

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - January 2012

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
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ILLINOIS, Northeast

(IL-Z021) GRUNDY

01/01/12 12:00 CST	1K	Strong Wind (MAX 45 kt)
01/01/12 18:00 CST	0	

Winds gusted to 45 to 55 mph on New Year's Day across northern Illinois.

(IL-Z005) MCHENRY, (IL-Z012) KANE, (IL-Z013) DU PAGE, (IL-Z014) COOK, (IL-Z022) WILL

01/12/12 08:00 CST	0	Winter Storm
01/13/12 06:00 CST	0	

A winter storm moved across northeast Illinois on January 12th and 13th. Snow began falling during the mid morning hours on the 12th and continued into the early morning hours of the 13th. Much of northern Illinois received 4 to 6 inches of snow with an area of 5 to 8 inches across much of the Chicago metro area. Storm total snowfall amounts included 8.2 inches two miles east of Lincolnwood; 8.0 inches two miles southeast of New Lenox; 7.9 inches one mile north northeast of Oak Park; 7.1 inches in Peotone; 7.0 inches one mile southwest of Plainfield; 6.5 inches in Park Forest; 6.2 inches in Romeoville; 6.1 inches in Elgin; 6.0 inches in Aurora; 6.0 inches in Harvard; 6.0 inches at the Botanic Gardens; 6.0 inches one mile north of Algonquin; 6.0 inches two miles north of Joliet; 6.0 inches in Marengo; 6.0 inches three miles southwest of Midway Airport and 4.9 inches at Chicago O'Hare Airport.

The snow caused numerous fender benders and slide offs but no major injuries. At O'Hare Airport 500 flights were canceled, and 100 more were canceled at Midway. A 77 year old woman died while shoveling snow in front of her home in Des Plaines.

(IL-Z003) WINNEBAGO, (IL-Z004) BOONE, (IL-Z005) MCHENRY, (IL-Z006) LAKE, (IL-Z008) OGLE, (IL-Z010) LEE, (IL-Z011) DE KALB, (IL-Z012) KANE, (IL-Z013) DU PAGE, (IL-Z014) COOK, (IL-Z019) LA SALLE, (IL-Z020) KENDALL, (IL-Z021) GRUNDY, (IL-Z022) WILL, (IL-Z023) KANKAKEE

01/20/12 09:00 CST	0	Winter Storm
01/20/12 23:00 CST	0	

A fast moving winter storm moved across northern Illinois on January 20th. Snow began falling during the late morning hours and ended during the mid to late evening hours. At the height of the storm during the afternoon and early evening hours, the snow was falling at the rate of 1 to 2 inches per hour. There was widespread snowfall of 5 to 7 inches with some locations in the south and west Chicago suburbs receiving up to 8 inches. Some snow totals included 8.3 inches in Joliet; 8.2 inches 1 mile southwest of Plainfield; 8.0 inches 2 miles southeast of Downers Grove; 8.0 inches in Park Forest; 7.7 inches at Monee; 7.5 inches at Chicago Ridge and 2 miles southwest of Burr Ridge; 7.3 inches at Chicago Midway Airport; 6.6 inches at NWS Romeoville; 5.4 inches at Chicago O'Hare Airport; and 5.1 inches at Rockford Airport.

INDIANA, Northwest

(IN-Z001) LAKE, (IN-Z002) PORTER, (IN-Z011) JASPER

01/20/12 12:00 CST	0	Winter Storm
01/20/12 23:00 CST	0	

A fast moving winter storm moved across northwest Indiana on January 20th. Snow began falling around noon and ended during the late evening hours. At the height of the storm during the late afternoon and evening hours, the snow was falling at the rate of 1 to 2 inches per hour. There were widespread snowfall totals of 4 to 8 inches. Some snowfall reports included 9.0 inches at St. John; 8.1 inches 2 miles north northeast of Lake of the Four Seasons; 8.0 inches 1 mile south southwest of De Motte; 8.0 inches 4 miles east of Chesterton; 7.7 inches 4 miles northeast of Hebron; and 7.6 inches 2 miles north of Valparaiso.