



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



December 2002

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					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

ALABAMA, Central

ALZ001>002-011-014	Lauderdale - Colbert - Marion - Winston								
	12	2330CST			0	0	5K	0	High Wind (G40)
	13	0232CST							
<p>What appeared to be a gravity wave event produced sporadic wind gusts estimated at 35 to 45 mph. A few trees were blown down, a few power poles were blown down, and one tree landed on a carport in Marion County. A few trees were knocked down across Lauderdale, Winston, and Colbert counties.</p>									

Elmore County Central	19 1614CST								
					0	0	0	0	Funnel Cloud
<p>A funnel cloud was reported just north of Central.</p>									

Lee County Opelika	24 0415CST								
					0	0	7K	0	Lightning
<p>Lightning struck a communications tower owned by Lee County damaging public service radios operated by the county and the State of Alabama, computers, and telephone equipment. The tower is the site of the only EMWIN re-broadcast station in Alabama, and it was taken off the air by the lightning strike.</p>									

Pike County Spring Hill	24 0537CST								
					0	0	2K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
<p>Trees were blown down near Springhill on CR 6 and on CR 57.</p>									

ALABAMA, North

NOT RECEIVED.

ALABAMA, Southeast

Dale County Newton	19 2100EST								
					0	0	20K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
<p>Minor roof damage to a residence. Reported by the Dale County EMA.</p>									

Dale County Midland City	24 0740EST								
					0	0	5K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
<p>Downed trees and power lines reported by the Dale County EMA.</p>									

Geneva County Countywide	24 0740EST 0745EST								
					0	0	10K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
<p>Downed trees and power lines reported by the Geneva County Sheriff.</p>									

Houston County Countywide	24 0750EST 0800EST								
					0	0	75K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G55)
<p>Downed trees and power lines on Highway 123 in Wicksburg, as well as on Eddings and Bonham Roads, just west of Dothan. A trailer was overturned in Memphis. A few mobile homes were damaged in Ashford. Reported by the Houston County EMA.</p>									

Henry County Headland to 3 E Haleburg	24 0745EST 0755EST								
			18	150	0	8	2M	0	Tornado (F1)



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ALABAMA, Southeast

A tornado touched down in Headland, north of County Road 99 and U.S. Highway 431. The tornado caused extensive roof damage to several homes, businesses, and a school. It damaged six planes and a hanger at the Headland Airport. The tornado raced east-northeast, and destroyed a few barns and damaged a few mobile homes in the Tumbleton/Camp Springs area. The worst damage occurred in Haleburg where several mobile homes and barns were destroyed, with damage to a local church. Eight persons were injured, with six of them hospitalized. The tornado crossed the Chattahoochee River into Georgia. Reported by the Henry County EMA.

ALABAMA, Southwest

Washington County

Fruitdale	19	1320CST 1321CST			0	0			Hail(0.75)
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Washington County

Malcolm	19	1525CST 1526CST	0.1	20	0	0	8K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Malcolm. Several trees were blown down

Monroe County

Monroeville	19	1600CST 1601CST	0.1	20	0	0	10K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down just north of Monroeville. Several trees and power lines were blown down.

Baldwin County

Stockton	19	1630CST 1631CST			0	0	8K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down trees and power lines just north of Stockton

Monroe County

Monroeville	19	1720CST 1721CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees just south of Monroeville.

Baldwin County

Daphne	19	1800CST 1801CST			0	0	8K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down trees and power lines near Daphne.

Crenshaw County

7.5 NW Highland Home	19	1905CST 1906CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees along State Highway 97 near Clearview

Washington County

Fruitdale	23	2200CST 2201CST	0.1	20	0	0	8K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Fruitdale. Several trees were blown down

Clarke County

Grove Hill	23	2240CST 2241CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Grove Hill.

Washington County

Leroy	24	0235CST 0236CST	0.1	20	0	0	15K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Leroy. A couple of outbuildings were damaged and tin was blown from some of the buildings. Several trees were also blown down.



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ALABAMA, Southwest

Clarke County

Carlton	24	0240CST 0241CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down a few trees near Carlton.

Monroe County

Perdue Hill	24	0240CST 0241CST	0.1	20	0	0	8K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Perdue Hill. Several trees were blown down

Washington County

Millry	24	0305CST 0306CST	0.1	20	0	0	8K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Millry. Several trees were blown down and minor roof damage occurred to a building.

Clarke County

Walker Spgs	24	0320CST 0321CST	0.1	20	0	0	8K		Tornado (F0)
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A weak tornado briefly touched down near Walker Springs. Several trees were blown down.

Mobile County

(Mob)Mobile Bates Fl	24	0343CST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G55) ^M
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Mobile County

St Elmo	24	0345CST 0346CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down a few trees near St Elmo.

Washington County

Chatom	24	0345CST 0346CST			0	0	80K		Thunderstorm Wind (G60)
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High winds from a thunderstorm caused roof damage to a couple of businesses in Chatom. The most significant damage occurred at an automobile dealership. Part of the roof at the dealership was peeled off and some of the debris damaged several new vehicles that were parked outside. The high winds also blew down a couple of trees and power lines

Monroe County

Tunnell Spgs	24	0405CST 0406CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Tunnel Springs.

Conecuh County

Castleberry	24	0420CST 0421CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees north of Castleberry.

Butler County

Garland	24	0430CST 0431CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Garland.

Baldwin County

Summerdale	24	0430CST 0431CST			0	0	10K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Summerdale. A couple of outbuildings in the same location suffered minor damage.

Escambia County

Wallace	24	0435CST 0436CST			0	0	5K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Wallace.

Covington County

Opp	24	0630CST 0636CST			0	0	10K		Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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ALABAMA, Southwest

High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees and power lines near Opp. An unoccupied older trailer was also damaged.

Crenshaw County

**Luverne to
Highland Home**

24

**0815CST
0930CST**

0

0

Flash Flood

Heavy rains across the county caused several roads to flood between Luverne and Highland Home. Many side roads had to be closed for an hour to allow the water to drain.

Mobile County

4 W (Mob)Mobile Bates

31

**0550CST
0551CST**

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G52)

Mobile County

(Mob)Mobile Bates Fl

31

0637CST

0

0

Thunderstorm Wind (G53)^M

Mobile County

Mt Vernon

31

**0700CST
0701CST**

0

0

20K

Thunderstorm Wind (G55)

High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Mt Vernon. A fireworks stand was turned over by the winds and a tire store had some tin blown off of it.

Mobile County

Mobile

31

**0740CST
0741CST**

0

0

Hail(0.75)

Mobile County

Gulf Crest

31

**0745CST
0746CST**

0

0

5K

Thunderstorm Wind (G50)

High winds from a thunderstorm blew down several trees near Gulf Crest.

Mobile County

**Central Portion to
South Portion**

31

**0815CST
1000CST**

0

0

Flash Flood

Heavy rains caused several streets in the central and south part of the county to flood. Rainfall totals were between two and four inches in two hours. Several side streets had to be closed for about two hours. The water quickly receded after the rains had moved out of the area.

Baldwin County

Gulf Shrs

31

**0840CST
0841CST**

0

0

10K

Thunderstorm Wind (G55)

High winds from a thunderstorm, moving in from the Gulf, caused minor roof damage to a condominium located near the water in Gulf Shores.