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Eshowe - Seven people burnt to death when their home was struck by lightning on Sunday night, police said on Monday.

Captain Tienkie van Vuuren told News24 lightning apparently struck a hut at Mombeni near Eshowe in northern KwaZulu-Natal on Sunday night.

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Two of the nine people inside the home escaped the flames and smoke, but seven others burnt to death.

Van Vuuren said police were on the scene, but she was having difficulty contacting them.

Details were sketchy and the names and ages of the dead were not yet known.

The SABC reporter earlier that several homes and a local clinic were also destroyed by strong winds at Emphise in the KwaMaphumulo district Winds ripped off roofs and uprooted trees.

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