

## CoCoRaHS Collections

"Because Every Drop Counts"

The Ohio Newsletter

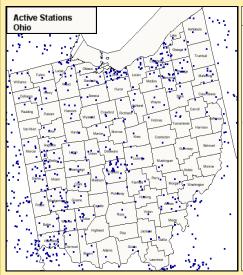
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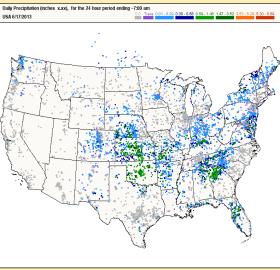
### CoCoRaHS Anniversary

CoCoRaHS began in Colorado 15 years ago in response to a devastating flood in Fort Collins, Colorado. Over the years CoCoRaHS has grown and spread across the United States. Now all 50 states are a part of CoCoRaHS. In 2011, CoCoRaHS began in Canada. The journey for CoCoRaHS in Ohio officially began in February 2009. Below are some Ohio statistics that show how far Ohio CoCoRaHS has come since 2009! As we all know though, precipitation is highly variable. Every observation from every observer is valuable. Thank you for your continued observations and dedication to CoCoRaHS!

Ohio Statistics:

- -644 registered CoCoRaHS stations
- -431 of those stations are currently indicated as active stations
- -243 of those stations have reported this year
- -71 observers have submitted 1000+ daily precipitation observations
- -137 observers have submitted 500+ daily precipitation observations
- -Franklin County Ohio is the county with the most registered observers at 36, however Erie County has the highest number of active observers at 27
- -6 counties in Ohio have 0 active stations: Harrison, Meigs, Monroe, Noble, Pike, and Van Wert
- -102 observers have submitted hail reports
- -4 observers have reported 10 or more hail reports
- -112 observers have submitted a significant weather report
- -12 observers have submitted 10 or more significant weather reports





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 -OH-SC-4 for providing
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## CoCoRaHS Through Photos

The CoCoRaHS gauge can have many different looks depending on the weather and the season. Has your CoCoRaHS gauge been the focus of any of your pictures? Want to share your CoCoRaHS gauge photos for a future newsletter? If so, please e-mail Ashley.Novak@noaa.gov. We look forward to seeing your CoCoRaHS gauge photos!

















## **Bronze Observer Award-1000 Daily Precipitation Reports**

Congratulations to our new Bronze Observer Award members! These individuals have reported over 1000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail soon! Thank you for your daily dedication to CoCoRaHS!

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OH-LR-8	Elyria 0.4 SE
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## 500 Club!

Congratulations to our newest 500 Club members! These observers have submitted at least 500 daily precipitation reports since becoming a CoCoRaHS observer. We look forward to adding onto this list with the next newsletter. Way to go!



OH-CY-21	Brecksville 1.7 SE
OH-FY-3	Washington 3.4 W
ОН-НМ-3	Wyoming I.2 NW
OH-HY-2	Napoleon 0.7 ESE
OH-HY-5	McClure 3.4 SSE
OH-SC-I	Sciotodale 1.2 W
OH-SH-13	Fort Loramie 3.2 SW
OH-TS-4	Dover I.0 E

### **Spring 2013 Honor Roll**

From March 1, 2013 through May 31, 2013, these Ohio stations reported everyday. Here are those stations who get a thumbs up for their dedication!

	211 217 21
OH-AT-I	OH-CY-21
OH-AT-2	OH-CY-24
OH-AT-5	OH-CY-27
OH-CB-2	OH-DR-I
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OH-CC-I	OH-ER-22
OH-CK-I	OH-FF-5
OH-CR-I	OH-FR-2
OH-CW-3	OH-FR-3
OH-CY-4	OH-FR-8
OH-CY-16	OH-FR-23

OH-GG-4
OH-GG-7
OH-HM-5
OH-HR-2
OH-HY-5
OH-LC-11
OH-LK-I
OH-LS-I
OH-MD-2
OH-MM-I

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OH-MY-5	OH-SH-4
OH-MY-17	OH-SH-10
OH-PB-I	OH-SH-13
OH-PT-8	OH-SH-15
OH-PT-9	OH-SM-4
OH-PT-12	OH-SM-5
OH-RS-I	OH-SN-I
OH-SC-4	OH-SN-3
OH-SD-2	OH-TR-4
OH-SD-9	OH-TS-I





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#### Helpful Links for Ohio CoCoRaHS Observers

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Obtain replacement or extra equipment from our official suppliers:

http://www.weatheryourway.com/cocorahs/store.html
http://www.ambientweather.com/strgloteprra.html

For information on Ohio Climate:

http://www.geography.osu.edu/faculty/rogers/statclim.html

http://www.cpc.noaa.gov/

For Current Forecasts and Severe Weather Warnings:

http://www.weather.gov

For river information:

http://water.weather.gov/ahps/

For drought information:

http://drought.unl.edu/dm/

http://droughtreporter.unl.edu/



## CoCoRaHS Story By OH-SC-4

Want to share your CoCoRaHS story for a future newsletter? If so, please e-mail Ashley.Novak@noaa.gov. We look forward to hearing about your CoCoRaHS story.

OH-SC-4 had an interest in weather at an early age. He would watch the storms move into town with his father. Sometimes he would see lightning hit the trees in the hills near his home. Although his father was not a meteorologist, his father was his idol for weather. His father got him involved in watching storms and taught him a little bit on how the clouds form. Sadly, his father passed away in 1996, but the knowledge and love of weather that his father passed along to OH-SC-4 lives on.

A weather event that OH-SC-4 remembers well was a flooding event in 1997. While working the night shift February 28<sup>th</sup> into March 1<sup>st</sup>, it started pouring down rain and it continued to rain through the night. On the drive home he got caught in high water that started to push his car toward a creek beside the road. He said a few prayers and luckily he was able to make it out of the water and to his home. He then went down to the local fire department where he was a volunteer at and later that night had to help evacuate some residents and evacuate the fire station.

When OH-SC-4 heard about CoCoRaHS, he was excited to know that he could report daily 24 hour observation reports of precipitation. He has been reporting since October 25, 2010 and notes that he is glad to be a part of the CoCoRaHS family of volunteer precipitation reporters. In addition to his precipitation observations, he also designed the PDF version of the Significant Weather Report on the printable forms section of the CoCoRaHS website.