

Park Rapids, MN hail — 7 Aug 2026 recap

Storm date **7 Aug 2026** (CDT). 11 reports ≥ 1.25 in within ~3 miles of the Nominatim place centroid. Max **2.50 in** (tennis ball). Heading/path: **NE**.

On 7 Aug 2026, thunderstorms produced hail up to 2.50 in (tennis ball) at Park Rapids, MN. 11 NOAA/NWS Local Storm Reports of 1.25 in or larger were logged within about 3 miles of the Nominatim Park Rapids centroid, at 5:45 a.m. CDT and 6:10 a.m. CDT. Hail fell on or next to the town street grid (ESE of the town centroid; N of the town centroid; NNW of the town centroid). Largest: 2.50 in at 3.5 N Park Rapids (6:00 a.m. CDT); 2.50 in at 3 NNW Park Rapids (6:02 a.m. CDT); 2.00 in at 2 N Park Rapids (6:05 a.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 NE. Chasers and PDR/roof crews tracking the swath would treat Park Rapids as an in-town hit. Census ACS population is 4,270. Public LSR only — not a damage certificate and not insurance.

Census / ACS

Population: **4,270** (MOE ± 22) — Park Rapids, MN.

Median household income: **\$44,747** (MOE $\pm 8,052$).

Primary industry / how people make a living (ACS employment by industry): Educational services, health care, and social assistance (23%); Manufacturing (17%).

Median age: **45.8** (MOE ± 4.2).

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

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/16000US2749768/>. 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 (46.9222, -95.0586).

LOCAL TIME	LOCATION	SIZE	OBJECT	SOURCE	MILES
5:45 a.m. CDT	2 S Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.25 in	half dollar	Public	2.22 mi

LOCAL TIME	LOCATION	SIZE	OBJECT	SOURCE	MILES
5:58 a.m. CDT	3 NNW Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.50 in	ping pong	Public	3.00 mi
6:00 a.m. CDT	3.5 N Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	2.50 in	tennis ball	Public	3.30 mi
6:02 a.m. CDT	3 NNW Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	2.50 in	tennis ball	Public	3.00 mi
6:05 a.m. CDT	2 N Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	2.00 in	hen egg	Public	1.92 mi
6:06 a.m. CDT	Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	2.00 in	hen egg	Public	0.16 mi
6:10 a.m. CDT	2 S Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.75 in	golf ball	Public	2.22 mi
6:10 a.m. CDT	Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.75 in	golf ball	Public	0.16 mi
6:10 a.m. CDT	3 ESE Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.50 in	ping pong	Public	3.16 mi
6:10 a.m. CDT	3 SSW Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.75 in	golf ball	Public	3.08 mi
6:10 a.m. CDT	1 E Park Rapids Hubbard County, MN	1.50 in	ping pong	Public	1.59 mi

Qualify proof: 11 reports, max 2.50 in, centroid miles 0.16–3.30 (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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