

## 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season Review

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**Leonardtown, MD** - Overall, the 2018 Atlantic hurricane season featured above normal activity. Fifteen named storms formed, of which eight became hurricanes and two became major hurricanes - category 3 or higher on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale. This compares to the long-term average of 12 named storms, 6 hurricanes, and 3 major hurricanes. There was also one tropical depression which did not reach tropical-storm strength.

In terms of Accumulated Cyclone Energy (ACE), which measures the combined strength and duration of tropical storms and hurricanes, activity in the Atlantic basin in 2018 was also above normal. In addition, 7 systems were subtropical at some point in their lifetime this season, which eclipses the previous record of 5 in 1969. The Atlantic Tropical Weather Summary is at <https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/text/MIATWSAT.shtml>

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