

Emporia, KS hail — 5 Aug 2026 recap

Storm date **5 Aug 2026** (CDT). 3 reports ≥ 1.25 in within ~3 miles of the Nominatim place centroid. Max **2.00 in** (hen egg). Heading/path: **S**.

On 5 Aug 2026, thunderstorms produced hail up to 2.00 in (hen egg) at Emporia, KS. 3 NOAA/NWS Local Storm Reports of 1.25 in or larger were logged within about 3 miles of the Nominatim Emporia centroid, at 10:58 p.m. CDT and 10:59 p.m. CDT. Hail fell near town, including reports just off the street grid (ENE of the town centroid; ESE of the town centroid). Largest: 2.00 in at 1 E Emporia (10:59 p.m. CDT); 1.75 in at 1 ENE Emporia (10:58 p.m. CDT); 1.25 in at 1 ENE Emporia (10:58 p.m. CDT). This meets HailDataHub in-town qualify (2+ stones ≥ 1.25 in near the place centroid), not a rural offset or a single-report pin. Storm motion from the timed reports was toward the S. Chasers and PDR/roof crews tracking the swath would treat Emporia as an in-town hit. Census ACS population is 24,131. Public LSR only — not a damage certificate and not insurance.

Census / ACS

Population: **24,131** (MOE ± 30) — Emporia, KS.

Median household income: **\$52,704** (MOE $\pm 4,498$).

Primary industry / how people make a living (ACS employment by industry): Educational services, health care, and social assistance (25%); Manufacturing (24%).

Median age: **30.2** (MOE ± 0.7).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 2024 5-year. Profile:

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/16000US2021275/>. Figures are ACS estimates, not invented. If a cell is missing in ACS, it is listed as not published.

NOAA / NWS hail reports (≥ 1.25 in)

Times converted from LSR VALID UTC to local. Miles are haversine to the Nominatim place centroid (38.4040, -96.1816).

LOCAL TIME	LOCATION	SIZE	OBJECT	SOURCE	MILES
10:58 p.m. CDT	1 ENE Emporia Lyon County, KS	1.25 in	half dollar	Trained Spotter	1.24 mi

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10:58 p.m. CDT	1 ENE Emporia Lyon County, KS	1.75 in	golf ball	Public	1.24 mi
10:59 p.m. CDT	1 E Emporia Lyon County, KS	2.00 in	hen egg	Emergency Mngr	1.20 mi

Qualify proof: 3 reports, max 2.00 in, centroid miles 1.20–1.24 (threshold ~3 miles).

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Sorry Chaisers, No Hooters Near By

NOAA/NWS LSR via IEM. Public reports, not a damage certificate, not insurance, no dollar damage.

Population, income, industry, and age: U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year via Census Reporter / data.census.gov tables B01003, B19013, B01002, C24050. Place match: Census 2025 Gazetteer. Town centroid: Nominatim.

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