

More Casualties Feared as Apartment Block Collapses in Central Russia

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At least two people have died after a Soviet-era apartment building partially collapsed in the central Russian city of Izhevsk.

Emergency services believe a gas explosion may have caused the part of the nine-story building to [fall](#), according to the news website Udmurt.media.

A source in the emergency services [told](#) the Interfax news agency that two bodies were recovered from the rubble and that two survivors had been hospitalized.

Social media users [reported](#) hearing screams from beneath the rubble.

The regional branch of Russia's Emergency Situations Ministry confirmed a childcare center on the first floor of the building was not impacted by the explosion, the state-run TASS news agency [reported](#).

Footage captured immediately after the collapse shows dust coming from the building.

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