



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



October 2003

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Estimated Damage Crops	Character of Storm
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TEXAS, South Panhandle

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Parmer - Castro - Swisher - Briscoe - Hall - Childress - Bailey - Lamb - Hale - Floyd - Motley - Cottle - Cochran - Hockley - Lubbock - Crosby - Dickens - King - Yoakum - Terry - Lynn - Garza - Kent - Stonewall

01	0000CST				0	0			Drought
31	2300CST								

The long-term drought remained in place across the South Plains, extreme southern Texas Panhandle, and Rolling Plains through October. Some beneficial rainfall did occur early in the month but on average the region experienced less than half of the normal amount of precipitation. Water supplies from area lakes remained extremely low with conservation capacities of Lake Meredith, Mackenzie Lake, and White River Lake remaining near record low levels. Very dry soil moisture conditions also persisted.

More details, including rough estimates of crop damage, will be included in later months after the extent of the drought is better determined.

Swisher County

**9 SE Tulia to
8 E Kress**

05	1705CST		5	50	0	0	10K		Tornado (F1)
	1720CST								

A tornado that was tracked by storm chasers and law enforcement officials snapped several power poles.

Swisher County

6 SE Tulia

05	1710CST				0	0	50K	300K	Hail(2.75)
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Storm spotters affiliated with the Tulia PD reported baseball size hail. Two homes had windows broken as a result of the wind-driven hail. Major roof damage also occurred to a number of homes.

Terry County

Brownfield

05	1721CST				0	0	100K		Hail(1.75)
	1725CST								

The Brownfield PD reported golfball size hail in town. The hail damaged roofs and automobiles.

Terry County

5 S Brownfield

05	1730CST				0	0	150K		Hail(1.00)
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Swisher County

10 ESE Kress

05	1734CST		0.1	30	0	0			Tornado (F0)
	1735CST								

A brief tornado touchdown was reported by a storm chaser.

Lamb County

3 SW Spade

05	1747CST				0	0	150K		Hail(1.50)
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Terry County

9 E Wellman

05	1754CST				0	0	500K		Hail(1.75)
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The Terry County Sheriff's Office reported golfball size hail.

Floyd County

3 NW Lockney

05	1805CST				0	0	100K		Hail(0.88)
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Swisher County

5 E Tulia

05	1820CST				0	0	300K		Hail(1.75)
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The Swisher County Sheriff's Office reported golfball size hail

Floyd County

8 N Floydada

05	1828CST				0	0	200K		Hail(1.00)
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Floyd County

7 NW Sterley

05	1838CST				0	0	300K		Hail(1.75)
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Storm spotters affiliated with the Floydada FD reported golfball size hail just north of Providence



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Floyd County									
6 N Floydada	05	1847CST			0	0	100K		Hail(0.88)
Floyd County									
4 E Floydada	05	1853CST			0	0	100K		Hail(1.00)
Floyd County									
3 E Lakeview	05	1910CST			0	0	500K		Hail(2.75)
Storm spotters affiliated with the Floydada FD reported baseball size hail.									
Crosby County									
Wake	05	1920CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
Lynn County									
4 W Odonnell	05	2110CST			0	0	200K		Hail(1.50)
Lynn County									
Tahoka	06	1530CST			0	0			Hail(0.88)
Lamb County									
Amherst	06	1547CST 1600CST			0	0	150K	500K	Hail(2.75)
The public reported golfball to baseball size hail in and around town. The hail damaged homes and buildings, knocked out windows, and damaged vehicles. The storm also resulted in significant crop damage between Sudan and Amherst.									
Lamb County									
Amherst	06	1547CST			0	0	50K		Thunderstorm Wind (EG52)
Strong thunderstorm wind gusts damaged the roofs and siding of several homes.									
Lamb County									
4 NW Littlefield	06	1608CST			0	0	300K		Hail(1.75)
Amateur radio storm spotters reported golfball size hail.									
Lamb County									
6 S Littlefield	06	1628CST			0	0	300K		Hail(1.75)
Storm spotters reported golfball size hail.									
Lamb County									
Earth	06	1635CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
Hockley County									
4 N Whitharral	06	1640CST			0	0	250K		Hail(1.75)
A storm chaser reported golfball size hail. Significant damage to cotton crops resulted from the hail.									
Hockley County									
4 N Levelland	06	1710CST			0	0	250K		Hail(2.00)
Significant damage to cotton crops resulted from the large, wind-driven hail.									
Hockley County									
2 N Levelland	06	1719CST			0	0	100K		Hail(0.88)
Significant damage to cotton crops resulted from the wind-driven hail.									
Castro County									
South Portion	08	2035CST 2230CST			0	0			Flash Flood
Two to three feet of water flowed across portions of Highway 385 south of Dimmitt and between Dimmitt and Hart on Highway 194.									