

Drowning Fact Sheet

Ethnicity - Pacific Peoples



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

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

Drownings by Ethnicity – Pacific People

Activity	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
Recreational	-	9	8	4	7	28
Non-Recreational	2	2	1	2	1	8
Total	2	11	9	6	8	36

- 7% of total drowning victims are Pacific Peoples.
- 86% of Pacific victims are Male.
- 17% of Pacific drownings involved Alcohol.
- 72% of Pacific drownings occurred whilst participating in a Recreational activity.
- Activity Breakdown
 - 36% Water Sport / Recreation
 - 28% Land Based Fishing
 - 22% Immersion Incident
 - 14% Boating
- Environment Breakdown
 - 31% Tidal Waters (eg. Estuary, harbour, river/harbour bar or marina)
 - 25% Beaches (eg. Surf, calm water beaches or rocky foreshores)
 - 17% Rivers (eg. Rivers, streams or creeks)
 - 14% Offshore (eg. 0-1, 1-5 or 5+ Km from Shore)
 - 7% Inland Still Waters (eg. Lakes, ponds, drains or other waters)
 - 6% Home Pools (eg. Home, spa or portable pools)
 - 0% Domestic (eg. Baths or buckets)
- Age Group Breakdown
 - 6% 00-04 years of age
 - 3% 05-14
 - 28% 15-24
 - 22% 25-34
 - 25% 35-44
 - 8% 45-54
 - 8% 55-64
 - 0% 65+

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