

# Typhoon Phanfone

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Recently the Philippines experienced Typhoon Phanfone in December

## Key highlights

- Phanfone, known locally as Typhoon Ursula, first made landfall on Eastern Samar province, bringing heavy rain and storm surges.
- It was a relatively strong and deadly tropical cyclone
- It hit as the equivalent of a Category 1 hurricane, packing sustained wind speeds of 150 kilometres (93 miles) per hour, with gusts of 195 kilometres (121 miles) per hour.
- The twenty-ninth and final named storm of the 2019 Pacific typhoon season, the origins of Phanfone can be traced to an upper-level low which had formed near the Caroline Islands and gradually organized into a tropical depression on December 19.
- Phanfone struck close to regions hit by Typhoon Haiyan – the most powerful storm ever to make landfall – in 2013.