### **Arkansas Weather Statistics for 2025**

#### Tornadoes

#### (53 tornadoes, 3 fatalities, 42 injuries)

# Note: Roughly 37 tornadoes occur annually (based on a thirty year average from 1991 to 2020). Tornadoes rated EFU (where "U" is unknown) indicate unknown damage because there was no damage to survey.

- 1. 2 miles SSE of Rose Hill to 1 mile NW of Garrett Bridge (Lincoln Co.), January 5, 204 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 1.3 miles.
- 6 miles SSE of Udall (Baxter Co.) to 4 miles SE of Caulfield (Howell Co., Missouri), March 14, 834 PM-An EF3 tornado had a path length of 12.4 miles.
- 3. 7 miles SW of Fifty-Six (Stone Co.) to 4 miles WSW of Harviell (Butler Co., Missouri), March 14, 911 PM-An EF4 tornado had a path length of 117.2 miles (total Arkansas path length of 93.6 miles). (**4 injuries**)
- 4. 4 miles W of Patmos to 6 miles NNE of Patmos (Hempstead Co.), March 14, 1009 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 8.9 miles.
- 5. 2 miles S of Cushman (Independence Co.) to 5 miles N of Corning (Clay Co.), March 14, 1016 PM-An EF3 tornado had a path length of 81.8 miles. (3 fatalities)
- 6. 2 miles ENE of Gum Springs (Clark Co.) to 8 miles SW of Poyen (Hot Spring Co.), March 14, 1017 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 21.6 miles.
- 7. 6 miles SSW of Cushman to 4 miles S of Cushman (Independence Co.), March 14, 1028 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 3.6 miles.
- 8. 3 miles NW of Rosston (Nevada Co.) to 3 miles SE of Bluff City (Ouachita Co.), March 14, 1055 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 14.8 miles.

- 9. 4 miles SSE of Oil Trough (Independence Co.) to 3 miles ESE of Tuckerman (Jackson Co.), March 14, 1113 PM-An EF4 tornado had a path length of 18.6 miles.
- 10. 5 miles NW of Sherrill to 4 miles NW of Sherrill (Jefferson Co.), March 14, 1143 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.9 miles.
- 11. 3 miles N of Augusta to 3 miles WSW of Tupelo (Woodruff Co.), March 14, 1150 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 5.1 miles.
- 12. 1 mile E of Knobel to 2 miles N of Hickoria (Clay Co.), March 14, 1153 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 10.05 miles.
- 13. 4 miles WNW of Bono to 4 miles NW of Bono (Craighead Co.), March 15, 1203 AM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 1.41 miles.
- 14. 4 miles SW of Paragould to 2 miles E of Paragould (Greene Co.), March 15, 1222 AM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 6.18 miles.
- 15. 3 miles W of Weiner to 3 miles NW of Weiner (Poinsett Co.), March 15, 1223 AM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 2.82 miles.
- 16. 4 miles E of Fisher to 6 miles SW of Harrisburg (Poinsett Co.), March 30, 739 PM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 4.78 miles.
- 17. 4 miles SSW of Almyra to 4 miles NNE of Almyra (Arkansas Co.), April 2, 556 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 8.4 miles.
- 18. 2 miles SE of Pocahontas (Randolph Co.) to 2 miles E of Corning (Clay Co.), April 2, 556 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 24.8 miles.
- 19. 3 miles SSE of Fisher to 6 miles ESE of Waldenburg (Poinsett Co.), April 2, 559 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.5 miles.
- 20. 1 mile S of Almyra to 1 mile E of Almyra (Arkansas Co.), April 2, 621 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.9 miles.
- 21. 4 miles W of Trumann (Poinsett Co.) to 2 miles W of Leachville (Craighead Co.), April 2, 626 PM-An EF3 tornado had a path length of 24.8 miles. (8 injuries)

- 22. 4 miles SSW of Cash to 3 miles SSE of Bono (Craighead Co.), April 2, 628 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 14.4 miles.
- 23. 5 miles NE of Cherry Valley (Cross Co.) to 8 miles ESE of Harrisburg (Poinsett Co.), April 2, 640 PM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 6.6 miles.
- 24. 5 miles SE of Doddridge to 3 miles WNW of Bradley (Lafayette Co.), April 2, 648 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.8 miles.
- 25. 6 miles NW of Taylor to 6 miles NW of Taylor (Lafayette Co.), April 2, 717 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.3 miles.
- 26. 2 miles WSW of Colt (St. Francis Co.) to 4 miles W of Jennette (Crittenden Co.), April 2, 735 PM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 3.1 miles.
- 27. 5 miles WNW of Bodcaw (Hempstead Co.) to 4 miles NW of Bodcaw (Nevada Co.), April 4, 829 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 2.8 miles.
- 28. 2 miles WSW of Colt (St. Francis Co.) to 5 miles ENE of Wynne (Cross Co.), April 5, 134 AM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 12.8 miles. (1 injury)
- 29. 3 miles SSE of Parkin (Cross Co.) to 2 miles NNW of Earle (Crittenden Co.), April 5, 203 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 5.7 miles.
- 30. 3 miles SE of Tyronza to 3 miles NW of Birdsong (Poinsett Co), April 5, 224 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 2.6 miles.
- 31. 3 miles NNE of Wilson to 1 miles NE of Osceola (Mississippi Co.), April 5, 252 AM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 7.6 miles.
- 32. 3 miles ENE of Fulton to 2 miles SSE of Oakhaven (Hempstead Co.), April 5, 936 AM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 10.6 miles.
- 33. 2 miles SSE of Wheeler to 2 miles WSW of Johnson (Washington Co.), April 20, 241 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 3.0 miles.

- 34. 10 miles NE of Hot Springs Village (Saline Co.) to 11 miles SSE of Perryville (Perry Co.), April 20, 523 PM-An EF1 Tornado had a path length of 7.7 miles.
- 35. 6 miles NNE of Gibson (Pulaski Co.) to 5 miles NNW of Ward (White Co.). April 20, 655 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 11.3 miles.
- 36. 3 miles WNW of Gravette to 2 miles SE of Gravette (Benton Co.), April 29, 820 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 11.0 miles.
- 37. 1 mile WSW of Lockesburg to 3 miles NE of Lockesburg (Sevier Co.), April 30, 223 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 4.4 miles.
- 38. 4 miles E of Bay to 3 miles WNW of Caraway (Craighead Co.), May 16, 746 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.1 miles.
- 39. 6 miles NNE of Bunch (Adair Co., Oklahoma) to 3 miles NW of Morrow (Washington Co.), May 19, 655 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 16.7 miles. (A noteworthy path width of 2200 yards was also noted with this tornado.)
- 40. 4 miles E of Baron (Adair Co., Oklahoma) to Clyde (Washington Co.), May 19, 711 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 8.2 miles.
- 41. 1 mile SSW of Lincoln to 3 miles SE of Walnut Grove (Washington Co.), May 19, 720 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 11.6 miles.
- 42. 2 miles E of Lincoln to 3 miles E of Lincoln (Washington Co.), May 19, 721 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 1.0 miles.
- 43. 2 miles SW of Greenland to 1 mile WNW of Tuttle (Washington Co.), May 19, 729 PM-An EF2 tornado had a path length of 13.6 miles.
- 44. 2 miles NNW of Cameron (Le Flore Co., Oklahoma) to 1 mile ESE of Central City (Sebastian Co.), May 19, 734 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 21.4 miles.
- 45. 4 miles SSE of Hindsville to 1 mile SSW of Marble (Madison Co.), May 19, 754 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 14.3 miles.

- 46. 4 miles SSE of Hindsville to 3 miles W of Huntsville (Madison Co.), May 19, 756 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 2.4 miles.
- 47. 1 mile N of Marble to 2 miles E of Dryfork (Carroll Co.), May 19, 811 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 7.2 miles. (A noteworthy path width of 2200 yards was also noted with this tornado.)
- 48. 1 mile SSW of Osage to 3 miles NE of Osage (Carroll Co.), May 19, 821 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 4.2 miles.
- 49. 4 miles NW of Caddo Valley (Clark Co.) to 4 miles NW of Friendship (Hot Spring Co.), May 20, 208 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 3.8 miles.
- 50. 6 miles ESE of Portland to 5 miles WSW of Lakeport (Chicot Co.), May 20, 504 PM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 11.6 miles.
- 51. 2 miles S of Van Buren (Sebastian Co.) to 1 mile SSE of Van Buren (Crawford Co.), June 6, 0745 AM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 1.1 miles.
- 52. Van Buren to 1 mile ESE of Van Buren (Crawford Co.), June 6, 0746 AM-An EF1 tornado had a path length of 0.8 miles. (1 injury)
- 53. 1 WSW of Shibley to Shibley (Crawford Co.), June 6, 0749 AM-An EF0 tornado had a path length of 1.1 miles.

#### Thunderstorm (Straight-Line) Winds (1 fatality, 7 injuries)

90 to 100 mph

A large-scale downburst occurred 3 miles SE of Texarkana (Miller Co.) on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 912 AM. Peak winds were estimated to be between 90-100 mph.

80 to 90 mph

A line of severe storms moved across Little River County on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 200 PM and produced winds between 80-90 mph along a 650 yard wide, 5.8 mile long path near Foreman.

A swath of straight-line winds affected areas near the Blytheville Municipal Airport, north of Armorel in Mississippi County on May 16<sup>th</sup> around 821 AM. Peak winds were estimated to be around 80 mph with the width of the wind damage around 1200 yards and the length around 3.8 miles.

75 to 80 mph

A severe thunderstorm moved across portions of Saline, Pulaski, Lonoke and White Counties during the late morning to early afternoon hours on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Widespread damaging wind gusts up to 80 mph led to numerous trees and powerlines down in these areas. The peak wind gust at the North Little Rock Airport (KORK) was 67 mph. The peak wind gust at the Jacksonville/Little Rock AFB (KLRF) was 79 mph. There were over 80,000 power outages in the wake of the storm and in some cases, power wasn't restored for 3-4 days. As the storm moved across Little Rock, a tree was knocked down onto a home in the southwest part of the city. A 5-year-old child was killed due to the tree falling on the home. At least 6 more injuries occurred during this storm.

A line of storms moved across Pulaski County during the evening hours of April 5<sup>th</sup>. This line of storms produced a swath of wind damage estimated to be 800 yards wide across portions of Sherwood and North Little Rock. Peak winds were estimated to be around 80 mph.

#### Non-Thunderstorm Winds (0 fatalities, 0 injuries)

#### Hail (0 fatalities, 0 injuries)

4.00 inches

3.00 inches

Cave City/Olyphant/Ozark Acres (Sharp County) March 30 3 ENE Staves (Cleveland County) April 3 2.75 inches

Viola (Fulton County) March 30 Forrest City (St. Francis County) April 2 Waldron (Scott County) April 5

2.50 inches

Marked Tree (Poinsett County) March 30 3 S Forrest City (St. Francis County) April 2 Watson Chapel (Jefferson County) April 5 1 N Pittman/Reyno (Randolph County) May 16 Datto (Clay County) May 16

2.00 inches

2 E Meg (Franklin County) April 5
1 NW Paragould/2 NNE Paragould (Greene County) May 16
2 SW Lake Desoto (Garland County) May 16
1 ESE Strong (Union County) May 17
Stuttgart (Arkansas County) May 20

#### Floods and Flash Floods (2 fatalities, 0 injuries)

-An adult male died in Walnut Ridge (Lawrence County) after being reported missing in the floodwaters of April 5-6.

-An adult male died in North Little Rock (Pulaski County) near Rixie Rd in his vehicle after it was submerged in floodwaters on April 5<sup>th</sup>. A rescue attempt was made, but was unsuccessful

## **Lightning** (0 fatalities, 0 injuries)

On May 18<sup>th</sup> lightning struck the south Sheridan Water Treatment Plant in Grant County which caused extensive damage to the facility and a temporary loss of water service to some of the area residents. The lightning strike caused a fire which led to the destruction of most of the impacted structure.

#### **Records of Note**

- -From March 14-15, 2025 fourteen tornadoes impacted the state of Arkansas. This included: 2 EF0 tornadoes, 3 EF1 tornadoes, 5 EF2 tornadoes, 2 EF3 tornadoes, 2 EF4 tornadoes.
- -The EF4 tornado that began near Fifty-Six (Stone Co.) had the longest track for an Arkansas tornado since February 5, 2008.
- -With 4 tornadoes rated EF3 or stronger, this is the most since the January 21, 1999 outbreak when there were 8 F3 or stronger tornadoes.

-This was the first time since March 1, 1997 that multiple EF4 tornadoes occurred across Arkansas.

-The EF4 tornado that moved across portions of Stone County impacted the USFS Blanchard Springs RAWS (Remote Automatic Weather Station) which recorded a peak wind gust of 151 mph as the tornado moved through.

#### 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.