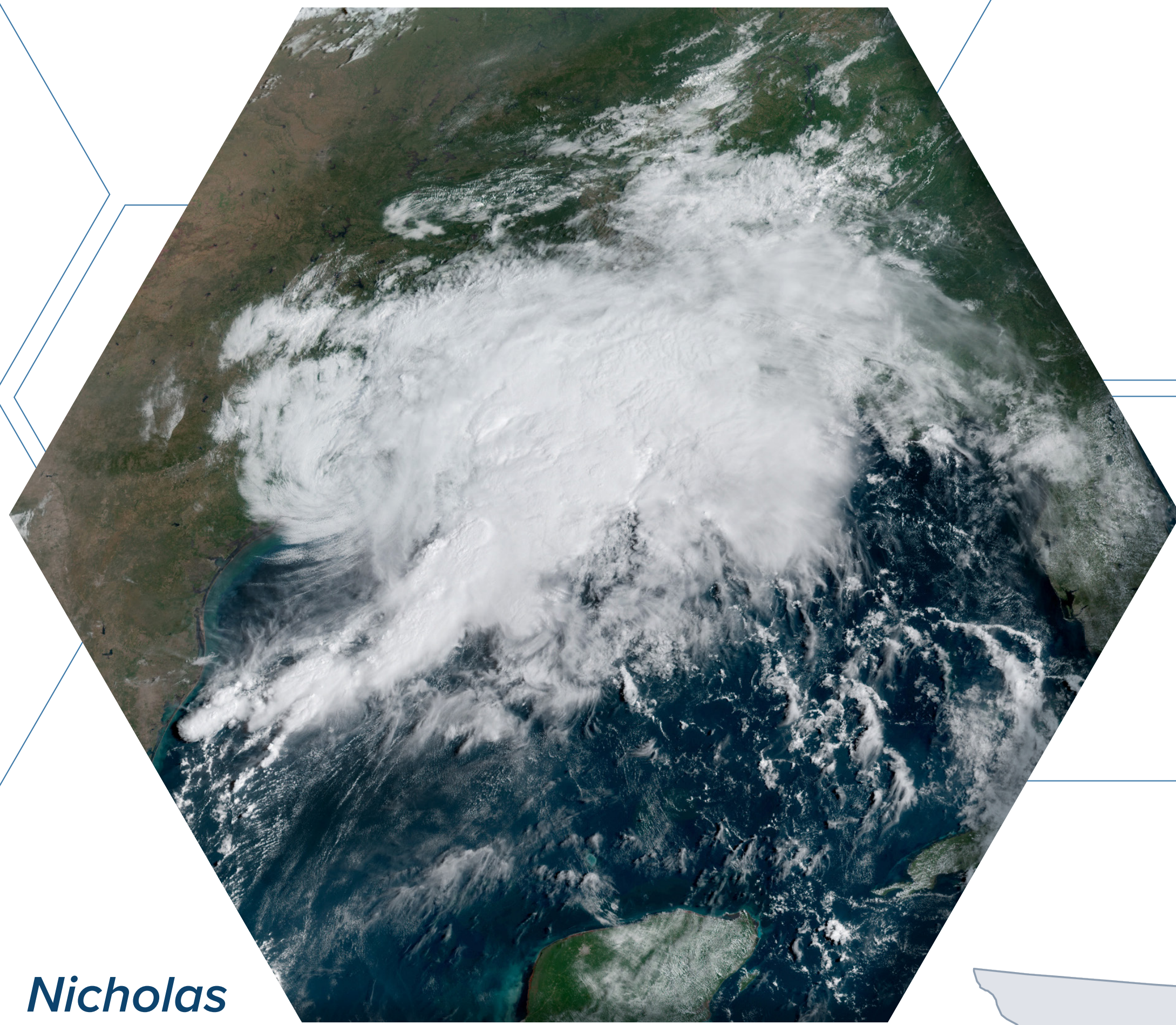


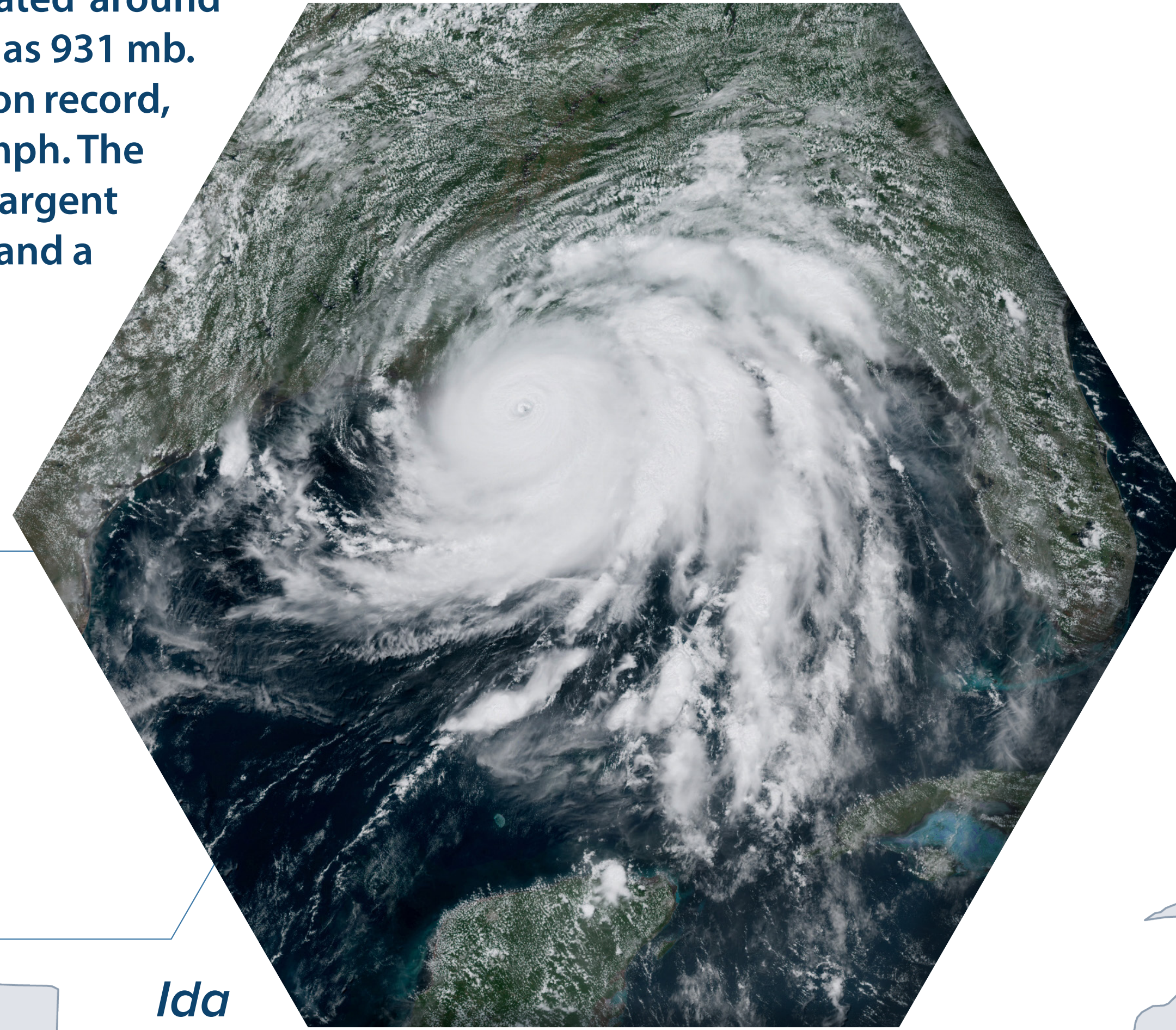
Continental United States Hurricane Strikes 1950–2021*

The GOES-16 enhanced imagery shows 2021 Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas in detail.

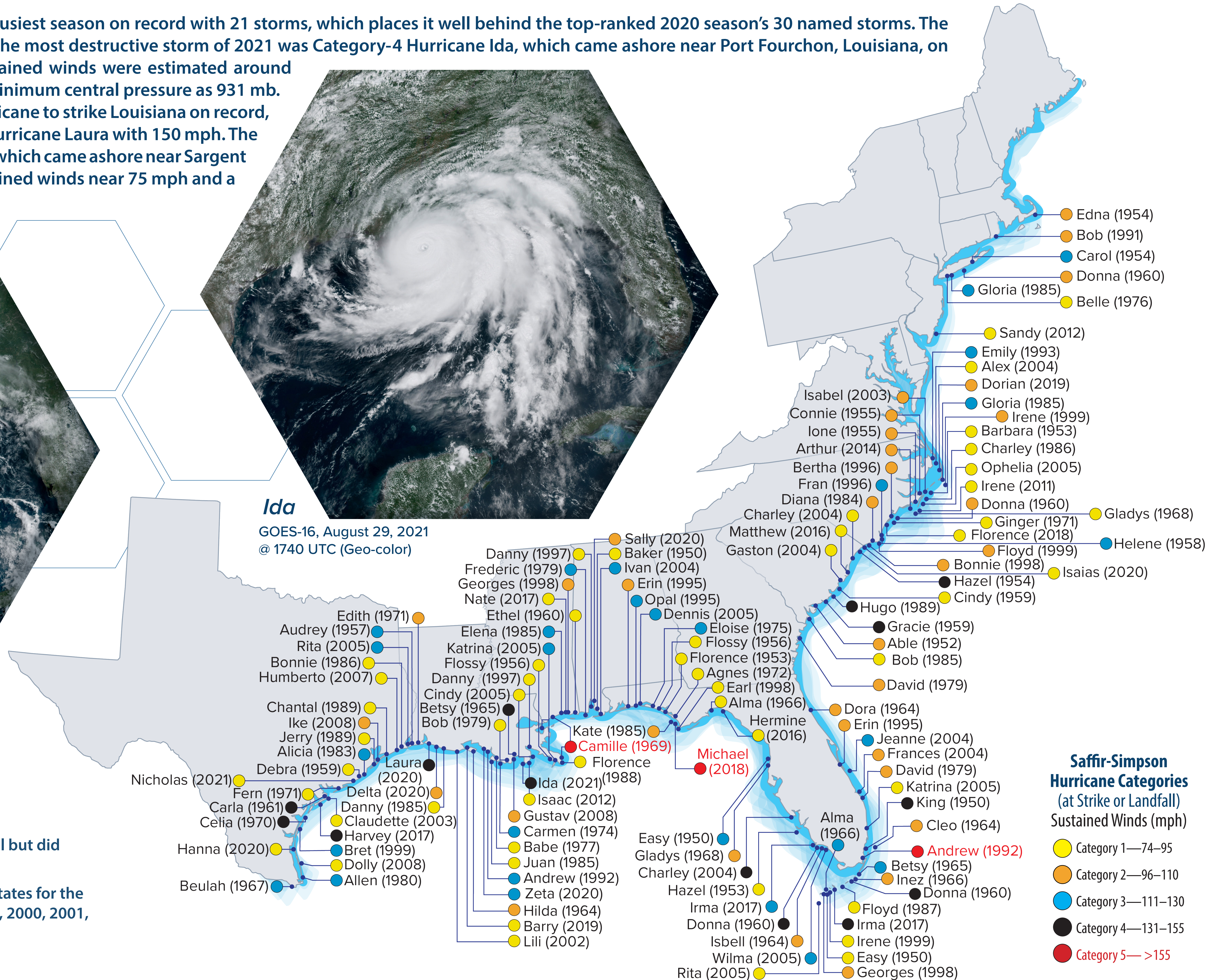
2021 Atlantic hurricane season ranks as the third busiest season on record with 21 storms, which places it well behind the top-ranked 2020 season's 30 named storms. The 2005 season ranks second place with 28 storms. The most destructive storm of 2021 was Category-4 Hurricane Ida, which came ashore near Port Fourchon, Louisiana, on August 29. When Ida made landfall, maximum sustained winds were estimated around 150 mph and reconnaissance aircraft estimated its minimum central pressure as 931 mb. This ties the ranking as the second-most-intense hurricane to strike Louisiana on record, equaling the 1856 Last Island hurricane and 2020's Hurricane Laura with 150 mph. The other landfalling hurricane was Category-1 Nicholas, which came ashore near Sargent Beach, Texas, on September 14, with maximum sustained winds near 75 mph and a pressure estimated near 991 mb.



Nicholas
GOES-16, September 14, 2021
@ 1450 UTC (Geo-color)



Ida
GOES-16, August 29, 2021
@ 1740 UTC (Geo-color)



Hurricane Information

Due to coverage density of storms, actual strike locations are approximate.

*Strikes include hurricanes that did not make direct landfall but did produce hurricane force winds over land.

There were no hurricane strikes in the continental United States for the years 1951, 1962, 1963, 1973, 1978, 1981, 1982, 1990, 1994, 2000, 2001, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2013, and 2015.

Image source: NOAA/NESDIS

