La Palma Earthquakes

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Abstract

In September 2021, a significant jump in seismic activity on the island of La Palma (Canary Islands, Spain) signaled the start of a volcanic crisis that still continues at the time of writing. Earthquake data is continually collected and published by the Instituto Geográphico Nacional (IGN). …

## Introduction

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| Figure 1: Map of La Palma |

La Palma is one of the west most islands in the Volcanic Archipelago of the Canary Islands [Figure 1](#fig-map).

Table 1: Recent historic eruptions on La Palma

| Name | Year |
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| Current | 2021 |
| Teneguía | 1971 |
| Nambroque | 1949 |
| El Charco | 1712 |
| Volcán San Antonio | 1677 |
| Volcán San Martin | 1646 |
| Tajuya near El Paso | 1585 |
| Montaña Quemada | 1492 |

[Table 1](#tbl-history) summarises the eruptions recorded since the colonization of the islands by Europeans in the late 1400s.

The probability of a future eruption can be modeled by a Poisson distribution [Equation 1](#eq-poisson).

Where is the number of eruptions per year.

Studies of the magma systems feeding the volcano, such as Marrero et al. (2019) has proposed that there are two main magma reservoirs feeding the Cumbre Vieja volcano; one in the mantle (30-40km depth) which charges and in turn feeds a shallower crustal reservoir (10-20km depth).

## Data & Methods

## Conclusion

## References

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