



# 2017 Severe Weather Summary

## Mar. 31, 2017



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# Multimedia Briefing Highlights

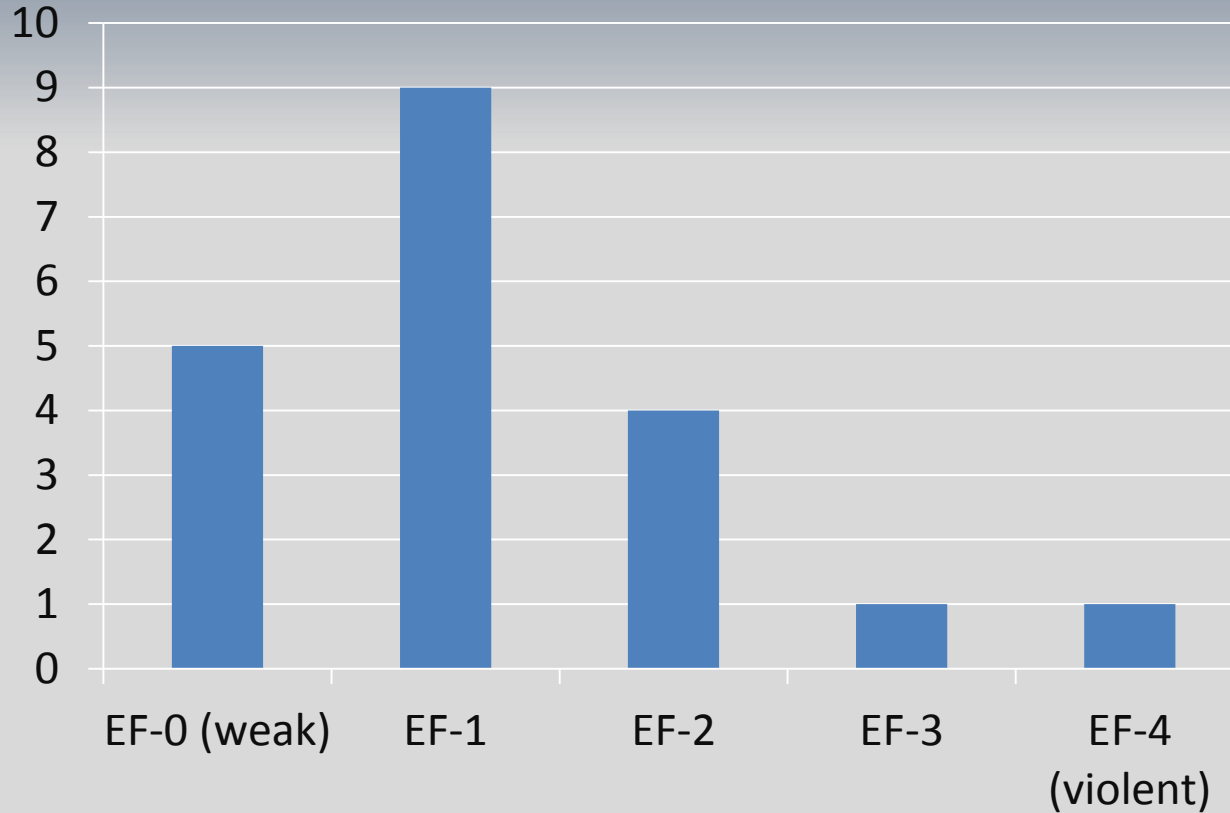


Topic			
<b>Review of winter/early spring severe</b>	What are the total tornado numbers so far?	How rare is this?	How does this year compare with past years?
<b>A look at the upcoming spring outlook</b>	What is the temperature and precip outlook?	Can this be used to infer severe storm activity?	



# Tornadoes by the numbers

Jan. 1 – Mar. 31

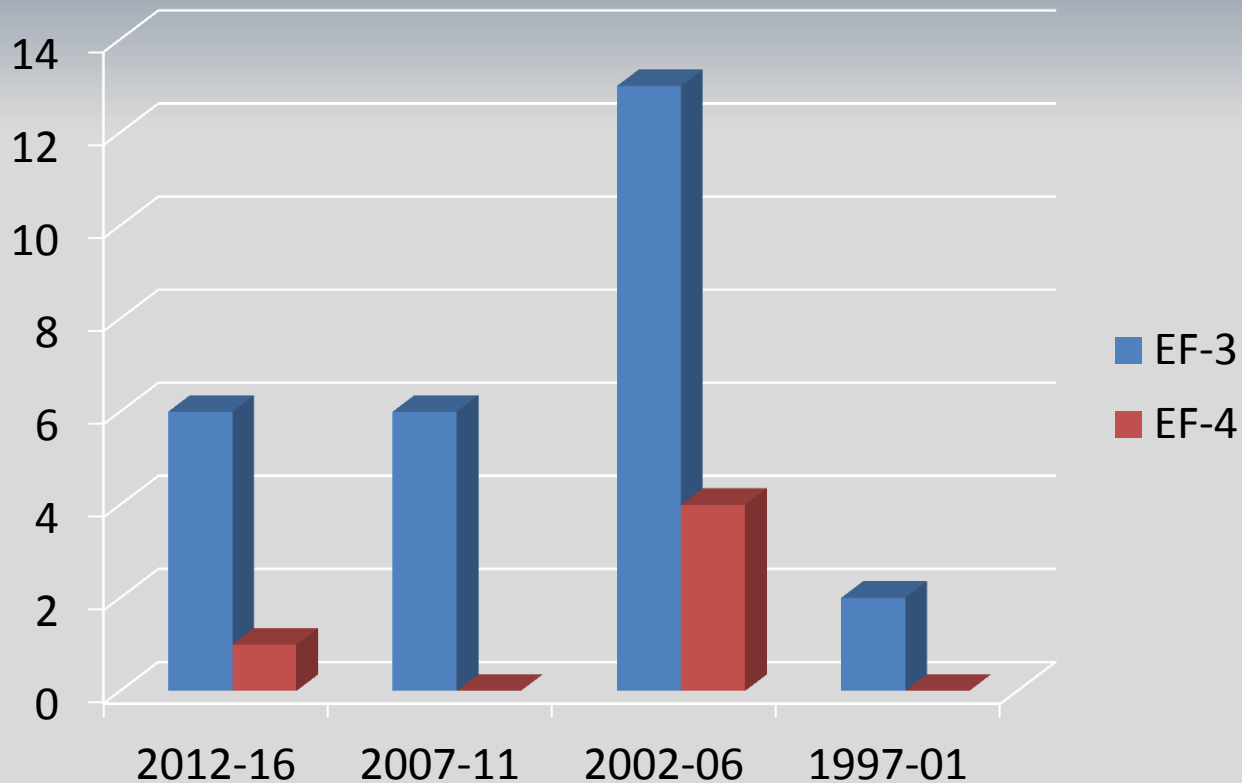


**20 tornadoes total in NWS Paducah's warning area**

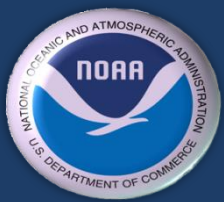


# How rare are EF-3 & 4 tornadoes?

## A look at the past 20 years

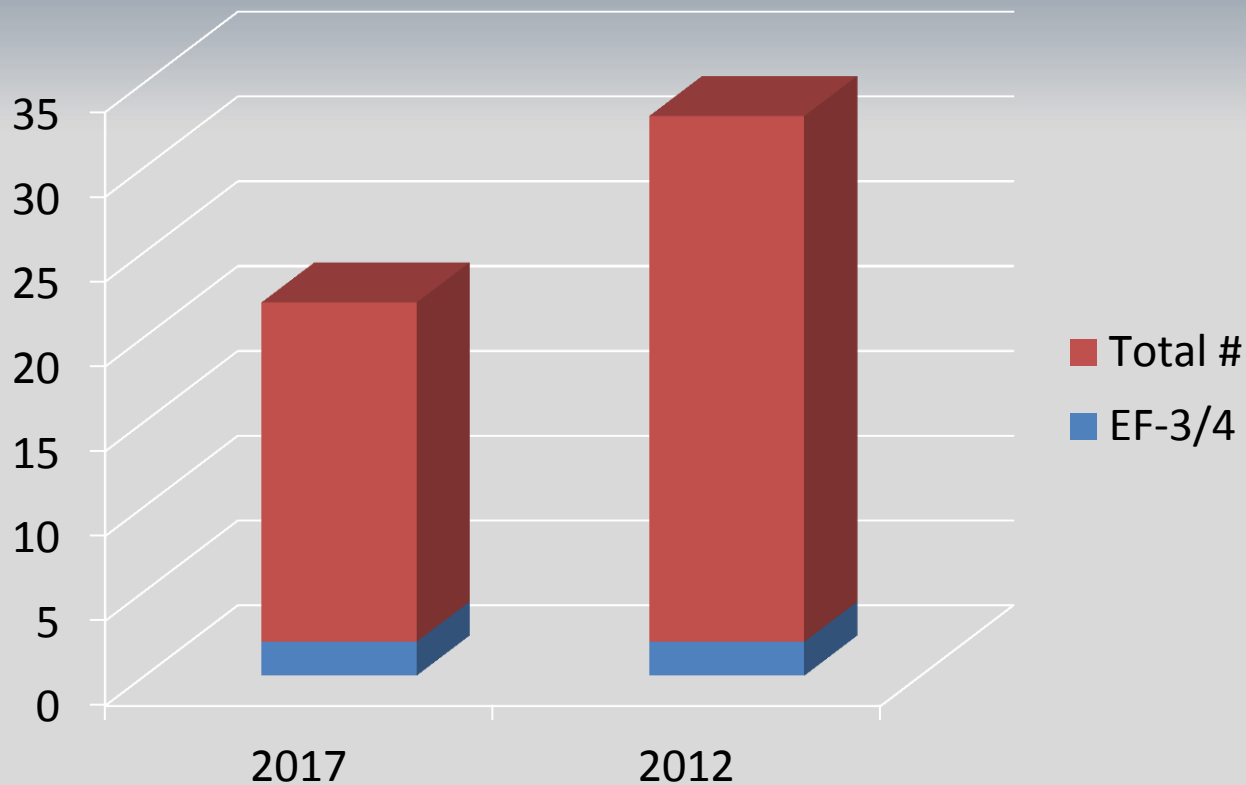


**Totals are for the NWS Paducah warning area**

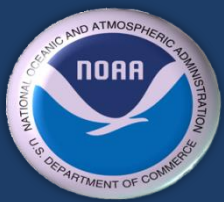


# 2012 vs 2017

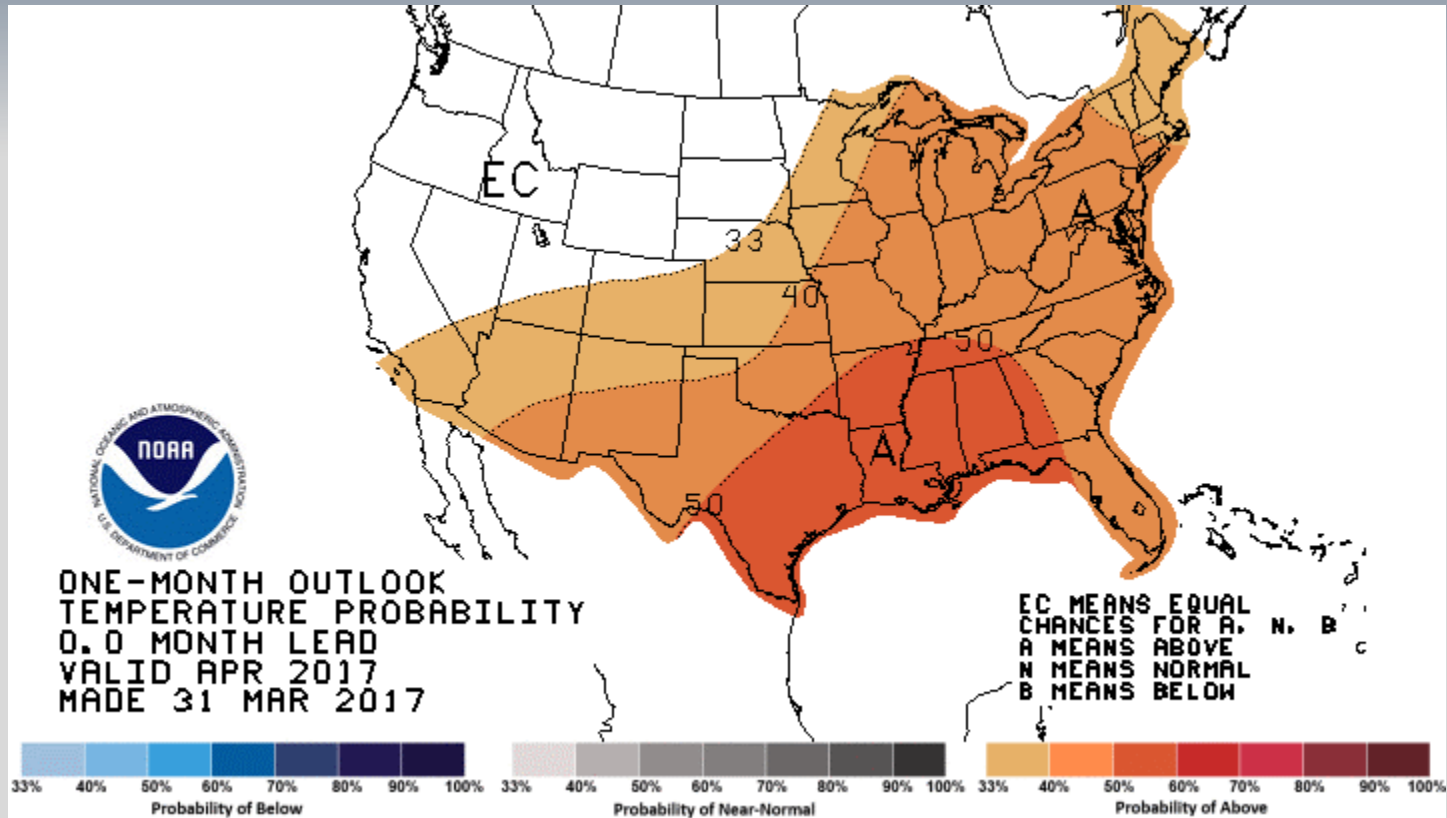
## A comparison of Jan.-Mar.



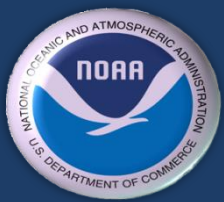
**Statistics are for the NWS Paducah warning area**



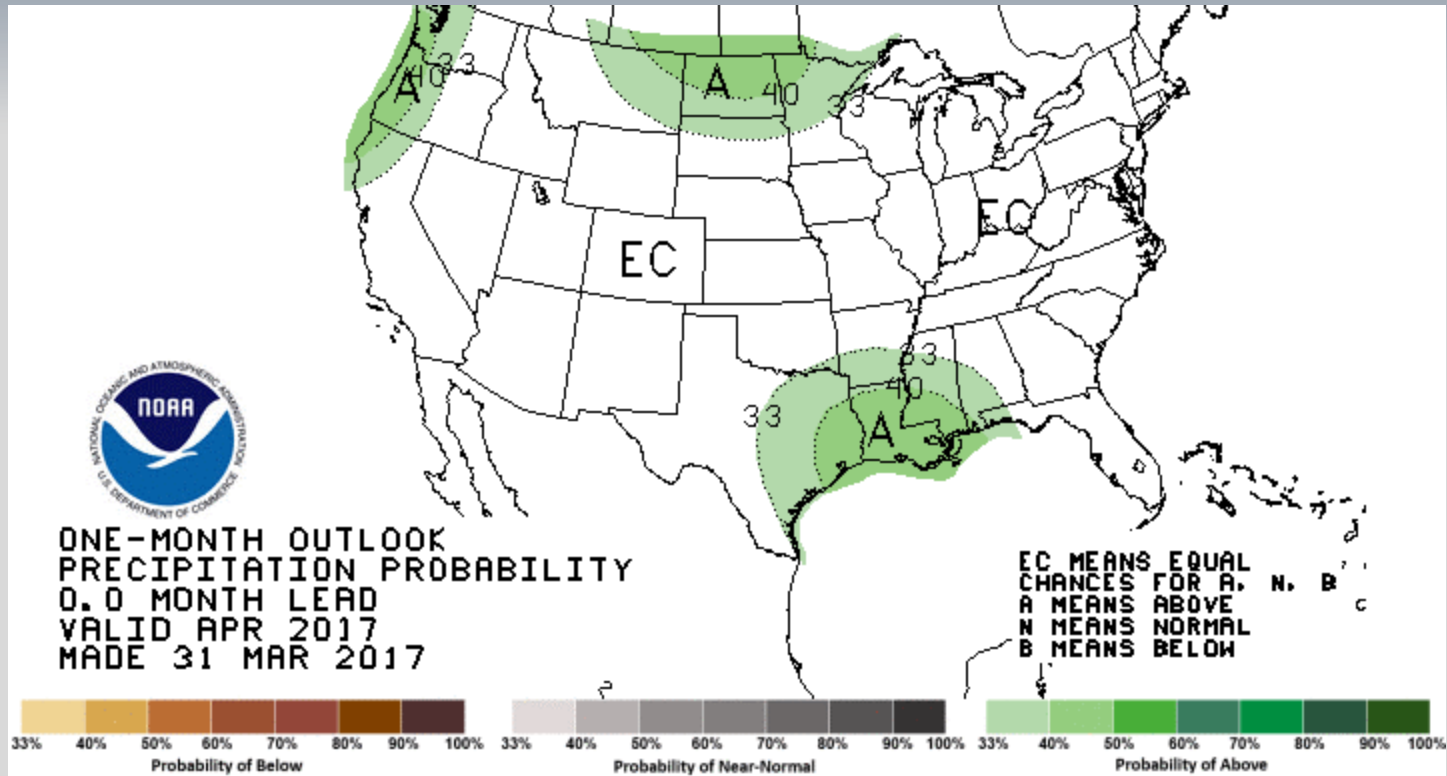
# April Temperature Outlook Released Friday



Issued by the Climate Prediction Center



# April Precipitation Outlook Released Friday



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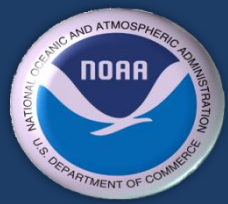


# April severe weather outlook



- **Cool patterns are usually stable and less favorable for severe storms. Not expected.**
- **Precipitation outlook does not favor abnormally high or low storm activity.**
- **2012: Warm & stormy start, but little moisture in spring/summer months**





# Multimedia Briefing Summary



- **2017 is off to an active start, similar to 2012**
- **Violent tornadoes are rare (EF-4 about once every 4 years in our area over past 20 years)**
- **As we head into our peak severe weather season, no sign of any major changes in the weather pattern.**



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