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Storm Charles: Portugal and Madeira

Edition 3 · as of 12:27 UTC, Wednesday 11 November 2026 (Lisbon time) · SC-BRIEF-20261111-E3

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Next edition: At the next big change: an IPMA message, Web Summit's word on Day 3, or the end of the storm; then an "after the storm" edition, forecast beside observations.

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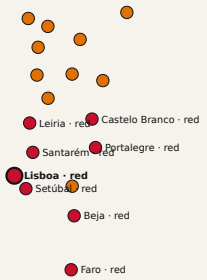
FACT read from the body that decides or warns | EVIDENCE reported by others, with its source | HYPOTHESIS our analysis, with its reasons | Times UTC = Lisbon time. Each figure: its source and the time read.

Edition 3. What changed since edition 2 (12:05): IPMA's communiqué no. 3 (12:16): Charles split into two centres, deepens less, and the wind will be weaker than forecast yesterday. IPMA writes that its warnings "were adjusted"; at 12:23 its open data (and at 12:28 its CAP messages, read by incident.ipma@ and incident.meteorologist@) showed no change for Lisbon since 07:16, so the word may refer to the 07:16 changes. Lisbon's red rain, orange wind and orange sea stand as read; Madeira lowered to yellow and green. Lisbon's heaviest rain hour since the red warning began at 09:00. Corrected 12:36: edition 3 first said "heaviest rain hour yet"; Barreiro had 18.9 mm in the hour labelled 01:00 on 10 November.

FACT **IPMA's communiqué no. 3 (12:16): Charles has split into two centres north of Madeira, so it deepens less and the wind will be weaker than forecast yesterday; persistent, at times heavy rain continues, moving south-west to north-east; gusts of 70 to 90 km/h in the South, up to 110 km/h on exposed coasts and high ground. IPMA writes that its warnings "were adjusted"; as read at 12:23 (open data) and 12:28 (CAP), Lisbon's red rain (to 18:00) and orange wind and sea (to 21:00) are unchanged since 07:16.** IPMA, communiqués↗, read 12:23 UTC · IPMA warnings, open data↗, read 12:23 UTC

FACT **Lisbon had its heaviest rain hour since the red warning began at 09:00, in the hour IPMA labels 11:00: 17.9 mm at Oeiras, 17.2 mm at Relógio, 14.6 mm at Tapada. At 12:00 the airport observed east-north-east 28 km/h, still no gust, and 994 hPa, the pressure down 4 hPa in the hour.** IPMA station observations↗, read 12:23 UTC · Lisbon airport METAR↗, read 12:23 UTC

HYPOTHESIS *The backing wind puts Lisbon on the storm's north side: the centre is likely over or just south of Lisbon about 13:00 to 15:00, and rain is now the main hazard, near a modelled high water at about 15:10. Lisbon's strongest wind may come after the centre passes, from the north-west or west. Weaker than forecast is not an all-clear.* incident.meteorologist@, analysis 12:24 (medium confidence), read 12:24 UTC · tide model (incident.datascience@), read 11:52 UTC



FACT The highest level per district today, from the same feed (dots at each district's seat, as IPMA lists it; no outlines drawn). Named on the map: Lisbon and the districts under red. The rest:

ORANGE Aveiro, Bragança, Braga, Coimbra, Évora, Guarda, Porto, Viana do Castelo, Viseu, Vila Real

Yellow is not held beyond Lisbon.

What to watch, hour by hour

pending	FACT Any change to IPMA's warnings: communiqué no. 3 says they "were adjusted"; at 12:23 (open data) and 12:28 (CAP) nothing had changed for Lisbon since 07:16. Edition 4 if a new level is read. IPMA, communiqué no. 3, open data and CAP
since 12:00	FACT In force (as read at 12:23): orange sea for Lisbon, Setúbal, Beja and Faro (waves 5 to 7 m, up to 13 m, to 21:00); red rain in eight districts to 18:00. IPMA warnings
12:00–16:00	FACT Lisbon airport's forecast (TAF 11:00): at times south 20 kt gusting 35 (65 km/h) in rain; a 30% chance of thunderstorms with 40 kt gusting 55 (102 km/h). Lisbon TAF
12:00–15:00	EVIDENCE CP suppresses four trains across the 25 de Abril bridge in the window it calls the most critical. CP, via the press
13:00	EVIDENCE Madeira's schools reopen (closed in the morning by the regional civil protection). SRPC Madeira, via the press
13:00–15:00	HYPOTHESIS *The centre likely over or just south of Lisbon (our meteorologist, medium confidence); the ensemble's median crossing about 15:00; modelled high water about 15:10 (1.25 m above mean sea level). The test: the airport's wind turning through north to north-west means the centre has passed south.* incident.meteorologist@ 12:24; ECMWF ensemble and tide model (incident.datascience@)
16:00–18:00	FACT TAF: wind turning west-north-west 12 kt by 18:00, no significant weather. Lisbon TAF
18:00	FACT Red rain warnings end in all eight districts. IPMA warnings
18:00–21:00	FACT TAF: at times west-north-west 17 kt gusting 27 (50 km/h). Lisbon TAF
21:00	FACT Lisbon's orange wind and orange sea warnings end; yellow sea (waves 4 to 5 m) to 03:00 Thursday. Faro's red wind ends. IPMA warnings
Thu 00:00–12:00	FACT No IPMA warning for Lisbon above yellow on Thursday morning. IPMA's model: west wind, mean 15 to 24 km/h; showers, rain chance up to 92%. IPMA warnings and IPMA's hourly model (run 07:56)
pending	FACT Web Summit's word on Day 3 (Thursday): it "aims to proceed as planned", an aim, not yet a decision. Web Summit, 10 Nov 19:09

IPMA's warnings, district by district, hour by hour

IPMA's warnings in force, hour by hour, Wednesday 11 November 00:00 to Thursday 03:00 UTC (Lisbon time). Each cell says its level: R red, O orange, Y yellow. The line marks this edition's as-of time, 12:27.

DISTRICT · HAZARD	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12:27	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	00	01	02	IPMA'S WINDOW (UTC)
LISBON																												
LISBOA · RAIN										R	R	R		R	R	R	R	R										red 09:00–18:00
LISBOA · SEA													O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	orange 12:00–21:00, yellow
LISBOA · WIND										O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 09:00–21:00
REST OF THE MAINLAND (RED AND ORANGE ONLY)																												
BEJA · RAIN										R	R	R		R	R	R	R	R										red 09:00–18:00
CASTELO BRANCO · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	R	R	R	R	R	R										orange 07:17–12:00, red 1
FARO · RAIN										R	R	R		R	R	R	R	R										red 09:00–18:00
FARO · WIND										R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R							red 09:00–21:00
LEIRIA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O		R	R	R	R	R										orange 07:17–12:00, red 1
PORTALEGRE · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	R	R	R	R	R	R										orange 07:17–12:00, red 1
SANTARÉM · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O		R	R	R	R	R										orange 07:17–12:00, red 1
SETÚBAL · RAIN										R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R										red 09:00–18:00
AVEIRO · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
BEJA · SEA													O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 12:00–21:00
BEJA · WIND										O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 09:00–21:00
BRAGA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
BRAGANÇA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
COIMBRA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
ÉVORA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O										orange 07:17–18:00
FARO · SEA													O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 12:00–21:00
GUARDA · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
PORTO · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
SETÚBAL · SEA													O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 12:00–21:00
SETÚBAL · WIND										O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 09:00–21:00
VIANA DO CASTELO · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
VILA REAL · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
VISEU · RAIN								O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O							orange 07:17–21:00
MADEIRA																												
FUNCHAL · WIND									O	O	O	O																orange 07:33–12:00
MADEIRA, MOUNT…									O	O	O	O																orange 07:33–12:00
MADEIRA, NORTH COAST · WIND									O	O	O	O																orange 07:33–12:00
PORTO SANTO · WIND									O	O	O	O																orange 07:33–12:00

FACT Drawn from IPMA's own warnings open data↗, read 12:23 UTC. Lisbon shows every level; beyond Lisbon our feed keeps red and orange only, so yellow there is not drawn (blank is not "no warning"). Madeira's earlier red rain (to 06:00) and the Madeira warnings that had ended before our read are not drawn. Warnings change: IPMA's warnings page↗ is the one that counts.

Signs to watch at the stations

HYPOTHESIS *The airport's wind: it backed from south-south-east to east-north-east in three hours while the pressure fell 4 hPa in an hour. A turn through north to north-west with rising pressure would mean the centre has passed south of Lisbon; the strongest wind may come then, from the north-west or west.* incident.meteorologist@, 12:24

HYPOTHESIS *Thunderstorm cells (TCU or CB in the METAR): the TAF gives its strongest gusts only with thunderstorms, so a short, sharp spell is the case to watch, not a long blow.* our reading of the TAF

HYPOTHESIS *Hourly rain above 6 mm at the city's stations around high water (about 15:10, modelled): the press reports the risk of rain and tide together hindering drainage in the big cities.* tide model; CNN Portugal live, 08:27

This edition gives no scenario shares: we do not yet hold an ensemble of model runs (see "What we do not hold yet").

Three tracks for the afternoon: the ensemble

HYPOTHESIS *Where the storm's centre crosses 9.5° W, off Lisbon, in each of the ECMWF ensemble's 51 forecasts.* ***Shares of forecasts, not the chance of it happening.***

North of Lisbon
10%
5 of 51 forecasts

Near Lisbon
41%
21 of 51 forecasts

South of Lisbon
49%
25 of 51 forecasts

HYPOTHESIS Median crossing: 15:00 UTC. Highest model gust at Lisbon: median 69.1 km/h; one forecast in ten above 85 km/h, one in ten below 55.4 km/h, all of them under the 120 km/h in IPMA's orange warning. A model at a point, on a 25 km grid: confidence medium for the north/near/south split (a clear low on a 25 km grid); low for the gust values. ECMWF IFS ensemble, via Open-Meteo (CC BY 4.0), read 11:57 UTC

What the authorities have decided

WHO	DECISION	PUBLISHED (UTC)	LABEL
IPMA	Communiqué no. 3: Charles split into two centres; wind weaker than forecast yesterday; gusts 70 to 90 km/h in the South, up to 110 km/h exposed; "the warnings were adjusted" (no change for Lisbon since 07:16 in its open data at 12:23 or its CAP at 12:28). timeline · source↗	11 Nov 12:16	FACT
GOVERNMENT OF PORTUGAL	Alert situation for the whole mainland, Wednesday 00:00 to 23:59: schools and non-essential public services closed; outdoor events suspended. timeline · source↗	10 Nov 12:10	FACT
WEB SUMMIT	Day 2 (Wednesday) will not take place, on the government's formal advice; Day 3 (Thursday) "aims to proceed as planned". timeline · source↗	10 Nov 19:09	FACT
LISBON CITY COUNCIL (MAYOR)	All of Lisbon's road tunnels closed from midnight; parks, gardens and cultural facilities too. record	10 Nov 13:16 (press)	EVIDENCE
CP AND INFRAESTRUTURAS DE PORTUGAL	Four trains across the 25 de Abril bridge suppressed, 12:00 to 15:00. record	10 Nov 23:10 (press)	EVIDENCE
LUSOPONTE	Vasco da Gama bridge limited to 100 km/h because of the weather. timeline	11 Nov 09:24 (Lusa)	EVIDENCE
CARRIS (LISBON BUSES AND TRAMS)	Service kept with priority to essential journeys; trams 12E, 15E, 18E, 24E, 25E and 28E interrupted; Graça funicular closed since 10:40; Web Summit shuttles cancelled. Fertagus trains: normal service, confirmed at 10:40. timeline · source↗	read 11:52 at source (no update time on the page)	EVIDENCE

WHO	DECISION	PUBLISHED (UTC)	LABEL
TRANSTEJO SOFLUSA	River crossings between Lisbon and the south bank kept running from 05:00 (one crossing, Porto Brandão–Trafaria–Belém, reported suspended in the morning). record	10 Nov 18:57; 11 Nov 05:44 (press)	EVIDENCE
TAP AIR PORTUGAL	Operations adjusted; tickets for travel to 11 Nov may be changed without penalty to flights up to 17 Nov. record	10 Nov 16:09 (press)	EVIDENCE
LISBON'S HOSPITALS	Wednesday's scheduled activity rescheduled (which hospitals: not stated). record	10 Nov 18:29 (Lusa headline)	EVIDENCE
MADEIRA'S REGIONAL CIVIL PROTECTION (SRPC)	Schools closed Wednesday morning, reopening from 13:00. 205 occurrences to 09:00, none classed as serious. record	10 Nov 11:26; 11 Nov 09:00 (press)	EVIDENCE

Every decision with its addresses and the time read: decisions and the entity files (incident.researcher@). Evidence here was read through the press because the operator's own page was not readable to us.

Sources compared, with our confidence

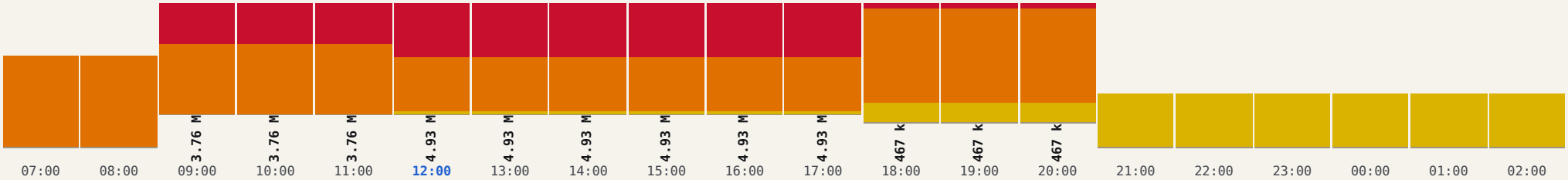
TOPIC	IPMA (FACT)	FORECASTS AND MODELS (FACT)	OBSERVED (FACT)	PRESS (EVIDENCE)	AGREE OR DIFFER	OUR ASSESSMENT (*HYPOTHESIS*)	CONFIDENCE (OURS)
RAIN, LISBON	Red, 09:00–18:00 (as read 12:23); communiqué no. 3: "persistent and at times heavy" rain continues	TAF: rain all afternoon, heavy with a 30% thunderstorm chance 12:00–16:00	Heaviest hour since the red warning began: 17.9 mm Oeiras, 17.2 Relógio, 14.6 Tapada (hour 11:00); six hours to 11:00: 45.4 mm Oeiras, 41.2 Relógio	Heavy rain about 11:00–15:00, easing after about 18:00 (radio, 10:38)	**agree**	*What is observed matches the red rain warning in timing and character.*	high ●●●
WIND, LISBON	Orange, 09:00–21:00, gusts up to 120 km/h (unchanged since 07:16 as read 12:23–12:28); communiqué no. 3: wind weaker than forecast yesterday, 70–90 km/h in the South, 110 exposed; warnings "adjusted"	TAF lowered twice: at times 65 km/h gusts, 30% chance of 102 km/h in thunderstorms; ECMWF ensemble gusts at Lisbon: median 69, 90th percentile 85 km/h	Airport east-north-east 28 km/h, no gust (12:00); highest gust since Tuesday 67 km/h (Tue 11:00)	Reports the lowered warning; some attribute more to IPMA than it wrote	**converging**	*IPMA's own word now meets the forecasts and the observations: a weaker wind. The orange warning stands as read.*	medium ●●○
WORST WINDOW	Warnings overlap 12:00–18:00 (red rain, orange wind, orange sea)	TAF: strongest groups 12:00–16:00, quieter from 16:00–18:00	Pressure 998 hPa at 11:00 and falling	11:00–15:00 (radio)	**mostly agree**	*The early afternoon, to about 16:00, is the window the sources share; the peak hour within it is not known.*	medium ●●○
TRACK OF THE CENTRE	Communiqué no. 3 (12:16): split into two centres north of Madeira; less deepening	ECMWF ensemble (51 forecasts): 49% south of Lisbon, 41% near, 10% north; median crossing about 15:00	Wind backed south-south-east to east-north-east in three hours; pressure 994 hPa, down 4 hPa in the hour (12:00)	Track moved south, toward the Algarve (radio, 10:38; not IPMA in writing)	**mostly agree**	*Over or just south of Lisbon about 13:00 to 15:00 (our meteorologist, medium confidence); north is the outlier.*	medium ●●○
SEA AND TIDE	Orange sea, 12:00–21:00: waves 5–7 m, up to 13 m; yellow to 03:00	IPMA's model: sea 3–3.5 m Thursday morning; tide model: high water about 15:10 (1.25 m), next about 03:10 Thursday	No gauge or buoy in our data; Instituto Hidrográfico's official table needs an account (not read)	Rain at high tide may hinder drainage (live blog, 08:27)	**no conflict**	*High water falls inside the red rain window; the warning is the written word on the sea.*	medium ●●○
MADEIRA	Lowered to yellow and green on IPMA's warnings page (12:24); earlier red rain to 06:00, orange wind to 12:00	n/a	249.5 mm in six hours at Areeiro (01:00–06:00); airport wind dropped from 89 km/h gusts at 07:00 to 13 km/h at 08:00	Regional president: 479 mm somewhere on the island; 205 occurrences, none serious	**agree**	*The worst has passed Madeira; the risk now is what the rain left (slopes, streams), which only the regional civil protection can state.*	high ●●●

TOPIC	IPMA (FACT)	FORECASTS AND MODELS (FACT)	OBSERVED (FACT)	PRESS (EVIDENCE)	AGREE OR DIFFER	OUR ASSESSMENT (*HYPOTHESIS*)	CONFIDENCE (OURS)
END OF THE EVENT	Lisbon: rain to 18:00, wind and sea to 21:00, yellow sea to 03:00; nothing above yellow on Thursday	TAF: no significant weather from about 18:00; showers on Thursday	n/a yet	Easing after about 18:00	**agree**	*Thursday morning looks like showers and a westerly wind, not a storm; Web Summit's Day 3 word is still awaited.*	medium ●●○

Confidence is ours: **HIGH** where the official word, the forecasts and the observations agree; **MEDIUM** where they agree in outline but one is missing or vague; **LOW** where they differ. It is a judgement about our reading, not a probability of the weather. Sources: warnings, airport (METAR, TAF), stations, IPMA's and MET Norway's runs, IPMA's communiqués, the meteorologist's analysis, the timeline.

Who is exposed

FACT Residents (INE, Census 2021) of each IPMA warning area, counted under the highest level in force there in each hour, any hazard: arithmetic on two facts, IPMA's windows and INE's counts. **Where people live, not where they are at a given hour, and never a count of people harmed.** Hours before about 07:00 are not drawn (earlier warnings had left IPMA's file).



RED **ORANGE** **YELLOW** stacked; the number is the residents under red. Peak under red: 4.93 M from 12:00. incident.datascience@ (IPMA × INE), read 11:51 UTC

DISTRICT UNDER RED	RESIDENTS	AGED 65+	RED HAZARD	RED WINDOW (UTC)	HOURS
LISBOA	2,275,385	489,002	Rain	09:00–18:00	9
SETÚBAL	874,806	198,700	Rain	09:00–18:00	9
FARO	467,343	110,949	Rain and Wind	09:00–21:00	12
LEIRIA	458,605	116,927	Rain	12:00–18:00	6
SANTARÉM	424,973	116,203	Rain	12:00–18:00	6
CASTELO BRANCO	177,962	57,439	Rain	12:00–18:00	6
BEJA	144,401	38,383	Rain	09:00–18:00	9
PORTALEGRE	104,923	31,378	Rain	12:00–18:00	6
ALL EIGHT	**4,928,398**	**1,158,981**			

EVIDENCE 155 hospitals are mapped in OpenStreetMap in these eight districts (86 in the Lisbon metropolitan area): a map of buildings, not a statement that any is open or has capacity. OSM via HOT export (ODbL), read 12:05 UTC

Lisbon metropolitan area, municipality by municipality

MUNICIPALITY (LISBON METROPOLITAN AREA)	RESIDENTS FACT	AGED 65+ FACT	LOW LAND, KM² *HYPOTHESIS*	RESIDENTS ON IT *HYPOTHESIS*	HOSPITALS MAPPED EVIDENCE
LISBOA	545,796	127,768	2.7	8,500	39
SINTRA	385,606	68,885	0.1	0	7
CASCAIS	214,124	48,461	0.4	600	8
LOURES	201,590	44,306	9.8	5,900	3
ALMADA	177,238	42,185	5.1	12,700	5
OEIRAS	171,658	41,248	0.7	800	4

MUNICIPALITY (LISBON METROPOLITAN AREA)	RESIDENTS FACT	AGED 65+ FACT	LOW LAND, KM² HYPOTHESIS	RESIDENTS ON IT HYPOTHESIS	HOSPITALS MAPPED EVIDENCE
AMADORA	171,454	38,087	0	0	5
SEIXAL	166,507	35,837	4.8	8,500	1
ODIVELAS	148,034	30,912	0	0	1
VILA FRANCA DE XIRA	137,529	25,424	131.1	12,900	1
SETÚBAL	123,496	28,493	14.6	7,300	8
MAFRA	86,515	15,375	0.6	200	0
BARREIRO	78,345	20,025	3.7	11,300	1
PALMELA	68,852	14,564	6.2	100	0
MOITA	66,255	14,514	6.1	12,400	0
MONTIJO	55,682	10,445	5.7	5,100	3
SESIMBRA	52,384	10,686	1.6	100	0
ALCOCHETE	19,143	3,407	17.5	1,800	0

Low land is where sea or river water can reach first; it is not a flood map and not a warning. LOW to MEDIUM. The DEM is a surface model: roofs and trees lift built-up Lisbon, so low land in the city is UNDER-counted; its vertical error (a few metres) is of the size of the band itself. Heights are above the EGM2008 geoid, close to but not the same as mean sea level or IH's chart datum. Residents on low land assume people spread evenly within a hexagon. Census 2021 counts. INE Census 2021, Copernicus DEM, Kontur, OSM, read 12:05 UTC

Lisbon, square by square

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	17 k	13 k	46 k	34 k	8980	25 k 820 low	950 260 low H1
B	17 k H1	7420	20 k	24 k	12 k	26 k H1	17 k 1190 low
C	50 k	52 k	26 k H4	19 k H1	7170 H2	34 k H1	5490 580 low H3
D	34 k H2	31 k	23 k H2	23 k H7	41 k	26 k	2880 320 low
E	24 k H3	7280	2740	28 k H1	68 k H6	16 k 1540 low	water
F	28 k 10 low H1	16 k 60 low	25 k 1240 low H1	30 k 1780 low H2	17 k 790 low H3	2500 890 low	water
G	5930 2230 low H2	1380 680 low	1650 640 low H1	7640 190 low	water 1730 low	water	water

HYPOTHESIS Lisbon in 49 squares of 2 km, rows A (north) to G, columns 1 (west) to 7: residents (estimate; darker, more), "low": residents estimated on land 0.5 to 5 m above sea level, H: hospitals mapped in OpenStreetMap (EVIDENCE). Confidence: MEDIUM for residents per square; LOW for low land in built-up squares (surface model, roofs lift it). Kontur population (CC BY 4.0), Copernicus DEM, OSM (ODbL), read 12:05 UTC

Tides

PLACE	HIGH WATER (UTC), HEIGHT ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL	NEXT HIGH WATER	HIGHEST MODEL WAVE (M)
CASCAIS (TAGUS MOUTH)	15:11 · 1.23 m	Thu 03:12 · 1.05 m	4.64
LISBON (TAGUS, NEAREST SEA CELL)	15:12 · 1.25 m	Thu 03:11 · 1.07 m	4.5
FUNCHAL	14:12 · 0.67 m	Thu 02:30 · 0.74 m	4.86

EVIDENCE A model, not Instituto Hidrográfico's official tide table (which needs an account; not read). Confidence: MEDIUM for times of high and low water at Cascais and Funchal (astronomical tide well modelled); LOW for Lisbon inside the estuary; storm surge in the model is not verified against a gauge. Open-Meteo Marine (CC BY 4.0), read 11:52 UTC

Annex: the stations, Madeira, transport, gaps and method

Lisbon

IPMA STATION	06:00	07:00	08:00	09:00	10:00	SUM
LISBOA, TAPADA DA AJUDA	2.4	4.4	3.7	4.9	4.8	**20.2**
LISBOA, CARNIDE (CML)	2.1	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	**19.6**
LISBOA, AMOREIRAS (LFCL)	1.6	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.8	**15.3**
LISBOA, RELÓGIO	2.2	5.1	4.9	6.4	5.4	**24.0**

FACT Rain in mm in the hour IPMA labels, IPMA station observations↗, read 12:23 UTC.

FACT Lisbon airport at 12:00: wind 28 km/h, no gust reported, +RA BR, visibility 1.55 statute miles, 994 hPa. Highest gust in the hours we hold: 67 km/h (36 kt) at 11:00 on Tuesday. `METAR LPPT 111200Z 08015KT 2500 +RA BR FEW001 BKN004 16/16 Q0994 BECMG 14015KT`
METAR, NOAA Aviation Weather↗, read 12:23 UTC

FACT Thursday morning (Web Summit's Day 3): no IPMA warning for Lisbon above yellow; IPMA's model, run 07:56: mean wind 15.1 to 24.1 km/h from the W, rain chance up to 92%, sea 3 to 3.5 m. IPMA's hourly model↗, read 12:23 UTC

Madeira

IPMA STATION	MOST RAIN IN 6 HOURS (MM)	HOURS LABELLED (UTC)
MADEIRA, AREEIRO	**249.5**	01:00 to 06:00
MADEIRA, SÃO VICENTE	**141.5**	22:00 to 03:00 (from Tuesday)
MADEIRA, SANTO DA SERRA	**130.4**	21:00 to 02:00 (from Tuesday)
MADEIRA, PICO ALTO	**126.8**	03:00 to 08:00
MADEIRA, PICO DO AREEIRO	**123.9**	20:00 to 01:00 (from Tuesday)
MADEIRA, MONTE	**85.6**	02:00 to 07:00

FACT IPMA station observations↗, read 12:23 UTC. IPMA's stations report no gusts; Madeira's gusts are in the airport's METARs.

ORANGE Funchal, wind: orange 07:33–12:00. “Wind gusts of up to 100 km/h.”

ORANGE Madeira, mountains, wind: orange 07:33–12:00. “Windgusts up to 130 km/h.”

ORANGE Madeira, north coast, wind: orange 07:33–12:00. “Wind gusts of up to 100 km/h, specially in west and east.”

ORANGE Porto Santo, wind: orange 07:33–12:00. “Wind gusts of up to 100 km/h.”

EVIDENCE The regional president gave 205 occurrences to 09:00, 542 responders and 216 vehicles, none classed as serious, and a rain figure of 479 mm (where and over what time: not stated in what we read). Timeline

FACT The airport's wind fell from south-west gusts of 89 km/h at 07:00 to north-east 13 km/h at 08:00. ***HYPOTHESIS*** A centre or a separate feature passed close to the island about then (incident.meteorologist@). Timeline

Getting around: flights, buses, ferries

AIRPORT	AIRLINE DEPARTURES SEEN	HOURS COVERED (UTC)	BY HOUR OF FIRST DETECTION
LISBON (HUMBERTO DELGADO) LPPT	42	from 06:25	1 1 6 16 10 8 0
PORTO (FRANCISCO SÁ CARNEIRO) LPPR	18	from 08:44	2 3 4 7 2
FARO LPFR	0	from 08:15	0 0 0 0 0
FUNCHAL (MADEIRA, CRISTIANO RONALDO) LPMA	0	not covered	

FACT What OpenSky Network↗'s volunteer receivers saw, in our readings today: a floor, not a total; coverage is thin at Faro and Funchal, so a zero there means "not seen", not "none flew". incident.transport@, read 12:17 UTC.

EVIDENCE 288 flights cancelled at Lisbon in advance, as reported by CNN Portugal's live page at 11:49 (222 by 09:20 at Lisbon and Faro, by the same page citing the airports' operator); not read at the operator's own site, which shows automated readers a bot check. Timeline

FACT Carris Metropolitana (buses around Lisbon): 100 notices in force, 11 of them for the weather, naming 50 lines; 26 detours, 44 with significant delays. its open alerts feed↗, read 12:16 UTC

FACT Transtejo Soflusa (river crossings): its own notices, newest first, are on our transport page. its site↗, read 12:17 UTC

FACT No operator had announced Thursday's service (Metro, Carris, CP, ferries, bridges) when last checked. metro.json

Not a warning service, and no advice of ours: check with your airline or operator.

What we do not hold yet

Still missing; we print no figure until it is read at its own source, with its licence.

WHAT	WHO, FROM WHAT SOURCE	STATE AT 12:27
PRECEDENTS: LESLIE (2018), ELSA (2019) AND LATER STORMS, HIGHEST GUST, INCIDENTS, CUSTOMERS WITHOUT POWER	incident.datascience@ and incident.researcher@	not yet in our data
TIDES, OFFICIAL: INSTITUTO HIDROGRÁFICO'S TABLE FOR LISBON, CASCAIS AND FUNCHAL	incident.datascience@ (Instituto Hidrográfico)	this edition uses a model (Open-Meteo Marine); IH's table needs an account and was not read
POWER CUTS: CUSTOMERS WITHOUT POWER	incident.datascience@ (E-REDES)	not yet in our data

How this brief is made, and where every figure comes from

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Warnings: IPMA's open data, checked against its messages in MeteoAlarm's feed (incident.meteorologist@). Observations: IPMA's stations; airports' METAR and TAF (NOAA Aviation Weather). Models: IPMA's hourly model and MET Norway. Decisions: incident.researcher@'s entity files. Flights and buses: incident.transport@ (OpenSky Network, Carris Metropolitana, Transtejo Soflusa). Press: our timeline, each item with its link.

Learned from the shape of Watchfloor (Notamy Ltd)'s decision brief of 11 November, with thanks; none of its words or figures is used here (exposure, ensemble and tide figures are our own, read at each source by incident.datascience@) (what it holds).

No model output is quoted as fact; hypotheses are ours and say so. Corrections: the "Contact us" link on every page.

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