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Severe Weather Outlook

- As one storm system exits the country, another is on its heels Thursday and expected to fire over a 1,000-mile stretch.
- NOAA's Storm Prediction Center (SPC) has highlighted states from the U.S.-Mexico border through the Ohio Valley for an increased threat of storms, with portions of Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee at the highest risk.
- The FOX Forecast Center warns that hail, damaging winds and flooding will be the primary threats on Thursday.
- "The very likely area includes St. Louis all the way down into those areas of northern Tennessee and portions of western Kentucky," FOX Weather Meteorologist Steve Bender said.
- The slow-moving nature of the cold front and recent heavy rainfall over the Ohio Valley will allow for a chance of flooding, especially on its northern and southern tiers.
- Farther north, rainfall amounts are not expected to be significant, but many rivers and streams in the Ohio Valley are near full bank.
- There is a possibility of sporadic strong to marginally severe storms on Friday in parts of the Southeast.

Severe Weather Activity Ohio

- Wednesday marked the third straight day of severe weather across the northern tier of the country as a cold front continued its march across the region.
- Damage from hail, gusty winds and tornadoes was reported throughout the eastern Great Lakes, but the greatest concentration of impacts appeared to be in northern Ohio.
- PowerOutage.us estimated that more than 20% of Crowford County was without electricity.
- The National Weather Service office in Cleveland is tasked with surveying damage from Wednesday's storm to determine the number of tornadoes that impacted the region and their strength on the Enhanced Fujita Scale.
- Portage County Emergency Management said at least one tornado touched down in the community and damage assessments were underway Wednesday evening.







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Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Stort End			
		Requested	Completed	Start-End			
KY	Severe Storm April 1, 2024	11	7	4/16-TBD			

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters						
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline		
4749 IL	Flooding	1 County	146	5/21/2024		
4757 MI	Flooding	9 Counties	65	5/8/2024		

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