


**Coachella Valley
Earthquake Report**

July 20 - 26, 2000

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Magnitude



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Magnitude $M \geq 1$	1	2	3	4+	Total
This Week	20	6	0	0	26
Previous week	13	1	0	0	14

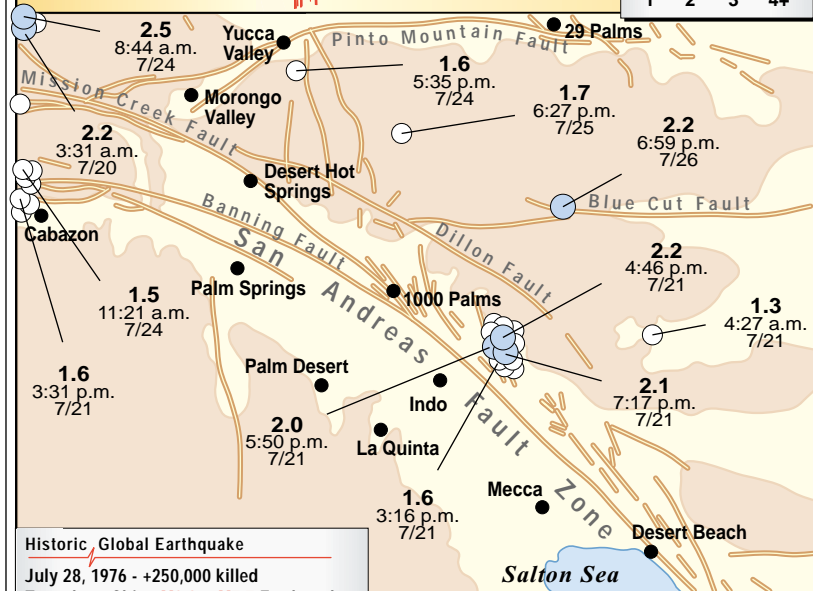
▼ For the third time in as many months, earthquake activity increased above the 20 eq/wk mark. Six of the 26 events measured in the M2 range and there was no action in the M3+ range.

▼ A brief earthquake swarm began the morning of July 21 about four miles northeast of Indio in the Indio Hills. Most of the initial events were small, then at 4:46 p.m. that afternoon, a M2.2 jolt shook the area. At 5:50 p.m. a M2.0 triggered, then after a few small events, a M2.1 tremor triggered at 7:17 p.m. There were a couple more events later that evening and two more by the end of the week, bringing the series total to 12. The action occurred just east of the main trace of the San Andreas fault along one of the many fault splays in the Indio Hills. Earthquake swarms have happened here from time to time, most recently in October following the Lavic Lake M7.1 earthquake.

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