

Arkansas Weather Statistics for 2015

Tornadoes

(20 tornadoes, 2 fatalities, 8 injuries)

1. 4 miles west-southwest of Bull Shoals Lake to 1.2 miles south-southwest of Bull Shoals Lake (Marion Co.), March 24, 611 PM - An EF0 tornado had a path length of 0.6 mile.
2. 9 miles northwest of Clifty to 4.0 miles north-northeast of Clifty (Madison Co.), March 25, 426 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 3.9 miles.
3. 3.2 miles north-northeast of Clifty to 4.2 miles northeast of Clifty (Madison Co.), March 25, 432 PM - An EF0 tornado had a path length of 1.0 mile.
4. 2.5 miles southwest of Burlington to 3.0 miles southwest of Myrtle (Boone Co.), April 3, 1240 AM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 6.9 miles.
5. Overcup to 4.2 miles east of Overcup (Conway Co.), April 19, 535 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 4.2 miles.
6. 0.9 mile west of Nashville to 2.4 miles southwest of Corinth (Howard Co.), May 10, 1118 PM - An EF2 tornado had a path length of 6.7 miles. The tornado cut through a mobile home park and cause minor to moderate damage to 40 to 50 homes. The tornado was responsible for two fatalities and eight injuries.
7. 3.6 miles south-southeast of Ola to 3.3 miles southeast of Ola (Yell Co.), May 25, 635 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.4 mile.
8. 2.5 miles west-southwest of Birta to 2.3 miles northwest of Birta (Yell Co.), May 25, 640 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 1.9 miles.
9. 1.0 mile south-southwest of Highfill to 0.7 mile north of Highfill (Benton Co.), May 28, 209 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 1.6 miles.
10. 2.0 miles south of Bella Vista (Benton Co.), May 28, 240 PM - An EF0 tornado had a path length of 0.2 mile.

11. 1.5 miles west of Gentry to 2.0 miles northwest of Springtown (Benton Co.), July 9, 555 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 2.9 miles.
12. 3.2 miles east-southeast of Bee Branch to 3.3 miles east-southeast of Bee Branch (Van Buren Co.), December 23, 820 AM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.1 mile.
13. 5.5 miles south of Marianna to 4.2 miles southeast of Marianna (Lee County), December 23, 257 PM - An EF2 tornado had a path length of 4.6 miles.
14. 1.0 mile east-northeast of Highland Industrial Park to 1.0 mile east-northeast of Bearden (Calhoun and Ouachita Cos.), December 27, 332 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.1 miles.
15. 2.0 miles east of Patmos to 3.0 miles east-northeast of Patmos (Hempstead Co.), December 27, 336 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.9 mile.
16. 5.0 miles west-northwest of Artesian to 3.0 miles south-southwest of Woodberry (Calhoun Co.), December 27, 356 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.2 miles.
17. 3.1 miles southeast of Willisville to 1.9 miles east-northeast of Willisville (Nevada Co.), December 27, 436 PM - An EF2 tornado had a path length of 3.9 miles.
18. Hermitage to 2.0 miles northeast of Farmville (Bradley Co.), December 27, 506 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.1 miles.
19. 3.0 miles south-southwest of Wilmar to 3.0 miles north of Wilmar (Drew Co.), December 27, 606 PM - An EF1 tornado had a path length of 5.7 miles.
20. 10.0 miles southwest of Marianna to 8.0 miles west of Marianna (Lee Co.), December 28, 446 AM - An EF2 tornado had a path length of 5.8 miles.

Thunderstorm (Straight-Line) Winds (1 fatality, 3 injuries)

85 mph...

5 miles northwest of McNab (Hempstead Co.) to Saratoga (Howard Co.), May 11

2.0 miles north-northwest of Slatington (Montgomery Co.), May 25

0.4 mile east-northeast of Jethro (Franklin Co.), June 26

80 mph...

- 2.0 miles south of Lowell (Benton Co.), March 25
- 5.0 miles south-southwest of Gillett to 1.2 miles west-northwest of Arkansas Post (Arkansas Co.), March 31
- 6.0 miles north of Carrollton (Carroll Co.), April 2
- 2.0 miles northeast of Coin (Carroll Co.), April 2
- 0.9 mile east-southeast of Greenwood (Sebastian Co.), May 10
- Shibley and 5.0 miles east-southeast of Rudy (Crawford Co.), May 25
- 1.3 miles west-southwest of Mansfield (Scott Co.), May 25
- 0.7 mile north of Big Fork (Polk Co.), May 25
- Van Buren (Crawford Co.), May 29
- 2.3 miles north-northeast of Trident (Benton Co.), July 9
- 1.5 miles south-southeast of Bentonville (Benton Co.), July 9
- 0.8 mile north-northwest of Brookland (Craighead Co.), July 14
- 5.0 miles south-southwest of Hot Springs (Garland Co.), November 17
- 3.6 miles north-northeast of Atkins (Pope Co.), December 23
- Highland (Sharp Co.), December 23
- 4.0 miles northeast of Foreman (Little River Co.), December 27
- 3.0 miles east-southeast of Norphlet (Union Co.), December 27
- 5.0 miles east of Strong (Union Co.), December 27

75 mph...

- 2.0 miles east of Berryville (Carroll Co.), March 25
- 1.3 miles northeast of Green Forest (Carroll Co.), March 25
- Fayetteville (Washington Co.), March 25
- 2.0 miles northwest of Altus (Franklin Co.), March 25
- 1.3 miles northwest of Massard (Sebastian Co.), May 10
- 0.7 mile east-northeast of Fort Smith (Sebastian Co.), May 10
- 0.7 mile north-northwest of Webb City (Franklin Co.), May 10
- 4.0 miles west-northwest of Gravette (Benton Co.), May 17
- Parks (Scott Co.), May 24
- 0.9 mile northwest of De Queen (Sevier Co.), May 25
- London (Pope Co.), May 25
- 1.8 miles east-southeast of Hot Springs Village (Saline Co.), May 25
- 0.1 mile west-northwest of Mulberry (Crawford Co.), May 29
- 1.0 mile south of Siloam Springs (Benton Co.), July 2
- Springdale (Washington Co.), July 9

1.1 miles north-northeast of Mayfield (Washington Co.), July 9
1.1 miles northeast of Baldwin (Washington Co.), August 5
Mountain View (Stone Co.), December 23

Two people were injured by fallen trees or tree limbs near Salem (Saline Co.), May 24
A tree fell through a house a few miles north-northeast of Atkins (Pope Co.), killing an 18-year-old female and injuring a toddler.

Hail

(0 fatalities, 0 injuries)

4.50 inches...

Portia (Lawrence Co.), April 9

3.00 inches...

0.9 mile southeast of Hot Springs (Garland Co.), April 19

2.75 inches...

2.3 east-southeast of Elm Springs (Washington Co.), March 25

Oak Grove (Washington Co.), March 25

3.4 west-northwest of Arkansas Post (Arkansas Co.), March 31

Yancopin (Desha Co.), March 31

2.9 east-southeast of Republican (Faulkner Co.), March 31

4.5 miles east-southeast of Caddo Gap (Montgomery Co.), April 19

Valley View (Craighead Co.), December 23

2.50 inches...

Rogers (Benton Co.), March 25

2.1 north-northwest of Langford (Jefferson Co.), March 31

Bay (Craighead Co.), December 23

7.0 miles south of Jonesboro (Craighead Co.), December 23

2.00 inches...

0.3 mile north of Lowell and 5.0 miles east of Lowell (Benton Co.), March 24

4.0 miles east of Lowell (Benton Co.), March 25

0.9 miles northwest of Bryant (Saline Co.), March 31

4.5 miles northeast of Redfield (Jefferson Co.), March 31
Damascus (Van Buren Co.), March 31
Holland (Faulkner Co.), March 31
1.3 miles east-southeast of Midland (Sebastian Co.), April 19
Caddo Gap (Montgomery Co.), April 19
1.4 miles north of Pettyview (Garland Co.), April 19
Sulphur Springs (Jefferson Co.), April 19
Cotton Plant (Woodruff Co.), December 23

Strong Non-Thunderstorm Winds (1 fatality, 0 injuries)

Lake Conway (Faulkner Co.), January 25 - A 65 year-old male drowned after his boat capsized in rough water. Gusty winds at 30 to 40 mph were to blame.

Floods and Flash Floods (4 fatalities, 2 injuries)

1.2 miles southeast of Beaver (Carroll Co.), March 25 - A 56 year-old male drove his pickup truck into flood waters on Highway 187 near Elk Ranch and was carried downstream into Leatherwood Creek. The man drowned, and his body was recovered on April 6th.

1 mile north of Rudy (Crawford Co.), May 12 - A man was swimming in Frog Bayou. He was taken swiftly downstream and drowned. His body was recovered on May 15th.

1.8 miles east-southeast of Sills (Yell Co.), May 9 - Four people were rescued after their car went into a creek off of Southpoint Lane west of Dardanelle. Two people had minor injuries.

Richmond (Little River Co.), May 27 - Three individuals headed out in a boat on the Little River side of the Red River. The boat capsized, with two of the three people rescued. The other person drowned in the swift current.

Dover (Pope Co.), December 28 - A 31-year-old man drove through a low water crossing. After trying to exit his vehicle, he was swept downstream and drowned.

Lightning

(1 fatality, 0 injuries)

Beaver Lake southeast of Garfield (Benton Co.), June 13 - A 22-year old man was struck and killed by lightning while fishing.

Notes:

Severe weather events shown above have likely been certified for publication in *Storm Data* (published by the National Centers for Environmental Information) if they occurred more than 60 days prior to the first day of the current month. So, reports in February would be published by May 1st. These entries are still subject to change if additional information is received or errors are found.

Severe weather events will be added as soon as possible after they occur. However, because it often takes several days to survey tornado tracks after a large severe weather outbreak, it may be a week or more before tornadoes can be added to the list.

Beginning and ending points of a tornado are determined by a laptop and a GPS device used during storm surveys. Initially, the points are represented by latitudes and longitudes. At the conclusion of the surveys, nearby towns are used to reference these points. Some of the towns in the database are quite small, and it may be necessary to use commercial map plotting software to locate these communities.