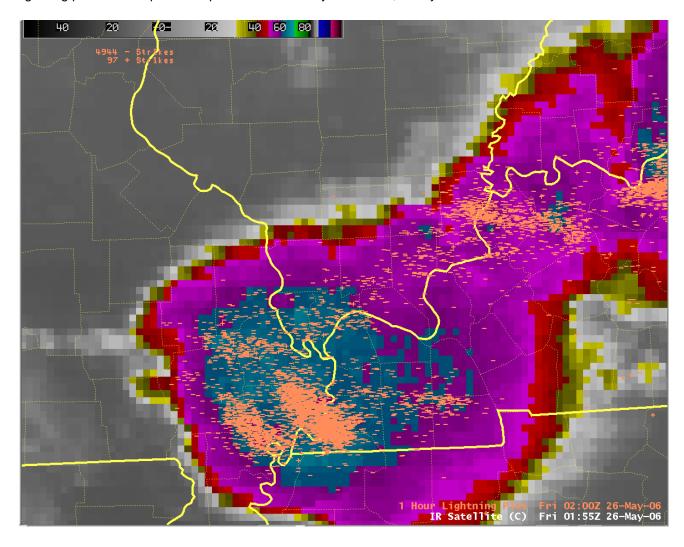
If you thought there was a lot of lightning with the storms on Thursday, you were right! Here is a look at the one hour lightning plot from 800pm to 900pm on 5/25/06. As you can see, nearly 5000 strikes were recorded!



Photos of large hail in New Madrid, MO, courtesy of Steven Lewis.





The following photos were taken from the National Weather Service office in Paducah during the Thursday evening (May 25) storms...

1. Cumulus towers building under anvil clouds blowing off the tops of thunderstorms...



2. Mammatus clouds on the underside of anvils



3. Rays of sunshine beaming between cumulus towers



4. More interesting optics



5. Cumulus clouds illuminated at sunset



6. Mammatus clouds



7. Mammatus clouds over the NWS office



8. Last one...

