

National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



September 2001 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Persons Damage TEXAS, South TXZ248>255 Zapata - Jim Hogg - Brooks - Kenedy - Starr - Hidalgo - Willacy - Cameron Drought Although beneficial rainfall occurred early in September across much of Deep South Texas, a moderate to severe long-term drought persisted across the entire region. The heavy rain that occurred early in September mainly fell over the watershed of Los Olmos creek in Brooks County. The reservoir level in Falcon rose 11 feet over the course of the month, and ended up at 259.4 feet. Following are some selected annual rainfall departures through the end of September: Brownsville reported 8.12 inches below normal; Harlingen reported 3.73 inches below normal; McAllen reported 1.49 inches below normal; Falcon Dam reported 5.08 inches below normal; McCook reported 5.19 inches below normal; Port Isabel reported 6.44 inches below normal; Hebbronville reported 7.02 inches below normal; and Port Mansfield and Zapata each reported 7.81 inches below normal **Kenedy County** 10 S Sarita 09 1450CST Thunderstorm Wind (G56) A wind gust of 56 knots (65 mph) was estimated by Border Patrol officials located at the Border Patrol checkpoint on U.S. Highway 77, 10 miles south of Sarita. Willacy County 4 SW Raymondville 09 1550CST 0.1 15 0 Tornado (F0) A weak tornado was reported by the Willacy County Sheriff's Department at the intersection of FM 490 and FM 1425, or about four miles southwest of Raymondville. **Hidalgo County** La Villa 1620CST 0.1 15 Tornado (F0) 0 A weak tornado near LaVilla was reported by a local television meteorologist. **Cameron County** Santa Rosa 09 0.1 15 0 Tornado (F0) Several weak landspout-type tornadoes formed along the leading of a stationary front. The tornadoes were weak, small, and short-lived, with none lasting more than five minutes. This tornado resulted in a tree falling on a home **Cameron County** 09 15 Harlingen 0.1 Tornado (F0) Several weak landspout-type tornadoes formed along the leading of a stationary front. The tornadoes were weak, small, and short-lived, with none lasting more than five minutes. **Cameron County** Primera 09 0.1 15 0 Tornado (F0) Several weak landspout-type tornadoes formed along the leading of a stationary front. The tornadoes were weak, small, and short-lived, with none lasting more than five minutes. **Cameron County** 2 NW Harlingen 09 1748CST 1753CST 0.1 Tornado (F0) Several weak landspout-type tornadoes formed along the leading of a stationary front. The tornadoes were weak, small, and short-lived, with none lasting more than five minutes. This particular tornado was reported by an off-duty NWS forecaster Willacy County La Sara 1900CST

The Willacy County Sheriff's Department reported widespread flooding in the town of La Sara. High water was also reported to be covering portions of FM 490, FM 1015, and FM 88, as well as State Highway 186.



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Location	Date	Standard	(Miles)	(Yards)	Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	Character of Storm	
TEXAS, South										
Hidalgo County										
Mc Allen	09	1900CST 2000CST			0	0			Flash Flood	
	The H	idalgo County Sho	eriff's Departn	nent reported	l that portion	ons of U.S	. Highway	83 near Mo	Allen were under water.	Widespread
	flooding was also reported in the town of Pharr.									
Cameron County										
Harlingen	09	2100CST 2200CST			0	0			Flash Flood	

Widespread street flooding was reported around Harlingen by an off-duty NWS forecaster. The most significant flooding was occurring along portions of U.S. Highway 77 and associated access roads.