

CT STATS: ARE WE DUE FOR A HURRICANE?

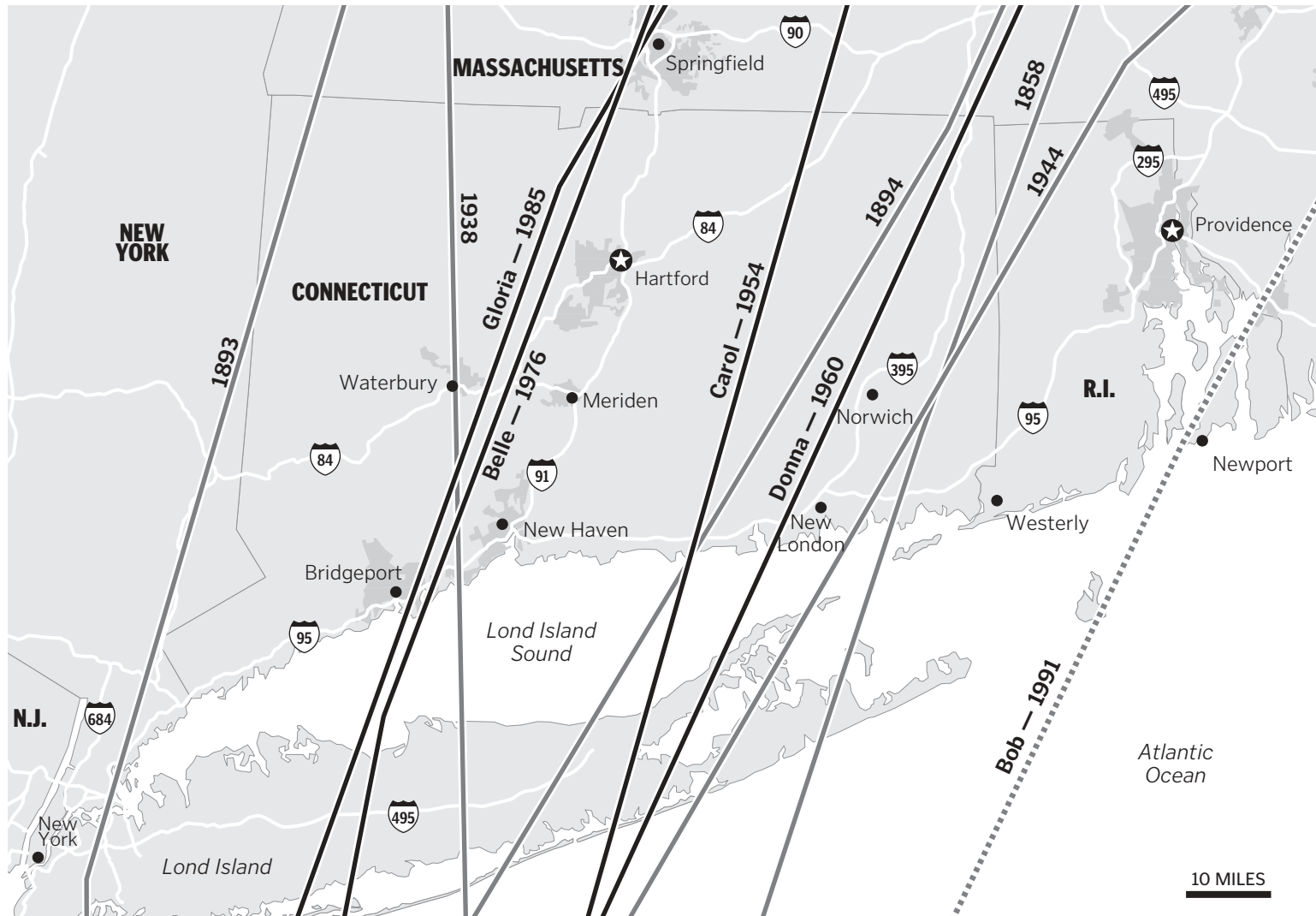
It's been 23 years since Hurricane Gloria raked through Connecticut, leaving thousands of residents in the dark and causing nearly \$1 billion in damage up the East Coast.

Since an unnamed Category 1 hurricane brushed eastern Connecticut in 1858, the paths of eight other hurricanes have crossed the state's borders. We've gone as long as 44 years between hurricanes, but

the average is one every 15.875 years.

Hurricane Bob, which caused widespread damage in eastern New England in 1991, did not cross directly over Connecticut — it made landfall over Block Island and Newport, R.I.

Hurricanes were not named before 1953.



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