

Tropical storm Fay was the sixth named tropical cyclone of 2020.

The sixth named tropical cyclone of 2020 in the North Atlantic basin, which was named Fay, organized from an area of low pressure on Thursday afternoon just off the North Carolina coast. A reconnaissance aircraft determined that the maximum sustained surface winds surrounding the circulation center were 45 mph. At time, Faye was moving northward, approximately 40 miles to the east-northeast of Cape Hatteras, NC. Faye is the earliest in any year that the sixth named tropical cyclone has formed, beating the previous earliest set by Tropical Storm Franklin that formed on 21 July 2005. Over the following 24 hours, Tropical Storm Fay traveled northward just offshore of the Middle Atlantic Coast. Aided by the warm waters of the Gulf Stream, Fay intensified as maximum sustained winds reached 60 mph as it passed offshore of the Maryland coast. Areas along the coast, as well as inland, received torrential rains and gusty winds due to this tropical storm. By late afternoon on Friday, Fay made landfall along the central New Jersey coast approximately 10 miles to the north-northeast of Atlantic City. At the time of landfall, maximum sustained winds were reported to have been 50 mph, with some stronger gusts. Tropical Storm Fay continued to weaken as it traveled northward across eastern and northern sections of New Jersey on Friday evening. Passing just to the west of New York City, Faye weakened to a tropical depression early Saturday morning as it headed northward along southern New York's Hudson Valley. Just before sunrise on Saturday morning, Fay was declared to be a post-tropical cyclone, or remnant low, as it was approximately 30 miles south of Albany, NY. However, maximum sustained surface winds were reported to have been at 35 mph. Satellite images and additional information are available for Tropical Storm Fay.