

Tornado Safety Message

IMEA Member Community (Linton)

Safety Message of the Day for IMEA Members



INDIANAPOLIS (WISH) — Possible tornadoes hit Brown, Monroe and Greene counties on Friday night, based on reports to the National Weather Service. The severe storms brought significant damage, leading to the death of one woman in Linton and multiple injuries in the state.

Tornadoes are a serious threat for many areas across the country. In an average year, about 1,000 tornados are reported in the United States, according to NOAA. Many of these tornadoes occur in the same geographical areas each year; however, many places across the United States have the right conditions for a tornado. It is important to know about tornadoes and what to do both at home and work if there is one.

Tornado Statistics (source: NOAA.gov)

The top three states that have the highest average of tornadoes each year are Texas, Kansas, and Florida. Tornadoes mostly occur in the months between April and July in the United States.

In 2023, 76 people were killed by tornadoes. In 2011 however, there were 553 deaths. Many of the deaths that year were caused by a tornado in Joplin, Missouri which killed over 150 people.

Insured losses in the United States from these storms totaled at least \$10 billion each year since 2008.