

## National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



October 2004 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Persons Width Damage **ILLINOIS**, Northeast ILZ003>006-008-010>014-Winnebago - Boone - Mchenry - Lake - Ogle - Lee - De Kalb - Kane - Du Page - Cook - La Salle - Kendall - Grundy - Will -019>023-032>033-039 Kankakee - Livingston - Iroquois - Ford 0300CST Frost/Freeze 0900ČŠŤ An early freeze occurred over northern Illinois and northern Indiana. Morning lows were in the middle 20s to around 30. The coldest temperatures were 24 in Aurora, 25 in Rochelle, and 26 at McHenry and Streamwood. La Salle County 0 Hail(1.00) Cedar Pt 29 1907CST 0 1912CST Nickel to quarter sized hail reported near Cedar Point. La Salle County La Salle 29 1910CST Thunderstorm Wind (EG50) A tree was blown onto a road in LaSalle. La Salle County 29 0 Hail(0.88) Pern 0 De Kalb County Cortland Thunderstorm Wind (EG50) 1945CST Large tree limbs, power lines and a television tower were reported down. **De Kalb County** 2000CST 2015CST Thunderstorm Wind (EG50) Countywide 29 Tree limbs and power lines were reported down at several locations across the north half of De Kalb County. Trees and power lines were down at Walnut and High Street in Sycamore. Power lines were down at Northern Illinois University, and on Gurler Road south of DeKalb. Power lines were also down on Prichard Road and Route 38, ten miles east of DeKalb, and at Brickville and Whipple Roads, northwest of Sycamore. Twenty light poles were down. **Kane County Maple Park** 400K Thunderstorm Wind (MG83) Emergency management reported that trees were knocked down and blocking several roads. Also, power lines were reported down. Thunderstorm winds damaged barns, silos, and grain elevators at several farms. An observer measure a 96 mph wind gust. A collapsed barn killed a sheep and a horse. Corn was flattened by the wind. **De Kalb County** De Kalb 29 2010CST 2015CST 10K Hail(1.00) Quarter sized hail produced damage to parked vehicles. **Mchenry County** Crystal Lake Thunderstorm Wind (EG50) Large tree limbs were reported down by law enforcement officers. Police reported trees on Bull Valley, Ridge and Johnsburg Roads. Lake County Lake Villa 29 2036CST Thunderstorm Wind (MG53) 62 mph/53 kt wind gust measured by NWS COOP observer with unofficial equipment. **Ogle County** Lindenwood 29 Thunderstorm Wind (EG55)

A roof was partially blown off a pole barn on Lindenwood Rd. in rural Ogle County, near Lindenwood



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Location Date Standard (Miles) (Yards) Killed Injured Property Crops Character of Storm

## **ILLINOIS, Northeast**

During the late afternoon and early evening, a supercell thunderstorm developed in a warm, unstable airmass ahead of a cold front, over central Illinois. By around 7:00 PM CST, this storm moved into La Salle County. The storm continued to track northeast through La Salle, De Kalb, Kane, McHenry and Lake Counties. Along the course of it's path, this storm produced hail up to one inclin diameter and wind gusts up 96 mph. By around 9:30 PM CST, lines of thunderstorms that had been moving through Iowa finally crossed the Mississippi River into western Illinois. These storms maintained their intensity until they reached Ogle County, producing wind damage.

## **INDIANA**, Northwest

05 0300CST 0 0 Frost/Freeze

An early freeze occurred over northern Indiana. Morning low temperatures were in the middle 20s to around 30.

INZ002 Porter

30 1018CST 0 0 High Wind (MG50)

Following the severe weather event of October 29, a strong cold front moved through northern Illinois and Indiana during the morning hours of October 30. This cold front extended from a deep low pressure system over the western Great Lakes. A strong pressure gradient caused strong winds over northern Indiana. There was a peak gust to 58 mph at Valparaiso. At least 6100 people lost power in Lake and Porter Counties from falling tree limbs and wires.