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SINCE ONE OF THE MAIN FOCUSES OF WEATHER IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS INVOLVES PERIODS OF VERY HEAVY RAIN AND FLASH FLOODING...NOT ALL HEAVY RAIN AND FLASH FLOOD EVENTS ARE LISTED HERE. MANY OTHER WEATHER EVENTS OF SEASONAL SIGNIFICANCE ARE ALSO NOT LISTED HERE. FOR MORE DETAILS ON SIGNIFICANT WEATHER EVENTS ACROSS CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS IN THE PAST 100 YEARS...SEE THE DOCUMENT POSTED ON THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AUSTIN/SAN ANTONIO WEBSITE AT

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/images/ewx/wxevent/100.pdf>

EVENTS LISTED BELOW ARE SHOWN IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER... FIRST STARTING WITH AUSTIN AND VICINITY...FOLLOWED BY DEL RIO AND VICINITY...AND ENDING WITH SAN ANTONIO AND VICINITY.

AUSTIN AND VICINITY...

1. SEPTEMBER 8 - 10... 1921 - THE REMNANTS OF A HURRICANE MOVED NORTHWARD FROM BEXAR COUNTY TO WILLIAMSON COUNTY ON THE 9TH AND 10TH. THE CENTER OF THE STORM BECAME STATIONARY OVER THRALL...TEXAS THAT NIGHT DROPPING 38.2 INCHES OF RAIN IN 24 HOURS ENDING AT 7 AM SEPTEMBER 10TH. IN 6 HOURS...23.4 INCHES OF RAIN FELL AND 31.8 INCHES OF RAIN FELL IN 12 HOURS. STORM TOTAL RAIN AT THRALL WAS 39.7 INCHES IN 36 HOURS. THIS STORM CAUSED THE MOST DEADLY FLOODS IN TEXAS WITH A TOTAL OF 215 FATALITIES.
2. MAY 4...1922 - A TORNADO STRUCK AUSTIN... TEXAS CAUSING 13 FATALITIES AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS IN DAMAGES.
3. 1935 - MAY AND JUNE FLOODS. HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS...INCLUDING AUSTIN. 9.21 INCHES OF RAIN IN MAY AND 9.71 INCHES IN JUNE 1935 FOR AUSTIN. IN JUNE OF 1935...HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING OCCURRED ACROSS PARTS OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY EAST TO AUSTIN AND ALSO IN THE UVALDE AND LA PRYOR AREAS. RAINS AMOUNTING TO NEAR 20 INCHES OCCURRED IN SOME PLACES IN EARLY TO MID JUNE 1935. EXTENSIVE FLOODING WAS OBSERVED ALONG THE LLANO... COLORADO AND PEDERNALES RIVERS...INCLUDING JUNCTION... LLANO... FREDERICKSBURG AND DOWNSTREAM TO AUSTIN. EXTENSIVE FLOODING AFFECTED AUSTIN BY JUNE 14 AND 15...1935...WHERE THE COLORADO RIVER GOT UP TO JUST 1 FEET BELOW THE WORST

RECORDED FLOOD FOR AUSTIN...THAT CAME IN JULY OF 1869.
FLOODING ALONG THE LLANO RIVER WAS THE HIGHEST OF RECORD
AT THAT TIME.

4. JANUARY 31...1949 - THE COLDEST MINIMUM TEMPERATURE OF RECORD...
-2 AT AUSTIN MUELLER AIRPORT...FOLLOWED BY A HIGH OF 33.
AT BERGSTROM AFB THE LOW WAS -5 AND HIGH WAS 30 ON
JANUARY 31...1949. IN LATE JANUARY AND EARLY FEBRUARY OF
1951 AN ARCTIC OUTBREAK PRODUCING COLD OF LONG DURATION.
LOW OF 7 FEBRUARY 2...1951 AT AUSTIN MUELLER AIRPORT AND
8 AT BERGSTROM AFB WAS OBSERVED.

5. 1951-56 LONG DROUGHT YEARS...PROBABLY DRIEST IN SEVERAL HUNDRED
YEARS. ALTHOUGH IT WAS A LONG DROUGHT...IT WAS BRIEFLY
INTERRUPTED BY 2 FLOODS IN 1952 AND 1954.

6. 1981 FLOODS

MAY 24...1981 - THE MEMORIAL DAY FLOOD...CAUSED BY A
4 TO 10 INCH TORRENTIAL NIGHT TIME RAINS OVER AUSTIN...
KILLED 13 PERSONS.

AUGUST 30 - 31...1981 - THE REMNANTS OF A MINIMAL TROPICAL
STORM PRODUCED AN AREA OF HEAVY RAIN 50 TO 70 MILES WIDE AND
200 MILES LONG FROM SEGUIN TO NORTH OF HOUSTON.
AT HALLETSVILLE...THE ENSUING FLOOD ON ROCKY CREEK PRODUCED
A CREST OF 5 FEET ON THE TOWN SQUARE FLOODING THE
COUNTY JAIL...19 PERCENT OF THE BUSINESSES...AND 70 PERCENT
OF THE HOMES. THE FLOOD...CALLED THE HALLETSVILLE FLOOD...
KILLED 5 PERSONS.

7. IN THE 1980S...TWO SEVERE ARCTIC OUTBREAKS IN DECEMBER...

DECEMBER 1983 - DECEMBER ARCTIC OUTBREAK COLDEST MONTH OF
RECORD FOR SAN ANTONIO. COLDEST DECEMBER OF RECORD FOR
SAN ANTONIO AND AUSTIN/BERGSTROM. 2ND COLDEST DECEMBER
FOR AUSTIN/CITY CLIMATE LOCATION AND FOR DEL RIO. COLD
WEATHER CAME IN MID DECEMBER AND LASTED THE REST OF
THE MONTH. BRIEF WARMUP THE AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 27
WAS FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER BLAST OF COLD AIR THE NIGHT
OF THE 27TH AND EARLY MORNING THE 28TH. RECORD NUMBER
OF HOURS BELOW FREEZING IN AUSTIN OF 140 HOURS
DEC. 21 TO 27...1983. IN THE DECEMBER 1989 FREEZE -
THE LOWEST DECEMBER TEMPERATURE FOR AUSTIN CAME AT
4 DEGREES ON DECEMBER 23RD. THE HIGHEST SEA LEVEL
PRESSURE TIED OR EXCEEDED AT MANY LOCATIONS ON
DECEMBER 23RD. THIS WAS THE 2ND MAJOR FREEZE OF
THE 1980S. THE 1989 FREEZE PRODUCED LOWER
TEMPERATURES FOR PARTS OF CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL
TEXAS...HOWEVER IT DID NOT LAST AS LONG AS THE
DECEMBER 1983 FREEZE. AFTER THE DECEMBER 1983
FREEZE COLD WEATHER CONTINUED INTO JANUARY AND
FEBRUARY OF 1984. AFTER THE DECEMBER 1989 FREEZE...
MILD CONDITIONS FOLLOWED FROM JANUARY TO MARCH OF 1990.

8. DECEMBER 18 - 23...1991 - STEADY RAINS FROM SAN ANTONIO NORTHWARD
TO NORTH OF AUSTIN PRODUCED MAJOR FLOODING ACROSS ALL OF

CREEKS AND RIVERS FROM THE SAN ANTONIO ON THE SOUTH TO THE BRAZOS ON THE NORTH. THE EXTENSIVE FLOODS FROM THE HIGHLAND LAKES TO THE COAST CAUSED TREMENDOUS LOSS OF PROPERTY. AUSTIN AND SAN ANTONIO RECORDED THEIR WETTEST DECEMBER ON RECORD.

9. MAY 27...1997 - THE JARRELL TORNADO...A RARE F5 TORNADO...CUT ACROSS JARRELL...TEXAS LEVELING THE AREA IN ITS PATH. IT KILLED 27 PERSONS IN JARRELL...1 IN CEDER PARK AND 1 IN PERDENALES VALLEY. THE SYSTEM SPAWNED WIDESPREAD SEVERE WEATHER WITH HAIL...DAMAGING WINDS...AND FLASH FLOODING ACROSS MOST OF SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS.
10. OCTOBER 17 - 18...1998 - TORRENTIAL RAINS FROM TRAVIS COUNTY SOUTHWARD PRODUCED DAMAGING FLOODS IN ONION CREEK... THE COLORADO...SAN MARCOS...GUADALUPE...AND SAN ANTONIO RIVERS. LESSER FLOODING OCCURRED UPSTREAM OF THE HILL COUNTRY DAMS. A 35 INCH RAINFALL CENTER OCCURRED A COUPLE OF MILES SOUTHEAST OF SAN MARCOS. THIRTY ONE PERSONS LOST THEIR LIVES WITH THIS EVENT.

DEL RIO AND VICINITY...

1. 1914 - THE WETTEST YEAR OF RECORD FOR DEL RIO WITH 37.75 INCHES OF PRECIPITATION.
2. APRIL 1927 - AN F5 TORNADO STRUCK ROCKSPRINGS...TEXAS DESTROYING MOST OF THE TOWN. THE TORNADO...OVER 1 MILE WIDE...CAUSED 72 FATALITIES IN ROCKSPRINGS AND 2 IN LEAKEY.
3. MAY AND JUNE 1935 - MAY AND JUNE...1935 FLOODS. HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING IN SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS...INCLUDING THE DEL RIO AREA. FOR DEL RIO MAY 1935 BROUGHT 4.89 INCHES OF RAIN...AND JUNE HAD 13.71 INCHES. ON MAY 31...1935 VERY HEAVY RAINS NEAR D' HANIS IN MEDINA COUNTY OF 22 TO 24 INCHES OF RAIN IN ONLY 2 HOURS AND 45 MINUTES. THE HEAVIEST RAINS OCCURRED AT WOODWARD RANCH ABOUT 17 MILES ABOVE D' HANIS ON THE SECO CREEK. EXTENSIVE FLOODING OCCURRED ALONG SECO CREEK.

IN JUNE OF 1935...HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING OCCURRED ACROSS PARTS OF THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY EAST TO AUSTIN AND ALSO IN THE UVALDE AND LA PRYOR AREAS. RAINS AMOUNTING TO NEAR 20 INCHES OCCURRED IN SOME PLACES IN EARLY TO MID JUNE 1935. IN MID JUNE OF 1935...HEAVY RAINS STRUCK ON THE WEST NUECES AND NUECES RIVER PLUS SYCAMORE CREEK. FLOODING WAS NOTED FROM NORTH OF BRACKETVILLE TO ALONG SYCAMORE CREEK TO THE RIO GRANDE...A FEW MILES BELOW DEL RIO...AND EAST TO UVALDE. RAINS IN UVALDE ON JUNE 15...1935 CAME IN WITH 12.5 INCHES IN 12 HOURS AND 17.6 INCHES IN 24 HOURS.

4. JANUARY 31...1949 - COLD ARCTIC OUTBREAK. LOW OF 17 AND HIGH OF 40 ON JANUARY 31ST IN DEL RIO. IN LATE JANUARY AND EARLY FEBRUARY 1951 AN ARCTIC OUTBREAK PRODUCED COLD OF LONG DURATION. THE LOW OF 11 THAT OCCURRED IN DEL RIO ON

FEBRUARY 2...1951 WAS THE 2ND COLDEST LOW OF RECORD FOR DEL RIO. THE COLDEST OF RECORD FOR DEL RIO CAME DECEMBER 23... 1989 WHEN THE LOW WAS 10.

5. 1951-56 LONG DROUGHT YEARS...PROBABLY DRIEST IN SEVERAL HUNDRED YEARS. ALTHOUGH IT WAS A LONG DROUGHT...IT WAS BRIEFLY INTERRUPTED BY 2 FLOODS IN 1952 AND 1954.
6. JUNE 1954 - IN THE MIST OF THE ONGOING 1951-56 DROUGHT...THE REMNANTS OF HURRICANE ALICE MOVED NORTHWESTWARD ALONG THE RIO GRANDE RIVER TO WEST AND NORTH OF DEL RIO DROPPING TORRENTIAL RAINS IN EXCESS OF 35 INCHES. THE ENSUING FLOOD WAS THE FLOOD OF RECORD FOR THE RIO GRANDE WITH 1.1 MILLION CFS SURGING THROUGH DEL RIO AND TAKING EVERY RAILROAD AND TRAFFIC BRIDGE FROM DEL RIO TO LAREDO. IT FILLED THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED FALCON DAM RESERVOIR IN A MATTER OF WEEKS.
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DECEMBER 1983 - DECEMBER ARCTIC OUTBREAK COLDEST MONTH OF RECORD FOR SAN ANTONIO. COLDEST DECEMBER OF RECORD FOR SAN ANTONIO AND AUSTIN/BERGSTROM. 2ND COLDEST DECEMBER FOR AUSTIN/CITY CLIMATE LOCATION AND FOR DEL RIO. COLD WEATHER CAME IN MID DECEMBER AND LASTED THE REST OF THE MONTH. BRIEF WARMUP THE AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 27 WAS FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER BLAST OF COLD AIR THE NIGHT OF THE 27TH AND EARLY MORNING THE 28TH. RECORD NUMBER OF HOURS BELOW FREEZING IN AUSTIN OF 140 HOURS DEC. 21 TO 27...1983.

DECEMBER 1989 FREEZE - LOWEST ALL TIME LOW OF RECORD AND LOWEST DECEMBER TEMPERATURE FOR DEL RIO OF 10 ON DECEMBER 23RD. HIGHEST SEA LEVEL PRESSURE TIED OR EXCEEDED AT MANY LOCATIONS ON DECEMBER 23RD. THIS WAS THE 2ND MAJOR FREEZE OF THE 1980S. THE 1989 FREEZE PRODUCED LOWER TEMPERATURES FOR PARTS OF CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS...HOWEVER IT DID NOT LAST AS LONG AS THE DECEMBER 1983 FREEZE. AFTER THE DECEMBER 1983 FREEZE COLD WEATHER CONTINUED INTO JANUARY AND FEBRUARY OF 1984. AFTER THE DECEMBER 1989 FREEZE... MILD CONDITIONS FOLLOWED FROM JANUARY TO MARCH OF 1990.
8. JANUARY 1985 - RECORD SNOWFALL OCCURRED FROM DEL RIO EASTWARD TO SAN ANTONIO. DEL RIO RECORDED 8.5 INCHES OF SNOW. NEARLY A YEAR LATER ANOTHER HEAVY SNOW EVENT CAME TO DEL RIO JANUARY 7TH AND 8TH...1986...WHEN 8.2 INCHES OF SNOW FELL.
9. SUMMER OF 1998 - 69 CONTINUOUS DAYS OF OVER 100 DEGREE RECORDED IN DEL RIO...HOTTER THAN TEMPERATURES RECORDED IN 1980...THE PREVIOUS LONG HOT SPELL.
10. AUGUST 22 TO 24...1998 - TROPICAL STORM CHARLEY MOVED INLAND ACROSS SOUTH TEXAS DROPPING TORRENTIAL RAINS. ON AUGUST 22 AND 23...IT MOVED INTO THE DEL RIO AREA DROPPING 17.03 INCHES OF RAIN AT DEL RIO... MOST OF IT OCCURRING WITHIN A 12 HOUR PERIOD. THE ENSUING

FLASH FLOOD DOWN SAN FELIPE CREEK DEVASTATING THE COMMUNITY ALONG THE CREEK AND CAUSING 9 FATALITIES. ALL RIVERS AND CREEKS FROM HONDO WESTWARD EXPERIENCED FLOODING FROM THIS EVENT.

SAN ANTONIO AND VICINITY...

1. SEPTEMBER 9... 1921 - THE REMNANTS OF A HURRICANE MOVED OVER SAN ANTONIO DROPPING 18 INCHES OF RAIN IN NORTHERN BEXAR COUNTY. THE ENSUING FLOOD WAVE DOWN OLMOS AND OTHER AREA CREEKS INUNDATED DOWNTOWN SAN ANTONIO WITH 12 FEET OF WATER. 51 FATALITIES OCCURRED THAT NIGHT IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO. THE CENTER OF THE STORM BECAME STATIONARY OVER THRALL...DROPPING 38.2 INCHES OF RAIN IN 24 HOURS ENDING AT 7 AM SEPTEMBER 10TH. IN 6 HOURS...23.4 INCHES OF RAIN FELL AND 31.8 INCHES OF RAIN FELL IN 12 HOURS. STORM TOTAL RAIN AT THRALL WAS 39.7 INCHES IN 36 HOURS. THIS STORM CAUSED THE MOST DEADLY FLOODS IN TEXAS WITH A TOTAL OF 215 FATALITIES.

2. MARCH TO JUNE 1935 - MARCH 5...1935 - VERY POWERFUL HAIL/WIND STORM AFFECTED SAN ANTONIO. ONE MILLION DOLLARS PROPERTY DAMAGE. MAY AND JUNE...1935 FLOODS. HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING IN SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS...INCLUDING AUSTIN AND SAN ANTONIO. FOR SAN ANTONIO MAY 1935 BROUGHT 14.07 INCHES OF RAIN...WETTEST MAY OF RECORD...AND JUNE HAD 8.41 INCHES. AFTER ONE EPISODE OF HEAVY RAINS IN MAY 1935...WATER GOT INTO STORES ON ALAMO PLAZA IN SAN ANTONIO. ON MAY 31...1935 VERY HEAVY RAINS NEAR D' HANIS IN MEDINA COUNTY OF 22 TO 24 INCHES OF RAIN IN ONLY 2 HOURS AND 45 MINUTES. THE HEAVIEST RAINS OCCURRED AT WOODWARD RANCH ABOUT 17 MILES ABOVE D' HANIS ON THE SECO CREEK. EXTENSIVE FLOODING OCCURRED ALONG SECO CREEK.

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3. JANUARY 31...1949 - ZERO DEGREES AT SAN ANTONIO...THE COLDEST TEMPERATURE OF RECORD IN SAN ANTONIO...OCCURRED IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF JANUARY 31...1949...WITH SNOW ON THE GROUND. THE HIGH THAT DAY WAS 38. IN LATE JANUARY AND EARLY FEBRUARY OF 1951 AN ARCTIC OUTBREAK PRODUCED COLD OF LONG DURATION...LONGEST BELOW 32 FOR SAN ANTONIO. TOTAL TIME BELOW FREEZING FOR SAN ANTONIO WAS 108 HOURS AND 28 MIN. FROM MIDNIGHT JAN. 29 TO 12:28 PM FEB. 2...1951. LOW OF 6 FEBRUARY 2...1951 WAS NOT REACHED AGAIN IN SAN ANTONIO UNTIL

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5. IN THE 1970S...TWO MAJOR FLOODS

MAY 11...1972 - HEAVY RAINS OVER EASTERN COMAL COUNTY BETWEEN 8 PM AND MIDNIGHT CAUSED A DEVASTATING FLOOD ON THE GUADALUPE RIVER AT NEW BRAUNFELS... TEXAS. SIXTEEN AND A HALF INCHES WERE RECORDED HALF WAY BETWEEN CANYON DAM AND NEW BRAUNFELS ON THE GUADALUPE RIVER WATERSHED. WIDE SPREAD DAMAGE TO HOMES AND BUSINESS OCCURRED AS THE FLOOD WAVE MOVED DOWNSTREAM THROUGH LAKE DUNLAP AND LAKE MCQUEENEY. FIFTEEN PERSONS DROWNED AND DAMAGE REACHED INTO THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

AUGUST 1978 - AUGUST HILL COUNTRY FLOODS. THE REMNANTS OF TROPICAL STORM AMELIA CAUSED TRAGIC AND DISSASTROUS FLOODS OVER THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY. 48 INCHES OF RAIN FELL AT MEDINA IN 52 HOURS AND 27 FATALITIES IN THE HILL COUNTRY. HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODS MOVED TO NEAR ALBANY IN NORTH TEXAS, WHERE 8 FATALITIES OCCURRED.

6. LATE WINTER TO SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER OF 1973 - STORMY PERIOD THAT BROUGHT SEVERE WEATHER AND FLOODS. AFTER A SNOW IN JANUARY AND ANOTHER IN FEBRUARY...SEVERE WEATHER FOLLOWED IN MARCH WITH A TRAGIC TORNADO AT BURNET. ON MARCH 10...1973 THE BURNET TORNADO DAMAGED OR DESTROYED 40 BUSINESSES AND 161 HOMES. STORMY WEATHER CONTINUED INTO APRIL AND PART OF MAY. ON APRIL 15...1973 AN F4 TORNADO CUT A SWATCH ACROSS PEARSALL...TEXAS KILLING 5 PERSONS AS IT CROSSED INTERSTATE 35. ANOTHER TORNADO...AN F2...CUT ACROSS MEDINA...TEXAS THE SAME DAY.

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FEBRUARY OF 1984. AFTER THE DECEMBER 1989 FREEZE...
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8. JANUARY 1985 - RECORD SNOWS FALLS ACROSS SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS FROM
DEL RIO TO SAN ANTONIO WITH SAN ANTONIO RECEIVING 13.5
INCHES...VIRTUALLY PARALYZING THE CITY.

9. 1987 FLOODS

1987 MAY TO JUNE FLOODS. A PERIOD OF VERY WET WEATHER FROM
MAY 13 TO JUNE 12, 1987. WIDESPREAD FLOODING OVER THE
HILL COUNTRY AND SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS. FOR THAT TIME IN
HISTORY...A 30 DAY OFFICIAL RAIN RECORD FOR SAN ANTONIO
OF 18.45 INCHES...LATER BROKEN IN OCTOBER 1998.

JULY 17...1987 - OVERNIGHT TORRENTIAL RAINS ON THE UPPER
GUADALUPE RIVER CAUSED A FLOOD WAVE TO MOVE DOWNSTREAM.
THE FLOOD WAVE CAUGHT A CHURCH CAMP SCHOOL BUS TRYING
TO LEAVE THE PROPERTY. OUT OF 40 STUDENTS...10 LOST
THEIR LIVES IN THIS TRAGIC INCIDENT.

10. 1990S FLOODS

DECEMBER 18 - 23...1991 - STEADY RAINS FROM SAN ANTONIO
NORTHWARD TO NORTH OF AUSTIN PRODUCED MAJOR FLOODING
ACROSS ALL OF CREEKS AND RIVERS FROM THE SAN ANTONIO ON
THE SOUTH TO THE BRAZOS ON THE NORTH. THE EXTENSIVE
FLOODS FROM THE HIGHLAND LAKES TO THE COAST CAUSED
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SAN ANTONIO. THE SAN ANTONIO...GUADALUPE...SAN MARCOS...
COLORADO RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES EXPERIENCED A MAJOR
FLOOD. THIRTY ONE PERSONS DROWNED...7 IN SAN ANTONIO.