



Is America #TornadoStrong?

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Many people don't prepare for tornadoes in advance. By the time they get an alert on their TV or phone, it may be too late.

Research conducted by the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH) indicates that Americans could be better informed about tornado safety and better prepared when a tornado strikes. A survey of residents in tornado-prone states in the U.S. reveals how much we really know about these storms and whether **we're #TornadoStrong.**

WAIT, TORNADO WATCH OR WARNING?

1/2 of people mistake a tornado watch as a tornado warning



**Tornado
Watch:
Be Prepared!**

Tornadoes are possible in and near your area.
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Be ready to act if a warning is issued or you think a tornado is approaching.



**Tornado
Warning:
Take Action!**

A tornado has been spotted in the area or picked up on radar.
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Move to a safe room or interior room on the lowest floor of a sturdy building. Avoid windows.

SEEKING SHELTER WHEN A TORNADO STRIKES






INSIDE HOME




- Get inside a certified shelter, FEMA safe room, basement or storm cellar.
- Go to a small, interior room on the lowest level.
- Stay away from windows, doors and outside walls.

OUTSIDE HOME

DO:

-  Get inside a sturdy building if possible.
-  Take cover in a low, flat area like a ditch or ravine.
-  In a car, get down and cover your head.

DON'T:

-  Go in a shed or storage facility.
-  Try to outrun a tornado in a car.
-  Get under an overpass or bridge.

NOT ALL SAFE PLACES ARE CREATED EQUAL

People may confuse a “safe room” with a “safe space” in their home like an interior room or closet.

SAFE SPACE

an interior room with no windows or a basement

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SAFE ROOM

a room built to withstand storms