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### ALABAMA, North Central

#### Lauderdale County

<b>St Florian</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>0530CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail (0.75)</b>
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The EMA office reported the ground covered with pea to dime size hail to a depth of about 2 inches at St. Florian in the southern part of Lauderdale County.

#### Colbert County

<b>Leighton</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>0530CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Hail (0.75)</b>
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Dime size hail was reported at Leighton by the EMA. Leighton is in the eastern part of the county.

#### Colbert County

<b>Cherokee</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0600CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Several small outbuildings were flattened, power lines were downed, and two large trees were toppled by the wind near Cherokee in the western part of the county.

#### Marion County

<b>Hackleburg</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0605CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Tin was torn off roofs and several trees were downed in the Hackleburg and Bear Creek areas in northern Marion County.

#### Colbert County

<b>Sheffield</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0618CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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The Terrace Baptist Church had part of a metal roof peeled back.

#### Fayette County

<b>Bankston</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0630CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>2K</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Trees were reported down in Bankston in southeast Fayette County.

#### Winston County

<b>Haleyville to 5 E Haleyville</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0632CST 0635CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10K</b>	<b>2K</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Trees and power lines were reported down in the Haleyville area and east of Haleyville along County Roads 10 and 30.

#### Lawrence County

<b>Mt Hope</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0643CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G55)</b>
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A barn roof was blown off, two trailers were damaged, and trees and fences were blown down in Mt. Hope in western Lawrence County.

#### Fayette County

<b>Concord</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0710CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Trees were reported downed in the Concord area of southern Fayette County.

#### Morgan County

<b>Decatur</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0710CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Lightning</b>
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Lightning struck a large sign at a car dealership putting a hole in the roof of the building.

#### Morgan County

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Trees were blown down in the southwest part of Decatur.

#### Lauderdale County

<b>Florence</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0712CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Lightning</b>
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Lightning struck a historic house in Florence. The lightning apparently traveled through the wiring of the house causing a fire under the floor. The structure was heavily damaged by the fire.

#### Madison County

<b>Huntsville</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0717CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G54)</b>
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The Huntsville airport fire station lost it's roof during a wind gust that was measured to 62 mph by the weather equipment at the airport.

#### Cullman County

<b>Cullman</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0740CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Flash Flood</b>
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Street flooding was reported in Cullman as a result of heavy rain.

#### Limestone County

<b>Ardmore</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0821CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Trees and power lines were reported down in Ardmore in northeaster Limestone County.

#### Marengo County

<b>Thomaston</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0835CST</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15K</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G55)</b>
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Numerous trees and power lines were downed. Stop lights were downed. A storage building and tin roofs were destroyed.



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### ALABAMA, North Central

Highways 25 and 28 were closed for a time due to debris in the road. Thomaston is in eastern Marengo County.

#### Dallas County

Orrville	21	0900CST			0	0	15K	2K	Thunderstorm Wind (G55)
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Three trailers were destroyed and one trailer was damaged along with downed trees. A concrete block building suffered major damage. Orrville is in the western part of the county.

#### Bibb County

5 WSW West Blocton	21	0910CST 0911CST			0	0	4K	1K	Thunderstorm Wind (G55)
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What appeared to be a small but powerful downburst occurred in northern Bibb County about 5 miles west-southwest of West Blocton. Trees were downed and a couple of mobile homes sustained minor damage along with a storage shed. The damage path was slightly less than a mile long and only about 50 yards wide.

#### Shelby County

2 NW Maylene	21	0935CST 0936CST	0.5	50	0	0	15K	0	Tornado (F0)
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A small tornado occurred at the Brantleyville community about 2 miles northwest of Maylene in southwest Shelby County. The tornado track was very short with a number of trees downed and damage to several frame houses in the form on shingles off. A tree fell on one house.

#### Autauga County

Autaugaville	21	0955CST			0	0	8K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G50)
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The EMA reported several trees and power lines down in Autaugaville as a line of thunderstorms moved through the town.

#### Montgomery County

Montgomery	21	1035CST			0	0	10K	0	Thunderstorm Wind (G76)
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Numerous trees and power lines were downed in Montgomery. A wind gust to 87 mph was reported at Maxwell Air Force Base on the western side of Montgomery.

#### Franklin County

Vina	27	0130CST			0	0	2K	0	Hail (0.75)
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Dime size hail was reported at Vina in western Franklin County.

#### Colbert County

Sheffield	27	0134CST			0	0	5K	0	Thunderstorm Wind
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Power lines were blown down in Sheffield.

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<b>Jefferson</b>	27	0550CST			0	0	5K	0	High Wind (G45)
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Several trees and power lines were knocked down by strong gradient wind.

#### Walker County

Jasper	28	0700CST 0800CST			0	0	10K	0	Flash Flood
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Heavy rain produced flash flooding in Jasper. Two to three feet of water was reported on some roads. School opening was delay one hour due to the flash flooding.

#### Etowah County

Gadsden	28	0840CST 0900CST			0	0	10K	0	Flash Flood
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Flash flooding was reported in Gadsden and Attalla. Three to four feet of water flooded streets in several locations in these cities.

#### Elmore County

Elmore	28	1200CST 1300CST			0	0	10K	0	Flash Flood
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Several streets were closed in the Elmore and Lucky Town communities due to several feet of water over a number of roads. Alabama Highway 143 was one of the roads closed by flash flooding. A few homes in Lucky Town were flooded when water got into them.

### ALABAMA, Southeast

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### ALABAMA, Southwest

#### Choctaw County

<b>Womack Hill</b>	21	0745CST 0746CST			0	0	2K		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Several trees and power lines were blown down in Womack Hill.

#### Clarke County

<b>8 W Grove Hill to 7 W Grove Hill</b>	21	0810CST 0811CST			0	0	2K		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G50)</b>
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Several trees were blown down along U.S. Highway 84 between Coffeerville and Grove Hill. One of the trees blocked the roadway for a short period of time.

#### Mobile County

<b>Theodore</b>	21	1100CST			0	0	5K		<b>Thunderstorm Wind (G60)</b>
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High winds blew down a 45 foot tower near Theodore.