

Isaias live updates: Storm damage throughout Eastern Virginia & 13 Tornadoes Already Confirmed

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- Portsmouth 7,741
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 - Isle Of Wight 2,644
 - James City 915
 - Newport News 22,725
 - Norfolk 7,768
 - Poquoson City 966
 - Portsmouth 14,189
 - Suffolk 15,598
 - Surry 110
 - Virginia Beach 44,959
 - Williamsburg 518
 - York 2,108
- 3:30 p.m. — Dominion Energy says more than 184,000 customers are still without power in southeastern Virginia.
 - Chesapeake 32,867
 - Hampton 20,216
 - Isle Of Wight 2,644
 - James City 5,828
 - Newport News 22,923
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 - Poquoson City 3,152
 - Portsmouth 14,381

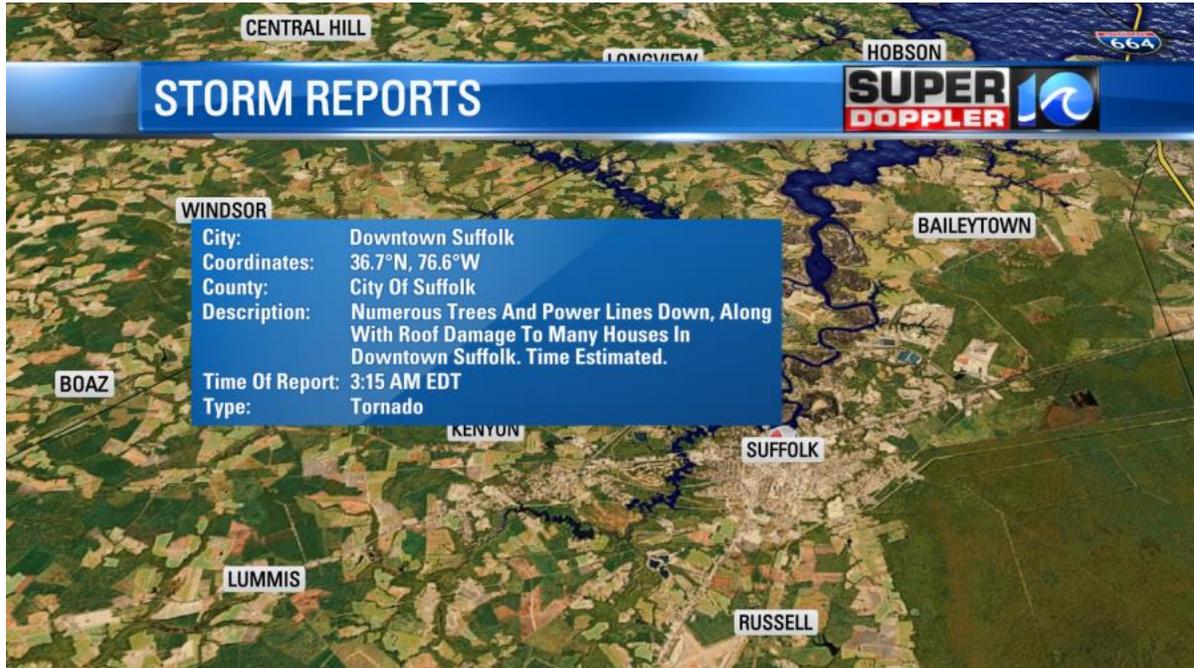
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- 12:15 a.m. — After facing minimal impacts from tropical storm Isaias, **Dare County officials say Hatteras Island will reopen with unrestricted access at 2 p.m. Tuesday**.
- 11 a.m. — **Chopper video from Bertie County, North Carolina, shows widespread devastation after at least one tornado touched down early Tuesday morning during tropical storm Isaias**. At least 2 people have been found dead and 2 children are missing, authorities say.
- 9:59 a.m. — The Virginia Beach Police Department is closing Sandbridge Road and working with the U.S. Navy to open up the Dam Neck base to traffic from Sandbridge. Flooding there is “awful,” a resident told 10 On Your Side.
- 9:16 a.m. — No one was hurt when a tree fell onto a home off Lexington Avenue in Suffolk. The owner told WAVY’s Aesia Toliver he just bought the house. **Storm damage has been reported throughout Suffolk**.



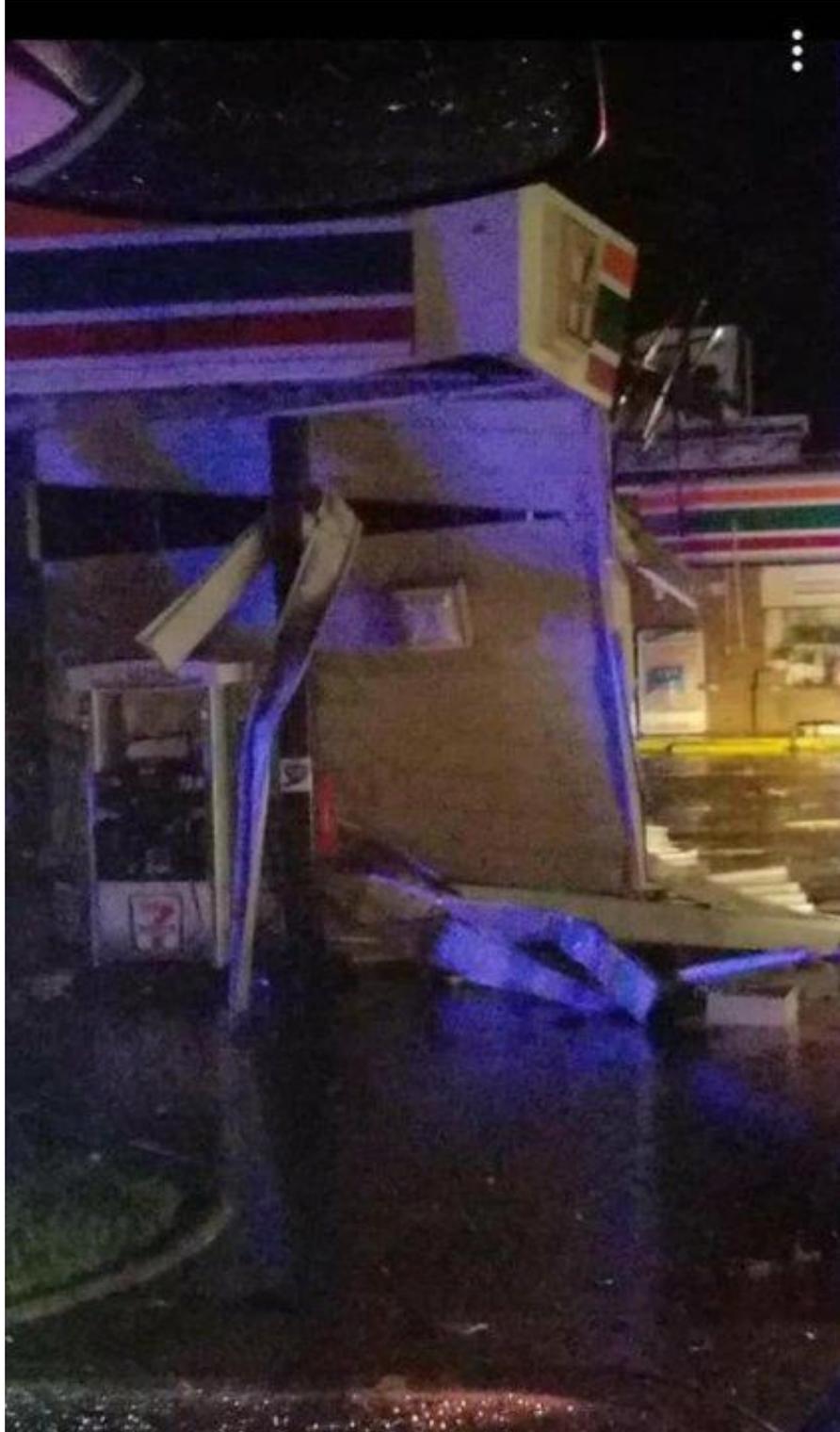
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- 8:55 a.m. — **First Baptist Church on W. 38th Street in Norfolk** was heavily damaged this morning. Most of the front of the building collapsed, but no injuries were reported.
- 8:52 p.m. — Route 58 in Courtland is still shut down after damage was reported throughout the area.
- 8:11 a.m. from the Outer Banks
- 8:05 a.m. — A large tree fell in Newport News on Tuesday morning, going away from a house there.
- 7:50 a.m. — Officials in Bertie County, North Carolina, **have confirmed reports of a tornado touching down in the Morning Road area of Windsor**, and Gov. Roy Cooper said there is a search and rescue team in Bertie County. “We’ve had a number of tornadoes. I’m not sure of the count yet. Up in the northeastern part of the state in Bertie County we know we have at least one fatality, a number of people injured as a tornado hit a mobile home park.”

- 7:20 a.m. — Route 58 in closed in both directions in Courtland due to storm damage, and damage is reported throughout the area.
- 7 a.m. — A possible tornado touched down in downtown Suffolk around 3:15 a.m. Tuesday morning, **damaging multiple businesses and homes. The city has opened an emergency shelter at King's Fork High School.**



- More than 100,000 Dominion Energy customers are without power across Tidewater and North Carolina. Check the **power outage map here.**
- 6:15 a.m. A large tree is blocking part of eastbound I-264 by Victory Blvd. in Portsmouth.
- 6 a.m. WAVY's Kiahnna Patterson reports from Suffolk, where damage has been reported around the city. An emergency shelter has been opened in Suffolk. It's ADA compliant and generator powered for people who need electricity for medical reasons.
- 5:50 a.m. — Damage is reported throughout Southampton County, including at the Route 58 7-Eleven. (Photo: Krystal Boswell)



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- 5:45 a.m. — Tornado warnings have been canceled around the area, but the main winds from Isaias are still on the way.

- 5:42 a.m. — The Port of Virginia has been closed until further notice.
- 5:23 a.m. — Trees and power lines are down on Culloden Street in Suffolk, where neighbors say they heard what sounded like a train and swirling wind around 3 a.m. WAVY's Kiahnna Patterson is in Suffolk and will have continued live coverage throughout the morning on WAVY News 10 Today.
- 5:02 a.m. — More than 42,000 Dominion Energy customers are without power across the region as tropical storm Isaias moves in.
- 5 a.m. — WAVY's [Kiahnna Patterson](#) is in Suffolk to review storm damage from Isaias. Damage has been reported around the downtown and Riverview areas. The Courtland Volunteer Fire Dept. in Southampton County also reports a possible tornado touched down.
- 4:48 a.m. — **The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel is closed** to due current weather conditions.
- 4:50 a.m. — Damage has been reported across Hampton Roads from the outer bands of tropical storm Isaias, with trees down in Courtland, Suffolk, Newport News and more. The photos below are from Southampton County.





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- - **4:42 a.m.** The York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office says tree have started to fall in Yorktown and a tree is down in the 1300 block of Cook Road. A vehicle ran into the tree and crews are currently at the scene to help.
 - **4:40 a.m.** More than 17,000 Dominion Energy customers are without power across the region as tropical storm Isaias moves in. Check the [power outage map here](#).

The following localities have issued a state of emergency:

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- [Elizabeth City, N.C.](#)
- [Pasquotank County, N.C.](#)
- Kitty Hawk, N.C.
- Suffolk, Virginia
- [Virginia Beach, Virginia](#)
- [Portsmouth, Virginia](#)
- James City County, Virginia
- York County, Virginia

Some city services, such as trash collection, [are suspended Tuesday due to Isaias](#).

As far as area transportation, the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel and Monitor Merrimac Memorial Bridge-Tunnel will stay open under VDOT's current plans.

The I-64 Express Lanes (reversible lanes) between I-264 and I-564 in Norfolk will be closed as of 8 p.m. Monday and will remain closed until high winds subside

HRT announced that ferry service between Norfolk and Portsmouth will be suspended Tuesday night beginning at 8 p.m. A bus bridge will provide service between Waterside Drive in Norfolk and Water Street in Portsmouth.

The Jamestown-Scotland Ferry will also stop operations at midnight Monday until hurricane conditions are over. The last ferry will leave the Scotland terminal at 11 p.m. and leave Jamestown at 11:30 p.m.

If you have plans to fly in or out of Norfolk International Airport, [check on the status of the flight before you leave home](#).

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