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A major earthquake measuring 6.1 in magnitude struck at a depth of about 18 kilometers some 98 kilometers east of Taichung in Taiwan at 1:00 p.m. local time Thursday afternoon.

"There was one big shake that got us moving, I was only at the 2nd floor, can't imagine higher. Then it kept shaking for 30 seconds," Express reported citing a witness.

There have been no reports of injuries or damage but the quake caused panic across the island nation, shaking buildings and prompting residents to flood the streets of Taipei.

"The earthquake felt so huge that when I was exercising in the park I am most fell over on the sidewalk. It felt like a 7.0 but not sure about that. I never felt the earthquake standing in the park before," one resident wrote on social media.

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Taiwan is located near two tectonic plates and is prone to tremors.

In 2016, over 100 people died when an earthquake hit the southern region of the country, and more than 2,000 others were killed after a massive magnitude-7.6 quake in 1999.
