



April 2012

Lenticular Clouds Over Las Vegas/Photo: Chris Stachelski

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1 1936: The high of 29°F at Elko sets a record for the lowest daily maximum temperature ever recorded in April. Low of -2°F at Elko, lowest temperature ever recorded in April.	2 1997: A late season cold low brought snow flurries to the west side of the Las Vegas valley. In Las Vegas the high only reached 48°F and this tied for the coldest ever in April.	3 1955: Las Vegas drops to 31°F, tying the coldest ever in April.	4 1958: Snow pellets fell in Las Vegas at McCarran Airport. This was the latest in the year that snow has been reported at this location.	5 2006: 1.21 inches of precipitation at Winnemucca, greatest daily precipitation total ever recorded in the city in April.	6 1989: Laughlin and Cottonwood Cove both reach 106°F.	7 1988: A cold front generated strong winds and blowing dust that reduced visibility to near zero on Interstate 80. An 82 mph gust was measured at Battle Mountain with roofs damaged in Spring Creek.
8 1929: Reno received 4.8 inches of snow.	9 1999: The Desert Rock Airport near Mercury received 0.2 inch of snow.	10 1965: 7.0 inches of snow fell at Gerlach.	11 2010: High winds accompanied a cold front with gusts of 64 mph clocked in Austin and 59 mph at Pinto Summit.	12 1967: The low temperature of 32°F in Las Vegas was the latest on record for the city to officially see the freezing mark.	13 2003: 22.0 inches of snow fell at Glenbrook.	14 2009: An area of low pressure brought wind gusts up to 63 mph to parts of Las Vegas and sank boats and damaged docks on Lake Mead.
15 2009: A cold upper low brought the latest snow ever known to fall in the season in the Las Vegas Valley with flurries spotted from Summerlin to Henderson.	16 2006: Flooding along the Marys River inundated a post office and volunteer fire station in Deeth and caused damage to 6 homes.	17 1971: Gusty winds up to 60 mph tore down a heavy neon sign in downtown Las Vegas and sent down trees that crushed two vehicles.	18 1987: High winds in Tonopah blew the roof off the High School and numerous vehicles were overturned. Billboards and power poles were downed in Las Vegas. 77 mph gust at Desert Rock.	19 2001: A storm system dropped 2 feet of snow in Dorsey Basin, 10 inches at Lamoille Canyon and 9 inches at Jarbridge.	20 2010: A line of severe thunderstorms produced wind gusts of 74 mph at Rose Creek, 67 mph at Morey Creek and 61 mph at the Winnemucca Airport.	21 2001: A small tornado, rated F0, was spotted over open terrain near the three state junction over the Colorado River. This tornado moved across a small part of Clark County.
22 1925: Elko set two all-time April records: 3.30 inches of precipitation, greatest daily precipitation total and 16.0 inches of snow, greatest daily snowfall.	23 1964: A tornado was reported at Stead Air Force Base north of Reno.	24 1946: Las Vegas reaches 99°F, highest ever in April.	25 1994: High winds tore the roof off a house in Pahrump.	26 1994: A funnel cloud was sighted over Las Vegas.	27 2010: A strong cold front produced high winds which gusted to 76 mph at Texas Springs. A semi-trailer was blown over on Interstate 80.	28 1996: Gusty north winds swamped 6 boats and severely damaged a marina and 20 other boats on Lake Mohave.
29 1999: A late season snowstorm on Mt. Charleston drops 16.5 inches of snow at Kyle Canyon and 18 inches at Lee Canyon.	30 1988: Wind gusts up to 69 mph knocked out traffic lights on the Las Vegas Strip for three hours and blew down cinderblock walls in neighborhoods in North Las Vegas.	Spotlight On Safety: Dust Storms				
<p>If dense dust is observed blowing across or approaching a roadway, pull your vehicle off the pavement as far as possible, stop, turn off lights, set the emergency brake, take your foot off of the brake pedal to be sure the tail lights are not illuminated. Don't enter the dust storm area if you can avoid it. If you can't pull off the roadway, proceed at a speed suitable for visibility, turn on lights and sound horn occasionally. Use the painted center line to help guide you. Look for a safe place to pull off the road.</p>						