Vaisala 2017 Annual Lightning Report



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2017 Top 10 States with the Most Cloud-to-Ground Lightning Flashes

| Top Ten 2017 Cloud-to-Ground Flashes by State | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------|--|
| 1 | Texas | 3,303,156 | |
| 2 | Oklahoma | 1,413,105 | |
| 3 | Louisiana | 1,133,476 | |
| 4 | Florida | 1,091,756 | |
| 5 | Kansas | 971,258 | |
| 6 | Missouri | 887,665 | |
| 7 | Arkansas | 840,007 | |
| 8 | Nebraska | 807,966 | |
| 9 | New Mexico | 719,747 | |
| 10 | Mississippi | 712,842 | |



2017 Top 10 States with the Most Cloud Pulse Counts

| Top Ten 2017 Cloud Pulse Counts by State | | | |
|--|-------------|------------|--|
| 1 | Texas | 32,101,523 | |
| 2 | Oklahoma | 13,684,884 | |
| 3 | Florida | 10,531,782 | |
| 4 | Louisiana | 8,966,680 | |
| 5 | Missouri | 7,560,223 | |
| 6 | Kansas | 6,855,012 | |
| 7 | Arkansas | 6,473,265 | |
| 8 | Mississippi | 5,763,382 | |
| 9 | Nebraska | 5,589,407 | |
| 10 | Georgia | 5,440,750 | |

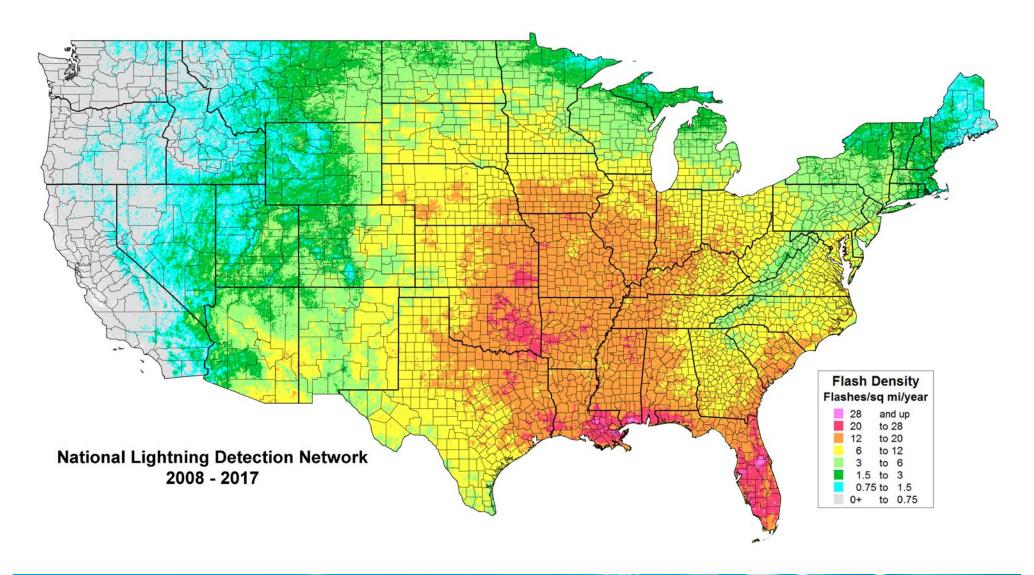


2017 Top 10 Dates for Cloud-to-Ground Lightning Flashes

| Top Ten 2017 Days: Cloud-to-Ground Flashes | | | | |
|--|----------|---------|--|--|
| 1 | April 29 | 431,273 | | |
| 2 | April 30 | 346,686 | | |
| 3 | July 23 | 324,358 | | |
| 4 | May 20 | 282,121 | | |
| 5 | May 28 | 276,332 | | |
| 6 | May 19 | 263,616 | | |
| 7 | July 22 | 240,433 | | |
| 8 | June 18 | 215,913 | | |
| 9 | June 13 | 209,433 | | |
| 10 | April 02 | 203,858 | | |



U.S. Cloud-to-Ground Lightning Flash Density Map (sq mi/year)



U.S. Cloud-to-Ground Lightning Flash Density Map (sq km/year)

