

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - January 2009

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
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ARKANSAS, Northwest

(AR-Z001) BENTON, (AR-Z002) CARROLL, (AR-Z010) WASHINGTON, (AR-Z011) MADISON, (AR-Z019) CRAWFORD, (AR-Z020) FRANKLIN, (AR-Z029) SEBASTIAN

01/26/09 14:00 CST			0.11B	Ice Storm
01/28/09 03:00 CST		1	0	

Upper level disturbances passing through the Southern Plains resulted in precipitation development north of a stationary arctic front located in North Texas. Freezing rain began across the area during the early afternoon hours of the 26th and became more widespread and heavy through the afternoon and evening hours. The heaviest icing and most widespread power outages and tree damage occurred across portions of Washington, Madison, Benton, and Carroll Counties where one to two inch accumulations were reported. At the height of the storm, 75 percent of electric customers were without power in Benton County and nearly 100 percent were without power in Carroll County. Some remote, rural customers continued to be without power for more than two weeks.

Before the precipitation ended across northwest Arkansas, the freezing rain changed to sleet with one to two inch accumulations falling across portions of the region on top of the very heavy ice.

One direct injury occurred from the storm in northwest Arkansas. A woman was injured by ice coated tree limbs that fell on her in Springdale.

OKLAHOMA, Eastern

(OK-Z049) PUSHMATAHA, (OK-Z053) CHOCTAW, (OK-Z069) ADAIR, (OK-Z071) MCINTOSH, (OK-Z072) SEQUOYAH, (OK-Z073) PITTSBURG, (OK-Z074) HASKELL, (OK-Z075) LATIMER, (OK-Z076) LE FLORE

01/26/09 11:00 CST			3.52M	Ice Storm
01/28/09 02:00 CST			0	

(OK-Z054) OSAGE, (OK-Z055) WASHINGTON, (OK-Z056) NOWATA, (OK-Z057) CRAIG, (OK-Z058) OTTAWA, (OK-Z059) PAWNEE, (OK-Z060) TULSA, (OK-Z061) ROGERS, (OK-Z062) MAYES, (OK-Z063) DELAWARE, (OK-Z064) CREEK, (OK-Z065) OKFUSKEE, (OK-Z066) OKMULGEE, (OK-Z067) WAGONER, (OK-Z068) CHEROKEE, (OK-Z070) MUSKOGEE

01/26/09 12:00 CST			4.25M	Winter Storm
01/27/09 20:00 CST		1	0	

Upper level disturbances passing through the Southern Plains resulted in precipitation development north of a stationary arctic front located in North Texas. Freezing rain began across the area during the late morning hours of the 26th and became more widespread and heavy during the afternoon and evening hours. Freezing rain changed to sleet north of a Okemah-Wagoner-Colcord line during the morning of the 27th with heavy freezing rain continuing south of that line. The heaviest icing and most widespread power outages and tree damage occurred across portions of Cherokee, Sequoyah, Muskogee, and Adair Counties where one to one and a half inches of ice accumulated. More than 100,000 electric customers were without power during the height of the storm in eastern Oklahoma and some customers in remote rural areas continued to be without power for more than two weeks.

A 40 to 50 mile wide swath of heavy sleet occurred just to the west of the most significant ice with two to three inches accumulating along and near an Okehah-Wagoner-Grove line. Elsewhere up to an inch of sleet fell on top of the heavy ice.

One direct injury occurred from the storm in eastern Oklahoma. A man was injured by ice coated tree limbs that fell on him in Cherokee County.