

Bomb cyclone leaves widespread damage in western Washington

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Bomb cyclone in WA leaves widespread damage


A major storm swept western Washington, battering the region with strong winds and rain, causing widespread power outages and downing trees that killed at least one person.

SEATTLE - Powerful winds from Tuesday night's [bomb cyclone](#) caused widespread damage, toppling trees and leaving hundreds of thousands of people without power in western Washington.

Fallen trees hit several homes and blocked roads across the region. In [Lynnwood](#), a woman in her 50s died when a large tree fell on a homeless encampment off Alderwood Mall Parkway, South County Fire posted on X, formerly known as Twitter.

Tree falls on bus in Seattle

A tree fell on top of a King County Metro bus in Seattle near the Wedgwood neighborhood.

According to PowerOutage, more than half a million people were still without power [Wednesday morning](#). On Tuesday,  customers.

Several schools and districts announced late [Tuesday into Wednesday morning](#) that they would be delayed or closed.

Fallen trees hit homes, block roads

During Tuesday's storm, a tree fell on a trailer in Maple Valley. Two people were inside of the trailer when the tree fell. They were rescued and taken to an area hospital.

Seattle firefighters pulled out a person who was trapped in a car after a tree fell on top of their vehicle. This happened near the [Maple Leaf neighborhood](#).

In Snohomish County, several roads were closed due to trees and power lines that were down.

In Issaquah, crews responded to a tree that fell onto a home. No injuries were reported.

Issaquah Hobart Rd SE/SE May Valley Rd was closed due to trees and debris on the roadway, [Eastside Fire & Rescue](#) said on X.

Early Wednesday morning, FOX 13 was in Seattle's Wedgwood neighborhood where a tree fell on a King County Metro bus.

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What is a bomb cyclone?

The term "bomb cyclone" comes from the real meteorological term "bombogenesis." It describes a storm system that explodes in strength, specifically dropping by at least 24 millibars in pressure or more over the span 24 hours, according to FOX 13 Seattle Meteorologist Abby Acone.

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