



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



December 1998

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

A series of upper level disturbances moving across a shallow arctic air mass caused freezing rain to break out across far southern Oklahoma on the day before Christmas Eve. While the worst of the ice storm was further south in north Texas, the freezing rain and ice was enough to cripple travel in far southern Oklahoma at one of the busiest travel times of the year. Fortunately, the ice was not thick enough in southeast Oklahoma to cause significant power outages or tree damage.