



## Magnitude 7.3 Earthquake Shakes Vanuatu, Tsunami Threat Cleared

A magnitude 7.3 earthquake struck off the coast of Vanuatu on Tuesday afternoon, causing widespread panic and structural damage in the capital city of Port Vila. The powerful quake hit at 12:47 PM [AEDT](#) and was centered about 30 kilometers west of Port Vila at a depth of 43 kilometers, according to the United States Geological Survey (USGS).

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