



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



December 2003

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

NDZ001>002-009>010-017>018-031>032 **Divide - Burke - Williams - Mountrail - Mckenzie - Dunn - Golden Valley - Billings**

26	1800CST								
27	1600CST			0	0				Winter Storm

Low pressure developed over Wyoming moving into central North Dakota on the 26th of December and intensified into a winter storm. The storm was a prolonged event producing 6 to 13 inches of snow in the west. The most snow fell at Power Lakes with 13 inches and Williston with 10 inches.

NDZ033-040>041-043>044 **Stark - Slope - Hettinger - Bowman - Adams**

26	1800CST								
28	0400CST			0	0				Winter Storm

Low pressure over Wyoming moved into the northern plains and intensified into a winter storm over central North Dakota. The storm system brought a prolonged period of snow to southwestern North Dakota. Snow amounts ranged 6 to 8 inches.

NDZ001>002-009>010-017>018-031>032 **Divide - Burke - Williams - Mountrail - Mckenzie - Dunn - Golden Valley - Billings**

27	1600CST								
28	0400CST			0	0				Blizzard

The winter storm over central North Dakota began moving northeast producing strong northwest winds over western North Dakota in its wake. The winter storm warning for the west was upgraded to a blizzard warning due to the strong winds. Winds of 30 to 45 mph with gust around 50 mph were producing near zero visibilities in blowing snow. No travel was advised by the North Dakota Highway Patrol over much of western North Dakota.

NDZ003>005-011>012 **Renville - Bottineau - Rolette - Ward - Mchenry**

27	1700CST								
28	0400CST			0	0				Winter Storm

The late December winter storm over central North Dakota had moved northeast into northern Minnesota prompting a winter storm warning for the north central areas of North Dakota. The precipitation began as ice, sleet, then snow over this area. Snowfall of 7 to 8 inches fell. The combination of ice, sleet and snow created very hazardous road conditions and no travel was advised by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.