

Lightning kills two, injures six in Ndwedwe [South Africa]

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Two people have been killed and six others injured after lightning struck a house in the Thafamasi area in Ndwedwe north of Durban.

The South African Weather Service says severe thunder and lightning storms hit most parts of southern KwaZulu-Natal on Wednesday afternoon.

The storms reached as far north as Greytown in the Midlands and Ndwedwe.

An alert was issued on Twitter on Tuesday and upgraded to a warning as the storms developed Wednesday afternoon.

KwaZulu-Natal emergency services spokesperson - Robert McKenzie says "Lightning had struck a house and tragically two people had passed away. Paramedics treated 6 people who had sustained injuries and transported them to a local health institution for continued medical care. All of the victims involved in this incident were adults."