

# Two dead after car hits pedestrians in German city of Trier

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Two people have been killed and several injured after a car drove into a pedestrian zone in the southwestern German city of Trier on Tuesday, police said, adding that the driver had been arrested.

“We have arrested one person and secured the car. According to initial information, two people are dead. Please continue to avoid the city centre,” Trier police tweeted. A few minutes later, an updated tweet read: “Several dead and injured in Trier’s inner city.”

Police spokesman Uwe Konz told AFP that it remained unclear what exactly happened, saying “the background (to the incident) still needs to be clarified”.

But Trier mayor Wolfram Leibe was quoted by regional broadcaster SWR as saying the driver had gone on “a rampage” that had caused at least two deaths and 15 injuries.

Shoppers were seen huddling outside stores festooned with Christmas decorations, while sirens could be heard in the distance.

According to [SWR \(South-west Broadcasting\)](#) says in their ‘ticker’ updates that the perpetrator was a 51-year-old man from the district of Trier-Saarburg. He has been arrested and a