

Earthquake Mapping: Data parameters

Parameter 1: Magnitude

Magnitude measures the energy released at the source of the earthquake.

attribute: color

Parameter 2: Mmi: Modified Mercalli Intensity

Mmi measures the strength of shaking produced by the earthquake at a certain location.

attribute: shape

Magnitude	Typical Maximum Modified Mercalli Intensity
1.0 - 3.0	I
3.0 - 3.9	II - III
4.0 - 4.9	IV - V
5.0 - 5.9	VI - VII
6.0 - 6.9	VII - IX
7.0 and higher	VIII or higher

Scale comparison

Earthquake Mapping: Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale

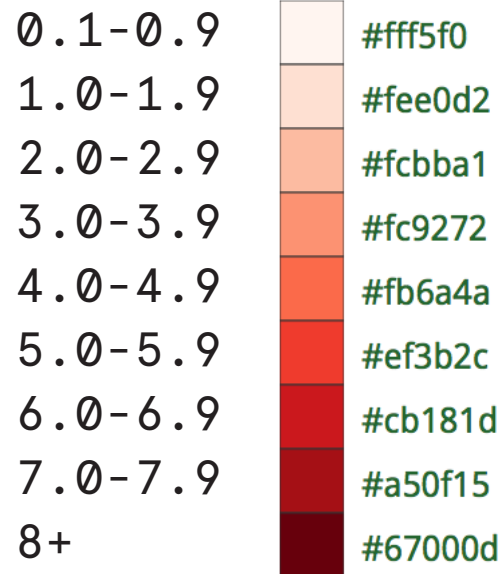
Abbreviated Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale

- I.** Not felt except by a very few under especially favorable conditions.
- II.** Felt only by a few persons at rest, especially on upper floors of buildings.
- III.** Felt quite noticeably by persons indoors, especially on upper floors of buildings. Many people do not recognize it as an earthquake. Standing motor cars may rock slightly. Vibrations similar to the passing of a truck. Duration estimated.
- IV.** Felt indoors by many, outdoors by few during the day. At night, some awakened. Dishes, windows, doors disturbed; walls make cracking sound. Sensation like heavy truck striking building. Standing motor cars rocked noticeably.
- V.** Felt by nearly everyone; many awakened. Some dishes, windows broken. Unstable objects overturned. Pendulum clocks may stop.

https://earthquake.usgs.gov/learn/topics/mag_vs_int.php

Visual Elements: Color and Ground

magnitude color scale:
stepped red



visual ground:
neutral gray

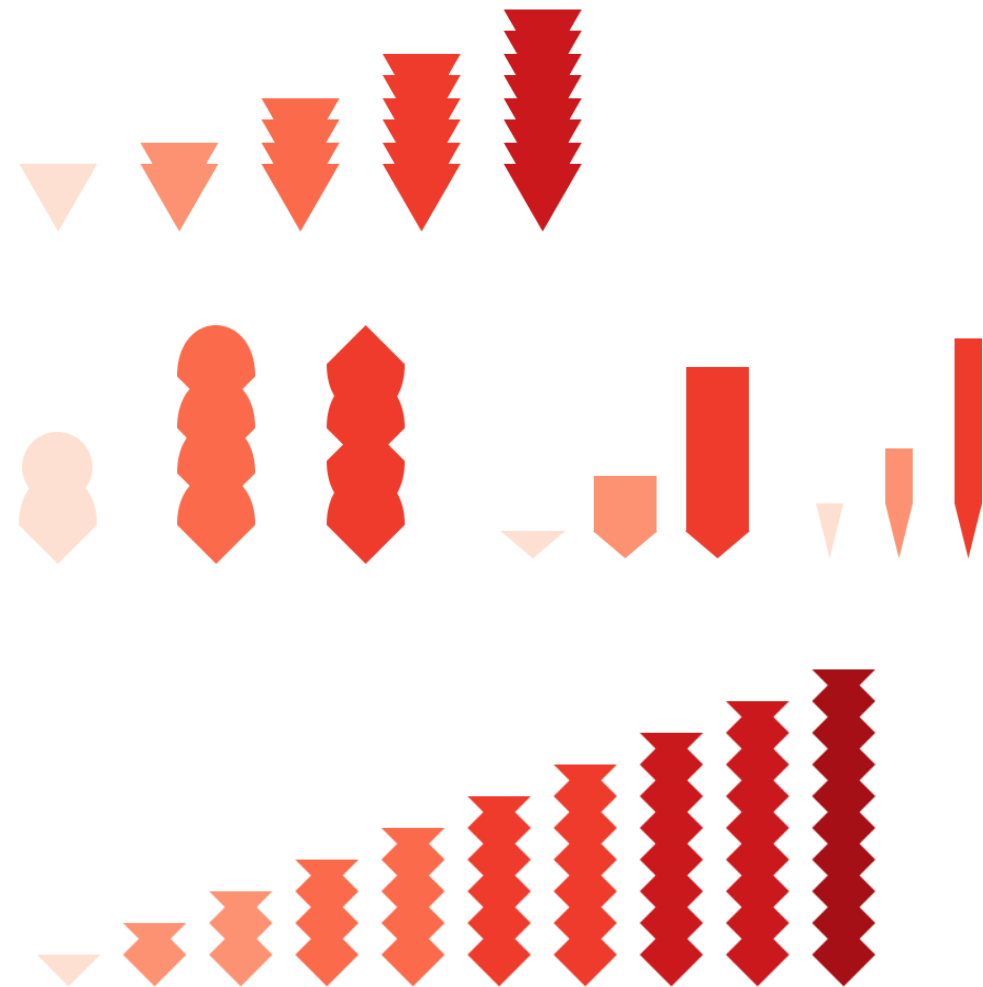


Visual Elements: Map icons

inspiration point:
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map icons:
sketches & alternatives



Visual Elements: UI

Time selection:
sketches & alternatives

Button elements: inactive, hover, active states



Slider/Scale elements

