**Earthquake**

**This factsheet is about what to do in an earthquake.**

An earthquake is when the ground shakes.

Earthquakes can:

* happen at any time
* be big or small
* be dangerous.

Dangerous means you can get hurt. For example, something can fall on you.



**What can an earthquake do?**

An earthquake can hurt you and your family.

An earthquake can damage your:



* house
* things in your house, for example furniture
* essential services, for example electricity.

Damage means to break something.



**How can I get ready for an earthquake?**

To get ready for an earthquake you should:

* have an emergency kit



* plan what you and your family will do if there is an earthquake warning



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* get insurance for your house and things in your house. Insurance is money you might get from an insurance company when something goes wrong



You should also:

* listen to ABC radio or TV for earthquake warnings



* make sure things in your house will not fall on you



* visit our website

<https://getready.qld.gov.au/be-prepared/>



More information

<https://www.qld.gov.au/communityrecovery>

