

September 24, 2022

## Tropical Activity Atlantic – Tropical Storm Ian

- Tropical Storm Ian formed over the central Caribbean Sea late Friday night, and, as AccuWeather meteorologists have been warning since early in the week, it looks increasingly likely that there could be a serious hurricane threat to the continental U.S., particularly for Florida.
- Ian is the ninth named storm of the 2022 Atlantic hurricane season.
- IAN EYE PATH®

  Through Next Saturday

   All times EDT

   Positions every 24 hours

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- As of Saturday, at 5 a.m. Eastern Time, the tropical storm was tracking westward with a forward speed of 14 mph. Sustained wind gusts were up to 45 mph.
- AccuWeather forecasters said the storm continued to battle wind shear in the area, but that conditions were becoming more conducive for strengthening early Saturday.
- With that in mind, the AccuWeather tropical forecast team is warning of the possibility that Ian could undergo rapid intensification in the days ahead as it churns northward, and the wind shear continues to subside.
- Since Ian formed as a tropical storm sooner rather than later, it is likely to take a more northerly track. Because of this, a track into Texas is not anticipated and a path into Louisiana is highly unlikely.
- "Because of very warm waters and a forecast minimal amount of disruptive winds, there is the
  - potential for the system to undergo rapid strengthening anytime from this weekend to midweek," AccuWeather Lead Long-Range Meteorologist Paul Pastelok said.
- A quickly developing system will tend to track more to the east. For this reason, a track into or just off the Florida east coast is a possibility as well as a strike on the Florida west coast or the Florida Panhandle at this time.
- In response to the looming threat of a strike from a hurricane, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis declared a pre-landfall state of emergency late Friday afternoon for 24 counties that are at risk of being struck. "This storm has the potential to strengthen into a major hurricane," DeSantis said in the declaration, "and we encourage all Floridians to make their preparations."





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Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request							
State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied/ Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes			
IL	Severe Storms and Flooding July 25-28, 2022	8/30/2022	Pending	1 County			
VA	Flooding and Mudslides July 13-14, 2022	9/9/2022	Pending	1 County			
AK	Severe Storm, Flooding & Landslides Sept 15-20, 2022	9/20/2022	Approved	4 REAAs			

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters						
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline		
4665 MO	Severe Storms & Flooding	2 Counties/1 City	45	10/7/2022		
4671 PR	Hurricane Fiona	63 Municipalities	1	11/21/2022		

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