

## **National Weather Service** Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



November 1996 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Damage Persons

## NORTH DAKOTA, Central and West

NDZ023

Wells

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Freezing Spray

A 41 yr. old man drowned when his pickup was blown into a slough. The man was driving along highway 200 near Hurdsfield when he came to a low spot on the highway with bodies of water on either side of the highway. Strong north winds up to 45 mph blew water across the road, which made the road icy. When the man hit the icy spot, his truck was blown into 15 feet of water on the south side of the road. The victim drowned after crawling out of the window of his truck before it completely submerged. M41W

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0400CST 1600CST

A storm system that developed over northcentral Nebraska moved northeast into northwestern Minnesota. Although at first the storm appeared to be warm enough to only produce rain, once snow began to fall on the morning of the 5th, dynamic cooling lead to an all snow event across southcentral and east central north dakota. Luckily, no wind accompanied the storm system and there were no major interruptions in day to day activities. Snowfall totals include 5 inches at Carrington and 6 inches at Bismarcl.

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Divide - Burke - Renville - Bottineau - Williams - Mountrail - Ward - Mchenry - Pierce - Mckenzie - Dunn - Mercer - Oliver - Mclean - Sheridan - Wells - Morton - Burleigh - Kidder - Stutsman - Grant - Sioux - Emmons - Logan - Mcintosh

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Winter Storm

Another winter storm hit North Dakota bringing more unwanted snow to the state. Although there wasn't enough wind associated with the storm system to qualify the storm as a blizzard, the 10 to 20 mph winds were enough to create some blowing and drifting snow in open areas. Many school districts cancelled their rural bus routes after busses got stuck or slid into the ditch. Some of the snow amounts recorded with this storm include Jamestown at 11 inches... Crosby with 8.5 inches...Garrison, New Town and Rugby with 8 inches ...and Minot, Berthold and Bismarck from 6-8 inches.

**NDZ009** 

Williams

**Extreme Windchill** 

A 79 yr. old Crosby farmer died of exposure when his pickup got stuck on a gravel road 5.5 miles east of Crosby. Authorities speculate that when the truck ran out of gas, the farmer left the safety of his pickup in search for help. His body was found 2.5 miles west of his truck. M79OU

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For the 2nd time is less than 1 week, more snow fell on parts of western and central North Dakota. Again, the lack of wind made the storm more bearable than what it could have been. Bismarck received almost 9 inches of the white stuff, while Williston and Dickinson received 5 inches and Minot 3 inches. Bitter cold air also accompanied the storm system.

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Divide - Burke - Renville - Bottineau - Rolette - Williams - Mountrail - Ward - Mchenry - Pierce

0600CST

Extreme Cold

Bitter cold arctic air followed the previous storm system, bringing record or near record temperatures to much of northern North Dakota. On the 23rd, Williston tied their record low of 21 below set in 1900, on the 24th, they reached 27 below which shattered the old low of 18 below set in 1977, on the 25th they fell to 26 below which tied the record set in 1898, and on the 26th they bottomed out at 22 below which also was a new record. On the 25th, Minot set a new record low of 13 below which broke the old record of 12 below set in 1921.