

Two killed in helicopter crash on Barrier Reef pontoon in north Queensland, ATSB says



Photo: The helicopter pontoon at Hardy Reef, where a chopper crashed this afternoon. (cqplanespotting.blogspot.com.au - file image)

Two people have died after a helicopter crashed on a remote Barrier Reef pontoon off the Whitsunday islands in North Queensland, the Australian Transport Safety Bureau says.

Emergency services are still on their way to the scene.

The Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) sent a chopper to the pontoon, initially saying they were called to treat two people injured in the crash.

QAS said they received a call about the accident at 4:15pm.

The crash site is about 65 kilometres north-east of the Whitsundays.

The police boat Damien Leeding and other vessels are still en route to the site.

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