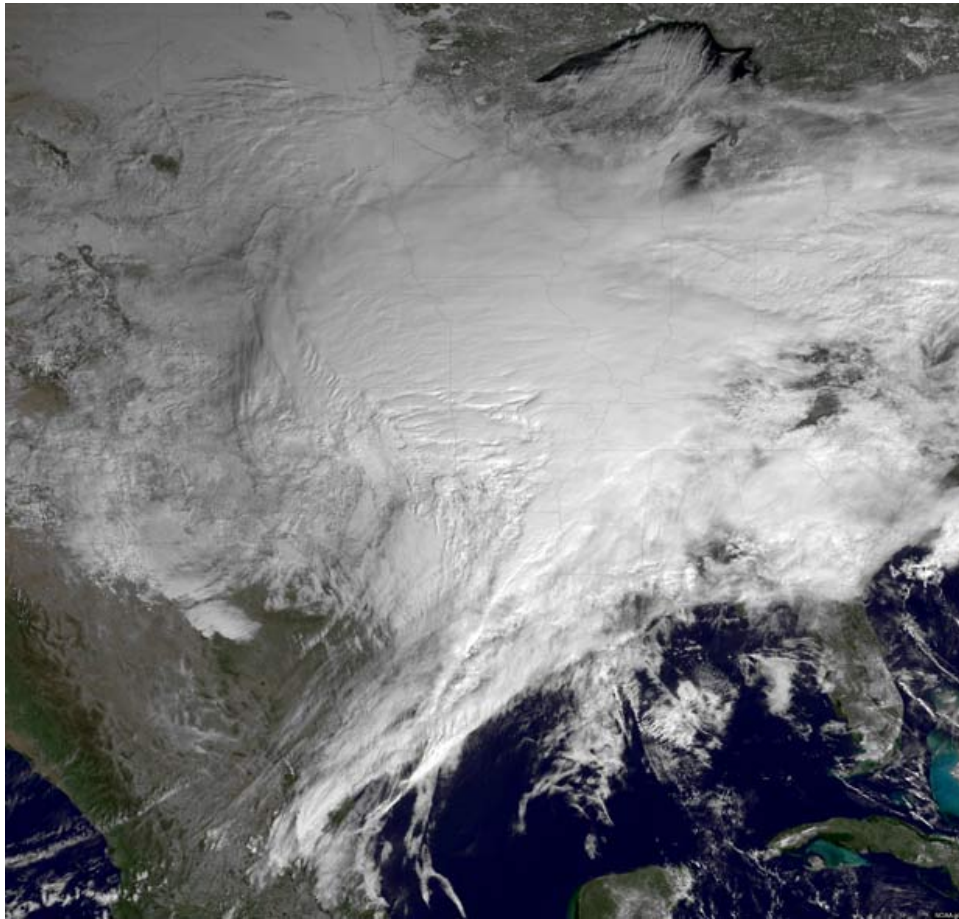


## The Major Snowstorm of February 1-2, 2011 in pictures

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The monster as seen from space. Though not exceptionally deep in terms of central pressure, the storm was on the leading edge of a huge arctic high and to the west of the track in the plains up to Chicago, there was a blizzard.



In Chicago Illinois, the storm was the third largest behind 1999 and the big storm of 1967. All were in years with La Nina and a negative PDO following strong El Ninos.

Chicago's Ten Biggest Snowstorms			
1	23.0 inches	Jan 26-27, 1967	La Nina
2	21.6 inches	Jan 1-3, 1999	La Nina
<b>3</b>	<b>20.2 inches</b>	<b>Feb 1-2, 2011</b>	<b>La Nina</b>
4	19.2 inches	Mar 25-26, 1930	La Nina
5	18.8 inches	Jan 13-14, 1979	La Nada
6	16.2 inches	Mar 7-8, 1931	La Nina
7	15.0 inches	Dec 17-20, 1929	La Nina
8	14.9 inches	Jan 30-31, 1939	La Nina
9	14.9 inches	Jan 6-7, 1918	La Nina
10	14.3 inches	Mar 25-26, 1970	La Nada
11	14.0 inches	Jan 18-20, 1886	La Nada

First two photos from Chicago in 2011 then one in 1967 (courtesy of Dr. Richard Keen).





Then some from southern New Hampshire where 14" of snow brought snow to between 3 and 4 feet. The first shows walkway to my home with 5 foot mounds.



Here is the snow during the heart of the storm.



The next is my home before the snow blower did its final pass.



I have to get a snow rake for my roof.



My daughter shoveling snow off my deck to prevent collapse.



Attention Walmart shoppers: this week free snow, help yourself in the parking lot.



My church.



This other church photo [that has gone viral](#) says it all.

