

# IDAHO IS EARTHQUAKE COUNTRY

Borah Peak Earthquake  
October 28, 1983, 8:06 am  
Magnitude 6.9



Fault scarp formed by the Borah Peak earthquake 20 miles northwest of Mackay, Idaho.



Earthquake damage to Custer Hotel in Mackay.



Car crushed by falling debris in Mackay.

## WHAT TO DO DURING AN EARTHQUAKE

### If you are indoors

- move away from objects that could fall on you
- crouch under a table or near an inside wall
- don't rush outdoors – you may be hit by falling bricks or glass

### If you are outdoors

- move away from buildings to protect yourself from falling bricks and other debris
- move away from trees and power lines
- be alert for rock falls and landslides

### If you are driving

- pull over and stop until shaking stops
- avoid stopping near overpasses, bridges, or power lines

**DROP** where you are  
**COVER** your head and neck  
**HOLD** position until shaking stops

### For more information

Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security, [www.bhs.idaho.gov](http://www.bhs.idaho.gov)  
Idaho Geological Survey, [www.idahogeology.org](http://www.idahogeology.org)