



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



March 1996

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons		Estimated Damage		Character of Storm
					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

NORTH DAKOTA, Central and West

NDZ001>005-009>013-017>023-025-031>037-040>048-050>051 **Divide - Burke - Renville - Bottineau - Rolette - Williams - Mountrail - Ward - Mchenry - Pierce - Mckenzie - Dunn - Mercer - Oliver - Mclean - Sheridan - Wells - Foster - Golden Valley - Billings - Stark - Morton - Burleigh - Kidder - Stutsman - Slope - Hettinger - Grant - Bowman - Adams - Sioux - Emmons - Logan - La Moure - McIntosh - Dickey**

23	0430CST	0	0	Winter Storm
25	0430CST			

An early spring snow storm moved up out of the 4-corners region of the country to bring another round of severe winter weather to the northern plains. Snowfall totals from the area include Minot AFB at 7 inches...Dickinson and Jamestown at 7.5 inches...Williston at 8 inches...Glen Ullin with 12 inches and Bismarck with 13 inches. I-94 in Morton county was reported to have 6 foot snow drifts blocking lanes...and I-94 was closed from Saturday morning to Monday morning. Many travelers ended up being stranded for the weekend in North Dakota. Due to the warm weather recieved a few days before...roadways were warm. When the storm began...strong northeast to east winds blew the snow across the road...leaving the roadway wet. When the temperature began to fall, roadways became extremely icy. There were numerous reports of vehicles in the ditch, and a few roll-overs were also reported. Many school across western and central North Dakota had Monday(25th) off due to the slow progress of the snow removal. Winds during the weekend averaged between 20 and 30 mph with higher gusts at times.

NDZ006>008-014>016-024-026>030-038>039-049-052>053 **Towner - Cavalier - Pembina - Benson - Ramsey - Walsh - Eddy - Nelson - Grand Forks - Griggs - Steele - Traill - Barnes - Cass - Ransom - Sargent - Richland**

23	1900CST	0	0	Blizzard
24	2100CST			

A gusty north wind and heavy snowfall combined to produce visibilities to near zero at times. A peak wind gust of 46 mph was reported at the airport at Fargo. Snowfall totals generally ranged from 6 to 10 inches while wind chills dropped to 30 to 50 below zero. Snowplows were pulled off the roads and law enforcement agencies advised no travel. I-29 and I-94 were closed quickly, along with US Highway 2 from Devils Lake to Grand Forks.