

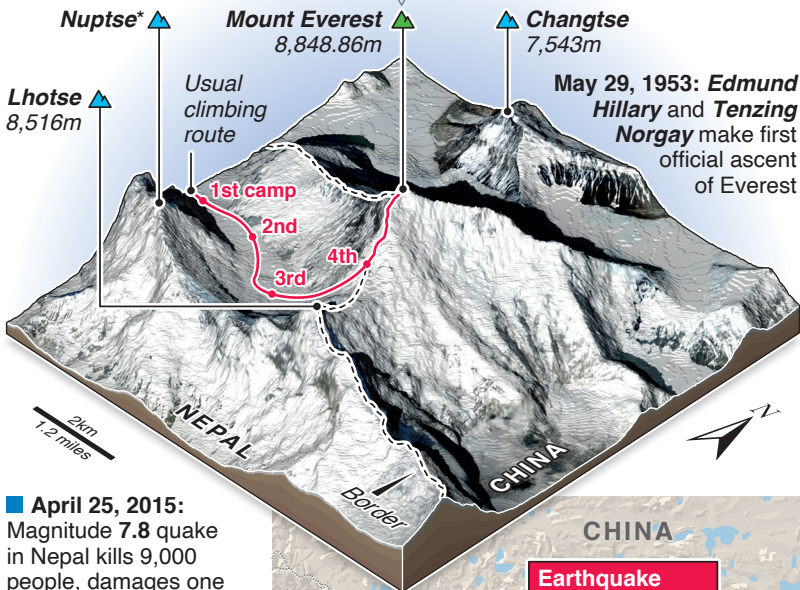
# Mount Everest just got a little bit bigger

After years of debate the world's highest mountain has been officially declared taller – adding 86cm to its previous height

■ **May 2019:** Nepalese surveyors climb Everest and install GPS and satellite equipment to measure peak and snow depth on summit

■ **May 2020:** Chinese survey team conducts measurements

■ **Dec 2020:** Nepal and China agree height of Everest is **8,848.86m** (29,031.69ft), **86cm** taller than previously accepted height of **8,848m** as determined by Indian survey in 1954



■ **April 25, 2015:** Magnitude 7.8 quake in Nepal kills 9,000 people, damages one million structures, and triggers avalanche on Everest that kills 19 climbers

**Theory that quake caused drop in height of Everest leads to calls for new survey**



\*Not ranked on list of highest mountains due to low topographic prominence (319m)

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