10. November Windstorm (Spokane)

- Windiest Novembers
- 60+ mph gusts

Fallen Tree into House
Credit: KXLY TV
9. July Severe Storms E. WA


- Flash Floods

- 1+” Diameter Hail

- Temperatures 95+F
- Record High Temperatures
- All-time Record High Min. Temperatures ~70F

Low Temperatures (F) By Day

- Normal
- 21
- 22
- 23
- 24

R Denotes Record High Min. Temp.
7. November Snow/Arctic Blast

- Low-land Snow!
- Baker Snowfall Record
- Record Low Temperatures

Unofficial Snow Totals (inches)

Credit: KOMO-TV
7. November Snow/Arctic Blast

Heavy Traffic After 11p.m.

I-90 Sunset Way Exit
Credit: KOMO-TV

- 90+ F Temperatures
- Records broken by almost 10 degrees
- Flooding
5. February Windstorm

- Gusts 45-50+ mph
- 250,000+ Lost Electricity
- Closure of Hood Canal & 520 Floating Bridges
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5. February Windstorm

Sedro-Woolley Tree Snaps
Credit: Wolf Read
http://oregonstate.edu/~readw

Wave Batter SR-520 Floating Point Bridge
Credit: WSDOT
5. February Windstorm

SR-520 Floating Point Bridge with draw-span open showing missing hooks

Credit: WSDOT

SR-520 Bridge draw-span alignment hook

Credit: WSDOT
4. June Thunderstorms in E. WA

- Spokane- 6th Wettest June
- 1” Diameter Hail
- Flooding
- $2.5 million agricultural damages

I-90 at the Freya Street Overpass
Credit: The Spokane-Review
4. June Thunderstorms in E. WA

T.J. Meenach Drive in NW Spokane

Credit: Colin Mulvany/The Spokane-Review
3. January Rain & Floods

- 3rd Warmest & 2nd Wettest January
- Seattle- 27 consecutive days of rain (Dec. 19 - Jan. 15).
- Governor declared state of emergency in all 39 counties
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3. January Rain & Floods

Westlake Avenue

Issaquah-Hobart Road
Credit: Greg Gilbert/The Seattle Times

Renton Neighborhood
Credit: KOMO-TV

Credit: Karen Ducey/Seattle Post-Intelligencer
2. November Rain & Floods

- All-time record high flood crests for 12 rivers
- Record Monthly Precip. Totals. Seattle- 15.63”
- Extensive Damage to Mt. Rainier National Park
- 11 Counties Declared Federal Disaster Areas

500mb geopotential height anomalies showing the anomalous trough over the Gulf of Alaska
2. November Rain & Floods

Treosti Rd. Snohomish Floodplain

Credit: Ted Parker
Snohomish County Public Works
2. November Rain & Floods

Index-Galena Rd.
N.F. Skykomish River

Credit: Ted Parker
Snohomish County Public Works
1. December Windstorm

- Strongest Windstorm since Inauguration Day Storm of 1993.
- Seattle - Record 69 mph gust.
- Widespread Damage - Millions Lost Electrical Power

ASOS & Buoy Max. Gusts (mph)
* Wind gust record before equipment failure
1. December Windstorm

Crews remove trees that fell onto power lines along Issaquah-Pine Lake Road

Credit: Steve Ringman/The Seattle Times

Tree snaps onto street in the Capital Hill area of Seattle.

Credit: Wolf Read
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1. December Windstorm

Fallen Trees on Home in Auburn