

An **earthquake** struck Peru in May of 2019 causing important damage to many structures and landslides to occur in mountain ranges. Thousands of people were left homeless by the massive quake.<sup>[1]</sup>

## Earthquake

A strong and violent earthquake struck the [Peru](#), [Ecuador](#) border. The earthquake occurred causing [landslides](#) and soil liquefaction. Up to 74,000 people were left homeless by the [liquefaction](#). Severe landslides caused little residents to be [homeless](#). Many people evacuated homes and stores when the earthquake struck late at night. The president said he himself, along with his transportation minister, will evaluate the damage to roadways. Other officials will evaluate damages to structures and any effect on a nearby reservoir, Vizcarra said. Earlier in the day Vizcarra reported injuries as well as damages to homes and roadways, in a statement on state TV.<sup>[2]</sup>

## Prediction

The earthquake was predicted to be an aftermath of the 7.0 earthquake earlier in the year.

## Impact



A home destroyed by the earthquake

Four states reported damage on [USGS](#).

### Peru

In [Peru](#) important damage occurred across the country with landslides hitting about 10 or more people despite severe [landslides](#) being caused in many areas.

Thousands of people were left homeless by the impact. A few important buildings lost regions of their locations. Liquefaction made most of people have to leave or evacuate their homes to get away from dangers. Up to 74,000 people were left homeless and had to live on the streets or in temporary housing in [tent cities](#) set up by [governments](#). President [Martín Vizcarra](#) called for calm before traveling to the zone with members of his cabinet to survey the damage. He said first reports indicate a bridge had collapsed and several homes and roads had been affected.<sup>[3]</sup>

### Ecuador

Strong damage was reported in the cities of [Ecuador](#). A few areas were reported with [rockslides](#) and landslides. Many people evacuated buildings in local areas mainly because of a [tsunami warning](#) forcing many people to go up to large hills and mountains.<sup>[4]</sup>

## Casualties

1 person died from a landslide in Peru. 11 were injured in Peru and 7 others were injured in Ecuador.

## See also

- [1958 Ecuador–Colombia earthquake](#) Similar quake
- [1960 Valdivia earthquake](#) Strongest earthquake of all time
- [1993 Guam earthquake](#)
- [2005 northern Peru earthquake](#) Earthquake that also struck the border

<b>2019 Peru earthquake</b>	
	
<b>UTC time</b>	2019-05-26 07:41:14
<b>ISC event</b>	<a href="#">614969911</a>
<b>USGS-ANSS</b>	ComCat
<b>Local date</b>	2019-05-26
<b>Local time</b>	02:41:12
<b>Magnitude</b>	<a href="#">M<sub>w</sub> 8.0</a>
<b>Depth</b>	109.9 km
<b>Epicenter</b>	<a href="#">5.796°S 75.298°W</a>
<b>Areas affected</b>	<a href="#">Ecuador</a> <a href="#">Peru</a> <a href="#">Chile</a> <a href="#">Brazil</a>
<b>Casualties</b>	1

- [2015 Illapel earthquake](#) Earthquake close to the same magnitude

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