

Re: No Hurricane Yet, AUGUST 3rd

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On Aug 7, 10:47?pm, Weatherlawyer <Weatherlaw...@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I never read past the OP saying:
"Katrina was a CAT-3 and not that powerful."

"The Saffir-Simpson intensity scale ranks a hurricane in one of five categories based upon its maximum sustained wind speed. Although Category 1 and 2 hurricanes make landfall regularly in the United States, higher intensity hurricanes (Categories 3 through 5) make landfall less frequently than Category 1 or 2 hurricanes.

Only three hurricanes have made landfall as Category 5 intensity (Labor Day Hurricane of 1935; Camille in 1969; Andrew in 1992). As intense as Rita and Katrina were in 2005, they thankfully weakened well below Category 5 prior to landfall."

Hurricanes: A Primer on Formation, Structure, Intensity Change and Frequency
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