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Two seriously injured as car crashes into barn roof in Germany

Vehicle veered off road in Bohmte, hit a boy on a trampoline then catapulted into the air, police say



The car in Bohmte, Germany, had collided with parked vehicle before hitting uneven ground and crashing into a barn roof 3 metres off the ground. Photograph: Torben Kipp/AP

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Police in northwestern **Germany** said on Sunday that several people were injured when a car veered off a road, hit a seven-year-old boy on a trampoline and crashed into a barn roof on its side.

Police said that the car first collided with a parked vehicle in the town of Bohmte, broke through a hedge and drove into a garden where it hit the boy.

The car then went over uneven ground and was apparently catapulted into the air and ended up crashing into the roof of a neighbouring barn about 3 metres (10ft) off the ground.

The boy was seriously injured, the police statement said.

The driver was an unidentified 42-year-old man, and his wife was also seriously injured. Their two sons, aged 11 and 12, and a 13-year-old passenger were also in the vehicle, sustaining minor injuries.

Dozens of firefighters and ambulances, as well as two rescue helicopters, were among the emergency services deployed in response to the accident.

Images from the scene showed rescuers cutting through the roof, and the wreckage of a playground that the car ran through. The vehicle had to be removed from the roof with a crane and was taken away by police. An investigation was under way.

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