

Powerful magnitude-7.2 earthquake hits Mexico

A powerful magnitude-7.2 earthquake shook central and southern Mexico on 4/18, sending panicked people into the streets. Some walls cracked and fell, but there were no reports of major damage or casualties. It was felt across at least a half-dozen states and Mexico's capital, where it collapsed several walls and left large cracks in some facades. Debris covered sidewalks around the city. Around the region, there were reports of isolated and minor damage, such as fallen fences, trees and broken windows. Chilpancingo, capital of the southern state of Guerrero, where the quake was centered, reported a power outage, but service was restored after 15 minutes.