

December 13, 2021

Tornado Activity

- Late on December 11, multiple tornadoes touched down in a line that raged across several Midwest states, leaving a trail of widespread destruction and causing at least 80 deaths.
- Some of the heaviest damage took place in a number of small communities in Kentucky, especially the town of Mayfield, where a factory and most of the downtown area were flattened.
- While Kentucky was hardest hit, six workers were killed at an Amazon warehouse in Illinois after the plant buckled under the force of the tornado, including one cargo driver who died in the bathroom, where many workers said they had been directed to shelter.
- A nursing home was struck in Arkansas, causing one of that state's two deaths. Four were reported dead in Tennessee and two in Missouri.
- It was the deadliest U.S. tornado outbreak in a decade, and one single storm complex tracked for some 250 miles.



Kentucky

- US president Joe Biden declared a major federal disaster in Kentucky after a swarm of deadly tornadoes hit the state on Friday, as representatives of a candle factory destroyed by a twister said far fewer people may have died than previously feared.
- The President's action makes Federal funding available to affected individuals in the counties of Caldwell, Fulton, Graves, Hopkins, Marshall, Muhlenberg, Taylor, and Warren.
- At least 1,000 homes destroyed statewide by tornadoes.
- Initial estimates from Warren County show 500 homes and 100 businesses have been damaged or destroyed, including three to four factories.
- Governor Beshear had said on Sunday morning that the death toll was expected to exceed 100 after twisters tore through the US midwest and south on Friday night but later that figure had been revised down, although amid power cuts and phone services down across many communities, there was not yet certainty over numbers.
- Nowhere suffered as much as Mayfield, a community of about 10,000 in the south-western corner of Kentucky, where the large twisters also destroyed the fire and police stations.
- "The very first thing that we have to do is grieve together and we're going to do that before we rebuild together," Beshear said, noting that one tornado tore across 227 miles (365 km) of terrain, almost all of that in Kentucky.

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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments

State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End
		Requested	Completed	
WA	Flooding Nov 2-19	3	0	12/1-TBD

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters

Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline
4607 MI	Severe Storms & Flooding	4 Counties	146	11/12/2021
4611 LA	Hurricane	25 Parishes	104	11/29/2021
4614 NJ	Hurricane	12 Counties	97	1/05/2022
4615 NY	Hurricane	10 Counties	97	1/04/2022
4618 PA	Hurricane	8 Counties	92	12/10/2021
4626 MS	Hurricane	8 Counties	48	12/22/2021

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