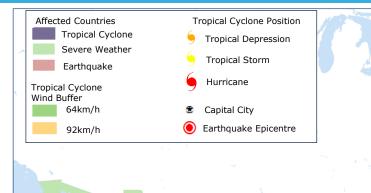
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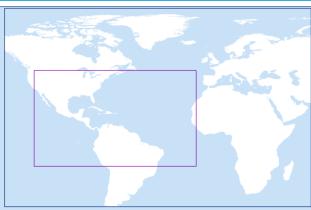
Mexico- Severe Weather

- Heavy rainfall affected central and NW Mexico on 6-8 September.
 The rains were associated with the passage of Tropical Cyclone LORENA off the NW coasts of Mexico between 5 and 8 September and Tropical Depression EIGHT that formed on 6 September on the Mexican Gulf coast and moved immediately inland over central Mexico before dissipating on 7 September.
- Particularly affected by the rainfall was the area of Iztapalala, a southern suburb of Mexico city, where 3 700 houses were damaged by floodwaters of more than 1.5m deep on 6-7 September according to local media.
- In the NW state of Nayarit one person died and two others went missing after flash floods hit the area of Huajicori on 7 September. (GDACS, CNN Mexico, Local Media)

Guatemala – Earthquake

- A 6.6M earthquake, at 68km depth, hit SW Guatemala, on 7 September, 00:13 UTC. The epicentre was 5 km E from the city of Tecun, in a densely populated region (260 000 people within 20km). USGS indicates 95 000 people exposed to "Very Strong" shaking.
- Some damage and injuries in the departments of Solola, San Marcos, Quetzaltenango and Retalhuleu. As of late on 8 September (UTC), according to CONRED, 88 houses were damaged, two people injured in Quetzaltenango city and 66 people evacuated from at least one village in Quetzaltenango department.

(ECHO, GDACS, USGS, CONRED, AP)





Cape Verde – Tropical Cyclone HUMBERTO

- HUMBERTO formed on 8 September off the coast of Gambia. On 9 September, 12:00 UTC, it was a Tropical Storm with max. sust. wind speed of 65km/h. Its centre was located ca. 168km S of Santiago island. In the next 24h/48h, it was forecast to move WNW, south of Cape Verde, strengthening.
- Tropical Storm conditions are likely affecting the islands of Maio and Santiago. A Tropical Storm Warning is in effect for Maio, Santiago, Fogo and Brava, as of 9 September 12:00 UTC. Rainfall accumulations of 75-150mm with local possible maxima of 200mm are expected over this area, posing a risk of flashfloods and mudslides.

(GDACS, NOAA)

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