

TSUNAMI AWARENESS

Facts & Warning Signs

CAUSE

An earthquake is the main trigger for a tsunami in Jamaica. However, in other parts of the world, volcanic eruptions, landslides and even meteorites are significant threats.



HEIGHT



Unusual wave heights have been known to be over 100 feet. However, waves that are 10 to 20 feet high can be very destructive and cause many deaths or injuries.

SPEED

Tsunami waves can travel at speeds averaging 450-600 miles per hour in the open ocean.



WARNING SIGNS



The Government, alongside regional agencies are working on an official warning system. Until then, if an earthquake recently occurred in your area or you witness a strange rise and fall in water levels, go to higher ground.

INFORMATION SOURCE:
[HTTPS://WWW.ODPEM.ORG.JM/TSUNAMIS/](https://www.odpem.org.jm/tsunamis/)

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