

Drowning Fact Sheet

Ethnicity - Maori



The following facts represent fatal drownings of Maori in New Zealand from 2006-2010.

All data is sourced from Water Safety New Zealand's DrownBase™.

Drownings by Ethnicity – Maori

Activity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
Recreational	15	18	7	18	8	66
Non-Recreational	4	7	12	6	4	33
Total	19	25	19	24	12	99

- 19% of total drowning victims are Maori.
- 89% of Maori victims are Male.
- 15% of Maori drownings involved Alcohol.
- 66% of Maori drowning deaths occurred whilst participating in a Recreational activity.
- Activity Breakdown
 - 32% Immersion Incident
 - 24% Water Sport / Recreation
 - 17% Boating
 - 16% Underwater Activities
 - 10% Land Based Fishing
 - 1% Occupational Related
- Environment Breakdown
 - 29% Beaches (eg. Surf, calm water beaches or rocky foreshores)
 - 27% Offshore (eg. 0-1, 1-5 or 5+ Km from Shore)
 - 22% Rivers (eg. Rivers, streams or creeks)
 - 8% Tidal Waters (eg. Estuary, harbour, river/harbour bar or marina)
 - 6% Inland Still Waters (eg. Lakes, ponds, drains or other waters)
 - 4% Public Pools (eg. Public, thermal, hotel/motel or institution pools)
 - 2% Domestic (eg. Baths or buckets)
 - 2% Home Pools (eg. Home, spa or portable pools)
- Age Group Breakdown
 - 11% 00-04 years of age
 - 7% 05-14
 - 12% 15-24
 - 11% 25-34
 - 15% 35-44
 - 21% 45-54
 - 15% 55-64
 - 8% 65+

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