

# National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



November 2003 Time Local Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Persons Damage **ILLINOIS, South** ILZ087 Gallatin 0900CST 0 0 Flood Minor flooding of the Ohio River occurred along part of the Illinois shore. At Shawneetown, where flood stage is 33 feet, the river crested at 37.5 feet on the 28th. This resulted in minor flooding of low-lying fields. ILZ077>078-083 Edwards - Wabash - White 1500CST Winter Weather/Mix 28 0 Snow showers produced a light coating of snow in southeast Illinois, with accumulations less than one half inch. Bridges and overpasses were slick as temperatures fell below freezing during the evening. Numerous vehicles reportedly slid off Interstate 64 in the Wabash River Valley, from the Grayville area east to the river. All of the incidents occurred at bridges. **INDIANA**, Southwest INZ085>088 Posey - Vanderburgh - Warrick - Spencer 0900CST 1200CST 25 29 Minor flooding of the Ohio River occurred in southwest Indiana. At Newburgh Dam, where flood stage is 38 feet, the river crested at 41.2 feet on November 26. At Mount Vernon, where flood stage is 35 feet, the river crested at 37.1 feet on November 27. This resulted in minor flooding of low-lying fields and roads near the river. The road closures, a fairly common occurrence near the river, affected about a dozen families. School bus routes and mail delivery routes were altered to bypass the flooded roads. Residents and government officials instituted the normal backup plans to arrange for mail pickup and other services. About 30 school children living in the river bottoms of Union Township were picked up at alternate locations on higher ground. No evacuations of residents were required. Among the roads closed included Weinbach Avenue, Happe Road, and Seminary Road. A pickup truck was found partially submerged in bottomland along Green River Road No. 2. The occupants of the vehicle were not located, and no injuries were reported. A television news van investigating the submerged truck also became partially submerged after accidentally backing too far off the shoulder. The driver escaped unharmed. INZ081>082-085>088 Gibson - Pike - Posey - Vanderburgh - Warrick - Spencer 28 Winter Weather/Mix Snow showers produced a light coating of snow in southwest Indiana, with accumulations around one half inch. Bridges and

Snow showers produced a light coating of snow in southwest Indiana, with accumulations around one half inch. Bridges and overpasses were slick as temperatures fell below freezing during the evening. Several accidents on Interstate 164 near Evansville closed the highway for about 45 minutes. All of the accidents occurred on overpasses, and two of the accidents resulted in injuries.

INZ081>082 Gibson - Pike

Minor flooding of low-lying fields occurred along the White River. At Petersburg, where flood stage is 16 feet, the White River crested at 16.89 feet on November 30. Rainfall of 1 to 2 inches fell in much of southern Indiana on the 27th and 28th, resulting in this minor river flooding.

### **KENTUCKY**, Southwest

KYZ014-018 Union - Henderson

26 0800CST 0 0 Flood 29 1900CST



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#### **KENTUCKY**, Southwest

Minor flooding of the Ohio River occurred along parts of the northwest Kentucky shore. At J.T. Meyers Lock and Dam near Uniontown, the river crested about one foot above the 37-foot flood stage. This resulted in minor flooding of low-lying fields and a few farm roads.

## MISSOURI, Southeast

Carter County					
Countywide	18	0500CST 0800CST	0	0	Flash Flood
Perry County					
Countywide	18	0500CST 0800CST	0	0	Heavy Rain
<b>Ripley County</b>					
Countywide	18	0500CST 0800CST	0	0	Heavy Rain

Copious rainfall in hilly Carter County resulted in flash flooding of numerous creeks, streams, and rural roads. A co-operative observer in Van Buren measured 6.54 inches of rain. Hunters were evacuated from small cabins in flood-prone areas. The Conservation Department closed Route 103, a state road leading to Big Spring State Park. Some deer hunters stranded there required assistance getting out. State roads that were closed in Carter County were Highway K about one mile from the Highway B junction, Highway M one mile north of U.S. 60, and Highway Y one-half to 1.5 miles north of U.S. Route 60. Water was 12 to 18 inches over these closed roads. Heavy rain over Perry County caused some flooding of a number of rural roads, but no closures were reported. An observer in Perryville measured 4.76 inches. In Ripley County, rainfall amounts were somewhat less, with 2.15 inches reported at Doniphan. However, Highway NN was closed 2 miles north of Route 21 in Ripley County, with almost 4 feet of water over it.

MOZ100	Wayne						
	18	1000CST		0	0	Flood	

The St. Francis River flooded in parts of Wayne County. At Patterson, where flood stage is 16 feet, the river crested at 23.49 feet just before sunrise on the 19th.

**Stoddard County** 

Bloomfield 18 2200CST Lightning

A commercial building was destroyed by a fire that was believed to have been started by lightning. Two discount stores were located in the building on Highway 25.

**MOZ108** Ripley

20 0100CST 1700CST 0 0 Flood

Minor flooding of the Current River occurred at Doniphan. The river crested at 13.39 feet at Doniphan, where the flood stage is 13 feet.