

Tropical storm batters southern Mexico coast, kills six

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One month prior to tropical storm Trudy, which has killed six and displaced thousands in Mexico, Hurricane Odile damaged the airport of San Jose del Cabo, on September 16, 2014

Six people were killed as tropical storm Trudy—since downgraded to a tropical depression—lashed Mexico, prompting evacuations and stranding 16 communities, authorities said Sunday.

The [heavy rains](#) caused a landslide on a farm in the indigenous town of

Tlacoachistlahuaca in the southern state of Guerrero, killing a 23-year-old man, a civil protection official told local media.

Two children and a woman were crushed to death when a wall collapsed in a mudslide in Ometepec; another person was buried in Cochoapa by a caved-in wall; and a swollen stream swept away and killed a 70-year-old man, officials said.

Some 2,000 people were evacuated from three towns in the mountain region hardest hit by Trudy. Authorities urged residents not to return home for at least 48 hours, until the threat of landslides passed.

Another 300 people were evacuated Saturday night in three other Guerrero towns, where a river threatened to overflow and cause dangerous flooding.

Landslides and flooding also cut off access to 16 other towns and damaged a main road to Acapulco.

Last year, a twin hit from [tropical storms](#) battered both coasts, leaving 157 dead.

In September, Hurricane Odile killed six people and caused \$1 billion in damage further north on Mexico's Pacific coast, wreaking havoc in the luxury resort area of Los Cabos.

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