

## SAFETY POSTER

# 2023 severe weather predictions

#### **Tornadoes**

Every month in 2023 — as of mid-April — has exceeded the average for the number of tornadoes reported.

There were 126 tornadoes in January — the second highest record since 1991.

As of April 6, there have been more than 420 preliminary reports of tornadoes and 391 confirmed tornadoes.

AccuWeather predicts there will be 1,055 to 1,200 tornadoes in 2023 — which is below the historical average of 1,225.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicts there will be 15 to 20 tornadoes in 2023 that are rated at EF-3 or higher.

Source: AccuWeather; Center For Disaster Philanthropy; and NOAA



### **Hurricanes**

The 2023 Atlantic Hurricane season is expected to have an activity level slightly below average, according to Colorado State University.

#### Did you know?

There are six lists containing 21 names that repeat every six years.

The 2023 naming list was last used in 2017. Due to the destructive and deadly nature of storms such as Harvey, Irma and Maria — these names will be replaced.

The 2023 hurricane season is predicted to have:

11 to 15 named storms

6 to 8 hurricanes

2 to 3 major hurricanes

Source: Colorado State University and North Carolina State University

