

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - March 2009

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### ALABAMA, Southwest

#### CLARKE COUNTY --- THOMASVILLE [31.92, -87.73]

	03/26/09 03:50 CST		15K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
	03/26/09 03:52 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

A large oak tree fell on a mobile home causing a hole in the roof and breaking windows in winds estimated at 60 mph.

#### ESCAMBIA COUNTY --- 5.0 N BREWTON [31.19, -87.07]

	03/26/09 03:50 CST		12K	Thunderstorm Wind (MG 52 kt)
	03/26/09 03:52 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Winds estimated at 60 mph knocked down trees on the north side of Thomasville.

#### ESCAMBIA COUNTY --- 0.5 S APPLETON [31.11, -87.07], 2.0 NE APPLETON [31.14, -87.05]

	03/26/09 05:55 CST		30K	Tornado (EF1, L: 2.38 mi , W: 1000 yd)
	03/26/09 06:00 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

The EF1 tornado touched down just south of Appleton where it destroyed a small barn behind a residence and uprooted several hardwood trees and snapped several pine trees. The tornado continued northeast where it strengthened and widened. At its strongest point the tornado snapped numerous large pine trees in a wooded area. On the periphery of the stronger winds several homes and outbuildings experienced minor roof and shingle damage. The tornado lifted about two miles northeast of Appleton.

#### COVINGTON COUNTY --- 3.0 NE GREEN BAY [31.23, -86.26]

	03/26/09 07:00 CST		50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 78 kt)
	03/26/09 07:03 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

Survey team found evidence of straight line wind damage to several homes and metal buildings. Most of the wind damage occurred to mobile homes and metal buildings with two mobile homes completely destroyed and several other suffering damage. A two story homes also experienced roof damage. Most of the damage was found in an area from one to two miles northeast of Onycha. Based on the damage evidence the team estimated winds around 90 mph.

**A line of slow moving thunderstorms moved across southwest Alabama and produced a tornado and wind damage along with very heavy rain that caused flash flooding.**

### FLORIDA, West Panhandle

#### OKALOOSA COUNTY --- 1.0 W MARY ESTHER [30.40, -86.69]

	03/26/09 08:20 CST		0	Funnel Cloud
	03/26/09 08:22 CST		0	Source: Other Federal Agency

Hurlburt Field air traffic controllers observed a funnel cloud move across the field.

### GULF OF MEXICO

#### PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]

	03/26/09 21:43 CST		0	Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 35 kt)
	03/26/09 21:43 CST		0	Source: Buoy

#### PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]

	03/26/09 21:53 CST		0	Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 34 kt)
	03/26/09 21:53 CST		0	Source: Buoy

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<b>LOUISIANA, Southeast</b>				
<b>WEST BATON ROUGE COUNTY --- BRUSLY [30.38, -91.23]</b>				
	03/26/09 00:00 CST		15K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 00:05 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
<p>Numerous power poles were knocked down with multiple electrical transformers blown off poles. Also, scattered trees were knocked down and a roof was ripped off of a house along Antonio Road near Highway 1.</p>				
<b>EAST BATON ROUGE COUNTY --- BATON ROUGE [30.47, -91.17]</b>				
	03/26/09 00:05 CST		4.50M	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 70 kt)
	03/26/09 00:15 CST		0	Source: Broadcast Media
<p>Thunderstorm winds knocked down numerous trees and power lines throughout the city. A tree fell on a house on Stanford Avenue. Significant tree damage occurred around the Louisiana State University campus and in the Southdowns area. Scattered commercial signs along Perkins Road were blown down. Significant structural damage occurred to the Louisiana State University football indoor facility and several other buildings had roof damage. Damage at the LSU campus was estimated around four million dollars. A survey crew estimated sustained winds speeds near 80 mph. The Baton Rouge ASOS equipment at Baton Rouge Ryan Field Airport located north of the worst damage recorded at 67 mph wind gust. Entergy Louisiana reported that more than 14,600 of their customers were without power in East Baton Rouge Parish.</p>				
<b>LIVINGSTON COUNTY --- 0.4 SSW WATSON [30.58, -90.95], 1.7 SSE WALKER [30.46, -90.86]</b>				
	03/26/09 00:30 CST		10K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 00:40 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
<p>Widespread tree and power line damage due to thunderstorm winds was observed across Livingston Parish. Some of the worst daamage was along State Highway 1020 where power lines and trees blocked the road. Also, more concentrated tree and power line damage was reported along Highway 447 south of Interstate 12 and along Hood Road south of Walker.</p>				
<b>TANGIPAHOA COUNTY --- 0.6 NNE INDEPENDENCE [30.64, -90.49], 1.2 ENE INDEPENDENCE [30.64, -90.48]</b>				
	03/26/09 00:58 CST		60K	Tornado (EF1, L: 0.75 mi , W: 50 yd)
	03/26/09 01:00 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
<p>A National Weather Service ground storm survey indicated a tornado path of approximately three quarters of a mile long and 50 yards wide in the vicinity of School Road and Highway 40. Seven homes were damaged, one mobile home was destroyed, and one trailer heavily damaged. One minor injury was reported. Several large trees were uprooted and broken off. The maximum estimated wind speeds associated with this tornado were in the 100 to 110 mph range.</p>				
<b>TANGIPAHOA COUNTY --- LORANGER [30.63, -90.40]</b>				
	03/26/09 01:05 CST		0.20K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 01:05 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
<p>A power pole was knocked down along Highway 40 near Loranger.</p>				
<b>WASHINGTON COUNTY --- BOGALUSA [30.77, -89.85]</b>				
	03/26/09 01:44 CST		5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 01:44 CST		0	Source: Newspaper
<p>Thunderstorm wind gusts blew down one tree and large tree branches.</p>				
<b>ST. TAMMANY COUNTY --- 2.0 SSE SLIDELL [30.24, -89.77]</b>				
	03/26/09 02:43 CST		0.75K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.15 mi , W: 25 yd)
	03/26/09 02:44 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
<p>A very weak tornado briefly touched down in the Springhill subdivision. The tornado was only about 25 yards wide with a path length of approximately 250 yards. The tornado resulted in minor tree damage and caused yard items to be blown around. The estimated wind speed associated with this tornado was around 65 mph.</p>				
<b>ASCENSION COUNTY --- 0.7 ESE WEBER CITY [30.23, -90.87], 0.6 NNE GONZALES BISHOP ARPT [30.23, -90.85]</b>				
	03/26/09 22:12 CST		0.12M	Tornado (EF1, L: 1.75 mi , W: 50 yd)
	03/26/09 22:16 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

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<p>A tornado touched down in the St. Amant community. One house was moved off of its foundation and had its roof blown off. A large metal commercial building was heavily damaged. Emergency management officials reported that one structure was destroyed, 10 structures received severe damage, and 20 structures moderate damage. The path length of the tornado was approximately 1.75 miles and the path width 50 yards.</p>				
<b>LIVINGSTON COUNTY --- 5.0 W KILLIAN [30.37, -90.66]</b>				
	03/26/09 22:28 CST		3K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.20 mi , W: 150 yd)
	03/26/09 22:30 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

A National Weather Service storm survey indicated that a weak tornado briefly touched down just west of Kilian along Miller Road. Numerous trees were uprooted, a trailer was overturned, and a barn received minor damage.

<b>TERREBONNE COUNTY --- HOUMA [29.60, -90.72]</b>				
	03/26/09 23:14 CST		0	Hail (0.88 in)
	03/26/09 23:14 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter

Nickel size hail was observed.

<b>ST. JAMES COUNTY --- VACHERIE [30.00, -90.72]</b>				
	03/26/09 23:15 CST		25K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 60 kt)
	03/26/09 23:15 CST		0	Source: Newspaper

Thunderstorm wind gusts knocked down a power pole, overturned one mobile home and caused roof damage in the Vacherie community.

<b>ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST COUNTY --- EDGARD [30.05, -90.57]</b>				
	03/26/09 23:30 CST		40K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 65 kt)
	03/26/09 23:30 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Thunderstorm winds destroyed one trailer and knocked two trailers off of their blocks. Several tree limbs were knocked down and a tree fell on a house.

<b>ST. CHARLES COUNTY --- 3.0 ESE DES ALLEMANDS [29.81, -90.42]</b>				
	03/26/09 23:45 CST		5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 55 kt)
	03/26/09 23:45 CST		0	Source: Newspaper

Power utility reported eight power poles knocked down along Bayou Gauche Road.

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*St. Amant, LA 03/26/2009. Tornado damage to a large commercial building. NWS Storm Survey Photo.*

### MISSISSIPPI, South

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#### PEARL RIVER COUNTY --- CARRIERE [30.58, -89.67]

03/26/09 02:10 CST	1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
03/26/09 02:10 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

Thunderstorm winds were knocked down trees along Interstate 59 around mile marker 10 near Carriere. Also, power outages were reported around Picayune.

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#### HANCOCK COUNTY --- 2.0 WSW WAVELAND [30.27, -89.41]

03/26/09 03:11 CST	1K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
03/26/09 03:11 CST	0	Source: Law Enforcement

A few trees were blown down along Lower Bay Road just to the west southwest of Waveland.

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#### JACKSON COUNTY --- PASCAGOULA [30.37, -88.53]

03/26/09 05:33 CST	18K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.15 mi , W: 50 yd)
03/26/09 05:35 CST	0	Source: NWS Storm Survey

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<p>A weak tornado briefly touched down causing damage around Tucker Street and 8th Street and on Taylor Street. Pacagoula High School experienced light damage when the scoreboard on the football field was blown down and numerous sections of fence were knocked down with debris littering the field. Traffic lights around the area were knocked down and several trees were blown down. Maximum winds associated with this tornado were estimated around 75 mph with a path length around 250 yards and a maximum width of 50 yards.</p>				

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### MISSISSIPPI, Southeast

#### STONE COUNTY --- PERKINSTON [30.78, -89.13]

03/26/09 02:55 CST	12K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
03/26/09 02:57 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

A line of slow moving thunderstorms moved across southeast Mississippi and produced wind damage along with very heavy rain that caused flash flooding.