

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - January 2012

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
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TEXAS, South

(TX-Z248) ZAPATA, (TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z250) BROOKS, (TX-Z251) KENEDY, (TX-Z252) STARR, (TX-Z253) HIDALGO, (TX-Z254) WILLACY, (TX-Z255) CAMERON, (TX-Z256) COASTAL WILLACY, (TX-Z257) COASTAL CAMERON

01/01/12 00:00 CST	0	Drought
01/31/12 23:59 CST	0	

While some portions of Texas mainly from San Antonio to Dallas and points east and southeast, including Houston, rainfall was scarce across the Rio Grande Valley, adding up to a quarter inch or less for most locations. Crops and livestock continued to suffer through the month. Welcome rain in December for some was overwhelmed by dry and cool weather with scattered freezes for the first half of January, with warm, humid, but rain free weather dominating the second half.

(TX-Z248) ZAPATA, (TX-Z250) BROOKS, (TX-Z251) KENEDY

01/03/12 01:35 CST	0	Frost/Freeze
01/03/12 08:15 CST	0	

Surface high pressure associated with a cold front spread south across Texas during the first week of January. Several locations experienced temperatures at freezing or below during the early morning hours of January 3rd, primarily in wind protected areas of the King Ranch (Kenedy/Brooks) and Zapata County. Temperatures remained just above freezing in Jim Hogg County, and touched freezing in Starr County.

(TX-Z248) ZAPATA, (TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z250) BROOKS, (TX-Z251) KENEDY, (TX-Z252) STARR

01/13/12 00:00 CST	0	Frost/Freeze
01/13/12 08:15 CST	0	

A cold front pushed across the Rio Grande Valley and Deep South Texas on January 12th bringing chilly overnight temperatures on the 13th to the northern counties of the CWA. Readings fell well below freezing across much of the King Ranch (Brooks/Kenedy) where winds calmed. Colder pockets of the Rio Grande Plains and Brush Country (Zapata/Jim Hogg/Starr) also fell to or below freezing (32F) for several hours.

(TX-Z249) JIM HOGG, (TX-Z252) STARR, (TX-Z253) HIDALGO

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01/31/12 23:59 CST	0	

Early to mid month cool and dry weather, followed by later month warm, humid, but rain free weather wiped out any gains made in early to mid December from steady rains, and Exceptional Drought (D4) spread west into the Upper Valley and Ranchlands to close the month.