

## Thousands lose power, storm downs trees and power lines across Central Indiana

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Multiple counties in Indiana are reporting wind damage, as well as downed tree limbs and power lines, following severe thunderstorms Monday morning.

Thousands of [AES Indiana](#) and [Duke Energy](#) customers, including in Hamilton and Marion counties, lost power Monday morning. As of 4:30 p.m. Monday afternoon, around 150 Duke Energy customers remained without power, and around 2,500 AES Indiana customers did not have power.

Kacie Hoover, meteorologist for NWS Indianapolis, said that there was wind damage, as well as fallen trees, including those that have fallen on houses and powerlines, across Central Indiana as a result of the storms.

Tom Ecker, public information officer for [Madison County Emergency Management Agency](#), said most of the damage in the area was from fallen trees and power lines. One house had some minor damage, and there was damage in Shadyside Memorial Park on the north side of Anderson, including to lights and trees, he said. Ecker said a small tornado also may have passed through the county. A civilian observed a funnel cloud just before 9:30 a.m. Monday, and the agency observed damage to trees that was consistent with tornado activity, as well as straight-line winds. "We have taken all that data and sent it down to the National Weather Service for their evaluation," Ecker said.

NWS Indianapolis meteorologist Jason Puma said the agency was still investigating the incident and has not confirmed whether there was a tornado in Madison County.

Most of the damage in Carmel was in the south, near 106th Street, public information officer for Carmel Fire Department Michael McNeely told IndyStar. McNeely said there were seven emergency calls due to the storm, mostly due to downed power lines and fallen trees. A tree that fell on a house in Carmel made the rounds on social media, courtesy of a provided photo from the

Carmel Fire Department, but this was the only damage to a home, McNeely said. The homeowner watched the tree fall from outside. There were no injuries, and the damage mostly affected the garage, McNeely told IndyStar.

"Overall, this was not really that big of a deal compared to some of the storms we've had in last few years," McNeely said.

Shane Booker, executive director of Hamilton County Emergency Management, said that the damage in Hamilton County was minimal, overall. There were downed tree limbs and power lines, as well as some minor damage to homes, he said. "It's really been limited to the trees," Booker said. Some roads were blocked off earlier Monday, but have since been cleared, Booker said.

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HCEM personnel are responding to areas with reported damage in Carmel on Village Dr and on Jordan Rd.

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Here are some pictures of the damage surveyed in Carmel. [#INwx](#)

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The Indianapolis Department of Public Works received 13 reports of downed trees Monday, and no reports of significant damage, Imani Keith, public relations officer for the Indianapolis Department of Public Works, said in an email to IndyStar.

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