to golf ball size. The storm moved from the northwest to the southeast.						
<b>TEXAS (continued)</b>									
<b>NORTHERN</b>									
15 SW of Texarkana, Bowie County	24	4:45 p			0	0	?	?	Hailstorm
			The Corps of Engineers reported hail up to golf ball size completely covering the ground at Wright Patman Dam.						
Abilene, Taylor County	28	2:30 p			0	0	0	0	Hailstorm
			A brief fall of golf ball hail was reported in extreme southern Abilene.						
Ballinger area, Runnels County	28	4:58 p-6:45 p	**75	3	0	0	0	0	Tornado and Hailstorm
			A mini-tornado was witnessed in a field southwest of Ballinger by David Butts. The miniature tornado occurred with rain and hail at 4:58 p.m. CST and traveled from the northeast toward the southwest. Hail in the Ballinger area averaged from pea to marble size with a few stones as large as golf balls.						
<b>TEXAS SOUTHERN</b>									
NO STORM DATA REPORT RECEIVED FOR THIS AREA									
<b>TEXAS WESTERN</b>									
10 miles southwest of Pecos, Reeves County	4	1:30P-							Funnel aloft
			Funnel cloud observed 10 miles southwest of Pecos. Funnel apparently never touched down. No damage reported.						
10 miles west of Pecos, Reeves County	4	2:05P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Hail
			Hail to 1" in diameter was reported. No known damage.						
Childress, Childress County	7	4:19P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Hail
			Hail from 1/2 to 1" in diameter fell for a short period of time. No apparent damage.						
Near Lelia Lake, Donley County	7	4:30P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			Tornado touched down briefly in open country.						
3 miles east of Hedley, Donley County	7	4:35P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			Tornado reported on the ground for a short period of time. No damage reported.						
5 miles west of Wellington, Collingsworth County	7	5:50P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			Tornado reported on the ground for brief period by Sheriff's unit. No reported damage, open country.						
Big Spring, Howard County	12	10:55A-			1	1	0	0	Lightning
			A man and his wife from Abilene were struck by lightning outside a Big Spring home. They were holding an umbrella with a metal handle and knocked down in the driveway of the home. The man was administered first aid by ambulance driver but died shortly after midnight on the 13th in a Big Spring hospital. His wife was listed in stable condition.						
2 miles southeast of Midland, Midland County	12	9:05P-							Funnel aloft
			Funnel cloud observed briefly, did not touch ground.						
7 miles south of Post, Garza County	14	5:55P-	2	30	0	0	0	0	Tornado
			Tornado spotted bounding across an open field by Department of Public Safety patrolmen. No damage reported.						
Memphis, Hall County	14	6:00P-6:06P	?	?	0	0	2	0	Hail
			Hail from 1/2" to 3/4" in diameter covered the ground to about an inch deep causing minor tree damage.						
10 miles southwest of Post, Garza County	14	6:44P-							Funnels aloft
			3 funnels aloft observed by a pilot. Apparently funnels never touched the ground. No damage reported.						
10 miles southwest of Post, Garza County	14	6:44P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Hail
			Hail to 2" in diameter fell in open country. No known damage.						
Near Meadow, Terry County	14	7:20P-	?	?	0	0	0	0	Hail
			Hail from 1/4" to a few stones near 2 3/4" in diameter fell briefly in open country. No reported damage.						
5 miles southwest of Spur, Dickens County	14	8:20P-8:26P	2	30	0	0	2	0	Tornado
			Tornado caused minor damage to one home, uprooted trees and knocked down three telephone poles.						

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WESTERN									
10 miles southeast of Lubbock, Lubbock County	14	9:55P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter reported.							No damage reported.
8 miles Northwest of Dumas, Moore County	15	12:25P-							Funnel aloft
		Funnel cloud reported, did not touch down.							
Near Wildorado, Oldham County	15	12:25P-							Funnel aloft
		Funnel cloud reported, did not touch down.							
North edge of Hereford, Deaf Smith County	15	12:25P- 12:30P	1/2 30	0	0	4	0		Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly. Tornado overturned an unoccupied mobile home, damaged a horse shed, a storage barn and the Hereford High School field house.							
just southwest of Wickett, Ward County	15	12:27P-							Funnel aloft
		Funnel cloud reported. Funnel did not touch down.							
4 miles west of Tulia, Swisher County	15	2:00P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter fell with passage of thunderstorm. No damage reported.							
14 miles south, south east of Lubbock, Lubbock, County	15	2:05P-	? ?		0	0	2	0	Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly. Several power poles broken off.							
Southeast Lubbock, Lubbock County	15	2:21P-	? ?		0	0	4	0	Wind
		Straight line winds gusting to about 60 mph during thunderstorm destroyed one mobile home and damaged six others.							
just southeast of Spearman, Hansford County	15	2:30P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Two tornadoes
		Two tornadoes touched down briefly. No damage.							
9 miles south of Spearman, Hansford County	15	2:47P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly. No damage.							
8 miles southeast of Perryton, Ochiltree County	15	3:00P- 3:20P-							Funnel aloft
		Funnel sighted but it never touched ground.							
1 mile west south-west of Groom, Carson County	15	15:06P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 2" in diameter fell briefly. No damage reported.							
Memphis, Hall County	15	4:05P-	? ?		0	0	2	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter fell briefly. Minor damage to trees and gardens.							
Near Swenson, Stonewall County	15	4:30P-	1/2 30	0	0	3	0		Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly. Tornado unroofed two homes in Swenson, no injuries reported.							
San Angelo, Tom Green County	15	4:30P- 5:30P	? ?		0	0	4	0	Wind
		Wind associated with thunderstorms gusts to 66 mph causing minor damage in San Angelo. Utility lines down, tree roof and tree damage through out town.							
Clairemont, Kent County	17	12:30A-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 3/4" in diameter reported. No damage.							
Sterling City	17	12:55A	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 3/4" in diameter reported. No known damage.							
1 1/2 to 2 miles southwest of Dickens, Dickens County	17	01:36A- 01:40A	1/2 30	0	0	3	0		Tornado
		Tornado destroyed some chicken houses, damaged a barn, blew a roof off a house and knocked down several power poles.							
3 miles west of Four Ways, Moore County	19	2:55P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly in open country, no damage reported.							
10 west of Stinnett, Hutchinson County	19	3:42P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1" in diameter fell in open country. No damage.							
Moore, Hutchinson Potter, Carson, Randall, Gray Counties	19	Aftn.							Funnels aloft
		Numerous funnel clouds were sighted during the afternoon. No reported damage.							
TEXAS (continued)									
WESTERN									
Perryton, Ochiltree County	19	6:30P-	? ?		0	0	3	0	Wind
		Strong wind associated with thunderstorms tore roofs off several sheds and overturned a truck at a farm 15 miles northwest of Perryton.							
5 miles south of Toyah, Reeves County	22	6:00P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Tornado
		Tornado reported to have touched down in open ranchland. No damage.							
9 miles east of Andrews, Andrews County	22	6:15P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Large hail up to 2 3/4" in diameter fell in open country. No apparent damage.							
Fort Stockton, Pecos County	22	6:30P-	? ?		0	0	3	0	Wind
		High wind associated with a thunderstorm destroyed an unoccupied mobile home.							
Wolforth, Lubbock County	22	7:15P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter fell briefly, no apparent damage.							
Lubbock, Lubbock County	22	7:35P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter reported in spots through out city. No damage reported.							
Lockney, Floyd County	22	9:15P-	? ?		0	0	0	3	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter caused minor damage to wheat crop around Lockney.							
Near Silverton, Briscoe, County	26	6:15P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 2" in diameter reported. No damage.							
Near Floydada, Floyd County	26	7:15P-							Funnels aloft
		Two funnel clouds reported by pilot. Did not touch down.							
Near Imperial, Pecos County	26	7:15P-	13 10 Mi.	0	0	0	0		Hail
		Hail to 2" in diameter fell in open ranchland, covering the ground in spots as much as a foot deep between the Imperial and Monahans Highway.							
Near Matador, Motley County	26	8:05P	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter fell near Matador briefly. No damage reported.							
Near Whiteflat, Motley County	26	8:05P-							Funnel aloft
		Floyd county sheriff reported two funnel clouds and followed them for a short period.							
4 miles southwest of Midland air terminal, Midland County	26	9:00P-	? ?		0	0	5	0	Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly and destroyed 38 portable buildings. Buildings were tied down and cables were snapped.							
13 miles north of Big Lake, Reagan County	26	10:59P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1" in diameter fell in open country. No damage.							
Near Cactus, Moore County	27	7:00P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Tornado
		Tornado touched down briefly. No damage reported.							
17 miles north north-east of Dumas, Moore County	27	7:32P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter reported. No damage.							
South Lubbock, Lubbock, County	28	2:30P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 1 3/4" in diameter fell briefly in south Lubbock. No damage reported.							
Mentone, Loving County	30	9:45P-	? ?		0	0	0	0	Hail
		Hail to 2" in diameter fell near Mentone. No apparent damage.							

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UTAH Salt Lake County	1	11:00a 5:00p	0	0	0	0	4	0	High winds.	
									High winds associated with a strong cold front struck Salt Lake City and Salt Lake County during the late afternoon. Peak winds of 51 mph were recorded at the Salt Lake Airport at 4:00 pm mt. Two large mobile homes, one near 2100 South and Redwood Road, and the other double unit at the Point of the Mountain were overturned and badly damaged. Total damages for the storm were estimated at \$40,000.	
Box Elder, Cache, Davis, Weber, Salt Lake, and Tooele Counties	25	10:00a 2:00p	0	0	0	0	5	0	High winds.	
									A strong winter storm front moved through northwestern Utah during the midday hours. Damaging winds associated with this storm were strongest just east, south, and northeast of Great Salt Lake. The storm apparently intensified rapidly as it crossed over Great Salt Lake and moved toward Bountiful and Salt Lake Valley. Peak gusts of 69 mph were estimated in the higher bench areas of Bountiful; 69 mph at Dagway; 68 mph at the University of Utah, while the Salt Lake Airport recorded 78 mph at 12:12 pm. Experienced boaters on Great Salt Lake estimated wind gusts of 80 mph as causing waves 14 to 15 feet. Many boats were damaged during a sailing meet on the lake and extensive damage resulted at the south docking area near Silver Sands. Total damages on the lake were set at about \$350,000. Many trees were uprooted and many roofs suffered damages throughout Salt Lake City. Two small aircraft were overturned and damaged at the Salt Lake Airport. Total damages for the storm are estimated at \$450,000.	
Utah, Salt Lake, and Washington Counties	27	4:30a 6:30a	0	0	0	0	0	4	Frost damage.	
									Clearing skies with colder temperatures during the early morning caused frost damages to fruit crops in Northern Utah and in extreme Southwestern Utah around St. George. Greatest loss was to the apricot crop with total damages estimated at \$20,000.	
VERMONT										
AREAWIDE	1				0	0	6	"C	HEAVY RAIN	
									HEAVY RAINFALL AND SNOWMELT CAUSED CONSIDERABLE FLOODING. LAKE CHAMPLAIN ROSE TO NEAR RECORD HIGH LEVELS AND CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE FROM HIGH WATER AND WIND-INDUCED WAVES OCCURRED FROM THE 3RD THRU THE 6TH, SLOWLY ABATING THEREAFTER.	
VIRGINIA										
Chesapeake	4	abt 4:00p	1/10	35	0	0	3	0	Tornado	
									A tornado, moving from southwest to northeast, touched down briefly and unroofed an eight-stall horse barn, lifting it up and flipping it upside down. A car was damaged by the falling roof. Cinder blocks from the walls were carried about 120 feet into the pasture. A witness reported it as a "dark-brown, odd-shaped, cloud" which struck the barn. A news clipping reported that it narrowly missed the nearby Southeastern School before hitting the barn.	
Central Portion	4	late am- mid pm			0	0	4	0	Wind, Lightning	
									Squall line moved west to east across the central portion of the state. Near Lexington, Rockbridge County, wind demolished two trailers. One trailer was being used for a construction site office and the other as a mobile classroom. Damage to the latter was placed at \$2200, in the storm that hit "just before noon". In Richmond, winds felled trees and lightning struck power lines with more than 1100 homes without electricity at approximately 5:15 pm. In Westmoreland County, winds caused \$4,000 damage to a lodge under construction near Colonial Beach.	
Entire State	15-21				0	0	0	0	High Temperatures, Dry Spell, Air Stagnation	
									Unusually high temperatures, combined with prolonged period of very dry weather, responsible for critical fire danger. Forest fires, coupled with developing atmospheric stagnation, resulted in unfavorable air quality readings. Record temperatures of 90 degrees or more were widespread. Richmond reported six consecutive days of readings in the 90s from the 16th through the 21st.	
Arlington	20	8:00p- 11:00p			0	0	2	0	Lightning	
									More than 500 power company customers without electricity due to lightning strikes. Fire officials reported 23 calls related to downed power lines and trees.	
Lynchburg	25	7:45 p			0	0	2	0	Wind	
									Television station off the air for about two hours after wind knocked out power to transmitter. Gusts to 33 mph recorded at the Municipal Airport Weather Office.	
VIRGIN ISLANDS									NONE REPORTED	
WASHINGTON										
Duvall, King Co.	28	1:45 PM					3		Wind Storm	
									A windstorm caused damage along a narrow 1/4 mile path in Duvall. A 40 foot aluminum roof was blown off of a shed and other minor damage was observed in the area.	
Everett, Snohomish County	24	2:45 PM					3		Lightning	
									A home was hit by lightning. At 13710 59th Avenue S.E., wiring was burned, a section of a wall was torn out, and most of the windows broken. Windows were broken in eleven nearby homes.	
WEST VIRGINIA										
Statewide	11, 12	night	0	0	0	0	0	?	Frost	
									Frost and freezing temperatures severely damaged the state's apple, peach and strawberry crop. A survey indicated 50 to 75 percent of the state's early apple varieties were destroyed and that other varieties of apples, in addition to peaches and strawberries, were estimated to have damage ranging from slight to heavy.	
Southwest Portions	20		0	0	0	0	0	5	Forest fires	
									A dry spell across the state was responsible for widespread forest fires. Rough estimates on the amount of timber lost to the fires was nearly 4,000 acres - centered mostly in the southwestern counties. Nearly \$80,000 worth of timber had been lost to this date.	
Berkeley County	20	evening	0	0	0	0	5	0	Lightning	
									Lightning struck a home south of Bunker Hill. A home, two vehicles and other property were destroyed.	
Tyler County	21	6-7PM	0	0	0	0	?	?	Hail	
									A severe thunderstorm passed across northwestern West Virginia during the evening. Baseball size hail was reported just south of Middlebourne in Tyler County. No reports of damage were received.	
WISCONSIN										
Richland Center Richland County	14	10:30 a			0	0	4		Lightning	
									Lightning caused a fire that destroyed a wrecking yard office.	
Doylestown, Columbia County to Burnett, Dodge County	15	11:00 - 11:50	24	150	0	0	4		Tornado	
									A tornado skipped along a nearly west to east path that extended from one mile west of Doylestown to north of Beaver Dam to a point about one mile south of Burnett. A corn crib, farm machinery and storage tanks were blown down by the twister west of Doylestown. Spotty, light damage was reported as the tornado tracked eastward over eastern Columbia County. In Dodge County, the tornado was first sighted two miles west-northwest of Beaver Dam. Damage occurred to a farm two miles northeast of Beaver Dam near the intersection of County Highway A and B. The tornado continued to move eastward and destroyed a barn and uprooted trees on a farm about two miles west-southwest of Burnett. A pea vinery shed was also destroyed. The last reported damage of the tornado was one mile south of Burnett on County B.	
Elm Grove Waukesha County	20	6:57 p			0	0	4		Lightning	
									Lightning struck a home and did extensive damage as it traveled through the house. The lightning knocked down ceilings, walls and blew out gas meters and lines and literally blew paneling off walls. No fire was observed.	

# STORM DATA AND UNUSUAL WEATHER PHENOMENA

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PLACE	DATE	TIME - LOCAL STANDARD	LENGTH OF PATH (MILES)	WIDTH OF PATH (YARDS)	NO. OF PERSONS		ESTIMATED DAMAGE		CHARACTER OF STORM
					KILLED	INJURED	PROPERTY	CROPS	
<b>WISCONSIN (continued)</b>									
Extreme Southeast Part of State	24 & Early 25				0	0	05	C	Heavy Rain & Flooding
	Heavy steady rains fell over extreme southeast Wisconsin and caused some local flooding of low lying areas, basements, roads and farm lands. The heaviest measured rainfall was in the Milwaukee area where a 24 hour total of 3.1 inches fell on the 24th and early on the 25th. The total for the entire storm was 3.66 inches. Of this total, 2.03 inches fell during a six hour period on the 25th.								
<b>WYOMING</b>									
Marville 2 W	12	6:10 p	?	?	0	0	4	0	Tornado
	Small tornado destroyed cattle shed and did damage to house and other outbuildings at a ranch 2 miles west of Marville.								

° Includes crop damage.  
 C Crop damage.  
 \* Miles instead of yards.  
 \*\* Yards instead of miles.  
 † Storm damages are placed in categories varying from 1 to 9 as follows:  
 1 Less than \$50  
 2 \$50 to \$500  
 3 \$500 to \$5,000  
 4 \$5,000 to \$50,000  
 5 \$50,000 to \$500,000  
 6 \$500,000 to \$5 Million  
 7 \$5 Million to \$50 Million  
 8 \$50 Million to \$500 Million  
 9 \$500 Million to \$5 Billion

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