

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - December 2006

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

WINNEBAGO (IL-Z003), BOONE (IL-Z004), MCHENRY (IL-Z005), LAKE (IL-Z006), OGLE (IL-Z008), LEE (IL-Z010), DE KALB (IL-Z011), KANE (IL-Z012), DU PAGE (IL-Z013), COOK (IL-Z014), LA SALLE (IL-Z019), KENDALL (IL-Z020), WILL (IL-Z022), LIVINGSTON (IL-Z032)

12/01/06 00:00 CST	0	0	Winter Storm
12/01/06 10:00 CST	0	0	

A winter storm moved northeast across the southern great lakes region during the morning hours of December 1st. Heavy snow fell across northwest Illinois where 10 to 15 inches of snow was reported. Further southeast toward the Interstate 55 corridor, the snow mixed with sleet with some areas reporting up to an inch of sleet before changing over to snow, with amounts of 3 to 6 inches. Southeast of the Kankakee river, mainly rain was reported with a little freezing rain and sleet mixed in at times, which brought down tree limbs and power lines in some areas. A 70 mile section of Interstate 80, from Interstate 55 west to the Iowa border was closed due to numerous accidents and stranded motorists. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources had to use snowmobiles to bring food and gas to the stranded motorists.

COOK (IL-Z014)

12/02/06 22:00 CST	7	0	Extreme Cold/Wind Chill
12/08/06 09:00 CST	5	0	

After the winter storm brought several inches of snow to northern Illinois, cold temperatures settled across the area. Low temperatures on the morning of the 3rd, 4th and 5th were in the single digits. A brief warm-up on the 6th, with low temperatures again in the single digits on the 7th and 8th. Seven people died due to exposure to the cold in Chicago and Cook County.