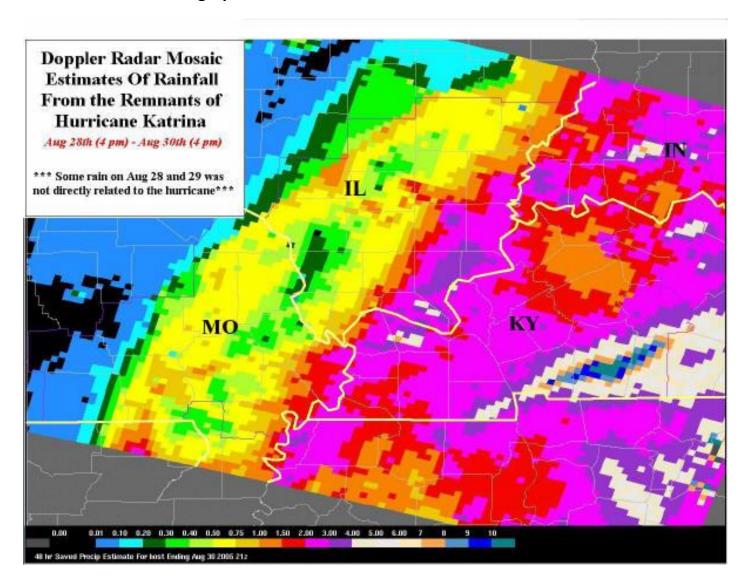
KATRINA PRODUCES HEAVY RAINFALL, GUSTY WINDS

The center of Tropical Depression Katrina passed near Hopkinsville, KY around noon Tuesday, Aug. 30. Click here for the advisory archive on Katrina from the National Hurricane Center. The depression produced widespread rainfall amounts from 3 to 5 inches along and southeast of the Ohio River, with isolated amounts to 10 inches near Hopkinsville, KY. Below is a rainfall graphic.



FLOODING and WIND REPORTS...

Some of the most significant flooding occurred in Trigg, Christian, and Todd Counties of western KY on Mon., August 29 as the initial outer bands of Katrina were arriving.

- One fatality occurred in Hopkinsville, when a 10-year-old girl drowned while playing near an overflowing drainage ditch.
- In Christian County, especially in and near Hopkinsville, a number of homes and businesses were evacuated.
- Numerous roads were closed by state highway officials in Calloway, Trigg, Christian, and Todd Counties (Tennessee border counties).
- As of noon Aug. 29, 6 to 8 inches of rain had already fallen in a narrow east/west band across Christian and Todd Counties. A co-operative observer in Hopkinsville measured 6.47 inches in the 24-period ending Monday morning.
- The highest total was 5.20 inches at Elkton, Kentucky, followed by 4.15 inches at Cadiz, KY. These cities are located within 25 miles of Hopkinsville.
- Peak wind gusts were generally around 40 MPH. At Hopkinsville, the peak wind gust on August 30 was 44 MPH. Many other locations in western Kentucky and southwest Indiana reported gusts from 35 to 40 MPH. An unofficial measurement of 52 MPH was reported near Paducah, KY, and another unofficial gust of around 70 MPH was measured along Kentucky Lake in Calloway County.
- A number of power outages were reported throughout western Kentucky.
 Thousands of people lost power; the outages were caused by tree limbs on power lines.
- Scattered trees and limbs were blown down in southeast Illinois, taking down a few power lines.