

M 5.9, NEW BRITAIN REGION, PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Origin Time: Fri 2015-05-08 07:52:06 UTC (17:52:06 local)

Location: 6.12°S 149.82°E Depth: 35 km

Created: 7 weeks, 5 days after earthquake

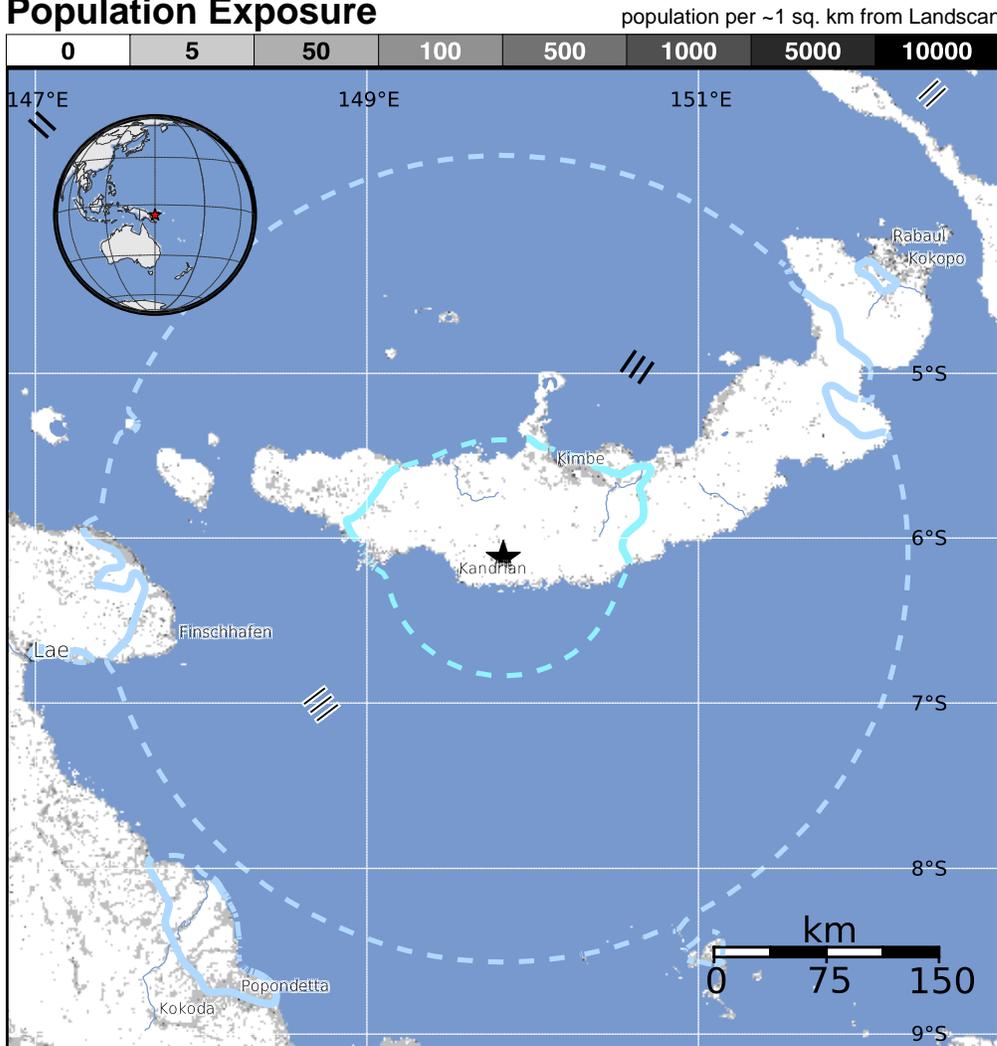


Estimated Population Exposed to Earthquake Shaking

ESTIMATED POPULATION EXPOSURE (k = x1000)		- -*	847k	138k	0	0	0	0	0	0
ESTIMATED MODIFIED MERCALLI INTENSITY		I	II-III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X+
PERCEIVED SHAKING		Not felt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
POTENTIAL DAMAGE	Resistant Structures	none	none	none	V. Light	Light	Moderate	Moderate/Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy
	Vulnerable Structures	none	none	none	Light	Moderate	Moderate/Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy	V. Heavy

*Estimated exposure only includes population within the map area.

Population Exposure



Structures:

Overall, the population in this region resides in structures that are vulnerable to earthquake shaking, though some resistant structures exist.

Historical Earthquakes (with MMI levels):

Date (UTC)	Dist. (km)	Mag.	Max MMI(#)	Shaking Deaths
2005-11-05	385	6.4	V(3k)	0
2005-06-04	335	6.1	VII(27k)	1
1983-12-21	239	6.2	VII(5k)	10

Recent earthquakes in this area have caused secondary hazards such as landslides and liquefaction that might have contributed to losses.

Selected City Exposure

from GeoNames.org

MMI	City	Population
IV	Kandrian	1k
IV	Kimbe	19k
III	Finschhafen	1k
III	Lae	76k
III	Popondetta	28k
II	Kokopo	26k
II	Kokoda	6k
II	Rabaul	8k
II	Namatanai	1k

bold cities appear on map

(k = x1000)

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