

# TSUNAMI ALERT IN US WEST COAST, ALASKA, HAWAII AS VOLCANO ERUPTS IN TONGA. WATCH

Relevant for: Geography | Topic: Important Geophysical Phenomenon - Tropical Cyclones

A large underwater [volcanic eruption](#) happened near Tonga, a Polynesian kingdom of over 170 South Pacific islands, which has triggered Tsunami waves crashing across shores. Following this, a Tsunami alert was issued in much of the US West Coast, Alaska, and Hawaii.

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Centre in Hawaii has reported sea waves slamming ashore a meter in Nawiliwili, Kauai. Tonga is home to about 1.05 lakh people. Some videos posted on social media also showed giant waves swirling ashore in coastal areas.

As per the US National Weather Service, a Pacific Basin-wide Tsunami advisory was issued after a violent undersea volcanic eruption in the Tongas at 11:30 pm ET on Friday night. NWS (National Weather Service) Honolulu also shared satellite imagery of "large volcanic eruption near Tonga (Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai volcano)."

1.14.2022: (correction on date) Large volcanic eruption near Tonga (Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai volcano) today as seen from outer space. Shown on visible imagery using the Himawari satellite. [#hiwx](#) [#tsunami](#) [#earthquake](#) [pic.twitter.com/Y18W7wvXI9](https://pic.twitter.com/Y18W7wvXI9)

Satellite images show a huge undersea explosion raising a plume of ash, steam and gas in the sky above the blue Pacific.

The volcano eruption was captured from outer space by the Himawari satellite, which shows a gigantic volcano explosion in the pacific ocean.

The possible impact of the volcano eruption may include inundation of low lying areas, coastal flooding, and strong rip currents, US weather authorities said. The Tsunami waves are already pushing boats up in the docks in Hawaii, suggest media reports.

[#TsunamiAdvisory](#) remains in effect for much of the U.S. West Coast, Alaska, and Hawaii. Impacts may include inundation of low lying areas, coastal flooding, and strong rip currents. See <https://t.co/QoZe9fEjyD> for the latest details.

So far, no reports of injuries or damage to the property have been reported, though internet connectivity in Tonga was lost around 6:40 pm local time. Notably, Tonga's internet is connected via undersea cables from Suva, Fiji.

NWS Seattle has also issued an advisory, saying "do not go out to the beaches to look at tsunami waves. Dangerous wave and strong currents are expected. Stay out of the water and move well away from shore".

Do not go out to the beaches to look at tsunami waves. Dangerous wave and strong currents are expected. Stay out of the water and move well away from shore. [#wawx](#) <https://t.co/imHJRKDI71>

Meanwhile, Russia and Japan have also issued tsunami warnings after a massive undersea volcanic eruption in the island country of Tonga caused a wave surge in the Pacific, reported Sputnik.

Never miss a story! Stay connected and informed with Mint. [Download](#) our App Now!!

Log in to our website to save your bookmarks. It'll just take a moment.

Oops! Looks like you have exceeded the limit to bookmark the image. Remove some to bookmark this image.

Your session has expired, please login again.

You are now subscribed to our newsletters. In case you can't find any email from our side, please check the spam folder.

This is a subscriber only feature [Subscribe Now](#) to get daily updates on WhatsApp

**END**

Downloaded from **crackIAS.com**

© **Zuccess App** by crackIAS.com

CrackIAS