

Preliminary 6.4 magnitude earthquake in western Nevada felt from Utah to California

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A preliminary 6.4-magnitude earthquake struck a remote part of western Nevada early Friday morning, with people from Salt Lake City, Utah, to California's Central Valley reporting they felt it.

The temblor occurred around 4 a.m. near the California border, in an isolated part of Nevada near Tonopah, about 120 miles southeast of Carson City, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

The initial quake struck about 4.7 miles deep, the USGS said, causing at least six aftershocks, including two with a magnitude of around 5.4.

"It's a pretty good-sized quake," USGS geophysicist Randy Baldwin told NBC News on Friday morning. "It's hard to say whether there will be any damage."

"It's a pretty remote area, but it's an active area," Baldwin said. "There are faults crisscrossing this entire area."



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Map of felt reports received so far following the #earthquake M6.4 in Nevada 40 min ago

Felt reports received for M6.4 earthquake
in NEVADA
on 2020-05-15 11:03:28 UTC



437 felt reports on this map

300 km

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Reported as: Not felt Felt Largely felt Damaging

Lance Cardoza, of Fresno, California, said he felt the quake 12 floors up, and posted a video online of his chandelier swinging from the shaking.



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Felt a very strong #earthquake 6.4 from #Nevada 12 floors up in downtown
#Fresno #California #PacificSouthwestbuilding

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