

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - December 2016

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
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ARKANSAS, Northwest

(AR-Z010) WASHINGTON, (AR-Z011) MADISON, (AR-Z019) CRAWFORD, (AR-Z020) FRANKLIN, (AR-Z029) SEBASTIAN

12/01/16 00:00 CST	0	Drought
12/31/16 23:59 CST	0	

Precipitation across northwestern Arkansas was well below average during the month of December 2016, with much of west central Arkansas receiving less than 25 percent of the normal average precipitation for the month. These unusually dry conditions followed a period of below normal precipitation that began in early autumn, and resulted in Severe Drought (D2) conditions to spread northward into Washington and Madison Counties. Monetary damage estimates resulting from the drought were not available.

OKLAHOMA, Eastern

(OK-Z049) PUSHMATAHA, (OK-Z053) CHOCTAW, (OK-Z060) TULSA, (OK-Z064) CREEK, (OK-Z065) OKFUSKEE, (OK-Z066) OKMULGEE, (OK-Z067) WAGONER, (OK-Z068) CHEROKEE, (OK-Z069) ADAIR, (OK-Z070) MUSKOGEE, (OK-Z071) MCINTOSH, (OK-Z072) SEQUOYAH, (OK-Z073) PITTSBURG, (OK-Z074) HASKELL, (OK-Z075) LATIMER, (OK-Z076) LE FLORE

12/01/16 00:00 CST	0	Drought
12/31/16 23:59 CST	0	

Precipitation across eastern Oklahoma was well below average during the month of December 2016, with a lot of northeastern Oklahoma and southeastern Oklahoma receiving less than 25 percent of the normal average precipitation for the month. These unusually dry conditions followed a period of below normal precipitation that began in late summer, and resulted in Severe Drought (D2) conditions to spread northward from southeastern Oklahoma into a lot of northeastern Oklahoma. Extreme Drought (D3) conditions continued across Choctaw and Pushmataha Counties. Monetary damage estimates resulting from the drought were not available.

(OK-Z049) PUSHMATAHA, (OK-Z053) CHOCTAW, (OK-Z069) ADAIR

12/30/16 10:00 CST	0	Wildfire
12/31/16 20:00 CST	0	

Unseasonably warm temperatures, low relative humidity, and strong and gusty southerly wind combined with drought-stricken, dormant vegetation to promote the rapid spread of a number of wildfires across eastern Oklahoma on the 30th and 31st. The largest wildfires occurred in Choctaw and Pushmataha Counties, where over 300 acres were burned. A wildfire also consumed over 150 acres in Adair County.